

FINE DEFAULTERS — DIAGNOSED MENTAL ILLNESS

3563. Mr P. Papalia to the Minister for Corrective Services:

I refer to Question on Notice No. 1832 of 18 February 2014 and, for calendar year 2014, I ask:

- (a) how many people were imprisoned for fine default alone;
- (b) of those, how many were Aboriginal;
- (c) women;
- (d) Aboriginal women; and
- (e) how many were being treated for a diagnosed mental illness at time of incarceration:
 - (i) of those, how many were Aboriginal;
 - (ii) women; and
 - (iii) Aboriginal women?

Mr J.M. Francis replied:

As advised in Question Without Notice Number 21 answered in the Legislative Council on 17 February 2015:

- (a) 782
- (b) 344
- (c) 183
- (d) 122
- (e) (i)–(iii) The Department of Corrective Services advises that information on the number of prisoners who were being treated for a diagnosed mental illness at the time of reception is not recorded in a manner that is easily retrievable.

The Department of Corrective Services is reviewing and improving its systems to support the design and implementation of Individualised Integrated Offender Management (IIOM). IIOM will capture a broader range of information about prisoners, including whether they are being treated for a diagnosed mental illness at the time of reception.