



Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety

Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2022-2023 **ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

Asked by Dr Paterson MLA on Tuesday, 14 November 2023: Amanda Nuttall took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to: ACT data compared to ROGS data

DR PATERSON: Thank you. How is the data extracted from the ACT to contribute to the ROGS data nationally? Because that again was quite different to the data that I was given.

Ms Nuttall: I will have to take that on notice, Dr Paterson. I am not aware of the specific details of how we transfer that data. They are counting rules that we are required to undertake for different types of data transfer. There are counting rules for the data that we provide to the ABS, and there are also counting rules for the way that we provide data to ROGS, so I will have to take that on notice in terms of the specific details.

SHANE RATTENBURY: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

QON1392 concerns the sentencing outcomes for driving offences and is not related to RoGS data provided by ACT Courts and Tribunal.

In the Justice sector of the latest RoGS, Courts is listed as one of the Services. The Courts component of the RoGS “focuses on administrative support functions for the courts, such as management of court facilities, services and staffing and the provision of case management services. Judicial decisions and outcomes are not included” (from RoGS website¹). The data provided by ACT Courts and Tribunal includes the following indicators:

- Number of lodgements and finalisation for both criminal and civil, in absolute number and per 100,000 people and by different cohorts
- Real recurrent expenditure, income (excluding fines), and net recurrent expenditure for both criminal and civil, and other financial measures

¹ Description of “Courts” under “Services included in the sector” section,
<https://www.pc.gov.au/ongoing/report-on-government-services/2023/justice>.

- Backlog indicator, on-time case processing indicator, attendance indicator, and clearance indicator
- FTE of judicial officers and staff
- Booking requests for interpreters.

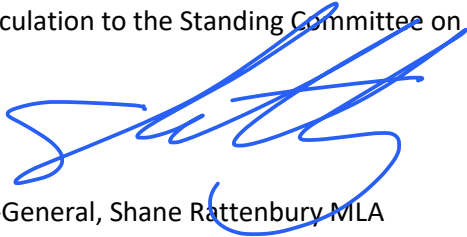
QON1392 asked for the following data:

- average and median sentence duration in days
- average and median sentences measured in fines, excluding levies
- average and median imprisonment
- average and median intensive correction order
- average and median suspended sentence
- average and median good behaviour order.

This data is different from that provided by ACT Courts and Tribunal for the RoGS.

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