

Question on Notice

No. 4

Asked on 23 February 2021

MR D LAST asked the Minister for Children and Youth Justice and Minister Multicultural Affairs (HON L LINARD)—

QUESTION

With reference to a statement in a joint media release, dated 9 February 2021, that 10 per cent of young offenders account for 48 per cent of all youth crime—

Will the Minister provide, for this 10 per cent of young offenders, the number of offenders of each age from 11 to 17 years of age?

ANSWER

The number of young offenders by each age category for the top 10 per cent of young offenders is as follows:

Age (as at 31 December 2020)	Distinct young people who make up the top ten percent of young offenders
11	2
12	6
13	26
14	42
15	82
16	75
17	72
18*	36
19*	3
Total	344

* Offences are counted based on the date they are proven in court, not by the date the offence occurred. All offences occurred while the young person was under age 18.

The number of young people who make up the top ten percent of young offenders can fluctuate by a small number as it is ranked by the number of proven offences during the year.