

Question on Notice

No. 766

Asked on Friday 18 June 2004

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

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QUESTION:

With reference to convictions for soliciting for each of the past two financial years and for the year to date:

- (1) What is the number of people charged and convicted with soliciting and related offences and what number of those were juveniles?
- (2) Of those listed in (1), what number were referred for counselling, drug treatment or detoxification programs.

ANSWER:

- (1) The matters referred to are offences under the *Prostitution Act 1999* and the *Vagrants Gaming and Other Offences Act 1931*. These Acts are administered by the Hon Judy Spence MP, Minister for Police and Corrective Services.

The number of convicted appearances for soliciting under section 73(1) of the *Prostitution Act 1999* and section 18A(1) of the *Vagrants Gaming and Other Offences Act 1931* are as follows:

	Convicted Appearances	Number of Juveniles
2001-02	325	1
2002-03	723	1
2003 to 31/3/04	604	1

- (2) There is no database kept on elements of sentencing.