

DEPARTMENT FOR CHILD PROTECTION AND FAMILY SUPPORT — CHILDREN IN CARE —
BROOME

3196. Ms J. Farrer to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Child Protection:
- (1) How many children in Broome are currently in the care of the CEO, Department for Child Protection and Family Support?
 - (2) How many children in Broome were in the care of the CEO for each of the following periods:
 - (a) 2013–2014;
 - (b) 2012–2013;
 - (c) 2011–2012; and
 - (d) 2010–2011?
 - (3) How many child protection notifications have been recorded in Broome for each of the following periods:
 - (a) 2013–2014;
 - (b) 2012–2013;
 - (c) 2011–2012; and
 - (d) 2010–2011?
 - (4) What proportion of all children in the Broome area were subject to child protection notifications over the following periods:
 - (a) 2013–2014;
 - (b) 2012–2013;
 - (c) 2011–2012; and
 - (d) 2010–2011?
 - (5) Considering all children in the following listed regions, what was the per cent of children in the care of the CEO for each of the past five years:
 - (a) the Kimberley;
 - (b) Perth metropolitan area; and
 - (c) statewide?
 - (6) Considering all children in the following listed regions, what has been the per cent of children subject to child protection notifications for each of the past five years:
 - (a) the Kimberley;
 - (b) Perth metropolitan area; and
 - (c) statewide?

Ms A.R. Mitchell replied:

- (1) The Department for Child Protection and Family Support does not collect data by location but by district. As at 31 December 2014, there were 202 children in care in the West Kimberley district.
- (2) As at 30 June, the number of children in care in the West Kimberley district was:

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| (a) | 2013–2014 | 182 |
| (b) | 2012–2013 | 150 |
| (c) | 2011–2012 | 150 |
| (d) | 2010–2011 | 152 |
- (3) As at 30 June, the number of child protection notifications in the West Kimberley district was:

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| (a) | 2013–2014 | 668 |
| (b) | 2012–2013 | 631 |
| (c) | 2011–2012 | 493 |

- (d) 2010–2011 411
- (4) As at 30 June, the proportion of children in the West Kimberley district with a child protection notification was:
- (a) 2013–2014 10.6 per cent
- (b) 2012–2013 10 per cent
- (c) 2011–2012 7.8 per cent
- (d) 2010–2011 6.5 per cent
- (5) The percentage of children in care for the past five years was:
- (a) the Kimberley
- 2013–2014 3 per cent
- 2012–2013 2.6 per cent
- 2011–2012 2.6 per cent
- 2010–2011 2.8 per cent
- 2009–2010 2.6 per cent
- (b) Perth metropolitan area
- 2013–2014 0.6 per cent
- 2012–2013 0.6 per cent
- 2011–2012 0.6 per cent
- 2010–2011 0.5 per cent
- 2009–2010 0.5 per cent
- (c) statewide
- 2013–2014 0.8 per cent
- 2012–2013 0.7 per cent
- 2011–2012 0.7 per cent
- 2010–2011 0.6 per cent
- 2009–2010 0.6 per cent
- (6) The percentage of children subject to child protection notifications for the past five years was:
- (a) the Kimberley
- 2013–2014 11.6 per cent
- 2012–2013 12.3 per cent
- 2011–2012 9.8 per cent
- 2010–2011 9.5 per cent
- 2009–2010 6.5 per cent
- (b) Perth metropolitan area
- 2013–2014 2.5 per cent
- 2012–2013 2.4 per cent
- 2011–2012 2.2 per cent
- 2010–2011 1.7 per cent
- 2009–2010 1.1 per cent
- (c) statewide
- 2013–2014 3.6 per cent
- 2012–2013 3.4 per cent

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| 2011–2012 | 3.2 per cent |
| 2010–2011 | 2.7 per cent |
| 2009–2010 | 1.5 per cent |