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Dear Joe Simpson

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Thank you for your request, which was received on 7 November, for the following information:

“Can you tell me the number of payments made in each of the following years that were as a result of recognition of official error in the payment of child benefit.

2019
2020
2021”

The totals for the years requested are:

April 2019 to March 2020 a total of 2464 official errors were raised totalling £841,172.06
April 2020 to March 2021 a total of 2016 official errors were raised totalling £759,287.75.
April 2021 to March 2022 a total of 1275 official errors were raised totalling £450,740.71.

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Yours sincerely,

HM Revenue and Customs