

Question on Notice

No. 431

Asked on 23 April 2026

MRS M NIGHTINGALE asked the Minister for Families, Seniors and Disability Services and Minister for Child Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence (HON A CAMM)—

QUESTION

Will the Minister advise (reported separately by year and region) the total number of children placed in residential care (a) as at 31 March 2025 and (b) as at 31 March 2026?

ANSWER

The latest available corporate performance data relating to children living in residential care, by region, is as at 31 March 2025 and is available from the Department of Families, Seniors, Disability Services and Child Safety website at www.performance.dcssds.qld.gov.au/improving-care-and-post-care-support, Table 2.

The latest available operational data relating to children living in residential care is as at 18 February 2026 and is available at www.performance.dcssds.qld.gov.au/our-performance/operational-data/care-arrangements. It is important to note that this data is indicative only and not comparable to previous corporate data.

Operational data has not been through a rigorous data cleansing process, and as such there is a margin of error to be considered when reviewing the data.