

Question on Notice
No. 1730
Asked on 15 November 2018

MR T NICHOLLS ASKED MINISTER FOR POLICE AND MINISTER FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON M RYAN)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise the number of persons who have been charged with 'escape by persons in lawful custody' under section 142 of the Criminal Code Act 1899, between 2014 and 2018 (reported separately by year)?

ANSWER:

A person is in lawful custody if they have been arrested and detained or imprisoned in a manner that has been authorised by law.

This may include, for example, a person who is lawfully detained in a watch house, a person who is being transported to a corrective services facility for detention under the control of a police or corrective services officer, or a person who is detained at a health institution under the Mental Health Act 2016.

I am advised by the Queensland Police Service (QPS) that the following table reflects people who have been charged under section 142 of the Criminal Code Act 1899.

The QPS has advised that this data also includes charges of attempted escape.

**Number of persons charged with section 142 of the Criminal Code Act 1899, Queensland,
1 July 2013 to 9 December 2018**

Year	Person Charged
2014-15	65
2015-16	65
2016-17	90
2017-18	77
2018-19 (as at 1 December 2018)	30