

Question on Notice

No. 624

Asked on Thursday 25 March 2010

MR DICKSON asked the Minister for Transport (MS NOLAN) —

QUESTION:

With reference to fixed speed camera locations in Queensland—
Will the Minister advise (reported separately by location/camera) the number of infringements issued and the revenue raised at each location for 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09 (reported separately)?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Buderim for the question.

Fixed speed cameras were not introduced in Queensland until December 2007. As such there were no infringements issued from fixed speed cameras for the financial year 2006-07.

For the 2007-08 and 2008-2009 financial years, the Queensland Police Service advises that it issued the following number of infringement notices:

	2007-08	2008-09
Main Street at Kangaroo Point (approach to Story Bridge)	19 860	25 142
Pacific Motorway at Tarragindi	8602	12 207
Bruce Highway at Burpengary	14 590	17 482
Total monies receipted from fixed speed camera offences	\$3.307m	\$7.262m

The revenue figures provided are total revenue collected. The Department of Transport and Main Roads does not monitor the revenue collected from each fixed speed camera site.

The operation of speed cameras in Queensland is not about raising revenue for the government, but rather the implementation of a proven road safety initiative.

Distribution of revenue from camera detected offences, including fixed speed camera detected offences, is restricted in terms of the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995*.

This requires that all money collected for penalties imposed for camera detected offences, in excess of the administrative costs, to be used for road safety education and awareness programs; road accident injury rehabilitation programs; or road funding to improve the safety of state-controlled roads where crashes most frequently happen. These provisions have been in place since the then Labor Opposition moved an amendment to the legislation when mobile speed cameras were introduced by the Borbidge Government in 1997.

The Queensland Government is providing \$66 million of funding through Safer Roads Sooner (SRS) program in 2009-10 (\$300 million over the next five years) including \$21 million sourced from Camera Detected Offence (CDO) revenue. Annual funding of \$4 million is specifically dedicated to addressing risks for motorcycle-riders, with the additional \$17 million allocated to specific projects across all regions, to address identified locations with a severe crash history.

There have been a number of projects funded from CDO revenue in Sunshine Coast Region, including:

- Nambour-Mapleton Road, near Dulong Lookout: re-profiling existing pavement and adding a safety seal. Allocation of \$800 000 commencing in 2009-10.
- Nicklin Way at Beerburum Street for safety improvements to traffic signals. Allocation of \$480 000 and completed.
- Glasshouse Mountains Road and Bruce Highway (southern intersection): ramp improvements. Allocation of \$327 000 and is completed.
- Kilcoy-Beerwah Road for shoulder sealing works. Allocation of \$1 600 000 and work should be completed 2009-10.