

Question on Notice
No. 851
Asked on 27 June 2025

HON M BAILEY ASKED MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE AND VICTIM SUPPORT AND MINISTER FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON L GERBER)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise (a) how many new beds will be provided though the \$1.13b prison capacity increase project at Arthur Gorrie Correctional Centre and (b) when these beds will be available for use?

ANSWER:

Queensland Corrective Services (QCS) plays a vital role in rehabilitating prisoners, reducing reoffending, and restoring community safety. The Crisafulli Government is backing our hardworking QCS officers with a \$2.39 billion investment in the 2025-2026 Budget, to build the infrastructure needed to keep staff, prisoners, and the community safe. Reducing the chronic overcrowding under the former government. There is no specific budget line item for \$1.13b in the Corrective Services Capital Statement. The Crisafulli Government's first budget delivered \$1.313 billion to rapidly increase capacity at the Arthur Gorrie Correctional Centre. A minimum of 400 beds will be delivered available for use after the commissioning period. This is in addition to the opening of Lockyer Valley Correctional Centre this year which will result in more than 1,500 new beds in the Queensland corrections system.