

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY
QUESTION NUMBER: 1184 [NW1489E]**

1184. Mr G G Hill-Lewis (DA) to ask the Minister of Finance:

What amount of funding did the National Treasury allocate to each province to support their responses to Covid-19?

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REPLY:

An initial payment to support provinces in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic was made at the end of the 2019/20 financial year (before the full magnitude of the pandemic and its impacts was known). Details of further allocations and reprioritisations for the COVID-19 response in the 2020/21 financial year will be published when the Minister of Finance tables a supplementary adjustment budget on 24 June 2020.

On 25 March 2020, National Treasury approved the release of the amounts shown in Table 1 to provinces from the 2019/20 allocation for the Provincial Disaster Relief Grant. These funds were transferred to provinces by the National Disaster Management Centre to fund the initial costs of purchasing additional personal protective equipment and other medical equipment needed by provincial health departments to respond to the pandemic.

Table 1: Provincial Disaster Relief Grant allocations, 2019/20

R'000	2019/20 allocations
Eastern Cape	44 551
Free State	12 429
Gauteng	115 996
KwaZulu-Natal	138 918
Limpopo	42 449
Mpumalanga	33 993
Northern Cape	6 224
North West	18 540
Western Cape	53 292
Total	466 392