

QUESTION ON NOTICE

No. 1526

asked on Tuesday, 28 November 2023

MRS L GERBER ASKED MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT AND SMALL BUSINESS, MINISTER FOR TRAINING AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE (HON D FARMER)

QUESTION:

With reference to Serious Repeat Offenders (by index)-

Will the Minister provide the average number of charges per offender (reported separately by year) for the last three years?

ANSWER: [MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE (HON D FARMER)]

On 18 December 2023, I was appointed as Minister for Education and Minister for Youth Justice and as such, I am the responsible Minister to answer this Question.

In the 12 months to 30 September 2023, there was an average of 37.8 charged offences per Serious Repeat Offender.

In the 12 months to 30 September 2022, there was an average of 38.4 charged offences per Serious Repeat Offender.

In the 12 months to 30 September 2021, there was an average of 33.4 charged offences per Serious Repeat Offender.

It should be noted, the Department of Youth Justice typically report on *proven* offences due to the approximately 10-15% of charged offences that are not proven.