

**Question on Notice**  
**No. 317**  
**Asked on 21 March 2024**

**MR J MCDONALD** ASKED MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE (HON D FARMER)

QUESTION:

With reference to school refusal—

Will the Minister advise (reported separately by region, year and by primary schools and high schools) the number of students reported as refusing to attend school from 2020 to 2023 and 2024 to date?

ANSWER:

The Department of Education does not explicitly capture school refusals as an absence reason.

School refusals are managed at the local level by schools and regions.