Question on Notice No. 342 Asked on 23 March 2011

MR CRANDON asked the Minister for Police, Corrective Services and Emergency Services (MR ROBERTS)—

QUESTION:

With reference to police overtime—

- (1) What was the total overtime expenditure and budgeted expenditure for each police district for December 2010 and January 2011 (reported separately)?
- (2) What was the total overtime expenditure and budgeted expenditure for each police district for December 2009 and January 2010 (reported separately)?

ANSWER:

The Queensland Police Service (QPS) is comprised of 8 regions with 31 districts.

The attached tables provide the overtime expenditure for each district for December 2009, January 2010, December 2010 and January 2011 and include general overtime, special services overtime, speed camera overtime and payments associated with Drink Safe Precinct overtime.

January 2011 actual expenditure includes additional overtime hours due to flood-related policing. This expenditure is reimbursed through Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements and will be received in future periods.

It must be noted that the comparable periods of December 2009 and January 2010 also experienced higher than average additional overtime expenditure due to Operation Merit overtime and overtime payments associated with the Road Safety Initiative.

During times of emergent circumstances (i.e. natural disasters) the QPS deploys additional resources from its support commands not directly affected by such events to support regions. Therefore, it should also be noted that figures are not indicative of the support provided by specialist units such as the Homicide Squad, State Drug Squad and Public Safety Response Team as well as regional functions which are not charged at the districts.

As district budgets are fluid and not centrally managed, it is not possible to provide budget figures for overtime on a monthly basis. As well, where there is a disaster, emergency or other unplanned event that exceeds regional budget capacity, costs are referred to the Service's Financial Planning and Review Committee and managed centrally.

Table 1: Police Overtime Comparison 2009/10 – 2010/11 for Central Region

DISTRICT	Dec 2009 Actual \$'000	Jan 2010 Actual \$'000	Dec 2010 Actual \$'000	Jan 2011 Actual \$'000
Gladstone	\$63	\$97	\$55	\$121
Longreach	\$33	\$36	\$12	\$16
Mackay	\$213	\$205	\$118	\$143
Rockhampton	\$159	\$184	\$120	\$143
Total	\$468	\$522	\$305	\$423

Table 2: Police Overtime Comparison 2009/10 – 2010/11 for Far Northern Region

DISTRICT	Dec 2009 Actual \$'000	Jan 2010 Actual \$'000	Dec 2010 Actual \$'000	Jan 2011 Actual \$'000
Cairns	\$188	\$142	\$121	\$104
Innisfail	\$41	\$43	\$29	\$29
Mareeba	\$36	\$30	\$24	\$33
Total	\$265	\$215	\$174	\$166

Table 3: Police Overtime Comparison 2009/10 – 2010/11 for Metropolitan North Region

DISTRICT	Dec 2009 Actual \$'000	Jan 2010 Actual \$'000	Dec 2010 Actual \$'000	Jan 2011 Actual \$'000
Brisbane Central	\$231	\$125	\$334	\$233
Brisbane West	\$111	\$75	\$101	\$93
North Brisbane	\$192	\$156	\$181	\$123
Pine Rivers	\$107	\$63	\$74	\$54
Total	\$641	\$419	\$690	\$503

Table 4: Police Overtime Comparison 2009/10 – 2010/11 for Metropolitan South Region

DISTRICT	Dec 2009 Actual \$'000	Jan 2010 Actual \$'000	Dec 2010 Actual \$'000	Jan 2011 Actual \$'000
Oxley	\$276	\$159	\$205	\$180
South Brisbane	\$353	\$243	\$382	\$397
Wynnum	\$182	\$135	\$171	\$124
Total	\$811	\$537	\$758	\$701

Table 5: Police Overtime Comparison 2009/10 – 2010/11 for North Coast Region

DISTRICT	Dec 2009 Actual \$'000	Jan 2010 Actual \$'000	Dec 2010 Actual \$'000	Jan 2011 Actual \$'000
Bundaberg	\$38	\$63	\$34	\$32
Caboolture	\$61	\$79	\$41	\$91
Gympie	\$45	\$68	\$30	\$75
Maryborough	\$42	\$41	\$26	\$51
Redcliffe	\$39	\$48	\$34	\$28
Sunshine Coast	\$155	\$141	\$158	\$113
Total	\$380	\$440	\$323	\$390

Table 6: Police Overtime Comparison 2009/10 – 2010/11 for Northern Region

DISTRICT	Dec 2009 Actual \$'000	Jan 2010 Actual \$'000	Dec 2010 Actual \$'000	Jan 2011 Actual \$'000
Townsville	\$320	\$241	\$241	\$175
Mt Isa	\$105	\$85	\$41	\$49
Total	\$425	\$326	\$282	\$224

Table 7: Police Overtime Comparison 2009/10 – 2010/11 for South Eastern Region

DISTRICT	Dec 2009 Actual \$'000	Jan 2010 Actual \$'000	Dec 2010 Actual \$'000	Jan 2011 Actual \$'000
Gold Coast	\$135	\$131	\$167	\$147
Logan	\$134	\$86	\$98	\$122
Coomera	\$66	\$57	\$83	\$82
Total	\$335	\$274	\$348	\$351

Table 8: Police Overtime Comparison 2009/10 – 2010/11 for Southern Region

DISTRICT	Dec 2009 Actual \$'000	Jan 2010 Actual \$'000	Dec 2010 Actual \$'000	Jan 2011 Actual \$'000
Charleville	\$18	\$11	\$7	\$5
Dalby	\$27	\$23	\$25	\$38
Ipswich	\$357	\$228	\$242	\$230
Roma	\$36	\$32	\$19	\$21
Toowoomba	\$109	\$112	\$69	\$117
Warwick	\$62	\$59	\$38	\$58
Total	\$609	\$465	\$400	\$469