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Question No: AET 193 - 198

Topic: Fuel tax credits – agricultural entities

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Senator Nash asked:

193. Total number of agricultural entities who receive reimbursement under the Fuel Tax Credit for diesel in each of the last five years?
194. The lowest volume (by litre) of diesel claimed by an agricultural entity?
195. The highest volume (by litre) of diesel claimed by an agricultural entity?
196. The lowest amount paid in each of the last five years to an agricultural entity?
197. The highest amount paid in each of the last five years to an agricultural entity?
198. Total amount paid in diesel Fuel Tax Credits in each of the last five years to agricultural entities?

Answer:

193. The total number of agricultural entities who received reimbursement under the fuel tax credit scheme in each of the last five years is provided below:

Year	Number of agricultural entities who received a fuel tax credit
2006-07	263,285
2007-08	292,940
2008-09	307,995
2009-10	306,895
2010-11	306,105

Data on fuel tax credits by fuel type is not available, but it is considered that most of the fuel used in the agriculture industry is diesel.

194. The ATO does not have data on the litres of fuel/diesel in respect of which a fuel tax credit has been claimed.
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196. The average of the lowest five claims for a fuel tax credit for claimants in the agricultural industry over the last five years are provided below:

Year	Average value of lowest five claims (\$)
2006-07	1
2007-08	2
2008-09	2
2009-10	1
2010-11	2

Please note: averages have been used to prevent the identification of individual taxpayer's specific details.

197. The average of the top five claims for a fuel tax credit for claimants in the agricultural industry over the last five years are provided below:

Year	Average value of top five claims (\$ 000)
2006-07	2,297
2007-08	2,157
2008-09	1,900
2009-10	1,729
2010-11	2,765

Please note: averages have been used to prevent the identification of individual taxpayer's specific details.

198. The total amount of fuel tax credits paid to agricultural entities over the last five years is provided below:

Year	Value of fuel tax credits paid to agricultural entities (\$ 000)
2006-07	599,249
2007-08	632,070
2008-09	631,488
2009-10	623,543
2010-11	645,556

Fuel tax credit amounts are not available by fuel type but it is considered that most of the fuel used in the agriculture industry is diesel.