

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Lambley to the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice:

People on The Banned Drinkers Register

1. How many people are currently on the BDR in Darwin, Alice Springs, Tennant Creek and Katherine, as of the 1st May 2018?
 2. How many people were on the BDR in Darwin, Alice Springs, Tennant Creek and Katherine, as of the 1st April 2018?
 3. How many people were on the BDR in Darwin, Alice Springs, Tennant Creek and Katherine, as of the 1st March 2018?
 4. How many people were on the BDR in Darwin, Alice Springs, Tennant Creek and Katherine, as of the 1st February 2018?
 5. How many people were on the BDR in Darwin, Alice Springs, Tennant Creek and Katherine, as of the 1st January 2018?
 6. How many people were on the BDR in Darwin, Alice Springs, Tennant Creek and Katherine, as of the 1st December 2017?
 7. How many people were on the BDR in Darwin, Alice Springs, Tennant Creek and Katherine, as of the 1st November 2017?
 8. How many people were on the BDR in Darwin, Alice Springs, Tennant Creek and Katherine, as of the 1st October 2017?
 9. How many people were on the BDR in Darwin, Alice Springs, Tennant Creek and Katherine, as of the 1st September 2017, when it commenced?
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Answer:

Address information for individuals, including banned drinkers, is recorded in the Integrated Justice Information System (IJIS) at different times by different business processes, for different purposes. Address fields are recorded as free text and not linked to standardised geographical localities. The format is not designed for standardised reporting or analysis.

Some individuals on the Banned Drinker Register have multiple addresses in various NT cities, towns and communities. This does not impact on the screening functionality of the Banned Drinker Register, as the check is only against the first name, last name and date of birth, not the address.

Therefore, the quality of reporting by addresses is poor and cannot be relied upon to indicate the person's usual residence or temporary location.

Alternative methods have been provided to respond to this written question by demonstrating the number of people on the BDR by NT regions, using the pathway of entry onto the BDR. Most of the BDR pathways can be reliably and usefully interpreted by region and are reported below. Data quality notes are explained beneath the tables.

This has been a time-intensive process and improvements will be considered within the BDR evaluation process.

Persons on the Banned Drinker Register by Event Location (selected types of events)

Alcohol-related Apprehensions

Offence location	1/09/2017	30/09/2017	31/10/2017	30/11/2017	31/12/2017	31/01/2018	28/02/2018	31/03/2018	30/04/2018	31/05/2018
Darwin	1	52	100	167	169	182	197	196	203	213
Palmerston	1	18	32	40	53	54	61	64	68	71
Alice Springs	4	63	133	192	225	230	253	270	290	303
Katherine	1	35	56	83	87	82	95	105	120	116
Tennant Creek	1	35	71	91	93	92	115	105	113	105
Nhulunbuy	1	4	7	11	16	13	14	15	17	22
NT Balance	2	58	113	154	155	173	168	148	165	172
Unknown	0	6	11	19	19	32	36	29	22	31
Grand Total	11	271	523	757	817	858	939	932	998	1033

Alcohol-related Infringements

Offence location	1/09/2017	30/09/2017	31/10/2017	30/11/2017	31/12/2017	31/01/2018	28/02/2018	31/03/2018	30/04/2018	31/05/2018
Darwin	0	4	8	23	19	34	33	43	45	39
Palmerston	0	1	3	24	34	39	47	46	44	52
Alice Springs	0	0	0	1	4	3	5	4	7	5
Katherine	0	1	2	4	8	8	12	12	9	12
Tennant Creek	0	1	0	0	0	1	3	2	3	6
NT Balance	0	0	0	1	1	2	4	7	9	8
Grand Total	0	7	13	53	66	87	104	114	117	122

**Protective Custody
Episodes**

Pick-up location	1/09/2017	30/09/2017	31/10/2017	30/11/2017	31/12/2017	31/01/2018	28/02/2018	31/03/2018	30/04/2018	31/05/2018
Darwin	2	40	90	144	220	255	295	312	333	352
Palmerston	0	5	14	22	31	37	35	42	47	43
Alice Springs	0	34	93	145	214	267	237	200	227	256
Katherine	0	6	15	25	48	58	66	74	78	90
Tennant Creek	0	3	5	6	10	13	24	22	24	24
NT Balance	0	0	0	2	5	6	3	2	2	2
Unknown	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	4	6	6
Grand Total	2	88	217	344	530	638	662	656	717	773

Court Orders

Court Venue	1/09/2017	30/09/2017	31/10/2017	30/11/2017	31/12/2017	31/01/2018	28/02/2018	31/03/2018	30/04/2018	31/05/2018
Darwin	118	149	186	199	229	245	264	317	332	354
Alice Springs	110	151	184	208	242	258	271	279	275	286
Katherine	82	114	133	143	146	158	143	129	130	139
Tennant Creek	31	34	41	49	41	36	34	47	48	56
Nhulunbuy	5	5	8	9	14	14	14	13	17	18
NT Balance	73	74	73	74	76	83	91	87	83	83
Grand Total	419	527	625	682	748	794	817	872	885	936

BDR Registrar bans

Address region	1/09/2017	30/09/2017	31/10/2017	30/11/2017	31/12/2017	31/01/2018	28/02/2018	31/03/2018	30/04/2018	31/05/2018
Darwin	0	7	9	10	17	19	23	23	28	27
Palmerston	0	3	3	3	5	5	6	8	9	8
Alice Springs	0	9	19	24	28	30	37	43	44	46
Katherine	0	0	3	5	4	6	6	7	8	9
Tennant Creek	0	0	1	6	6	9	14	24	28	42
Nhulunbuy	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
NT Balance	0	6	7	12	14	20	28	30	32	41
Unknown	3	3	2	3	2	2	1	1	3	3
Interstate	0	0	2	1	0	2	2	2	2	2
Grand Total	3	28	46	64	76	94	118	139	155	179

Explanatory Notes:

- Persons on the BDR by event region should not be summed across different event types.
- Certain events are more restricted in location than others (e.g. protective custody bans and court bans will cluster in the main centres, while apprehension bans will have more in the NT Balance).
- Event location, other than for the BDR Registrar bans, should not be considered as indicative of where a person resides or comes from. A person temporarily resident in one area may commit an offence in a second area and then appear in court in one of the main centres, and none of these locations may coincide with where the person has been living or will live in the future.
- Total numbers may vary slightly from previously reported numbers as data is extracted and cleansed for each report. This reflects changes and cancellations to an individual's bans.