

Question on Notice
No. 296
Asked on 30 March 2022

MR P WEIR ASKED MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES (HON M RYAN)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise from 2019 to present (reported by calendar year, and police region) (a) how many reports are made to PoliceLink and what is the split between online and phone, (b) how many of these reports have led to charges being laid and (c) how many complaints are either withdrawn or not completed?

ANSWER:

The Queensland Police Service (QPS) has advised that the data requested by the Member is reflected in the below tables.

(a)

Region	2019		2020		2021	
	Phone	Online	Phone	Online	Phone	Online
Brisbane	50,479	25,791	27,407	40,100	16,754	56,143
Central	14,163	3,599	8,092	6,928	6,270	10,671
Far Northern	11,378	2,863	6,480	5,062	5,643	8,807
International	87	45	15	26	2	4
Interstate	208	110	62	80	46	100
North Coast	34,804	13,460	19,525	22,001	14,248	30,909
Northern	12,054	2,819	7,428	5,504	5,618	9,049
South Eastern	41,421	19,238	23,861	29,952	15,748	42,670
Southern	19,422	6,926	11,020	10,620	8,373	15,935
State	20	2	12	8	6	8

Note: Calendar year data for 2022 will not be available until the end of the calendar year.

(b)

Region	2019	2020	2021
Brisbane	9,975	9,620	9,216
Central	2,562	2,088	2,205
Far Northern	2,409	1,973	2,626
Interstate	1	-	-
North Coast	6,706	5,234	5,043
Northern	2,319	1,925	2,312
South Eastern	7,433	6,124	6,306
Southern	4,659	3,333	3,635
State	2	3	3

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(c)

The QPS advise that the number of occurrences reported to Policelink with withdrawn offences by region is provided in the below table.

Region	2019	2020	2021
Brisbane	4,486	4,598	4,909
Central	1,275	1,310	1,567
Far Northern	771	711	935
International	-	-	-
Interstate	1	-	-
North Coast	3,917	3,776	4,366
Northern	1,006	951	1,033
South Eastern	4,480	4,087	5,033
Southern	2,090	1,947	2,208
State	-	-	-

Notes:

1. This data is preliminary and may be subject to change.
2. Figures are a count of occurrences where all of the offences on the occurrence are withdrawn.
3. Data includes occurrences reported to Policelink regardless of whether there was a criminal offence.
4. Occurrence with a solved offence and an withdrawn offence is not included as there is a solved offence.
5. Occurrences reported by phone to Policelink include those where the call source is "P'link phone".
6. Occurrences reported online to Policelink include those where the call source is "P'link app", "P'link email", "P'link internet" and "P'link social media".
7. Region shown refers to the occurrence address.
8. State refers to those where the occurrence address occurred in Queensland but cannot be attributed to a particular police boundary.
9. Withdrawn offences refer to those where there is sufficient evidence to determine that an offence has been committed but the victim no longer wishes to continue with the complaint and has formally withdrawn the complaint.
10. Calendar year data for 2022 will not be available until the end of the calendar year.

I am advised by the QPS that it is not clear what is meant by "not completed" as this is not a type referred to in the Queensland Police Records and Information Management Exchange (QPRIME).