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Hon Colin Tincknell; Hon Alanna Clohesy

WA COUNTRY HEALTH SERVICE — STAFF

- 3253. Hon Colin Tincknell to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Health:
- (1) In relation to the WA Country Health Service I ask, in each of the financial years 2016–17, 2017–18, 2018–19 and 2019–20, how many of each of the following (FTE) were employed by the WA Country Health Service:
 - (a) speech pathologists;
 - (b) occupational therapists;
 - (c) physiotherapists;
 - (d) clinical psychologists; and
 - (e) social workers were employed in Child Protection Services?
- (2) In relation to (1)(a) to (e), please provide a region-by-region breakdown of where these positions were located?

Hon Alanna Clohesy replied:

(1)(a) and (2)

	Financial Year			
Region	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Goldfields	3.43	3.48	5.07	5.07
Great Southern	8.11	8.61	9.16	9.32
Kimberley	6.88	7.56	8.00	9.28
Midwest	10.00	10.01	10.27	10.21
Pilbara	7.67	8.56	6.90	6.87
South West	15.01	17.47	17.53	17.95
Wheatbelt	10.36	9.60	9.48	9.77
Total FTE	61.45	65.29	66.41	68.47

Notes

- (1) The Year-to-date (YTD) FTE has been sourced from payroll data for the last four financial years.
- (2) The FTE data scope is specific to salaried employees.
- (3) Speech Pathology professions are identified by the HSU-P level classification within the payroll data.
- (4) Excludes position titles that do not contain key words "Speech Pathologist".

(1)(b) and (2)

Region	Financial Year			
	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Goldfields	6.04	5.45	7.96	8.33
Great Southern	16.19	17.37	16.67	18.51
Kimberley	9.65	10.84	10.21	9.65
Midwest	14.82	16.40	17.40	18.75
Pilbara	8.93	8.44	8.60	7.99
South West	28.14	26.83	29.20	29.01
Wheatbelt	12.24	11.44	13.14	13.28
Total FTE	96.02	96.77	103.19	105.52

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- (1) The Year-to-date (YTD) FTE has been sourced from payroll data for the last four financial years.
- (2) The FTE data scope is specific to salaried employees in regulated Allied Health professions requiring AHPRA registration.
- (3) Regulated Allied Health professions are identified by the HSU-P level classification within the payroll data.
- (4) Excludes position titles that do not contain key words "Occupational Therapists".

(1)(c) and (2)

	Financial Year			
Region	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Goldfields	8.04	6.60	9.06	9.56
Great Southern	13.88	16.05	17.35	17.99
Kimberley	9.41	8.66	8.75	9.43
Midwest	15.49	17.17	16.27	18.09
Pilbara	9.55	9.84	9.21	10.13
South West	24.07	25.87	29.76	29.48
Wheatbelt	9.88	10.89	10.29	11.06
Total FTE	90.31	95.09	100.69	105.74

Notes

- (1) The Year-to-date (YTD) FTE has been sourced from payroll data for the last four financial years.
- (2) The FTE data scope is specific to salaried employees in regulated Allied Health professions requiring AHPRA registration.
- (3) Regulated Allied Health professions are identified by the HSU-P level classification within the payroll data.
- (4) Excludes position titles that do not contain key word "physiotherapists".

(1)(d) and (2)

Region	Financial Year				
	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	
Goldfields	0.45	0.00	0.25	1.00	
Great Southern	2.07	1.23	1.38	1.43	
Kimberley	0.26	0.42	0.00	0.00	
Midwest	0.50	0.57	0.65	0.96	
South West	2.54	2.80	2.78	2.49	
Wheatbelt	0.75	1.56	2.06	1.68	
Total FTE	6.57	6.59	7.12	7.56	

Notes

- (1) The Year-to-date (YTD) FTE has been sourced from payroll data for the last four financial years.
- (2) The FTE data scope is specific to salaried employees in regulated Allied Health professions requiring AHPRA registration.
- (3) The Clinical Psychologist professions are identified by HSU-P and HSU-G level classification within the payroll data.
- (4) Excludes position titles that do not contain key word "psychologists".

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(1)(e) and (2) The WA County Health Services (WACHS) does not employ Social Workers in designated Child Protection Services. Social workers have a broad health role across WACHS, which does include screening and referral for children requiring child protection services. Child protection service social workers are employed by the Department of Communities.