

SOCIAL HOUSING — SPOT PURCHASES

373. Hon STEVE MARTIN to the minister representing the Minister for Housing:

I refer to question without notice 348, asked on 28 March 2023.

For the homes purchased under spot provisions in the 2021–22 and 2022–23 financial years, will the minister please provide a breakdown of purchases in each region according to —

- (a) new builds or established properties; and
- (b) number of bedrooms?

Hon JACKIE JARVIS replied:

I thank the member for some notice of the question. The following response has been provided by the Minister for Housing.

- (a) It is important to note spot purchases can include new builds that may be either purchased “off the plan” or from new developments. The specific data on types of spot purchases is not readily collected and would require a manual review of individual files and sales contracts, and is thus not deemed to be an appropriate use of government resources. However, if the honourable member has a more specific question, the minister will endeavour to provide an answer.
- (b) The Department of Communities is constantly assessing properties across Western Australia that may be suitable for spot purchase. Some regions have a lack of suitable housing available for spot purchase due to a higher level of ageing or inappropriate stock.

Housing delivery across all regions relies on multiple modes of flexible housing delivery including modular builds, prefabricated housing builds, timber frame builds and internal transfers, as well as spot purchasing.

As the remainder of the answer is in tabular form, I seek leave to have it incorporated into *Hansard*.

[Leave granted for the following material to be incorporated.]

Spot Purchased Properties – 2021/22							
Region	1 bed	2 bed	3 bed	4 bed	5 bed	6 bed	Total
North Metro	42	32	22	12	-	-	108
South Metro	16	30	5	-	-	-	51
East Metro	5	8	5	14	5	1	38
Pilbara	1	3	8	4	-	-	16
East Kimberley	16	-	-	-	-	-	16
Great Southern	1	4	6	8	1	-	20
South West	-	-	5	7	1	-	13
Goldfields	-	1	0	1	-	-	2
Midwest	-	-	3	12	1	-	16
Wheatbelt	-	-	2	-	-	-	2
Total	81	78	56	58	8	1	282

Spot Purchased Properties – 2022/23 YTD (as at 28 February 2023)						
Region	1 bed	2 bed	3 bed	4 bed	5 bed	Total
North Metro	27	38	20	2	-	87
South Metro	16	29	4	2	-	51
East Metro	11	28	11	1	-	51
Pilbara	8	4	5	-	-	17
West Kimberley	-	1	-	-	-	1
East Kimberley	-	-	1	1	-	2
Great Southern	1	4	3	-	-	8
South West	-	9	3	3	1	16
Midwest	-	-	9	5	-	14
Wheatbelt	-	-	-	4	-	4
Total	63	113	56	18	1	251

