

# ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

## Question Taken on Notice

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**To:** Hon Selena Uibo

**Portfolio:** Public Employment

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**Subject:** Employees subjected to assault or criminal behaviour

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### QUESTION:

How many NTPS employees were subjected to an assault or had been subjected to criminal behaviour whilst performing their work activities for the reporting period? Could I have that broken down by agency?

### ANSWER:

The NTPS does not collect data on criminal behaviours reported to Police.

Information pertaining to employees who were subjected to an assault is not recorded centrally as Agency Chief Executive Officers as 'persons conducting business or undertaking' (PCBU) as defined under the *Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2011*, and are responsible for work health and safety matters within their agencies.

Incidences that include allegations of assault are recorded in agency workplace safety incident management systems and are recorded in workers compensation claims.

In order to continue to support the encouragement of workplace safety incident reports from NTPS employees it is important to distinguish data from these reports and other data of what constitutes persons 'subject to assault'. It is not appropriate to share data from workplace safety incident reports in the context of persons being 'subject to assault' if the information is misconstrued to mean persons subject to assault under the Criminal Code.

OCPE has been requested to develop mechanisms across the NTPS to more accurately identify the total number and agency breakdown of assault in the context of assault under the Criminal Code.