

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**Question On Notice**

**Wednesday, 15 June 2022**

**766. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Housing**

I refer to the housing waitlist for the electorate of North West Central, and I ask:

(a) how many people are currently waiting for housing in:

- (i) Shire of Exmouth;
- (ii) Shire of Carnarvon;
- (iii) Shire of Ashburton;
- (iv) Shire of Yalgoo;
- (v) Shire of Cue;
- (vi) Shire of Sandstone;
- (vii) Shire of Murchison;
- (viii) Shire of Wiluna;
- (ix) Shire of Upper Gascoyne;
- (x) Shire of Meekatharra;
- (xi) Shire of Ngaanyatjaraku;
- (xii) Shire of Mount Magnet;
- (xiii) Shire of Shark Bay; and
- (xiv) Shire of Northampton; and

(b) for those in (a), what is the current vacancy rate for each local government area?

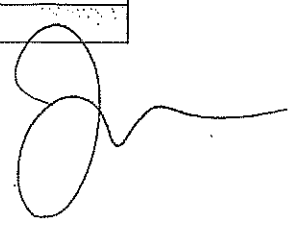
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**Answer**

(a)

It is important to note that most people have a roof over their head while they wait for social housing to become available.

Public Housing Wait List by the specified Preference Zones as at 30 June 2022				
Preference Zone	Wait List		Priority	
	Number of Applications	Total Number of Applicants (people)	Number of Applications	Total Number of Applicants (people)
Exmouth	11	20	4	11
Carnarvon	118	229	20	45
Onslow	8	25	2	6
Paraburdoo	3	7	3	7
Tom Price	9	21	2	8
Yalgoo	3	9	1	5
Cue	1	1	-	-
Sandstone	Null			
Murchison	Null			



Wiluna	11	27	-	-
Upper Gascoyne	Null			
Meekatharra	41	92	1	1
Ngaanyatjarraku	Null			
Mount Magnet	19	65	-	-
Denham	8	15	2	6
Kalbarri	18	26	3	3
Northampton	8	26	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>563</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>92</b>

Note: 'Null' refer to 0 zones within the Shire(s). This normally denotes 0 current public housing stock in these Shires hence no wait list.

(b)

Vacancy numbers are always a single point in time number that fluctuates for a range of reasons. Properties may be awaiting acceptance of offers from applicants, undergoing minor maintenance repairs or refurbishment prior to new occupants moving in, or undergoing major refurbishment as part of a redevelopment. Not returning properties include those that have reached their end of life and may have been damaged beyond repair or have been identified for demolition or redevelopment.

Public Housing Vacancy Rate for the specified LGAs as at 30 June 2022			
Shire	Returning	Not-Returning	Vacancy Rate (%)
(i) Shire of Exmouth	3	-	3.6%
(ii) Shire of Carnarvon	43	7	16.0%
(iii) Shire of Ashburton	11	3	21.5%
(iv) Shire of Yalgoo	1	-	25.0%
(v) Shire of Cue	3	-	30.0%
(vi) Shire of Sandstone	-	-	-
(vii) Shire of Murchison	-	-	-
(viii) Shire of Wiluna	4	-	11.8%
(ix) Shire of Upper Gascoyne	-	-	-
(x) Shire of Meekatharra	13	3	21.3%
(xi) Shire of Ngaanyatjarraku	-	-	-
(xii) Shire of Mount Magnet	2	-	7.7%
(xiii) Shire of Shark Bay	2	-	6.7%
(xiv) Shire of Northampton	1	-	4.5%
<b>Total</b>			<b>14.5%</b>