

Question on Notice
No. 280
Asked on Wednesday, 20 March 2024

MR S BENNETT ASKED MINISTER FOR ENERGY AND CLEAN ECONOMY JOBS
(HON M DE BRENNI)

With reference to the Climate Smart Energy Savers Rebate Scheme—

Will the Minister provide (a) details of how many applications across the state were rejected and list the reasons why they were rejected and (b) a breakdown of the rejected applications per region?

ANSWER

The Climate Smart Energy Savers (CSES) program paid 72,731 rebates for energy efficient appliances.

The Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA) administered the program under the Rural and Regional Adjustment (Climate Smart Energy Saver Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2023 (the Amendment Regulation).

The Amendment Regulation, which can be accessed at <https://www.legislation.qld.gov.au/view/pdf/asmade/sl-2023-0119>, includes details of eligibility criteria [Part 2 (6) – page 6], conditions of assistance [Part 2 (7) – page 8] and information regarding applications [Part 2 (8) – page 9] and deciding applications [Part 2 (9) – page 10].

Administering the program required a range of measures to ensure funding was administered within the bounds of the scheme and to mitigate the risk of fraudulent behaviour or misuse of funds.

The standard geographic area used in QRIDA reporting is Local Government Area (LGA). The following table provides the LGA breakdown of the 14,057 declined applications.

LGA	Number of declined applications at program close¹
BALONNE	7
BANANA	19
BRISBANE	3707
BUNDABERG	362
BURDEKIN	47
CAIRNS	529
CASSOWARY COAST	58
CENTRAL HIGHLANDS	39
CHARTERS TOWERS	22
CLONCURRY	3
COOK	3
DOUGLAS	24
FLINDERS	4

LGA	Number of declined applications at program close¹
FRASER COAST	407
GLADSTONE	146
GOLD COAST	1695
GOONDIWINDI	13
GYMPIE	126
HINCHINBROOK	22
IPSWICH	610
ISAAC	26
LIVINGSTONE	103
LOCKYER VALLEY	83
LOGAN	907
LONGREACH	4
MACKAY	368
MARANOA	19
MAREEBA	52
MORETON BAY	1255
MOUNT ISA	13
MURWEH	2
NOOSA	139
NORTH BURNETT	20
QUILPIE	1
REDLAND	445
ROCKHAMPTON	197
SCENIC RIM	81
SOMERSET	47
SOUTH BURNETT	86
SOUTHERN DOWNS	87
SUNSHINE COAST	1042
TABLELANDS	88
TOOWOOMBA	364
TOWNSVILLE	616
WEIPA	4
WESTERN DOWNS	62
WHITSUNDAY	91
WINTON	1
WOORABINDA	2
<i>OUTSIDE QUEENSLAND</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>UNKNOWN LGA</i>	<i>1</i>

Note 1: All figures are based on QRIDA portal data exports as at 22 March 2024. There may be some minor discrepancies or differences between these figures and other reported figures due to data adjustments or corrections that may occur over time within the CSES databases (over 93,000 records).