

HEALTH — TEENAGE PREGNANCY

874. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Health:

I refer to the matter of teenage pregnancies over the past five financial years to 2022–23, and ask:

- (a) Would the Minister provide data for pregnancies of girls under 16 by region for each year; and
- (b) Would the Minister provide data for births where the mother is under 16 by region for the past five years?

Ms A. Sanderson replied:

- (a) The Department of Health does not collect records on the number of pregnancies that have occurred in the state.

(b)

Region of residence	Financial Year				
	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23
North Metro	<5	5	<5	<5	<5
South Metro	<5	<5	<5	7	7
East Metro	6	8	<5	5	6
Kimberley	6	<5	<5	<5	<5
Pilbara	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5
Midwest	<5	<5	<5	6	<5
Wheatbelt	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5
Goldfields	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5
Great Southern	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5
South West	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5