**No. 369**

**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY**

**WRITTEN QUESTION**

Ms Purick to the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services

**Women Police Officers and Officers on Leave**

1. In June 2009, how many women were employed in the police force as sworn police officers, at what rank and for what area (s) of responsibilities for Darwin, Tennant Creek, Katherine, Alice Springs, Jabiru, Nhulunbuy, Port Keats and remote locations?

2. In April 2012, how many women were employed in the police force as sworn police officers, at what rank and for what area (s) of responsibilities for Darwin, Tennant Creek, Katherine, Alice Springs, Jabiru, Nhulunbuy, Port Keats and remote locations?

3. If the number of women employed as sworn police officers has changed from June 2009 and April 2012 from the towns as listed above, what was the reason for each departure from the police force and from which town or community?

4. How many sworn police officers are currently on sick leave?

5. How many sworn police officers are on workers compensation leave and for each case, how long has the person been on workers compensation leave?

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**Answer:**

1. and 2.

Refer to Attachment A.

The number of Commanders and Superintendents appears to have reduced, however, this is a result of staff acting in a higher duties capacity in June 2009 that have now returned to their substantive rank. Additionally, one Commander is currently seconded to another Agency.

3. Sixty five of the women employed in the Northern Territory Police Force as at 30 June 2009 were no longer in the NT Police Force as at 30 April 2012. Reasons for separation:

Resignation - 59

Retirement - 5

Other employment - 1

The NT Police Force has a high level of mobility. Members transfer from one location to another, either by choice or, alternatively, due to operational requirements. Therefore, data is not collected for reasons regarding a change in location.

4. There are 21 sworn police officers on sick leave for a period of one month or longer.

5. Five sworn police officers have been on workers compensation leave for greater than one month. The length of the individual leave in days is:

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| 41 | 713 | 366 | 526 | 1041 |

The answers for questions 4 and 5 have been provided based on a timeframe of ‘greater than one month’, as it is those figures which would have a greater impact on this Agency and staffing.

ATTACHMENT A

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| **Rank** | **Location** | **Number as at 30 June 2009** | **Number as at 30 April 2012** |
| Commander | Darwin | 3 | 3 |
| Katherine | 1 | 0 |
| Superintendent | Darwin | 7 | 3 |
| Katherine | 1 | 0 |
| Alice Springs | 0 | 2 |
| Tennant Creek | 1 | 0 |
| Senior Sergeant | Darwin | 12 | 12 |
| Katherine |  | 1 |
| Alice Springs | 1 | 2 |
| Sergeant(Includes Brevet Sergeant) | Darwin | 24 | 27 |
| Alice Springs | 6 | 4 |
| Tennant Creek | 1 | 1 |
| Katherine | 0 | 1 |
| Gapuwiyak | 1 | 0 |
| Imanpa | 1 | 0 |
| Kalkaringi | 1 | 0 |
| Mataranka | 1 | 1 |
| Mutijulu | 1 | 0 |
| Yulara | 0 | 1 |
| Alpurrurulam | 0 | 1 |
| Haasts Bluff | 0 | 1 |
| Ntaria | 0 | 1 |
| Lyente Apurte | 0 | 1 |
| Constables(Includes Senior Constable 1st class, Senior Constable, Constable, Constable Recruit). | Darwin | 112 | 131 |
| Alice Springs | 26 | 19 |
| Katherine | 17 | 10 |
| Tennant Creek | 5 | 6 |
| Borroloola | 1 | 1 |
|  Alyangula | 1 | 1 |
| Jabiru | 1 | 1 |
| Ngukurr | 1 | 0 |
| Wadeye | 2 | 0 |
| Kintore | 1 | 0 |
| Galiwinku | 1 | 0 |
| Kulgera | 1 | 0 |
| Maningrida` | 1 | 0 |
| Ti Tree | 1 | 1 |
| Numbulwar | 0 | 1 |
| Ali Curung | 0 | 2 |
| Daly River | 0 | 1 |
| Gunbalunya | 0 | 1 |
| Apatula | 0 | 1 |
| Mutitjulu | 0 | 1 |
| Willowra | 0 | 1 |
| Nyirripi | 0 | 1 |
| Aboriginal Community Police Officers(Includes recruits) | Darwin | 13 | 15 |
| Alice Springs | 3 | 4 |
| Angurugu | 1 | 0 |
| Barunga | 1 | 0 |
| Beswick | 1 | 0 |
| Galiwinku | 2 | 1 |
| Gapuwiyak | 1 | 0 |
| Katherine | 4 | 6 |
| Mataranka | 1 | 0 |
| Ngukurr | 1 | 0 |
| Nhulunbuy | 1 | 2 |
| Ntaria | 1 | 0 |
| Alyangula | 0 | 1 |
| Ali Curung | 0 | 1 |
| Maranboy | 0 | 1 |
| Minyerri | 0 | 1 |
| Lyente Apurte | 1 | 1 |
| Tennant Creek | 2 | 2 |
| Police Auxiliaries(Includes Recruits) | Alice Springs | 15 | 8 |
| Tennant Creek | 1 | 1 |
| Borroloola | 1 | 0 |
| Darwin  | 90 | 114 |
| Katherine | 5 | 5 |
| Ngukurr | 0 | 1 |
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