Question on Notice No. 869 Asked on 17 September 2015

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

QUESTION:

Will the Minister detail for the electorate of Toowoomba North the number of reported offences, broken down by (a) total offences, (b) assault (grievous, serious, serious (other), common), (c) robbery (armed, unarmed), (d) offences against the person, (e) unlawful entry (with intent — dwelling, without violence – dwelling, with violence – dwelling, with intent – other), (f) arson, (g) other property damage, (h) unlawful use of motor vehicle, (i) fraud (computer, cheque, credit card, identity, other), (j) offences against property, (k) drug offences, (l) traffic and related offences, for the periods 1 January 2014 to 31 August 2014, and 1 January 2015 to 31 August 2015?

ANSWER:

The Queensland Police Service (QPS) generally provides statistics based on Police Districts and Regions rather than electorates.

The QPS advises caution in the use of data collected for geographical regions other than the whole of the state, Police Districts and Police Regions, as they are subject to inconsistency.

The Member for Toowoomba North can access the latest crime statistics for the Darling Downs District in the Annual Statistical Review which has been published online at <u>www.police.qld.gov.au</u>.

The Annual Statistical Review is being published for the first time since 2012, when this practice ceased under the former LNP government.