



STANDING COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, TRANSPORT AND CITY SERVICES
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Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2020-2021
ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
4 March 2022

Asked by Mr Cain on 4 March 2022: Minister Berry took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to:

MR CAIN: Minister, you have mentioned 400 dwellings, but the proportion of those dwellings that are for detached housing, I would like you to tell me how much that is, even as a percentage, and it is very clear that the extraordinary demand is for detached housing, as we saw in both Taylor and Macnamara.

Ms Berry: We might have to take that question on notice, to provide that detail and the breakdown that you are referring to. However, as we keep explaining, is that the ACT government Suburban Land Agency is responsible for 2 per cent of the land supply, of the dwelling supply in the ACT. Ninety-eight per cent is provided by private providers. So we are only 2 per cent, a very small part of that, and of that 2 per cent, we can do the breakdown for you and get that information.

However, just to be clear, the Suburban Land Agency has not held back in its development of new suburbs and land for release. It has continued its program of works despite the challenges over the last couple of years, and that has not been the case for some private developers, who have been able to make a decision to hold back land supply. So the government is definitely doing its bit with the 2 per cent of land that it provides development opportunities for. But just to put that into perspective, Mr Cain, that it is only 2 per cent of the market, and we can provide the breakdown of that 2 per cent.

Minister Berry: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

The Suburban Land Agency had available 462 single residential blocks as inventory on 30 June 2020. Thus, 100% of the 462 blocks were for detached housing.

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By the Minister for Housing and Suburban Development, Minister Berry