

**Question on Notice
No. 566
Asked on 14 July 2015**

MR SEENEY ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE, FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON J MILLER)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister provide a breakdown, by Police District, since the change of government of the total number of (a) assaults recorded by police and the clearance rate of reported offences, (b) break and entries recorded by police and the clearance rate of reported offences, and (c) trespass recorded by police and the clearance rate of reported offences?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for the question.

The number of assault, unlawful entry and trespass offences reported in each district may vary widely given the disparate populations in each area, amongst other factors. The Queensland Police Service, when comparing the incidence of crime in specific geographic areas, typically uses the offence rate per 100,000. Offence counts for geographic areas that are not relatively similar with respect to population size should not be used for comparative purposes.

Offence clearance rates will vary between districts for a number of reasons including the characteristics of the community and the circumstances particular to each offence.

(a) The following table provide a breakdown by Police District of assaults recorded by police and the clearance rate of reported offences for the period of 14 February up to and including 14 July for 2014 and 2015.

Number Reported and Cleared Assault Offences, 14 February to 14 July 2014 and 2015

Police Region/District	Number		% Cleared	
	14 Feb to 14 Jul 2014	14 Feb to 14 Jul 2015	14 Feb to 14 Jul 2014	14 Feb to 14 Jul 2015
Brisbane	1514	1503	71%	68%
North Brisbane	865	840	70%	67%
South Brisbane	649	663	71%	70%
Central	1440	1354	77%	76%
Capricornia	492	529	75%	70%
Mackay	290	238	81%	79%
Sunshine Coast	306	256	76%	79%
Wide Bay Burnett	352	331	79%	81%
Northern	1845	2012	76%	70%
Far North	966	1046	77%	68%
Mount Isa	219	304	79%	74%
Townsville	660	662	73%	71%
South Eastern	1083	1178	69%	69%
Gold Coast	617	683	71%	73%
Logan	466	495	67%	64%
Southern	1316	1374	79%	77%
Darling Downs	398	415	81%	71%
Ipswich	339	347	74%	78%
Moreton	338	364	77%	79%
South West	241	248	87%	84%
Queensland	7198	7422	75%	72%

(b) The following tables provide a breakdown by Police District the total number of unlawful entries recorded by police and the clearance rate of for the period of 14 February up to and including 14 July for 2014 and 2015.

**Number Reported and Cleared Unlawful Entry Offences, 14 February to 14 July
2014 and 2015**

Police Region/District	Number		% Cleared	
	14 Feb to 14 Jul 2014	14 Feb to 14 Jul 2015	14 Feb to 14 Jul 2014	14 Feb to 14 Jul 2015
Brisbane	4597	4054	16%	21%
North Brisbane	1739	1796	16%	22%
South Brisbane	2858	2258	17%	21%
Central	2384	2354	25%	27%
Capricornia	608	585	25%	26%
Mackay	535	492	19%	23%
Sunshine Coast	566	665	24%	26%
Wide Bay Burnett	675	612	29%	31%
Northern	2355	2358	28%	31%
Far North	1320	1310	31%	36%
Mount Isa	198	149	31%	31%
Townsville	837	899	22%	24%
South Eastern	3060	2479	14%	19%
Gold Coast	1489	1235	15%	22%
Logan	1571	1244	13%	15%
Southern	2656	2307	25%	24%
Darling Downs	711	649	27%	23%
Ipswich	928	666	17%	19%
Moreton	665	659	25%	27%
South West	352	333	40%	32%
Queensland	15052	13552	20%	24%

(c) The following table provide a breakdown by Police District the total number of trespass offences recorded by police and the clearance rate for the period of 14 February up to and including 14 July for 2014 and 2015.

**Number Reported and Cleared Trespassing and Vagrancy Offences, 14 February
to 14 July 2014 and 2015**

Police Region/District	Number		% Cleared	
	14 Feb to 14 Jul 2014	14 Feb to 14 Jul 2015	14 Feb to 14 Jul 2014	14 Feb to 14 Jul 2015
Brisbane	487	497	80%	82%
North Brisbane	282	287	81%	83%
South Brisbane	205	210	78%	80%
Central	435	483	81%	76%
Capricornia	136	180	80%	79%
Mackay	60	81	70%	79%
Sunshine Coast	128	106	92%	64%
Wide Bay Burnett	111	116	74%	78%
Northern	444	483	77%	81%
Far North	198	189	72%	82%
Mount Isa	83	92	80%	70%
Townsville	163	202	82%	85%
South Eastern	259	260	79%	77%
Gold Coast	102	122	67%	75%
Logan	157	138	87%	80%
Southern	400	451	81%	78%
Darling Downs	112	154	78%	79%
Ipswich	76	71	75%	70%
Moreton	118	136	91%	76%
South West	94	90	77%	86%
Queensland	2025	2174	79%	79%

The Palaszczuk Government is committed to improving community safety and has dedicated \$2.420 million to provide upgraded closed circuit cameras (CCTV) across the state including Gladstone, Sandgate, Townsville and Wynnum watchhouses; \$34.947 million for 15 new and 962 replacement police service vehicles; and \$28 million to deliver 266 new police over the next year.