

CRIMINAL OFFENCES — RECIDIVISM

**530. Hon NIGEL HALLETT to the minister representing the Attorney General:**

Of the number of people convicted of a criminal offence in Western Australia from 2003 to 2007, what percentage committed further offences during this time?

**Hon KATE DOUST replied:**

On behalf of the Minister for Child Protection representing the Attorney General, I thank the honourable member for some notice of this question. The information requested is not readily available in the form requested. Magistrates Courts deal with about 80 000 accused each year, so over the time period of the question, some 400 000 records would need to be analysed to provide an answer. It may be that different information might provide a response to the question.