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**MINISTRY: JUSTICE AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES**

**REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION** **FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION NO: 3035**

**DATE OF QUESTION: 09 SEPTEMBER 2022**

**DATE OF SUBMISSION: 23 SEPTEMBER 2022**

**Mr V Pambo (EFF) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:**

What (a) total number of parolees in the period 1 January 2019 to date, (i) have not been found by departmental officials during routine visits and/or (ii) did not turn up at departmental offices as part of their parole conditions and (b) number of the total specified number of parolees (i) have been returned to finish their sentence and (ii) are still on the run, being sought to be returned? **NW3673E**

**REPLY:**

(a)(i) The total number of parolees that have not been found by departmental officials during routine visits are as follows:

|  |  |  |  |  |
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| **Region**  | **01 January 2019-31 March 2020** | **2020/2021 Financial year** | **2021/2022 Financial year** | **01 April 2022 to 31 August 2022** |
| FS/NC | 1 338 | 1 221 | 1 278 | 1 087 |
| WC | 4 1834 | 21 854 | 21 889 | 9 392 |
| KZN | 3 411 | 2 743 | 3 265 | 3 670 |
| EC | 1 301 | 1 029 | 1 320 | 829 |
| LMN | 1 02 | 405 | 525 | 72 |
| GP | 1 391 | 831 | 1 255 | 982 |
| **National**  | **49 377** | **28 083** | **29 532** | **16 032** |

(a)(ii) The total number of parolees that did not turn up at departmental offices as part of their parole conditions are as follows:

|  |  |  |  |  |
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| **Region**  | **01 January 2019-31 March 2020** | **2020/2021 Financial year** | **2021/2022 Financial year** | **01 April 2022 to 31 August 2022** |
| FS/NC | 708 | 371 | 574 | 372 |
| WC | 4 368 | 1 949 | 2 352 | 864 |
| KZN | 1 077 | 976 | 1 922 | 1 747 |
| EC | 811 | 695 | 966 | 747 |
| LMN | 83 | 81 | 81 | 50 |
| GP | 241 | 158 | 344 | 299 |
| **National**  | **7 288** | **4 230** | **6 239** | **3 279** |

(b)(i) The following are the number of parolees that have been returned to complete their sentence in correctional centres**:**

|  |  |  |  |  |
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| **Region** | **01 January 2019 to 31 March 2020** | **2020/2021 Financial year** | **2021/2022 Financial year** | **01 April 2022 to 31 August 2022** |
| FS/NC | 606 | 453 | 443 | 259 |
| WC | 1471 | 636 | 771 | 389 |
| KZN | 410 | 151 | 320 | 236 |
| EC | 440 | 380 | 402 | 331 |
| LMN | 83 | 81 | 81 | 50 |
| GP | 666 | 197 | 296 | 236 |
| **National** | **3 676** | **1 898** | **2 313** | **1 501** |

(b)(ii) The following are the number of parolees still on the run and being sought to be returned to correctional Centres:

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| **Region** | **01 January 2019 to 31 March 2020** | **2020/2021 Financial year** | **2021/2022 Financial year** | **01 April 2022 to 31 August 2022** |
| FS/NC | 377 | 259 | 296 | 161 |
| WC | 6163 | 6370 | 6449 | 6384 |
| KZN | 735 | 352 | 363 | 152 |
| EC | 1741 | 1710 | 1674 | 1615 |
| LMN | 1003 | 1001 | 894 | 797 |
| GP | 426 | 575 | 483 | 323 |
| **National**  | **10 445** | **10 267** | **10 159** | **9 432** |

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