

POLICE — OFFICERS — ABORIGINAL

4713. Ms J. Farrer to the Minister for Police:

I refer to Aboriginal Police Officers employed with WA Police, and I ask:

- (a) how many Aboriginal Police Officers were employed throughout the State with WA Police, for the years, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014;
- (b) how many Aboriginal Police Officers are currently employed throughout the State;
- (c) how many Aboriginal Police Officers were employed throughout the Kimberley with WA Police, for the years, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014;
- (d) how many Aboriginal Police Officers are currently employed throughout the Kimberley;
- (e) of the Aboriginal Police Officers currently employed in the Kimberley:
 - (i) how many are male; and
 - (ii) how many are female; and
- (f) where are each of the Aboriginal Police Officers currently employed in the Kimberley located?

Mrs L.M. Harvey replied:

Note: The provision of information relating to an employee's cultural background can only be requested on a voluntary basis. As a result Western Australia Police advice that the information in response to these questions is based on the information provided and may not be complete.

(a) As at 30 June of the following years:

| Year | Police Officer | Aboriginal Police Liaison Officer | Police Auxiliary Officer | Total |
|------|----------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|-------|
| 2008 | 114 | 27 | - | 141 |
| 2009 | 107 | 20 | 1 | 128 |
| 2010 | 99 | 18 | 1 | 118 |
| 2011 | 96 | 16 | 2 | 114 |
| 2012 | 86 | 15 | 2 | 103 |
| 2013 | 87 | 14 | 1 | 102 |
| 2014 | 81 | 11 | 9 | 101 |

(b) As at 18 November 2015:

| Year | Police Officer | Aboriginal Police Liaison Officer | Police Auxiliary Officer | Total |
|------|----------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|-------|
| 2015 | 76 | 10 | 8 | 94 |

(c) The data provided details when an officer was stationed in the Kimberley District at any time during that particular year:

| Year | Police Officer | Aboriginal Police Liaison Officer | Police Auxiliary Officer | Total |
|------|----------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|-------|
| 2008 | 14 | 8 | - | 22 |
| 2009 | 11 | 5 | - | 16 |
| 2010 | 12 | 5 | - | 17 |
| 2011 | 12 | 4 | - | 16 |
| 2012 | 6 | 3 | - | 9 |
| 2013 | 6 | 2 | - | 8 |
| 2014 | 7 | 2 | 5 | 14 |

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(d)–(e) As at 18 November 2015:

| Date | Police Officer | Aboriginal Police Liaison Officer | Police Auxiliary Officer | Kimberley District Total |
|------|----------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2015 | 2 - Female | 2 - Male | 2 - Female 2 - Male | 8 |

(f) WA Police advises that due to operational sensitivities, specific information relating to staffing levels of individual police stations is not released. Resources are allocated at a district level and Superintendents deploy those resources within their District to deliver the best possible policing service to the community.