

ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

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Subject: Government Employee Housing in Galiwinku, Milingimbi, Ramingining, Yirrkala, Gunyangara and Gapuwiyak

QUESTION:

How many government employee houses are in Galiwinku, Milingimbi, Ramingining, Yirrkala, Gunyangara and Gapuwiyak? How many of these houses have local Aboriginal government employees living in them?

ANSWER:

On behalf of the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) (Housing), the Northern Territory Government Employee Housing Office (NTGEHO) provides central management for Government Employee Housing (GEH) across the Northern Territory. Where there is limited GEH supply to meet demand, the CEO (Housing) will enter into private head leases for dwellings to be used for GEH.

Within the Arnhem region, the NTGEHO manage 144 GEH dwellings across the communities of Galiwinku, Milingimbi, Ramingining, Yirrkala, Gunyangara and Gapuwiyak. This is defined as 142 government owned and 2 private head lease dwellings. A further breakdown by community is provided below.

Community	Government Owned	Private Head Lease	Total GEH
Galiwinku	47	0	47
Milingimbi	27	0	27
Ramingining	26	0	26
Yirrkala	25	2	27
Gunyangara	0	0	0
Gapuwiyak	22	0	22
TOTAL			144

The below table provides details of Aboriginal employees residing in GEH, as well as Aboriginal employees residing in remote community housing (RCH) and accessing the Remote Public Housing (Local Recruit) Rental Concession, which provides for the full amount of their public housing rent to be paid by their employing agency.

Community	Aboriginal employees living in GEH	Aboriginal employees living in RCH *	Total Aboriginal employees receiving GEH benefit(s) **
Galiwinku	3	4	7
Milingimbi		4	4
Ramingining		1	1
Yirrkala	1	3	4
Gunyangara			0
Gapuwiyak	2		2
TOTAL			18

* Aboriginal employees living in remote community housing and accessing the Local Recruits Concession

** Aboriginal employees living in community and receiving some form of GEH benefit

There are a total of 18 Aboriginal employees living in the above-mentioned communities and receiving some form of GEH benefit, such as residing in a GEH dwelling or residing in RCH and accessing the Local Recruit Concession for their public housing rent.