

Question on Notice

No. 220

Asked on Thursday, 7 March 2024

MR T MANDER ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PLANNING AND MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS (HON M SCANLON)—

QUESTION:

With reference to Queensland Government employee accommodation—

Will the Minister advise as at 1 January 2024 (reported separately by Housing Service Centre) (a) how many dwellings are owned and managed by the Queensland Government for the purpose of housing employees (Government Employee Accommodation) and (b) how many of the dwellings in part (a) were tenanted?

ANSWER:

The Department of Housing, Local Government, Planning and Public Works (DHLGPPW) manages a state-wide portfolio of government employee housing assets on behalf of the Queensland Government. In addition, there are other state-owned housing assets that are exclusively owned by other departments, for example the Department of Education or Queensland Police Service. Where a residence is co-located with a specific department asset, for example a school or a police station, these assets are commonly managed by the relevant department and enquiries in relation to these properties should be directed to the relevant agency.

Government employee housing is not reported by Housing Service Centre region. With respect to the DHLGPPW portfolio, as of 1 January 2024, DHLGPPW owns and manages 2,913 residences across Queensland.

DHLGPPW is only able to provide data on whether a residence is tenanted, where residences are leased within DHLGPPW. Any enquiries related to tenancies of housing assets leased to other agencies should be directed to the relevant agency's Minister.

As of 1 January 2024, 38 residences were leased within DHLGPPW:

- 26 residences were allocated to QBuild, and
- 12 residences were allocated to Housing.

Of the 38 residences, 37 were fully occupied with one residence undergoing repairs for ceiling damage. Following completion of these works, the residence will be re-occupied.