

Question No : 134

Question : Aboriginal Education in the Northern Territory

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Member : Mr BELL

To : MINISTER for EDUCATION and TRAINING

1. What was the average recurrent expenditure, including capital expenditure, in Northern Territory schools during the 1990-91 financial year for the following areas -

- (a) predominantly non-Aboriginal secondary schools;
- (b) predominantly non-Aboriginal secondary colleges;
- (c) Aboriginal CECs;
- (d) Aboriginal non-bilingual primary schools; and
- (e) Aboriginal bilingual primary schools.

2. What was the proportion of total Commonwealth funding of Aboriginal schools, including AEP, Commonwealth Capital Grants Programs, ASSPA, the Aboriginal element of PEP, Disadvantaged Schools Program and other projects of national significance, for the following calendar years -

- (a) 1982;
- (b) 1983;
- (c) 1984;
- (d) 1985;
- (e) 1986;
- (f) 1987;
- (g) 1988;
- (h) 1989;
- (i) 1990;
- (j) 1991; and
- (k) 1992 to date.

3. How many Aboriginal teacher aides were employed by the Department of Education during the following calendar years -

- (a) 1982;
- (b) 1983;
- (c) 1984;
- (d) 1985;
- (e) 1986;
- (f) 1987;
- (g) 1988;
- (h) 1989;
- (i) 1990;
- (j) 1991; and
- (k) 1992 to date.

4. How many Aboriginal Assistant Teachers were employed by the Department of Education during the following calendar years -

- (a) 1982;
- (b) 1983;
- (c) 1984;
- (d) 1985;
- (e) 1986;
- (f) 1987;
- (g) 1988;
- (h) 1989;
- (i) 1990;
- (j) 1991; and
- (k) 1992 to date.

5. How many non-Aboriginal teachers teach at predominantly Aboriginal schools at present.

6. How many non-Aboriginal teachers teaching at predominately Aboriginal schools -

- (a) have formally accredited Teaching English as a Second Language qualifications; and
- (b) can speak Aboriginal languages.

7. How many Aboriginal teachers and non-Aboriginal teachers teach at -

- (a) predominantly Aboriginal schools; and
- (b) predominantly non-Aboriginal schools.

8. How many teaching graduates from Batchelor College -

- (a) applied for teaching positions at their communities for 1992; and
- (b) were not subsequently successful.

9. How many teaching graduates from Batchelor College who were successful with their applications for teaching positions are currently employed on limited tenure contracts and what are the terms of their limited tenure.

10. How many Aboriginal teachers have the Associate Diploma in Teaching (Aboriginal Schools), or higher qualifications.

11. How many Aboriginal teachers with Associate Diploma of Teaching (Aboriginal Schools) are employed below Band 1 level in Aboriginal schools.

12. How many Aborigines are currently enrolled in formal teacher education programs in the Northern Territory.

13. How many non-Aborigines are currently enrolled in formal teacher education programs in the Northern Territory.

14. What is the average annual attendance percentage for all predominantly Aboriginal schools for the following calendar years -

- (a) 1974;
- (b) 1975;
- (c) 1976;
- (d) 1977;
- (e) 1978;
- (f) 1979;
- (g) 1980;
- (h) 1981;
- (i) 1982;

- (j) 1983;
- (k) 1984;
- (l) 1985;
- (m) 1986;
- (n) 1987;
- (o) 1988;
- (p) 1989;
- (q) 1990;
- (r) 1991; and

- (s) 1992 to date.