

Question on notice no. 390

Portfolio question number: SQ23-004943

2023-24 Supplementary Budget estimates

**Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee, Infrastructure,
Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts Portfolio**

Senator Malcolm Roberts: asked the Civil Aviation Safety Authority on 3 November 2023—

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- b. Thrombosis with thrombocytopenia syndrome;
- c. immune (idiopathic) thrombocytopenic purpura;
- d. Capillary leak syndrome;
- e. Guillain-Barre syndrome;
- f. any cardiac related conditions or injuries;
- g. any immune related conditions or injuries.

2. Please provide the number of matches for those conditions found in the MRS acknowledging that this will not be an accurate reflection of their prevalence.

Answer —

Please find answer attached

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Division/Agency Name: Agency - Civil Aviation Safety Authority

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Topic: CASA - Medical Records System

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Answer:

As noted in Civil Aviation Safety Authority's (CASA) response to Committee Question Number 149 (SQ23-003393) from the 2022-23 Supplementary Budget Estimates hearing, CASA's medical records system does not capture information on these specific conditions or diseases in a way that enables the data to be accurately reported without manual review of clinical notes for many thousands of assessments.

Providing the information requested would require a review and collation of free-text information from tens of thousands of records and would be an unreasonable diversion of resources.