

SCHOOLS — HOME EDUCATION

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

I refer to Home Education in Western Australia and I ask:

- (a) (a) In the school years 2019–2023 and according to the Department of Education’s Semester One and Semester Two census data:
- (i) How many students were/are registered as being educated at home for academic years 1–12; and
- (ii) What was/is the department’s Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) allocation to home education moderation in each of the years 2019–2023?

Dr A.D. Buti replied:

- (a) (i)

Year Level	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Year 1		275	341	459	426
Year 2		289	338	512	511
Year 3		356	337	510	516
Year 4		334	402	506	521
Year 5		347	385	549	529
Year 6		384	377	505	531
Year 7		345	403	495	511
Year 8		395	436	597	607
Year 9		384	447	586	679
Year 10		392	407	580	659
Year 11		249	307	341	493
Year 12		163	168	185	232
Total	3,720	3,913	4,348	5,825	6,215

Notes:

No data is available by year level for 2019.

Prior to 2020, home education census data was not captured by year group. It was collated as a total figure from Year 1 to Year 12. It is not possible to retrospectively analyse this data.

Home education census data is captured once per year in March of the calendar year. No Semester 2 data is captured.

2023 data will be provided in the Department of Education 2022–23 Annual report.

- (ii)

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Moderator	22.30	24.97	28.37	33.66	33.20
Support staff	5.82	5.09	6.09	7.60	7.23
Total	28.12	30.06	34.46	41.26	40.43

Notes:

2022 data includes Department of Education ‘surge workforce’ staff deployed to support education regions following an increase in home education registrations associated with COVID-19.

Support staff includes administrative staff within education regional offices.