

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Guyula to the Minister for Education:

Education Funding

1. In [Written Question 334](#) (2018) it was stated that Commonwealth Government funding is "...pooled with NT Government funding for distribution through the school resourcing package". For 2022 (or the most recent year the data is available) please provide:
 - a. The total amount of the School Resourcing Package (SRP).
 - b. All Commonwealth grants and their contribution to the SRP.
 - c. All NT Government grants and their contribution to the SRP.
 - d. A list of budget areas which the SRP funds (for example School Resourcing Model (SRM), Corporate and Governance etc).
 - e. For each year from 2015-2021, please provide the total percentage of the overall funding for education that the NT Government retained for administrative purposes.
2. The 2021/2022 budget for Education was \$1.178 billion¹ please provide:
 - a. The total amount of this budget which **was not** allocated to independent schools or government schools via the SRM.
 - b. The list of agency programs and/or units/teams located in each business division that are funded from the portion of the education budget identified in question 3(a).
3. For 2021/2022, from the portion of the education budget that is identified in question 3(a) please advise:
 - a. The number of FTE service-based staff employed.
 - b. The number of FTE non-service-based staff employed.
4. For 2021/2022 (or for the most recent year the data is available) for each agency program and/or units/team identified in question 4, please provide:
 - a. The number of FTE staff employed in Darwin.
 - b. The number of FTE staff employed in Alice Springs.
 - c. The number of FTE staff employed in regional centres and where these positions are based.

¹ 2022 NT Budget Paper 3, page 147

- d. The number of FTE staff employed in remote communities and where these positions are based.
5. In 2017, the NT Department of Education stated its intent “to fix the base rate and indexation per student for four years”. For each year from 2017-2023 please provide:
- a. The base rate and the rate of indexation for all levels of schooling.
 - b. The student needs based equity loadings and the rate of indexation.
 - c. The impact on SRM envelope as a result of changes to indexation and/or changes to the base rate and equity loadings.
 - d. When the base rate, equity loadings and indexation are scheduled to be reviewed.