

STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY
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Inquiry into Annual Reports 2020-21 ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE 21 February 2022

Asked by Dr Marisa Paterson MLA on 21 February 2022: the Attorney-General took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to: Family violence cases

DR PATERSON: My question is regarding the DPP: the breakdown of family violence cases in different courts. Has there been an increase over the last few years in family violence matters in the Children's Court?

Attorney-General: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

No, there has been a decrease in the number of charges related to family violence in the Childrens Court. The breakdown of charges is as per the table below.

Financial	
year	Number of charges
2016/17	74
2017/18	83
2018/19	101
2019/20	77
2020/21	68
2021/22	33
Grand	
Total	436

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