

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

## WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Burgoyne to the Minister for Territory Families:

### Assaults in Youth Detention Centres

1. How many assaults by youth detainees have there been on youth justice officers in either of the Northern Territory youth detention centres in the 2022/23 financial year? Please provide a breakdown by centre.

#### ANSWER:

Consistent with national reporting, reportable assaults are those that resulted in injury. Table 1 below refers.

2. How many assaults by youth detainees on youth justice officers in either of the Northern Territory youth detention centres in the 2022/23 financial year involved injury? Please provide a breakdown by centre.

#### ANSWER:

**Table 1: Assaults on Staff in Detention in 2022-23**

Location	Incident type	Number of incidents of assault on Staff in 2022-23
Alice Springs Youth Detention Centre	Serious Assault	0
	Assault	5
Darwin Youth Detention Centre	Serious Assault	0
	Assault	12
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>Serious Assault</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>Assault</b>	<b>17</b>

Note: Serious Assaults are those resulting in injury that requires treatment in, or admission to a hospital. Assaults are those resulting in injury that does not require treatment in, or admission to a hospital.

3. How many assaults by youth detainees on youth justice officers in either of the Northern Territory youth detention centres in the 2022/23 financial year involved a weapon? Please provide a breakdown by centre.

#### ANSWER:

To collate this level of data would create an administrative burden for the Department.

4. **How many assaults by youth detainees have there been on other youth detainees in either of the Northern Territory youth detention centres in the 2022/23 financial year? Please provide a breakdown by centre.**

**ANSWER:**

Consistent with national reporting, reportable assaults are those that resulted in injury. Table 2 below refers.

5. **How many assaults by youth detainees on other youth detainees in either of the Northern Territory youth detention centres in the 2022/23 financial year involved injury? Please provide a breakdown by centre.**

**ANSWER:**

**Table 2: Assaults on Young People in Detention In 2022-23**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Incident type</b>	<b>Number of incidents of assault on Young People in 2022-23</b>
Alice Springs Youth Detention Centre	Serious Assault	1
	Assault	22
Darwin Youth Detention Centre	Serious Assault	1
	Assault	46
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>Serious Assault</b>	<b>2</b>
	<b>Assault</b>	<b>68</b>

Note: Serious assaults are those resulting in injury that requires treatment in, or admission to a hospital. Assaults are those resulting in injury that does not require treatment in, or admission to a hospital.

6. **How many assaults by youth detainees on other youth detainees in either of the Northern Territory youth detention centres in the 2022/23 financial year involved a weapon? Please provide a breakdown by centre.**

**ANSWER:**

To collate this level of data would create an administrative burden for the Department.

7. **The response to Written Question 432, Question No. 6, for 2021/22 data advised the Integrated Offender Management System does not capture the use of weapons in a way that it can be reported on. Has this now been resolved?**

**ANSWER:**

To collate this level of data would create an administrative burden for the Department.