

**Question on Notice**

**No. 430**

**Asked on 17 April 2024**

**MR M BERKMAN** asked the Minister for Agricultural Industry Development and Fisheries and Minister for Rural Communities (HON M FURNER)—

**QUESTION:**

Will the Minister advise, in each of the financial years 2020-21 to 2022-23 and 2023-24 (to date), how many invasive species research staff were employed across the government's five research locations, including (a) the Ecosciences Precinct at Dutton Park, (b) the Health and Food Sciences Precinct at Coopers Plains, (c) the Tropical Weeds Research Centre at Charters Towers, (d) the Centre for Wet Tropics Agriculture at South Johnstone and (e) the Pest Animal Research Centre in Toowoomba?

**ANSWER:**

The total number of full-time equivalent DAF invasive species research staff at each of the five locations for the 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-2024 years: Dutton Park, 66, 66, 66.6, 63.6; Coopers Plains, 1, 1, 0, 0; Charters Towers, 8, 8, 7, 7; South Johnstone, 8.3, 8.4, 8.5, 8.5; Toowoomba, 16.6, 16.6, 18.6, 20.1