Question on Notice

No. 893

Asked on 20, August 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 the government's 'QuickStarts' program—

Will the Minister advise (reported separately by financial year from 2021-22 to 2023-24 and QHIGI region) (a) the number of 'spot purchases' which have been made under the program to add growth capacity and (b) the number of dwellings completed under the QuickStarts program currently tenanted?

ANSWER:

As at 30 June 2024, under the Queensland Government's QuickStarts Qld (QSQ), 1,081 homes (573 built and 508 purchased) have been delivered, including 210 in partnership with registered community housing providers (RCHPs) and Indigenous community housing organisations (ICHOs).

While we get on with our Big Housing Build, we're buying and leasing motels, hotels and former retirement villages to help more Queenslanders into a home sooner. The breakdown of QSQ-supported social homes delivered by QHIGI region are as follows.

For Cape York, in 2021-22 2 homes were delivered (2 built), in 2022-23 15 were delivered (15 built), and in 2023-24 8 were delivered (3 built, 5 purchased).

For Central Queensland, in 2021-22 8 homes were delivered (8 purchased), in 2022-23 43 were delivered (1 built, 42 purchased) and in 2023-24 31 were delivered (25 built, 6 purchased).

For Darling Downs, in 2021-22 9 homes were delivered (1 built, 8 purchased), in 2022-23 85 were delivered (13 built, 72 purchased), and in 2023-24 56 were delivered (38 built, 18 purchased).

For Far North Queensland, in 2021-22 5 homes were delivered (2 built, 3 purchased), in 2022-23 33 were delivered (20 built, 13 purchased), and in 2023-24 20 were delivered (7 built, 13 purchased).

For Mackay/Whitsunday, in 2021-22 7 homes were delivered (7 purchased), in 2022-23 20 were delivered (5 built, 15 purchased), and in 2023-24 18 were delivered (12 built, 6 purchased).

For North Queensland, in 2021-22 13 homes were delivered (13 purchased), in 2022-23 45 were delivered (15 built, 30 purchased), and in 2023-24 70 were delivered (55 built, 15 purchased).

For Outback, in 2021-22 no homes were delivered, in 2022-23 1 was delivered (1 purchased), and in 2023-24 38 were delivered (36 built, 2 purchased).

For South-East Queensland, in 2021-22 28 homes were delivered (28 purchased), in 2022-23 136 were delivered (30 built, 106 purchased), and in 2023-24 301 were delivered (231 built, 70 purchased).

For Wide Bay/Burnett, in 2021-22 5 homes were delivered (2 built, 3 purchased), in 2022-23 29 were delivered (15 built, 14 purchased), and in 2023-24 55 were delivered (45 built, 10 purchased).

All but 16 of the department-managed dwellings are currently tenanted as at 28 August 2024, with nine new dwellings undergoing final works to be ready for tenanting, two undergoing maintenance and upgrades prior to re-tenanting, three were used as emergency accommodation in response to the Tara bushfire with future use under review, and two in the process of being tenanted.

Where the dwellings are managed by an RCHP or ICHO, these entities are responsible for tenanting.