

**Differential Fare Reimbursement paid to Franchised Bus  
and Green Minibus Operators under the \$2 Scheme**

	2018-19 (thousand dollars)	2019-20 (thousand dollars)	2020-21 (thousand dollars)	2021-22 <i>(Note 1)</i> (thousand dollars)	2022-23 <i>(Note 1)</i> (thousand dollars)
Franchised Bus Operators <i>(Note 2)</i>	515,349	541,167	408,013	576,020	1,187,781
Green Minibus Operators	348,292	362,551	314,917	407,401	564,345

Note 1 : The \$2 Scheme has been extended to cover people aged 60-64 since 27 February 2022.

Note 2 : Except for New Lantao Bus Company (1973) Limited, there is usually a time lag of two months for the Government to settle reimbursements to franchised bus operators for their fare differentials. For instance, the expenditure incurred in 2018-19 represents the fare differentials reimbursed by the Government from February 2018 to January 2019 (except for New Lantao Bus Company (1973) Limited).