



Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2023–24

Answer to question taken on notice

Asked by: Mr Shane Rattenbury MLA

Addressed to: Deputy Commissioner Scott Lee, Chief Police Officer for the ACT, ACT Policing

In relation to: Breach of bail data

Hearing: 18 February 2025

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Transcript provided: 20 February 2025

Answer Due: 27 February 2025

Deputy Commissioner Scott Lee took on notice the following question(s):

MR RATTENBURY: Yes. Chief Police Officer, do you keep data on the nature of the breach for which a person is then arrested? There is obviously a spectrum from committing another offence through to failing to report as required.

Mr Lee: Yes.

MR RATTENBURY: Do you have a dataset on that?

Mr Lee: I would need to take that on notice, Mr Rattenbury. Certainly some of that may be available, but some of it also may be purely a manual process, which means it would be very difficult for us to be able to extract that from our system.

Dr Marisa Paterson MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

ACT Policing is unable to provide data on the exact nature of bail breaches as ACT Policing's Case management System does not include coded fields to record each bail condition or subsequent breach. Breaches are noted as free text only. ACT Policing also relies on data made available by the ACT Courts in relation to the types of contraventions committed by offenders on bail.

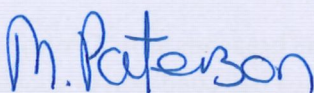
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The table below shows the number of charges by offence type from the apprehension of offenders who were currently on bail.

Charges laid by ACT Policing on Apprehensions Involving and Including Breach of Bail		
Relevant Period: 1 July 2023 - 31 January 2025		
Offence Type	2023-24	Jul 24 – Jan 25
Assault	135	54
Sexual offences	3	0
Other offences against the person	14	17
Robbery	14	11
Burglary	75	47
Stolen motor vehicle	66	16
Theft (excl. motor vehicle theft)	55	51
Property damage	119	71
Other offences against property	50	20
Environmental offences	4	0
Government security/operations	17	10
Justice procedures**	1,594	873
Firearms and weapons	36	25
Other offences against good order	39	20
Drug offences	28	10
Traffic offences	165	103
Other offences n.e.c.	16	3
Total	2,430	1,331

**Justice procedures includes breaches of all order types including but not limited to, breach of bail, breach of parole, contravene family violence and personal protection orders, and failing to appear at court.

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By the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services, Dr Marisa Paterson MLA