# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO. 3408**

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**Dr P J Groenewald (FF Plus) to ask the Minister of Health:†**

(1) How many bodies were received at State mortuaries in each province (a) in (i) 2010, (ii) 2011, (iii) 2012, (iv) 2013 and (v) 2014 and (b) since 1 January 2015;

(2) how many of these bodies in each specified year in each specified province were deaths as a result of (a) gunshot wounds, (b) stabbings, (c) motor vehicle accidents, (d) drownings, (e) fires, (f) pedestrian deaths, (g) motor cycle accidents and (h) cyclist deaths;

(3) whether he will make a statement on the matter?

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**REPLY:**

(1) and (2) Please refer to Tables 1 to 9 below:

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|  **TABLE 1: EASTERN CAPE** |
|  | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** | **2013** | **2014** | **2015** |
| **Total bodies received in:** | **7812** | **9713** | **10747** | **9131** | **8763** | **6430** |
| **Gunshot wounds**  | 515 | 515 | 586 | 937 | 641 | 509 |
| **Stabbings** | 2225 | 1018 | 2219 | 2169 | 2194 | 1598 |
| **Motor vehicle accidents** | 1467 | 1489 | 1449 | 1429 | 1337 | 1165 |
| **Drowning** | 319 | 486 | 340 | 368 | 306 | 208 |
| **Fires** | 377 | 372 | 303 | 273 | 263 | 188 |
| **Pedestrian deaths** | 371 | 365 | 280 | 229 | 252 | 218 |
| **Motorcycle accidents** | 4 | 8 | 7 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| **Cyclist deaths** | 1 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 1 |

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| **TABLE 2: FREE STATE** |
|  | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** | **2013** | **2014** | **2015** |
| **Total bodies received in:** | **4020** | **3799** | **4000** | **3086** | **3472** | **1853** |
| **Gunshot wounds**  | 194 | 180 | 213 | 135 | 246 | 128 |
| **Stabbings** | 544 | 528 | 494 | 392 | 476 | 229 |
| **Motor vehicle accidents** | 1202 | 1056 | 1163 | 857 | 906 | 571 |
| **Drowning** | 151 | 137 | 137 | 90 | 154 | 64 |
| **Fires** | 148 | 139 | 151 | 164 | 169 | 92 |
| **Pedestrian deaths** | 218 | 186 | 218 | 188 | 207 | 108 |
| **Motorcycle accidents** | 21 | 23 | 22 | 27 | 32 | 10 |
| **Cyclist deaths** | Included in motorcycle accidents | Included in motorcycle accidents | Included in motorcycle accidents | Included in motorcycle accidents | Included in motorcycle accidents | Included in motorcycle accidents |

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| **TABLE 3: GAUTENG** |
|  | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** | **2013** | **2014** | **2015** |
| **Total bodies received in:** | **14761**  | **14019**  | **13602**  | **14586**  | **14866**  | **6601**  |
| **Gunshot wounds**  | Data not available | Data not available | 1413 | 1552 | 1608 | 175 |
| **Stabbings** | Data not available | Data not available | 1097 | 1164 | 1257 | 115 |
| **Motor vehicle accidents** | Data not available | Data not available | 1881 | 1927 | 1707 | 206 |
| **Drowning** | Data not available | Data not available | 270 | 268 | 210 | 15 |
| **Fires** | Data not available | Data not available | 665 | 710 | 715 | 349 |
| **Pedestrian deaths** | Data not available | Data not available | 1212 | 1276 | 1193 | 541 |
| **Motorcycle accidents** | Data not available | Data not available | 148 | 177 | 188 | 20 |
| **Cyclist deaths** | Data not available | Data not available | Included in the motor vehicle accidents | Included in the motor vehicle accidents | Included in the motor vehicle accidents | Included in the motor vehicle accidents |

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| **TABLE 4: KWA-ZULU NATAL** |
|  | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** | **2013** | **2014** | **2015** |
| **Total bodies received in:** | **13330** | **12551** | **12643** | **12824** | **12718** | **6935**  |
| **Gunshot wounds**  | Data not available | 1450 | 1425 | 1418 | 1538 | 641 |
| **Stabbings** | Data not available | 1516 | 1560 | 1510 | 1534 | 615 |
| **Motor vehicle accidents** | Data not available | 3209 | 2997 | 2998 | 2908 | 1291 |
| **Drowning** | Data not available | 1703(Asphyxial – drowning, hanging, etc) | 1842(Asphyxial – drowning, hanging, etc) | 1730(Asphyxial – drowning, hanging, etc) | 1660(Asphyxial – drowning, hanging, etc) | 592(Asphyxial – drowning, hanging, etc) |
| **Fires** | Data not available | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified |
| **Pedestrian deaths** | Data not available | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified |
| **Motorcycle accidents** | Data not available | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified |
| **Cyclist deaths** | Data not available | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified |

