

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, EMPLOYEES, WORKERS' COMPENSATION

3113. Mrs C.L. Edwardes to the Minister representing the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development; the Kimberley, Pilbara and Gascoyne; Goldfields-Esperance

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?

Mr J.C. KOBELKE replied:

- (a) Nil.
- (b) 18 days for the Albany Cemetery Board and 15 for the Metropolitan Cemeteries Board. These are estimates for claims with a date of disability (Accident Date) falling within the period 1 July 2003 to 30 June 2004. No other departments or agencies have had any compensation claims during this period.
- (c) Yes
- (d) Department of Local Government and Regional Development - Occupational Health and Safety Representative  
Kimberley Development Commission - Chief Executive Officer  
Pilbara Development Commission - The Manager of Finance and Administration, Pilbara Development Commission  
Gascoyne Development Commission - The supervising staff member in conjunction with the Occupational Safety and Health Representative.  
Goldfields-Esperance Development Commission - Occupational Safety and Health Officer
- (e) N/A
- (f) N/A
- (g) N/A
- (h) The Department of Local Government and Regional Development, the Kimberley Development Commission and the Gascoyne Development Commission have had no cases of stress leave.  
Pilbara Development Commission - Yes  
Goldfields-Esperance Development Commission - Yes
- (i) Pilbara Development Commission - The Manager of Finance and Administration, Pilbara Development Commission  
Goldfields-Esperance Development Commission - Occupational Safety and Health Officer
- (j) N/A

