

Question on Notice

No. 620

Asked on Tuesday 15 June 2004

Miss ROBERTS asked the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice (Mr Welford) -

QUESTION:

Will he advise-

- (1) How many people in the last five years have been charged with perjury?
- (2) How many people have been convicted of committing perjury over the same period?

ANSWER:

- (1) Court records do not record the number of people “charged” by the police with the offence of perjury. However, the figures below show the number of people appearing before the Court on a charge of perjury (including the Supreme, District and Magistrates Courts but excluding those matters committed from the Magistrates Court to the Supreme and District Courts).

Period	Number of people appearing on charge of perjury
1999-00	13
2000-01	12
2001-02	13
2002-03	11
2003 to 31/3/04	10

- (2)

Period	Number of offenders convicted of perjury
1999-00	5
2000-01	4
2001-02	9
2002-03	6
2003 to 31/3/04	6