

QUESTION ON NOTICE

No. 626

asked on Tuesday 23 May 2023

MR T NICHOLLS ASKED MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT AND SMALL BUSINESS, MINISTER FOR TRAINING AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE (HON D FARMER)

QUESTION:

Will the Minister detail by youth detention centre and year for the last three years (a) the number of approved FTE youth detention workers, (b) the vacancy rate for youth detention workers and (c) the attrition rate for youth detention workers?

ANSWER:

In response to part (a) of the question, the number of funded youth detention centre staff (FTE) in Brisbane Youth Detention Centre as at 31 March 2023 – 358.85; 30 June 2022 – 344.85; and 30 June 2021 – 341.85. The number of funded youth detention centre staff (FTE) in Cleveland Youth Detention Centre as at 31 March 2023 – 289.60; 30 June 2022 – 300.60; and 30 June 2021 – 295.60. The number of funded youth detention centre staff (FTE) in West Moreton Youth Detention Centre as at 31 March 2023 – 132.00; 30 June 2022 – 130.00; and 30 June 2021 – 130.00.

In response to part (b) of the question, the vacancy rate in Brisbane Youth Detention Centre as at 31 March 2023 – nil vacancies; 30 June 2022 – nil vacancies; and 30 June 2021 – nil vacancies. The vacancy rate in Cleveland Youth Detention Centre as at 31 March 2023 – 10.97%; 30 June 2022 – 14.79%; and 30 June 2021 – 8.77%. The vacancy rate in West Moreton Youth Detention Centre as at 31 March 2023 – 6.86%; 30 June 2022 – 7.96%; and 30 June 2021 – 9.67%.

In response to part (c) of the question, separation rates have been used to represent staff attrition. The separation rate is the rate at which permanent staff are separating from the department within each financial year period. The separation rate in Brisbane Youth Detention Centre as at 31 March 2023 – 19.57%; 30 June 2022 – 38.82%; and 30 June 2021 – 19.77%. The separation rate in Cleveland Youth Detention Centre as at 31 March 2023 – 22.22%; 30 June 2022 – 36.82%; and 30 June 2021 – 21.43%. The separation rate in West Moreton Youth Detention Centre as at 31 March 2023 – 19.05%; and 30 June 2022 – 32.18%. As the West Moreton Youth Detention Centre commenced operations on 14 December 2020 a financial year separation rate cannot be provided for June 2020.