

Question on Notice

No. 1119

Asked on Wednesday 5 September 2018

MS F SIMPSON ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (HON M BAILEY)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise (a) how much total and per head public transport subsidy has been paid each year for the last four years for both trains and buses on the Sunshine Coast and (b) how does this compare to Brisbane?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Maroochydore for the question.

- (a) The net operating expenditure on Sunshine Coast-based bus operator contracts has ranged between \$38.84 million to \$42.08 million during the past four financial years between 2014–15 and 2017–18.

The average subsidy per passenger trip on the Sunshine Coast-based bus operators has ranged between \$7.16 to \$7.58 during the past four financial years between 2014–15 and 2017–18.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads train data is difficult to breakdown by region as rollingstock are used in multiple areas around the network.

The average rail subsidy per passenger trip across the South East Queensland network has ranged between \$13.89 to \$14.40 during the past four financial years between 2014–15 and 2017–18.

- (b) The net operating expenditure in Greater Brisbane, which includes the Brisbane, Ipswich, Logan, Redlands and Moreton Bay Council areas, has ranged between \$267.62 million to \$316.84 million during the past four financial years between 2014–15 and 2017–18.

The average subsidy per passenger trip on Greater Brisbane based bus operators has ranged between \$3.53 to \$4.13 during the past four financial years between 2014–15 and 2017–18.