

Question on Notice
No. 1459
Asked on 15 November 2023

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

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise the number of police officers on leave for greater than five working days (reported annually in table format) since 2015 to date?

ANSWER:

I am advised by the Queensland Police Service (QPS) that to provide a response to such an open question would require verification of a vast amount of data for over 12,000 police officers. I am advised by the QPS that this is considered by the QPS to be an unjustifiable use of police resources at this time.

I am advised by the QPS that an extensive range of leave types, both planned and unplanned, are available to police officers, including core entitlements of paid recreation and long service leave, and paid and unpaid sick leave. In addition to these core entitlements, police officers have access to many other paid and unpaid leave types including but not limited to, carers leave, parental leave, emergent/compassionate leave, bereavement leave, study and research assistance leave, Australian Defence Force Reserve leave, critical incident leave and career break leave.

Given the extensive range of leave available to police officers, and annual recreation leave thresholds, it would be highly unlikely any police officer would not access leave for greater than five working days, consecutive or otherwise, in any year.