

QUESTION ON NOTICE

No. 87

asked on 5 February 2020

MR M BOOTHMAN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT AND SMALL BUSINESS AND MINISTER FOR TRAINING AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT (HON S FENTIMAN) —

QUESTION:

Will the Minister provide the number of new training contracts (new commencements) for 2015-16 to 2018-19 for apprentices and trainees (reported separately by financial year and region)?

ANSWER:

Queensland's new apprentice and trainee contract commencements have increased by 2.32% from 2015-16 to 2018-19.

The latest National Centre for Vocational Education Research data on apprentices and trainees shows that for the 12-month period ending 30 June 2019, commencements in Queensland were 23.9% of the national total, which is up from 22.2% in 2015.

Since 2015 Queensland has consistently contributed a higher proportion of apprentice and trainee new commencements than its share of the national working-age population.

Data collected by the Department of Employment, Small Business and Training has been used in the table below to report apprentice and trainees separately by region for each of the nominated financial years.

Region	Type	2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/2018	2018/2019
Central Queensland	Total	3,450	3,559	4,402	4,227
	Apprenticeship	1,456	1,456	1,794	1,868
	Traineeship	1,994	2,103	2,608	2,359
Darling Downs South West	Total	3,190	3,289	3,622	3,381
	Apprenticeship	1,426	1,330	1,448	1,405
	Traineeship	1,764	1,959	2,174	1,976
Far North Queensland	Total	1,933	1,988	1,772	1,769
	Apprenticeship	959	904	987	913
	Traineeship	974	1,084	785	856
Metropolitan	Total	10,917	11,508	10,951	10,770
	Apprenticeship	4,372	4,118	4,214	3,739
	Traineeship	6,545	7,390	6,737	7,031

Region	Type	2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/2018	2018/2019
North Coast	Total	5,782	6,431	6,928	6,658
	Apprenticeship	3,023	3,070	3,219	2,968
	Traineeship	2,759	3,361	3,709	3,690
North Queensland	Total	2,234	2,507	2,597	2,405
	Apprenticeship	1,097	1,174	1,183	1,183
	Traineeship	1,137	1,333	1,414	1,222
South East Queensland	Total	8,880	8,583	8,566	8,060
	Apprenticeship	4,491	3,946	3,682	3,126
	Traineeship	4,389	4,637	4,884	4,934
Interstate	Total	45	69	43	8
	Apprenticeship	8	4	5	1
	Traineeship	37	65	38	7
Queensland	Total	36,431	37,934	38,881	37,278
	Apprenticeship	16,832	16,002	16,532	15,203
	Traineeship	19,599	21,932	22,349	22,075

NOTE:

- Data sourced from the Queensland Training Summary.
- Regions are based on departmental regions.
- Location data is based on employer location.
- Interstate represents Queensland apprentices and trainees whose employer is located outside of Queensland but whose business predominantly takes place in Queensland.