

List of abbreviations

CDG	Care Dependency Grant
CSG	Child Support Grant
DG	Disability Grant
FCG	Foster Child Grant
OAG	Old Age Grant

Glossary

Cape Metropolitan area – For purposes of this report it refers to the magisterial districts of Mitchell's Plain and Goodwood.

Children – Based on the official definition, persons aged 0 to 17 years.

Karoo districts – The magisterial districts of Beaufort West, Murraysburg, Prince Albert and Laingsburg.

Mean – The arithmetic mean or average.

Median – The median is the 50th percentile, since 50% of cases have values less than the median, and 50% have values greater than the median.

Metro (also metropolitan) – See Cape Metropolitan area.

Non-metro – For purposes of this report it refers to all magisterial districts included in the sample, except Mitchell's Plain and Goodwood.

Private maintenance – Money/financial support received from parents not living with children.

Percentile – Percentiles tell you the percentage of cases with values below and above them. For example, 25% of cases have values smaller than the 25th percentile, and 75% of cases have values larger than the 25th percentile.

Quartiles – Together the 25th, 50th and 75th percentiles are known as quartiles, since they split the sample into four groups with roughly equal numbers of cases.

Teenage – Person aged 12 to 17 years (see also children).