

**Question on Notice  
No. 734  
Asked on 24 May 2005**

MR McARDLE asked the Minister for Police and Corrective Services (MS SPENCE) -

QUESTION:

With reference to her answer to Question on Notice No. 312 of 2005—

Will she advise as at 1 April 2005 how many police officers were not performing their daily duties as a consequence of an approved WorkCover claim?

ANSWER:

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After seeking advice from the Commissioner of Police, the following information is provided:

Police numbers for the Sunshine Coast District at 1 July 1998 when the Beattie Government was first elected and at 1 April 2005 are shown in the table below:

| District                             | Approved<br>Strength<br>1 Jul 98 | Actual<br>Strength<br>1 Jul 98 |  | Approved<br>Strength<br>1 Apr 05 | Actual<br>Strength<br>1 Apr 05 |
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|                                      |                                  |                                |  |                                  |                                |
| Sunshine Coast District Police Total | 263                              | 294                            |  | 392                              | 407                            |

The regional allocation model includes provision for police resourcing and allows for police officers on approved leave owing to WorkCover claims.

There were 15 Police on approved WorkCover claims for the Sunshine Coast District as at 1 April 2005. These claims include injuries suffered by officers in the course of their work.