

**Question on Notice**  
**No. 947**  
**Asked on 31 August 2004**

MR Hopper asked the Minister for Public Works, Housing and Racing  
(MR SCHWARTEN) –

**QUESTION:**

With reference to crisis accommodation for those people escaping domestic violence –

Will he provide details for each of the last two financial years and for the year to date and broken down by regions of what is the (a) number of units constructed each year for people escaping domestic violence, (b) number of individuals accommodated in these units for each year and (c) estimated demand level or wait time for each year?

**ANSWER:**

The department funds 51 organisations across Queensland targeting people escaping domestic violence.

a) There was no new accommodation constructed under the Crisis Accommodation Program specifically for people escaping domestic violence during 2002-03 however \$10 million was spent on providing additional crisis accommodation through purchases and upgrades for secure accommodation for young people and women and children escaping domestic violence. Construction on two domestic violence shelters in remote Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities were completed

Under the Crisis Accommodation Program in 2003-04, accommodation constructed for people escaping domestic violence was as follows:

- one five-bedroom communal shelter in Central Queensland (Rockhampton); and
- one three-bedroom and two one-bedroom units of accommodation in Far North Queensland (Atherton).

In addition, construction of six units of accommodation was commenced in the Sunshine Coast (Nambour).

This year construction has started on two women's shelters in remote Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities. Preliminary design work will commence on a further four shelters and upgrades will be undertaken on five existing shelters.

b) Accommodation constructed under the Crisis Accommodation Program is managed by community organisations which receive operational funding under the Supported Accommodation Assistance Program from the Department of Communities.

c) This is not a matter which rests under my portfolio responsibilities.