

## QUESTION ON NOTICE

No. 1083

asked on 5 September 2018

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**MR J LISTER** ASKED MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT AND SMALL BUSINESS AND MINISTER FOR TRAINING AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT (HON S FENTIMAN) —

**QUESTION:** With reference to the 1,833 TAFE Queensland full time equivalent teaching staff for 2017-18— Will the Minister outline the average number of hours of face-to-face teaching that was undertaken?

**ANSWER:**

There are many ways that teaching duties are undertaken in the contemporary training organisation. TAFE Queensland educators deliver training and assessment through a range of flexible modes including classroom, online, workplace, blended delivery and recognition of prior learning. Traditional face-to-face teaching is only one facet of an educator's role in engaging with and delivering training and assessment for students.

By being responsive to industry and local demand for programs, fluctuations in TAFE Queensland educators' teaching time and educational delivery duties occur. This is a normal part of training delivery, with timetabling adjustments occurring throughout the year according to delivery requirements and student numbers.

Teaching hours can also vary for educators depending on a range of factors including the number of course areas delivered in a semester, type of training being delivered, how educators are engaged, student needs and delivery mode.

Due to the impacting factors listed above, it is not possible to provide the average number of hours of face-to-face teaching that was undertaken during 2017-18 by the 1,833 TAFE Queensland full time equivalent teaching staff.

I can however advise that in 2017-18, through the variety of teaching methods mentioned above 35.96 million hours of training were delivered by TAFE Queensland, as published in their latest annual report.