

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Burgoyne to the Minister for Territory Families:

Youth Detention Workers on Stress Leave

1. How many staff at Don Dale and Alice Springs Detention Centres undertook stress leave in the 2021/22 financial year? Please provide a breakdown by location.

ANSWER:

The Department is unable to accurately identify how many staff took leave for a specific medical reason, such as stress, as medical conditions or reasons for an employee taking personal leave are confidential and do not have to be shared with the employer.

2. How many staff at Don Dale and Alice Springs Detention Centres undertook light duties in the 2021/22 financial year? Please provide a breakdown by location.

ANSWER:

In the 2021/22 financial year, a total of 26 staff undertook light duties as a result of work-related injuries within the Northern Territory youth detention centres. This includes 21 staff at Don Dale Youth Detention Centre and five staff at the Alice Springs Youth Detention Centre.

3. How many staff at Don Dale and Alice Springs Detention Centres made workers compensation claims in the 2021/22 financial year? Please provide a breakdown by location.

ANSWER:

In the 2021/22 financial year, 33 staff submitted workers compensation claims within the Northern Territory detention centres.

- 27 were from Don Dale Youth Detention Centre; and
- six from the Alice Springs Youth Detention Centre.

4. How many workers compensation claims were successful, and what was the value of those claims? Please provide a breakdown by location.

ANSWER:

Of the 33 workers compensation claims submitted, 31 claims were accepted.

- 25 from the Don Dale Youth Detention Centre with a dollar value of \$685,270.30; and
- six from the Alice Springs Youth Detention Centre with a dollar value of \$51,826.02.