Question on Notice No. 322 Asked on Wednesday 7 March 2007

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

QUESTION:

Will she explain why more than 20 per cent of corrective services staff are employed on a casual basis and does she see this number increasing?

ANSWER:

The establishment of Queensland Corrective Services is constructed by the employment usage of all permanent and casual staff. The permanent employees form 83.4% of this establishment and employees working casual and full-time temporary work form the remaining 16.6%. This means that it takes 16.6% of the workforce to support the permanent staff in the delivery of their services.

Queensland Corrective Services has consistently sought opportunities to maximise permanent employment and it is anticipated that these figures will remain stable over time.