

Question on Notice

No. 1504

Asked on Thursday, 16 November 2023

DR A MACMAHON ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING (HON M SCANLON)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the October 2022 Queensland Housing Summit—

Will the Minister advise how much have median weekly rents, for all properties combined, increased in Queensland?

ANSWER:

The median weekly rent data for all dwellings combined across Queensland is available online at <http://www.rta.qld.gov.au/forms-resources/median-rents-quick-finder/median-rents-quarterly-data>.

The Palaszczuk Government recognises the current housing challenges being experienced by Queenslanders and is taking action, with a \$5 billion investment in social and affordable housing supply, and housing and homelessness support – the largest concentrated investment in Queensland’s history.

Assistance is available for people in the private housing market to secure or sustain private rental homes. In 2022-23, the Government’s investment of \$84.9 million assisted over 78,000 households to access or keep housing in the private housing market. In the last quarter between July and September 2023, \$9.7 million was provided to 1,692 new households for support to help cover rent, rent increases, bonds and other supports, including households assisted with the Rental Security Subsidy, which was doubled after the Housing Summit to up to \$10,000 for 12 months.

The Palaszczuk Government is committed to continuing to work across all levels of government, the non-government sector and with the community to deliver more affordable pathways for all Queenslanders to enjoy safe, secure and affordable housing.