

## Question on Notice

No. 1046

Asked on Thursday, 16 June 2011

**MR BLEIJIE** asked the Deputy Premier and Attorney-General, Minister for Local Government and Special Minister for State (MR LUCAS)–

QUESTION:

With reference to Office of Liquor and Gaming Regulation (OLGR) compliance officers—

- (1) How many proactive risk assessments of licence applications prior to a licence being issued have OLGR officers performed in 2009-10 and 2010-11 (reported by year and region)?
- (2) How many compliance investigations of premises during daytime hours and peak trading hours at night have OLGR officers performed in 2009-10 and 2010-11 (reported by year and region)?
- (3) How many in (2) resulted in some form of enforcement (reported by type of enforcement)?

ANSWER:

I thank the Honourable Member for Kawana for his question.

The Office of Liquor and Gaming Regulation defines a ‘risk assessment’ as an assessment of an application to provide advice to the decision maker about any harm or adverse impact the application may have on the amenity of the community. The figures provided reflect risk assessments for all applications carried out by compliance officers of the Office of Liquor and Gaming Regulation which include -

- applications for new licences, extended hours authorities and adult entertainment permits;
- applications such as variations to licence conditions, increases or decreases to a licensed area and one-off permits for extended hours; and
- applications for major events.

The level of risk in relation to an application is not solely determined by the type of application but is also determined by the status of the applicant, geographical location of the premises and in particular its proximity to residential areas.

1. Risk assessments of licence applications for liquor compliance officers in each region are as follows:

	2009/10	2010/11
Cairns	363	183
Townsville	467	442
Mt Isa	24	30
Mackay	449	375
Rockhampton	496	497
Hervey Bay	512	386
Sunshine Coast	407	365
Toowoomba	236	192
Gold Coast	385	383
Brisbane	1,394	1,690
Total	4,733	4,543

2. Daytime (DT) and peak trading (PT) hour compliance visits as well as enforcement actions for liquor compliance officers in each region are as follows:

	2009/10			2010/11		
	Daytime	Peak Trading	Enforcement Actions	Daytime	Peak Trading	Enforcement Actions
Cairns	115	363	652	52	215	968
Townsville	90	148	230	167	141	337
Mt Isa	29	63	30	32	51	53
Mackay	97	224	570	133	68	299
Rockhampton	73	221	148	121	153	236
Hervey Bay	107	338	384	38	282	470
Sunshine Coast	50	475	491	71	474	879
Toowoomba	224	227	253	101	123	426
Gold Coast	112	425	146	71	606	622
Brisbane	550	1,848	996	14	1,125	1,215
Totals	1,447	4,332	<b>3,916</b>	800	3,238	<b>5,588</b>

3. Enforcement actions for all liquor investigations conducted by OLGR, including as a result of compliance visits, were.

2009/10	CC	EI	I	O	P	D	R	S	W	C	Totals
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1,331</b>	<b>Nil</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1,453</b>	<b>468</b>	<b>3,916</b>
2010/11	CC	EI	I	O	P	D	R	S	W	C	Totals
<b>Totals</b>	<b>2852</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>1523</b>	<b>610</b>	<b>5,588</b>

(Note the following legend is used to set out each enforcement type as requested )

- CC = consultation conducted (includes education and advice to licensees)
- EI = early intervention (requires licensee participation in identifying and implementing solutions)
- I = infringement notice recommended
- O = order issued under the Liquor Act
- P = prosecution charges recommended
- D = disciplinary action recommended
- R = resolved by negotiation
- S = recommendation for high risk / conditioning changes
- W = warning; and
- C = caution