**FOR WRITTEN REPLY QUESTION 1666**

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**1666. Mr A G Whitfield (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:**

What is the total number of firearms in circulation for each year since the 2015-16 financial year with regard to (a) Individual owners, (b) official institutions and (c) non- official institutions?

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**REPLY:**

(a)(b) and (c)

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| Financial years |  | Total number of firearms, per owners category |  |
| Individual owners | Official institutions | Non-official institutions |
| 2020-2021 | 2727620 | 3467398 | 163980 |
| 2019-2020 | 2819004 | 3330083 | 163653 |
| 2018-2019 | 2791972 | 3286576 | 159917 |
| 2017-2018 | 2993425 | 3228,946 | 152385 |
| 2016-2017 | 2993425 | 2965282 | 147824 |
| 2015-2016 | 3 002 858 | No record on the EFRS | 141400 |

Source: *Enhanced Firearm* Register *System(EFRS)*

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