



STANDING COMMITTEE ON PLANNING TRANSPORT AND CITY SERVICES
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Inquiry into ACT Budget 2021–22
ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
Monday 18 October 2021

Asked by Mr Parton MLA on 18 October 2021: The Minister for Transport and City Services took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to:

MR PARTON: What is the current proportion of total driver workforce that is available for vehicle operation compared with the level three weeks prior to 25 August? That is what I would like to know. Now, I understand you may have to take that on notice, but that is a very clear question; what is the current proportion of the total driver workforce available for vehicle operation compared with the level three weeks prior to August 25? Because I think that is an important question.

Mr Chris Steel MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

Transport Canberra currently has 778 permanent bus drivers.

The number of drivers unable to work due to unplanned COVID-19 impacts are shown below:

- Week ending 6 August 2021 – no drivers were in isolation.
- week ending 13 August 2021 – 28 drivers were unavailable due to isolation.
- week ending 20 August 2021 – 75 drivers were unavailable due to isolation.

On the date of the relevant PTCS hearings (18 October 2021) 4 drivers were unavailable due to isolation.

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By the Minister for Transport and City Services, Mr Chris Steel MLA