

Estimates Committee 2008
Questions Taken On Notice

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Subject: Departmental Vehicles - Private Use

From: Mr Terry Mills MLA to Hon Delia Lawrie MLA
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport

Question: **2-11**
Apart from Executive Contract Officers, how many staff are able to home
garage their vehicle or have some other measure of private use?

Answer:
Answered On: 25/06/2008

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

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Mr Terry Mills, Leader of the Opposition to the Minister for Planning and Lands

Home Garaging of non Executive Contract Officer Vehicles

2.11 *Apart from executive contract officers, how many other staff are able to have either home garaging for their vehicle or some factor of private use?*

ANSWER

As reported by NT Fleet as at 29 May 2008, the Department of Planning and Infrastructure (DPI) had 192 vehicles that were not allocated to executive contract officers. 64 of these vehicles were within the main Planning and Infrastructure body politic, 124 were held by Construction Division and 4 by Darwin Bus Services. Buses are not included.

DPI has a Vehicle Management policy that clearly stipulates conditions for home garaging and private use.

Section 3 of that policy states that officers are able to apply for home garaging approval for NT Government plated vehicles 'where there is a requirement to conduct departmental activities outside normal working hours'. Vehicles in this category are not available for general private use, however are able to be driven directly between work and home. This policy is applicable to 168 vehicles across the agency.

Section 4 of the policy allows for non-contract officers at the EO1 level and above to be allocated vehicles with private number plates at the discretion of the Chief Executive Officer. Officers at this level who are allocated a vehicle with private number plates are able to home garage their vehicle and use it for reasonable private use subject to a number of conditions which are set out in the policy. There is 24 vehicles in this category across the agency.

In circumstances where the agency is not able to provide secure overnight parking for departmental vehicles home garaging may be approved.

	ECO Level		Other Staff		TOTAL
	Private Plated	NTG Plated	Private Plated	NTG Plated	
Planning & Infrastructure	26	1	16	48	91
Construction Division	7	3	8	116	134
Darwin Bus Services	0	0	0	4	4
TOTAL	33	4	24	168	229