

SEXUAL OFFENCES AGAINST CHILDREN — CONVICTIONS

3349. Hon Sue Ellery to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General

- (1) How many adults were convicted of sex offences against children in 2009-2010?
- (2) Of those convicted how many received an immediate jail sentence?

Hon MICHAEL MISCHIN replied:

- (1) 134
- (2) 68 (a further 41 persons received a suspended imprisonment order)

N.B Included in the above figures are persons charged with offences under the following sections of the *Criminal Code*:

- Section 320 (sexual offences against a child under the age of 13),
- Section 321 (sexual offences against a child of, or over, the age of 13 and under 16),
- Section 321A (persistent sexual conduct with a child under the age of 16), and
- Section 322 (sexual offences against a child of, or over, the age of 16 by a person in authority).