

## Question on Notice

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**HON L LINARD** ASKED MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND AMBULANCE SERVICES  
(**HON T NICHOLLS**)—

### QUESTION

With reference to The Prince Charles Hospital—

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, 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

The data requested by the Member is publicly available on the Queensland Health performance website online at [www.performance.health.qld.gov.au/view-performance-by-facility/hospitals/the-prince-charles](http://www.performance.health.qld.gov.au/view-performance-by-facility/hospitals/the-prince-charles).

It is noted between 1 January 2025 and 31 March 2026 that there were 31 Tier 3 bed capacity escalations at The Prince Charles Hospital totaling 855 hours and 39 minutes.

By comparison it is noted between 1 January 2024 and 31 March 2025 that there were 41 Tier 3 bed capacity escalations, totaling 3453 hours and 53 minutes.

This is a significant improvement in the time spent on Tier 3 status. Further capacity will be added to The Prince Charles Hospital with at least 93 new beds to be delivered by the Crisafulli Government.

Disappointingly, the former government's failed plan for these beds was revealed to be undeliverable. An independent report revealed the failed plan was unfunded by \$488 million, delayed two years and missing critical planning documents and services.