

Question on Notice
No. 716
Asked on 15 July 2020

MR D PURDIE ASKED MINISTER FOR POLICE AND MINISTER FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON M RYAN)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister provide the number of calls for service that have been received for unlawful use of a motor vehicle within the Townsville Region from 2015 to year to date 2020 in table format (reported separately by suburb and year)?

ANSWER:

The previous LNP government axed funding to the National Motor Vehicle Theft Reduction Council in 2013 at a time when car thefts in Queensland were on the rise.

The Palaszczuk Government restored funding to the National Motor Vehicle Theft Reduction Council so that police could once again have access to valuable data to help them analyse trends and target emerging hot spots.

It is unclear from the Member's question what is meant by the 'Townsville Region' the Member may be referring to the Townsville Police Division, Townsville Police District, Townsville electorate, Townsville Local Government Area, Townsville City, the Northern Region or another geographical area.

However, I appreciate the Members interest in this matter and can advise that data on the offence of unlawful use of a motor vehicle by Police District can be found in the Queensland Government Statistician's Office (QGSO) Annual Crime Statistic Report.