

**Question on Notice  
No. 274  
Asked on Tuesday, 7 March 2006**

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

QUESTION:

With reference to 24 hour police stations:

Will she provide details of the number of 24 hour police stations in Queensland

- (a) listed in regional districts and stations at 30 June every year for the last five years; and
- (b) for the current period after 30 June 2005 till now, will she list the 24 hour stations operating in Queensland.

ANSWER:

(a) & (b)

Since 30 June 2000, the number of divisional police stations providing 24 hour policing services to the community has increased by 13 from 79 to 92 at 1 March 2006.

Of this number, 6 are new divisional police stations and the remaining 7 have had staff numbers increased to enable a 24 hour policing service.

Two further new 24 hour divisional police stations, Mackay Northern Beaches and Redland Bay, are scheduled to commence 24 hour policing services over the coming months.

The service delivery requirement for individual 24 hour divisional police stations varies markedly across the Service. Every 24 hour divisional police station provides 24 hour patrol car policing services to the community. All district headquarters divisional police stations and some larger stations in districts provide 24 hour station counter and patrol car policing services. Other divisional police stations provide 24 hour patrol car policing services, but don't provide full 24 hour station counter coverage, because it is operationally more efficient to roster officers to perform patrol car policing duties. Any calls for assistance from the community are diverted to district communication centres and relayed to patrol cars.

When considering the level of policing services provided by all police divisions, the duties performed by officers attached to the district, functions such as Traffic, Criminal Investigation, Tactical Crime and others, should be taken into account. Officers attached to all district functions perform numerous operational shifts and provide backup support throughout the districts.