

## Question on Notice

No. 125

Asked on 3 March 2026

**MR MARK FURNER** ASKED MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND AMBULANCE SERVICES (HON T NICHOLLS)—

### QUESTION

Will the Minister provide between 1 January 2025 (inclusive) to the latest reportable month, the total number of Tier 3 Bed Capacity escalations (in table format, reported separately by calendar month for Rockhampton Hospital, including the escalation period (in hours), where the y-axis is calendar month and the x-axis is Tier 3 Bed Capacity escalation and escalation period, where the numerical values are reported in the table and not a reference number to a value that sits outside the table)?

### ANSWER

I thank the Member for the question. Tier 3 bed capacity escalation data represents the period of time a hospital reported they did not have the available resources to meet demand.

Rockhampton Hospital has suffered from a decade of underinvestment in the infrastructure required to meet the health needs of a growing region. That is why the Crisafulli Government has announced a major expansion to the Emergency Department and a 65% increase to the size of the Transit Lounge. These major investments will help improve access to timely emergency care and improve the patient experience as they discharge from hospital.

**Table 1:** The total number of Tier 3 Bed Capacity escalations at Rockhampton Hospital, 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025.

Jan	5 escalations totalling 235 hours and 37 minutes.
Feb	1 escalation totalling 27 hours and 35 minutes.
Mar	2 escalations totalling 252 hours and 30 minutes.
Apr	2 escalations totalling 153 hours and 26 minutes.
May	4 escalations totalling 305 hours and 13 minutes.
Jun	3 escalations totalling 326 hours and 50 minutes.
Jul	5 escalations totalling 294 hours and 45 minutes.
Aug	3 escalations totalling 413 hours.
Sept	1 escalation totalling 100 hours and 50 minutes.
Oct	2 escalations totalling 126 hours.
Nov	1 escalation totalling 123 hours.
Dec	3 escalations totalling 141 hours and 50 minutes.