

CHILDREN IN CARE — WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN

557. Hon NICK GOIRAN to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Child Protection:

I refer to the prevalence of children in the care of the chief executive officer who are recorded in a placement type “unknown”.

- (1) How many children in the care of the CEO have had their whereabouts recorded as “unknown” in 2022?
- (2) How many children in the care of the CEO have been reported to the Western Australia Police Force as a missing person in 2022?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1)–(2) The number of children is 72, of which 48 individual children in care have been recorded in a placement “unknown, in contact” and 24 individual children in care have been reported as missing to the Western Australia Police Force.