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Under the *Liquor Act* (the Act), the Commissioner of Police has a number of legislative reporting requirements in relation to banning notices and exclusion orders issued for designated areas.¹

Sections 120Z(3)–(4) of the Act state:

- (3) The Commissioner of Police must give a report under this section to the Minister within 2 months after the end of the financial year to which the report relates.
- (4) The Minister must table a copy of the report in the Legislative Assembly within 7 sitting days after the Minister receives the report.

Report pursuant to s 120Z(1)(a) of the Act:

- (i) the number of banning notices given during the year: 327.
- (ii) the number of persons to whom banning notices were given during the year: 230.
- (iii) the number of banning notices given during the year to each person who was given more than one banning notice during the year:

Number of Notices	Number of People	Number of Notices	Number of People
1	181	5	3
2	31	6	4
3	7	12	1
4	3		

(iv) the suspected specified offences for which banning notices were given during the year:

Specified Offence		Short Description		
101W(1)	Liquor Act	Drink at Regulated Place – Designated Area		
121(2)	Liquor Act	Fail to Immediately Leave Licensed Premises		
121A	Liquor Act	Re-enter Licensed Premises Within 12 Hours		
47	Summary Offences Act	Riotous, Offensive, Disorderly, Indecent Behaviour, Fighting, Obscene Language etc.		

¹ The sections relevant to this part of the *Liquor Act* are owned by the Department of Business.

(v) the designated areas in which those offences were suspected of being committed:

Specified (Offence	Darwin	Palmerston	Alice Springs	Total
101W(1)	LA	22	285	1	308
121(2)	LA	1	0	0	1
121A	LA	1	0	0	1
47	SOA	19	0	1	20
Total Offe	nces	43	285	2	330 ²

(vi) the ages of the persons to whom banning notices were given during the year:

Age	Quantity
12 – 14	1
15 – 17	1
18 – 20	2
21 – 23	6
24 – 26	17
27 – 29	20
30 – 32	20

Age	Quantity
33 – 35	15
36 – 38	15
39 – 41	22
42 – 44	34
45 – 47	23
48 – 50	21
51 – 53	20

Age	Quantity
54 – 56	5
57 – 59	4
60 – 62	2
63 – 65	1
66 – 68	0
69 – 71	1
78 – 80	0

(vii) whether any of the persons to whom banning notices were given during the year identified themselves as an Aboriginal person and, if any, the number of persons: 206.

(note: NOT Aboriginal = 14; Torres Strait Islander = 4; Not Specified = 6)

(viii) the number of banning notices given during the year for each designated area or for licensed premises in each designated area:

	Darwin	Palmerston	Katherine	Tennant Creek	Alice Springs	Total
Area	35	285	0	0	2	322
Premises	5	0	0	0	0	5
Total Issued	40	285	0	0	2	<u>327</u>

² This number is greater than the number of banning notices issued, as a banning notice can be issued for more than one specified offence.

- (ix) the number of persons charged with an offence against s 120N or 120P(3) during the year and the results of those charges:
 - No persons were charged with an offence against s 120N or 120P(3) in the 2016-17 financial year.
- (x) the number of contraventions of s 120N or 120P(3) recorded by police officers during the year for which no charges were laid:

The Northern Territory Police Force record contraventions without laying charges through the issuing of infringement notices. The following infringement notices were issued during the year:

Section	Total
120N - Contravention of a Banning Notice	42
120P(3) - Banned Person Contravene Direction	
Total	<u>42</u>

Report pursuant to s 120Z(1)(b) of the Act:

- (i) the number of applications for exclusion orders made by police during the year: 0.
- (ii) the number of exclusion orders made during the year: 0.
- (iii) the number of persons in relation to whom exclusion orders were made during the year: 0.
- (iv) the number of exclusion orders made during the year for each person for whom more than one exclusion order was made during the year: Not applicable.
- (v) the specified offences for which exclusion orders were made during the year: Not applicable.
- (vi) the designated areas in which those offences were committed: Not applicable.
- (vii) the ages of the persons for whom exclusion orders were made during the year: Not applicable.
- (viii) whether any of the persons for whom exclusion orders were made during the year identified themselves as an Aboriginal person and, if any, the number of persons: Not applicable.
- (ix) the number of exclusion orders made during the year for each designated area or for licensed premises in each designated area: Not applicable.
- (x) the number of persons charged with an offence against s 120T or 120U(3) during the year and the results of those charges: 0.
- (xi) the number of contraventions of s 120T or 120U(3) recorded by police officers during the year for which no charges were laid: 0.