

## **Budget October 2022-23**

This information is accurate as of 25 October 2022.

## Administration of COVID-19 and Emergency Payments

This measure will enable Services Australia to deliver better outcomes for people affected by emergencies across Australia. This includes rural and regional areas.

It will:

- ensure timely support for current emergencies
- allow Services Australia to plan, manage, and respond to emergency events across the remainder of 2022-23.

This includes an additional enduring response capability of 850 staff. This will secure the ability to provide support to communities affected by emergencies such as natural disasters, wherever and whenever it's needed.

It also provides funding for the ongoing provision of digital customer services and on-theground mobile customer support.

Services Australia has been allocated up to \$588.4 million in 2022-23.

This measure is not subject to the passage of legislation

## Who does this measure affect?

This affects people who are impacted by emergencies such as declared natural disaster events, across Australia.

## When will this start and finish?

This measure will start in 2022-23 and will be ongoing.