

Question on Notice

No. 520

Asked on 13 May 2026

MS B ASIF ASKED MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND AMBULANCE SERVICES (HON T NICHOLLS)—

QUESTION

With reference to the Palliative Care and End of Life Strategy—

Will the Minister advise (reported separately by HHS) (a) the number of palliative care patients that sought care in Queensland public hospitals in 2025 and (b) the number of deaths in palliative care wards in Queensland in 2025?

ANSWER

I am advised that there were 12,584 palliative care patients that sought care in Queensland public hospitals in 2025. Similarly, there were 10,407 palliative care admissions that ended with the patient dying in hospital.

2025 Hospital and Health Service	Patients with palliative care	
	Patients ^(a)	Died in hospital ^(b)
Cairns and Hinterland	802	728
Central Queensland	391	276
Central West	9	7
Children's Health Queensland	47	7
Darling Downs	904	771
Gold Coast	1,248	1,025
Mackay	400	323
Metro North	2,746	2,470
Metro South	2,542	2,067
North West	19	19
South West	57	48
Sunshine Coast	1,152	916
Torres and Cape	10	6
Townsville	855	731
West Moreton	767	595
Wide Bay	711	418