

STATE BUDGET, BURGLARIES, STATISTICS

163. Mr P.D. Omodei to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services

I refer the Premier to the line item relating to the number of burglaries per 1,000 residential dwellings on page 76 of the 2005-2006 State Budget and ask -

- (a) the target for 2004-2006 was 47.5, however, the actual figure was 50.3. Is this a figure for Western Australia or for residential dwellings in the Metropolitan area only; and
- (b) what is the comparative figure for other Australian capital cities?

Mrs M.H. ROBERTS replied:

- (a) The Office of Crime Prevention has advised that the rate of home burglary per 1000 residential dwellings relates to Western Australia.
- (b) The Office of Crime Prevention has advised this figure does not have interstate comparability as it is produced for WA alone by the University of Western Australia's Crime Research Centre. Comparable statistics are available from the Australian Bureau of Statistics publication on Recorded Crime - Victims, 2004 (ABS Cat. N. 4510.0).