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Department: **Benefits**  
Title: **Test and Trace Support Payments**  
Description: **Test and Trace Support Payments**

**Request: (As Redacted sent by requestor)**

- The total number of Test and Trace Support Payments that have been paid to individuals since the policy was introduced (28 September 2020).
- The percentage of Test and Trace Support Payment requests that have been denied since the policy was introduced (28 September 2020).
- The total financial outlay from Test and Trace Support Payments since the policy was introduced (28 September 2020).
- The total budget allocated for Test and Trace Support Payments from the Government.

**Response: (Response as Redacted sent by service)**

- The total number of Test and Trace Support Payments that have been paid to individuals since the policy was introduced (28 September 2020).
  - 152
- The percentage of Test and Trace Support Payment requests that have been denied since the policy was introduced (28 September 2020).
  - 75%
- The total financial outlay from Test and Trace Support Payments since the policy was introduced (28 September 2020).
  - £76,000
- The total budget allocated for Test and Trace Support Payments from the Government.
  - Initial budget is as follows:
    - Main Scheme funding - £37,500
    - Discretionary funding: - £22,794.61
  - Additional Budget:

- Discretionary funding - £14,705.39
- Additional Herts Funding
  - Discretionary scheme - £143,000

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Thank you for your request.

Kind regards  
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