

Question on Notice

No. 611

Asked on Tuesday, 21 June 2022

MR D CRISAFULLI ASKED THE MINISTER FOR COMMUNITIES AND HOUSING, MINISTER FOR DIGITAL ECONOMY AND MINISTER FOR THE ARTS (HON L ENOCH)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise the number of people on the social housing waiting list as of 1 January 2022?

ANSWER:

Queensland does not operate a social housing waiting list. We do maintain a Social Housing Register, which is used by housing service centres and non-government providers to allocate social housing to Queenslanders on a needs basis.

The number of households on the Social Housing Register varies during the course of a day as new applicants are included and as social housing is allocated to existing applicants.

Substantial resources are dedicated to the annual publication and public release of the Social Housing Register data, in order to ensure both its accuracy and that the privacy of those on the register is protected.

It would require an unreasonable use of department resources to extract and ensure the accuracy of the point in time figure sought.

The latest publicly available Social Housing Register data was updated on 21 September 2021 and is available on the Queensland Government Open Data Portal at <https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/social-housing-register>. The 2021-22 data will be publicly available in September 2022.