

FINE DEFAULTERS — DIAGNOSED MENTAL ILLNESS

3561. Mr P. Papalia to the Minister for Corrective Services:

I refer to Question on Notice No. 1832 of 18 February 2014, and for each calendar year from 2008 to 2013, and I ask:

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

Mr J.M. Francis replied:

- (a) (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.