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| **TABLE 5: LIMPOPO** |
|  | **2010** | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |
| **Total bodies received in:** | **2401** | **2376** | **2277** | **2224** | **2321** | **3167** |
| **Gunshot wounds**  | 221 | 201 | 194 | 186 | 217 | 175 |
| **Stabbings** | 238 | 230 | 283 | 267 | 304 | 209 |
| **Motor vehicle accidents** | 1660 | 1641 | 1509 | 1443 | 1465 | 1204 |
| **Drowning** | 151 | 168 | 143 | 181 | 177 | 81 |
| **Fires** | 131 | 136 | 148 | 147 | 158 | 101 |
| **Pedestrian deaths** | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified |
| **Motorcycle accidents** | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified |
| **Cyclist deaths** | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified | Not specified |

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| **TABLE 6: MPUMALANGA** |
|  | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** | **2013** | **2014** | **2015** |
| **Total bodies received in:** | **3855** | **3802** | **4271** | **4635** | **4561** | **3014** |
| **Gunshot wounds**  | 221 | 245 | 355 | 470 | 448 | 138 |
| **Stabbings** | 279 | 258 | 258 | 288 | 333 | 222 |
| **Motor vehicle accidents** | 1090 | 1058 | 1224 | 1360 | 1095 | 493 |
| **Drowning** | 137 | 114 | 118 | 165 | 158 | 59 |
| **Fires** | 96 | 129 | 161 | 191 | 153 | 81 |
| **Pedestrian deaths** | 434 | 481 | 439 | 394 | 402 | 288 |
| **Motorcycle accidents** | 4 | 3 | 20 | 20 | 9 | 6 |
| **Cyclist deaths** | 3 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 2 | 5 |

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| **TABLE 7: NORTHERN CAPE** |
|  | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** | **2013** | **2014** | **2015** |
| **Total bodies received in:** | **1626**  | **1634**  | **1713**  | **1707**  | **1803**  | **705**  |
| **Gunshot wounds**  | 360 | 32 | 30 | 35 | 29 | 6 |
| **Stabbings** | Included in gunshot wounds above | 264 | 261 | 294 | 308 | 90 |
| **Motor vehicle accidents** | 390 | 318 | 304 | 254 | 356 | 114 |
| **Drowning** | 243 | 84 | 107 | 117 | 102 | 15 |
| **Fires** | Included in above | 85 | 79 | 71 | 79 | 30 |
| **Pedestrian deaths** | Included in motor vehicle accidents | 90 | 103 | 123 | 132 | 43 |
| **Motorcycle accidents** | Included in motor vehicle accidents | 3 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 2 |
| **Cyclist deaths** | Included in motor vehicle accidents | 9 | 20 | 7 | 5 | 4 |

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| **TABLE 8: NORTH WEST** |
|  | **(1)(i) 2010** | **(1)(ii) 2011** | **(1)(iii) 2012** | **(1)(iv) 2013** | **(1)(v) 2014** | **(1)(b) 2015** |
| **Total bodies received in:** | **3627** | **3539** | **3316** | **3695** | **3560** | **2678** |
| **Gunshot wounds**  | 157 | 183 | 235 | 222 | 188 | 198 |
| **Stabbings** | 392 | 504 | 401 | 364 | 409 | 279 |
| **Motor vehicle accidents** | 914 | 936 | 883 | 813 | 856 | 755 |
| **Drowning** | 96 | 115 | 96 | 83 | 132 | 49 |
| **Fires** | 202 | 183 | 134 | 177 | 137 | 130 |
| **Pedestrian deaths** | 313 | 251 | 288 | 161 | 192 | 176 |
| **Motorcycle accidents** | 38 | 33 | 17 | 21 | 25 | 19 |
| **Cyclist deaths** | 34 | 15 | 25 | 41 | 25 | 7 |

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| **TABLE 9: WESTERN CAPE** |
|  | **(1)(i) 2010** | **(1)(ii) 2011** | **(1)(iii) 2012** | **(1)(iv) 2013** | **(1)(v) 2014** | **(1)(b) 2015** |
| **Total bodies received in:** | **9372** | **9394** | **9800** | **9989** | **10297** | **7692** |
| **Gunshot wounds**  | 607 | 712 | 875 | 1045 | 1343 | 982 |
| **Stabbings** | 1265 | 1239 | 1330 | 1338 | 1402 | 962 |
| **Motor vehicle accidents** | 1451 | 1355 | 1279 | 1227 | 1289 | 943 |
| **Drowning** | 181 | 204 | 210 | 197 | 200 | 117 |
| **Fires** | 370 | 359 | 341 | 350 | 302 | 261 |
| **Pedestrian deaths** | 619 | 614 | 587 | 588 | 573 | 436 |
| **Motorcycle accidents** | 66 | 64 | 80 | 70 | 75 | 48 |
| **Cyclist deaths** | 23 | 40 | 28 | 22 | 27 | 19 |

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