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AE20-068 - Drivers Licence Photos

Senator Nick McKim asked:

Senator McKIM: Do you have timetables or expectations for the other states?

Mr Grigson: I can give you that on notice, Senator. I don't have it here.

Senator McKIM: And do you have the dates on which those three states transferred

their photos?

Mr Grigson: I don't have it with me, but I can give it to you on notice.

Answer:

Tasmania (December 2018), Victoria (August 2019), and South Australia (December 2019) have uploaded data to the National Driver Licence Facial Recognition Solution. Queensland is due to upload data next, with the remaining states and territories to follow over the next 18 months.

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Senator Nick McKim asked:

Senator McKIM: I'll just ask this in relation to Tasmania: were they transferred as one

batch or were there a number of separate transfers?

Mr Grigson: I'd have to check.

Senator McKIM: You'll take that on notice?

Mr Grigson: Yes, I can do that.

Answer:

Tasmanian data was provided in a single data upload.

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Senator Nick McKim asked:

Senator McKIM: And how many drivers licence photos do you have currently?

Mr Grigson: I'd have to take that on notice.

Senator McKIM: There were 410,000 from Tasmania, were there not? Mr Grigson: That sounds about right. We'll get you the exact number.

Answer:

As at 18 March 2020, the National Driver Licence Facial Recognition Solution holds the following number of driver licences:

Tasmania 430,113 South Australia 1,310,352 Victoria 5,190,44