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**QUESTION 2550**

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**2550. Mr H B Groenewald (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:**

Whether, with reference to the reply to question 217 on 7 July 2014, his department can now provide Mr H B Groenewald with the requested information; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**REPLY:**

(a)(i)(cc) There were 846 murder cases reported against children, in the 2013/2014 financial year.

(a)(ii) There were 969 murder cases reported against children, in the 2014/2015 financial year.

(b) Weapons used, include the weapons used in the cases reported in question 217 and exclude the cases reported in paragraph (a)(ii) above, as it was included in the totals provided in question 2215)

|  | **Total cases** |
| --- | --- |
| Knife | 604 |
| Unknown | 533 |
| Firearms | 397 |
| Sharp instrument | 203 |
| Hands | 177 |
| Stick | 78 |
| Stone/brick | 53 |
| String/wire | 30 |
| Poison | 25 |
| Axe | 23 |
| Matches | 22 |
| Knobkerrie | 19 |
| Iron pipe | 12 |
| Booted foot | 12 |
| Panga | 11 |
| Water | 11 |
| Sjambok | 11 |
| Bottle | 10 |
| Belt | 9 |
| Screwdriver | 8 |
| Fire hose | 6 |
| Hammer | 5 |
| Fuel | 5 |
| Fist | 5 |
| Chain | 4 |
| Paraffin | 3 |
| Spear | 3 |
| Boiling oil | 3 |
| Petrol bomb | 2 |
| Candle | 2 |
| Garden fork | 1 |
| Broomstick | 1 |
| Iron | 1 |
| Hand grenade | 1 |
| Crowbar | 1 |
| Scissor | 1 |