

RTI – SAN767 (13 July 2017)

Question 1 – The number of SPER debtors

The following total number of individual debtors as at the end of each financial year (EOFY):

Financial Year (EOFY)	No. Debtors
2015 – 2016	741,000
2016 – 2017	776,000

Question 2 – The amount owed by SPER debtors as at the end of each financial year (EOFY):

Financial Year (EOFY)	Value Outstanding
2015 – 2016	\$1,153,000,000
2016 – 2017	\$1,195,000,000

Question 3 – A breakdown of the types of fines and how much owing for each type of fine

- Offence Type by Volume and Value as at 30 June 2016:

Offence Type	Number Debts	Value Outstanding
Tolling	1,271,000	\$248,000,000
Speeding	605,000	\$159,000,000
Driving	518,000	\$154,000,000
Parking	405,000	\$49,000,000
Vehicle	330,000	\$102,000,000
Fare Evasion	147,000	\$35,000,000
Fail to Vote	122,000	\$19,000,000
Stealing	89,000	\$38,000,000
Drug	89,000	\$28,000,000
VAQ	6,000	\$102,000,000
Other	579,000	\$219,000,000

- Offence Type by Volume and Value as at 30 June 2017:

Offence Type	Number Debts	Value Outstanding
Tolling	1,155,000	\$223,000,000
Speeding	636,000	\$172,000,000
Driving	523,000	\$158,000,000
Parking	439,000	\$56,000,000
Vehicle	344,000	\$109,000,000
Fare Evasion	159,000	\$39,000,000
Fail to Vote	138,000	\$22,000,000
Stealing	98,000	\$41,000,000
Drug	100,000	\$32,000,000
VAQ	7,000	\$100,000,000
Other	626,000	\$243,000,000

Question 4 - Actions and/or proposals of actions taken to retrieve the money

SPER can take one or more of the following enforcement actions to recover debts:

- suspend driver licence
- direct an employer or financial institution to deduct funds from the debtors pay or bank account
- register an interest over property
- immobilise vehicle
- seize and sell property
- issue a warrant for arrest and imprisonment

Question 5 - What, if any, increase in the penalty has occurred and if so, what was it.

Queries regarding legislated penalties must be directed to the relevant issuing authority (issuing the original infringements). The value of a penalty unit is prescribed under the Penalties and Sentences Regulation 2015.

Question 6 - The amount written off as a bad debt and reasons why

During the 2015-16 financial year, \$6 million was written off. For the 2016-17 financial year just under \$4.9 million was written off.

Financial Year (EOFY)	Value Written Off
2015 – 2016	\$6,007,000
2016 – 2017	\$4,896,000

The categories that these debts were written off are as follows:

Category	2015 – 2016 \$	2016 – 2017 \$
Deceased Individual	\$3,060,000	\$802,000
Deregistered Company	\$2,167,000	\$3,595,000
Good Behaviour Order	\$18,000	\$74,000
Impaired Decision Making	\$730,000	\$401,000
Insufficient Information	\$1,000	\$18,000
Uneconomical to recover	\$31,000	\$6,000
Total	\$6,007,000	\$4,896,000

Question 7 – Top 10 ‘serial’ debtors, how many times they have had fines registered by SPER, the nature of fines, how much they owe and their postcodes

**Note – information regarding debtor postcodes is unable to be provided as per the State Penalties Enforcement Act 1999 (s152(G)) which prohibits the disclosure of personal confidential information that may identify or is likely to identify a person or discloses matters about a person’s affairs.*

The combined statistics for the top 10 Debtors as at 30 June 2017 by value (amount owed).

Debt Type	Number of Debts	Total Amount Outstanding	Number of Debtors (per Debt Type)
False and Misleading Conduct	14	\$1,979,505.55	9
Fraud	3	\$624,623.73	2
Speeding	565	\$622,294.25	3
Environmental Damage	1	\$583,109.55	1
Tolling	1,449	\$346,425.65	1
Parking	184	\$32,001.25	2
Driving	26	\$31,960.80	3
Vehicle	15	\$10,642.60	1
Other	6	\$4,745.90	5
Total	2,263	\$4,235,309.28	10

Related postcodes include:

Postcode
3004
4165
4209
4218
4511
5290
6848

n.b. Two debtors are in the same postcode and two debtors located overseas

The combined statistics for the top 10 Debtors as at 30 June 2017 by volume (number of debts).

Debt Type	Number of Debts	Total Amount Outstanding	Number of Debtors (per Debt Type)
Tolling	5,775	\$1,568,203.80	9
Speeding	915	\$803,263.95	10
Parking	401	\$82,868.80	9
Vehicle	169	\$98,102.65	9
Driving	58	\$56,515.15	10
Littering	9	\$7,684.55	9
False and misleading conduct	2	\$724.00	2
Contravention of Police order	2	\$464.80	2
Animal offence	1	\$735.35	1
Liquor related offence	1	\$205.45	1
Total	7,333	\$2,618,768.50	10

Related postcodes include:

Postcode
3004
4012
4108
4124
4174
4209
4210
4211
4212
4516