

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, EMPLOYEES, WORKERS' COMPENSATION

3110. Mrs C.L. Edwardes to the Minister for Community Development, Women's Interests, Seniors and Youth; Disability Services; Culture and the Arts

For each department and agency under the portfolio of the Minister -

- (a) how many employees, both permanent and non-permanent are currently on workers' compensation as a result of a workplace injury;
- (b) what is the average time for employees to be on workers' compensation as a result of a workplace injury;
- (c) are all workplace injuries, resulting in lost time, investigated to find the cause of the injury and to review workplace practices;
- (d) if yes, who conducts the investigation;
- (e) if not, why not;
- (f) of the employees absent on workers' compensation, how many are as a result of workplace stress;
- (g) of those employees on workers' compensation as a result of workplace stress, how many are not permanent employees;
- (h) has each case of stress resulting in lost time, been investigated to find the cause of the stress and to review workplace practices;
- (i) if yes, who conducts the investigation; and
- (j) if not, why not?

Ms S.M. McHALE replied:

DISABILITY SERVICES COMMISSION

As at 31 July 2004:

- (a) 23
- (b) 33 days.
- (c) Yes.
- (d) The line manager and the safety and health representative.
- (e) Not applicable.
- (f) 1
- (g) None.
- (h) Yes.
- (i) The line manager, safety and health representative, psychologist and psychiatrist.
- (j) Not applicable.

DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE AND THE ARTS

As at 31 July 2004:

- (a) Department of Culture and the Arts - 0
Art Gallery of Western Australia - 1
State Library of Western Australia - 0
Western Australian Museum - 1
- (b) Department of Culture and the Arts - 7 days.
Art Gallery of Western Australia - 1 day.
State Library of Western Australia - 2 days.
Western Australian Museum - 76 days.
- (c) Yes.
- (d) Initial investigations are conducted by the employee's supervisor and relevant Occupational Safety & Health Representative.

- (e) Not applicable.
- (f) None.
- (g) Not applicable.
- (h) Not applicable.
- (i) Not applicable.
- (j) Not applicable.

DEPARTMENT FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

As at 31 July 2004:

- (a) 5
- (b) 31 days.
- (c) Yes.
- (d) The workplace manager, or team leader, in association with the Safety Representative; the Manager Risk Assessment.
- (e) Not applicable.
- (f) 1
- (g) None.
- (h) Yes.
- (i) See part (d)
- (j) Not applicable.