



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

SELECT COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES 2023-2024

Mr Mark Parton MLA (Chair), Ms Jo Clay MLA (Deputy Chair),
Mr Michael Pettersson MLA

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Mr Mark Parton MLA : To ask the Minister for Housing and Suburban Development

Ref: Budget Statement G - Housing ACT generally

Hearing Date: 20 July 2023

In relation to: Social housing resident detail and Public and social housing residents and tenants detail

In relation to social housing procured and supplied by the Community Services Directorate (ie Housing ACT as appropriate), for

- a. 2019-20;
- b. 2020-21;
- c. 2021-22;
- d. 2022-23; and
- d. Expected for the 2023-2024 Budget.

1. Could the Minister provide a table showing the;
 - a. Total resident population as at 30 June for each of the years above;
 - b. Number of new residents accommodated each year,
 - c. Number of residents who transferred out to accommodation procured and supplied by community service providers,
 - d. Number of residents evicted;
 - e. Number of residents who transferred out into accommodation in the private sector and no longer dependent on social housing; and
 - f. Net change in resident population for each year.

In relation to social housing procured and supplied by community housing service providers for:

- a. 2019-20;
- b. 2020-21;
- c. 2021-22;
- d. 2022-23; and
- e. Expected for the 2023-2024 Budget.

2. Could the Minister provide a table showing the;
 - a. Total resident population as at 30 June for each of the years above;
 - b. Number of new residents accommodated each year,
 - c. Number of residents who transferred back into public housing procured and supplied by Housing ACT as appropriate);
 - d. Number of residents evicted;
 - e. Number of residents who transferred out into accommodation in the

private sector and no longer dependent on social housing; and
f. Net change in resident population for each year.

3. Can the Minister provide a Consolidation of the figures for parts (1) and (2)?
4. What was the number of rent paying tenants, as opposed to total resident population for:
- 2019-20;
 - 2020-21;
 - 2021-22;
 - 2022-23; and
 - Expected for the 2023-2024 Budget.

MINISTER BERRY: The answer to the Member's question is as follows: –

1. Public Housing ⁽¹⁾	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24⁽³⁾
a. Total resident population 30 June ⁽²⁾	21,481	21,004	20,707	20,424	
b. New residents accommodated	977	395	429	847	
c. Transfers to community sector ⁽³⁾	-	-	-	-	
d. Residents evicted	3	1	6	7	
e. Transfers to private sector ⁽⁴⁾	761	791	387	455	
f. Net change in resident population	-213	-477	-297	-283	

2. Community Housing ⁽⁵⁾	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23⁽⁷⁾	2023-24⁽⁷⁾
a. Total resident population	891	926	834	-	-
b. New residents	305	256	261	-	-
c. Transfers to public housing ⁽³⁾	-	-	-	-	-
d. No. of residents evicted ⁽³⁾	-	-	-	-	-
e. Transfers to private sector ⁽³⁾	-	-	-	-	-
f. Net change in resident population	26	35	-92	-	-

3.Consolidated	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
a. Total resident population	22,372	21,930	21,541	-	-
b. New residents	1,282	651	690	-	-
c. Transfers to other housing sector ⁽³⁾	-	-	-	-	-
d. No. of residents evicted	-	-	-	-	-
e. Transfers to private sector	-	-	-	-	-
f. Net change in resident population	-187	-442	-389	-	-

4. Number of Rent Paying Tenants ⁽⁶⁾

2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
100%	100%	100%	100%	

References

1. Only includes public housing tenancies and therefore excludes properties head-leased to the community sector and other program properties.
2. Total residents at 30 June each year. The count of residents is the count of all members of a household under a tenancy agreement to occupy a public housing dwelling (i.e. all persons in public housing).
3. Data not available/not collected.
4. Based upon tenancy termination reasons such as purchase a home in the ACT or interstate, to rent privately or to relocate into a nursing home or aged care facility.
5. Data is from the National Community Housing Data Collection for the major community housing organisations with ongoing arrangements with the ACT Government. The organisations include Havelock Housing Association, Argyle Community Housing, Environmental Collective Housing Organisation, YWCA National Housing, Focus ACT, Tamil Senior Citizens' Association and Salvation Army Housing. These are organisations that have received capital or recurrent subsidy from government for the purpose of providing community housing and excludes dwellings where the tenancies are managed under crisis accommodation, affordable rental, transitional housing, other specific purpose tenancy management such as mental health or drug and alcohol rehabilitation.
6. All tenants are required to pay rent. The amount of rent payable for each tenancy is the lower of the market rent or an amount equivalent to 25% of the assessable household income. The income of the tenant and all adult residents is taken into account when determining the amount of the assessable household income for determining the rent payable by the tenant with the difference between the market rent and the income-based rent provided as a rebate of rent. Some sources of income are exempt, whilst others may be assessed at a rate less than 25%, such as Family Tax Benefit A, of which only 10% is included in the determination of household income. For further details refer to clause 25 of the Housing Assistance Public Rental Housing Assistance Program 2013 (no.1) on the Legislation Register.
7. Community housing data for 2022-23 will not be available until Report on Government Services (ROGS) processes currently underway are complete.

Approved for circulation to the Select Committee on Estimates 2023-2024

Signature: 

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By the Acting Minister for Housing and Suburban Development, Andrew Barr MLA