

# ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

## Question Taken on Notice

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**To:** Hon Steve Edgington MLA

**Portfolio:** Health

**Agency:** Department of Health

**Subject:** Ambulance non-availability

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### QUESTION:

On how many occasions were no ambulances available to respond immediately to calls in Darwin, Alice Springs, Katherine and Palmerston?

### ANSWER:

2026 count of occurrences when service demand could not be met despite all mitigation strategies.

| 2026 Total Count  |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |       |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
|                   | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Total |
| Darwin/Palmerston |     |     | 1   |     | 14  |     | 4   | 19    |
| Katherine         |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     | 1     |
| Alice Springs     |     |     |     |     | 2   | 3   |     | 5     |