

QUESTION ON NOTICE

No. 1749

asked on Thursday, 15 November 2018

MR D LAST ASKED THE MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES, MINES AND ENERGY (HON DR A LYNHAM)—

QUESTION:

With reference to mine safety in Queensland—

Will the Minister outline, from 2012 to present (reported separately by year), the (a) number of mine safety inspections carried out, (b) number of mine safety breaches, (c) number of mine safety incidents and (d) total amount collected in fines for breaches of mine safety regulation?

ANSWER:

Answers to questions (a), (b) and (c) are publicly available and can be found in the *Queensland mines and quarries safety performance and health reports* at www.publications.qld.gov.au/dataset/queensland-mines-and-quarries-safety-performance-and-health-reports.

- (d) From the beginning of financial year 2012-13 to the end of financial year 2017-18, prosecutions for breaches of mining safety and health legislation have returned over \$1,578,754 in fines and awarded costs. There are currently nine prosecutions in progress relating to incidents 2012-2016. Fines and awarded costs are represented in the table in the year the prosecution is finalised, not necessarily the year the incident occurred.

Year	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Fines and awarded costs	\$40,341	\$17,887	\$483,368	\$181,697	\$523,241	\$332,220