

Question on Notice

No. 630

Asked on 15 June 2004

DR FLEGG asked the Deputy Premier, Treasurer and Minister for Sport (Mr MACKENROTH) –

QUESTION:

With reference to payroll tax payable to the Queensland Government–

- (1) What was the total amount of payroll tax received from companies/businesses in each of 1998-99, 1999-00 and 2000-01 by statistical division?
- (2) What was the total number of companies/businesses that paid payroll tax in each of 1998-99, 1999-00 and 2000-01 by statistical division?
- (3) What was the total number of companies/businesses that paid payroll tax in each of 1998-99, 1999-00 and 2000-01 (by statistical division) that had total payrolls of (a) between \$850,000 and \$900,000, (b) between \$900,001 and \$1,000,000, (c) between \$1,000,001 and \$1,500,000 and (d) greater than \$1,500,001?

ANSWER:

(1)

	Total
1998 – 99	\$1,012M
1999 – 00	\$1,118M
2000 – 01	\$1,170M

This information is not collected by statistical division. Legislative grouping provisions for pay-roll tax and the non co-location of operational and financial divisions of many businesses makes the collection of such data on a consistent and meaningful basis unpractical. It would also impose an unacceptable administrative impost on business.

(2)

	Total¹
1998 – 99	10,416
1999 – 00	10,635
2000 – 01	11,284

¹ Includes Government agencies registered for payroll tax and individual companies/businesses otherwise grouped together for payroll tax purposes.

(3)

	Less than \$850,000²	\$850,000 to \$900,000	\$900,000 to \$1m	\$1m to \$1.5m	Greater then \$1.5m	Total
1998 – 99¹	6,220	224	387	1,190	2,395	10,416
1999 – 00¹	6,034	206	391	1,332	2,672	10,635
2000 – 01¹	6,421	202	397	1,387	2,877	11,284

¹ Includes Government agencies registered for payroll tax and individual companies/businesses otherwise grouped together for payroll tax purposes.

² The Pay-roll tax employers in the less than \$850,000 range are either grouped employers or employers who pay wages in other States or Territories. The Queensland wages paid by these employers is below \$850,000 however their total group and/or Australian wide wages are greater then \$850,000.