

Estimates Committee 2015
Questions Taken On Notice

(26/05/2015 to 4/06/2015)

Date: 03/06/2015 Output: Agency Related
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Subject: General Duties Vans per Shift per area.

From: Mr Michael Gunner to Hon Peter Chandler
Police Fire & Emergency Services

Question: **8-5**
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Answer:
Answered On: 17/06/2015

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Date: 3 June 2015 **Output:** Agency Related Whole-of-Government Questions

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From: Mr Michael Gunner

To: Hon Peter Chandler MLA, Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services

Agency: Northern Territory Police, Fire and Emergency Services

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Answer:

The deployment of police resources at any particular time, location or task is an operational police matter, which will fluctuate dependent upon resource availability, major events and other operations. The below table provides the monthly average number of general duties van on the road for the three daily shifts broken down into divisions, as specified in the question.

| Location/Division | Day Shift | Evening Shift ¹ | Night Shift |
|--|-----------|----------------------------|-------------|
| Darwin Metropolitan Service (average of general duties vans on any shift) | | | |
| Greater Darwin ² | 17 to 18 | 17 to 18 | 7 |
| Darwin Metropolitan Division | 2 to 3 | 2 | 2 to 3 |
| Casuarina Division | 3 to 4 | 3 | 2 |
| Palmerston and Rural Division (includes Humpty Doo) | 3 to 4 | 4 to 5 | 2 |
| Regional Operations Service (average of general duties vans on any shift) | | | |
| Alice Springs Division | 3 to 4 | 3 to 4 | 3 to 4 |
| Katherine Division | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Tennant Creek Division | 1 | 2 | 1 |

Note.

- ¹ It should be noted that evening shift times vary considerably and can often operate until the early hours of the morning.
- ² Additional Darwin Metropolitan Services resources are used to supplement General Duties units, including Metropolitan Patrol Group, 'Operation Ascari 2', Strike Force Trident, Dog Operations Unit and Territory Response Group.