

EDUCATION — VIOLENT INCIDENTS

934. Mr P.J. Rundle to the Minister for Education:

For the past two financial years up to 31 July, 2023, please detail the following:

- (a) total number of violent incidents reported to the Department of Education;
- (b) teacher claims on workers' compensation as a result of violent incidents;
- (c) total dollar value of workers' compensation claims against the Department of Education;
- (d) a breakdown of the categories of workers' compensation claims and the dollar value of each category; and
- (e) the number of workers' compensation claims that are unresolved more than 12 months since the first claim?

Dr A.D. Buti replied:

(a)

Financial Year	Violent Incidents
2021/2022	1,075
2022/2023	1,240
2023/2024 (to 31.07.23)	75

Notes:

- (1) A single incident can involve both physical assault and physical threatening behaviour, therefore the addition of each occurrence will be greater than the original total
- (2) A single incident can involve more than one staff member
- (3) The job type of Teacher also includes Schools of Special Educational Needs (SSEN) staff
- (4) An assault includes any form of contact against an individual
- (5) Physical threatening behaviour is where another person fears injury or harm without actual contact

(b)

Claim Financial Year	Number of Claims
2021/2022	111
2022/2023	131
2023/2024 (to 30.07.23)	3

Note: This information was obtained from the Insurance Commission of Western Australia (ICWA).

(c)

Claim Financial Year	Total Cost Estimate of All Claims (\$)
2021/2022	58,484,919
2022/2023	60,080,071
2023/2024 (to 30.07.23)	1,012,300

(d) [See tabled paper no [2516](#).]

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