

CHILD PROTECTION AND FAMILY SUPPORT — CULTURAL DAY PROGRAMS

3830. Hon Martin Pritchard to the Minister representing the Minister for Child Protection:

I refer to Cultural Day Programs, and I ask, by region how many occurred in the following periods:

- (a) 2014–2015;
- (b) 2013–2014;
- (c) 2012–2013;
- (d) how many children participated in each period in (a), (b) and ; and
- (e) how many Cultural Day Programs are budgeted and funded in 2015–2016?

Hon Peter Collier replied:

- (a) 5.
- (b) 6.
- (c) 3.
- (d) 2014–2015 – 105 children participated 2012–2013 – 42 children participated 2013–2014 – 133 children participated.
- (e) 3 Cultural Day Programs were delivered up until 31 December 2015. At this time the number of programs planned for 2016 has not been determined.

The Department for Child Protection and Family support is currently considering the way these programs are delivered and it is anticipated that Cultural Programs will have a focus as part of other Departmental events on significant dates such as National Close the Gap Day, Sorry Day, Reconciliation Week, NAIDOC Week, National Aboriginal and Islander Children's Day, International Day of the World's Indigenous People.