

**Question on Notice**

**No. 283**

**Asked on 2 March 2017**

**MS T DAVIS** ASKED MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND MINISTER FOR TOURISM, MAJOR EVENTS AND THE COMMONWEALTH GAMES (HON K JONES)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise (a) how many FTE teacher aides were in Queensland Schools in 2015-16 and 2016-17 to date (reported by year and by school type including state school, secondary and special schools) and (b) the total funding available by Education Queensland in 2015-16 and 2016-17 for teacher aides (reported by year)?

ANSWER:

The Department of Education and Training's total investment in teacher aide resourcing for schools has risen from some \$604 million in the 2015–16 financial year to an estimated \$640 million in the 2016–17 financial year.

The following total FTE Teacher Aides, using all funding sources, are identified across Queensland state schools for 2015–16 and 2016–17 to date.

	Average FTE	
	2015–2016	2016–2017 YTD*
<b>School Types</b>		
<b>Primary</b>	5,994	6,247
<b>Primary-Secondary</b>	927	983
<b>Secondary</b>	2,111	2,190
<b>Special</b>	817	862
<b>Other locations</b>	65	62
<b>Total Teacher Aides</b>	<b>9,914</b>	<b>10,344</b>

\* Figures have been rounded. Information is derived from Minimum Obligatory HR Information (MOHRI) and has been averaged across the four quarters for 2015–16; and first two quarters for 2016–17. Given the 2016–17 FTE data is based on the first two quarters, it does not reflect any increases in Teacher Aide allocations for the 2017 school year.