

Question on Notice

No. 723

Asked on 27 May 2021

MR M HART ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND AMBULANCE SERVICES (HON Y D'ATH) –

QUESTION

Will the Minister advise (in table format) how many operational ambulances are currently available to respond to emergency call-outs for each Gold Coast ambulance station in comparison to May 2020, May 2019, May 2018, May 2017, May 2016?

ANSWER

I am advised that the below are the numbers of operational vehicles for Gold Coast Local Ambulance Service Network in May from 2016 to 2020:

Month	Number of operational response vehicles*
May 2016	83
May 2017	84
May 2018	95
May 2019	98
May 2020	101

*This includes all emergency class 1 stretcher vehicles; patient transport service vehicles; and all emergency support vehicles (Emergency Response Vehicles; Local-area Assessment and Referral Units; Bicycle Response Team; and Specialist Transport Retrieval Unit). Administration vehicles are not included in the count.

Ambulances are dispatched from the current location of the vehicle and not always from static ambulance stations. When dispatching an ambulance to an incident, the Queensland Ambulance Service deploys the closest, most appropriate available crew under a dynamic deployment model.