

Question on Notice
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QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise the number of school disciplinary absences for 2023 to date, including all four categories of SDA (reported separately by region and student demographics) for (a) short suspension, (b) long suspension, (c) exclusion and (d) cancellation?

ANSWER:

The number of School Disciplinary Absences (SDA) for 2023, (up to end of Term 3), by SDA type, region and student demographics is provided below:

2023 SDAs in Queensland state schools by geographic region and type

- **Central Queensland – 6289**
 - Short suspension – 5828
 - Long suspension – 217
 - Exclusion – 116
 - Cancellation – 128
- **Darling Downs South West – 6505**
 - Short suspension – 6021
 - Long suspension – 257
 - Exclusion – 116
 - Cancellation – 111
- **Far North Queensland – 4674**
 - Short suspension – 4268
 - Long suspension – 219
 - Exclusion – 73
 - Cancellation – 114
- **Metropolitan North – 8198**
 - Short suspension – 7747
 - Long suspension – 250
 - Exclusion – 113
 - Cancellation – 88
- **Metropolitan South – 12,525**
 - Short suspension – 11,728
 - Long suspension – 394
 - Exclusion – 304
 - Cancellation – 99

- **North Coast – 8277**
 - Short suspension – 7909
 - Long suspension – 230
 - Exclusion – 71
 - Cancellation – 67
- **North Queensland – 4642**
 - Short suspension – 4288
 - Long suspension – 194
 - Exclusion – 108
 - Cancellation – 52
- **South East – 12,988**
 - Short suspension – 11,942
 - Long suspension – 552
 - Exclusion – 443
 - Cancellation – 51

2023 SDAs in Queensland state schools by Indigenous status and type

- **First Nations – 16,484**
 - Short suspension – 15,170
 - Long suspension – 719
 - Exclusion – 372
 - Cancellation – 223
- **Non-Indigenous – 47,614**
 - Short suspension – 44,561
 - Long suspension – 1594
 - Exclusion – 972
 - Cancellation – 487

Note: Non-Indigenous includes 'not stated'.

It is important to note that the number of SDAs does not reflect the number of students as some students can be represented in the data more than once.