

Estimates Committee 2009 Questions Taken On Notice

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Subject: Family Violence Offender Program - recidivism - program provider

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Question: **10-10**
Minister, the Indigenous Family Violence Offender Program for community-based offenders delivered to over 100 participants in remote communities. I think it is listed in page 60 of your 2007-08 Annual Report. The program is a sentencing alternative to imprisonment. Of the 100-odd participants, how many re-offended? And, who delivered these programs?

Answer:

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Answer: Reoffending rates for Indigenous Family Violence Offender Program (IFVOP) participants in 2007-08

Nguiu/Pirlangimpi
33 participants completed the IFVOP
5 have reoffended with relevant domestic violence/
family violence (DV/FV) offences 15%
(An additional 60 participants are reported as having attended IFVO Programs, including partners and volunteers. These individuals are not recorded on the Integrated Justice Information System and, as such, recidivism data is unavailable for those participants)

Nauiya Numida (Daly River)
4 participants completed the IFVOP
2 have reoffended with relevant DV/FV offences 50%

Tennant Creek
25 participants in Tennant Creek
7 have reoffended with relevant DV/FV offences 28%

Central Australia
12 participants in Hermannsburg and Yuendumu
2 have reoffended with relevant DV/FV offences 16%

Programs were delivered in Nguiu, Pirlangimpi, Yuendumu, Hermannsburg and Tennant Creek by indigenous facilitators with relevant links to the communities. These facilitators were supported by trained Regional Coordinators.

The 2007-08 Annual Report states that the IFVOP was also delivered in Galiwinku. However, the IFVOP in Galiwinku finished on 23 June 2007 and, as such, was incorrectly included in that report. There is therefore no reoffending data available for Galiwinku for the 2007-08 reporting period.