# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**Mr N Paulsen (EFF) to ask the Minister of Health:**

What number of new additional ambulances is his department planning to allocate for the use of each provincial health department in 2019?

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**REPLY:**

The National Department of Health does not allocate ambulances to provinces. The provinces themselves budget and purchase ambulances according to the availability of their resources. The table below shows the situation per province.

Table 1.

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| **PROVINCE** | **NUMBER OF AMBULANCES** |
| Eastern Cape | 142 |
| Free State | 50 |
| Gauteng | 200 |
| KwaZulu-Natal | 67 |
| Limpopo | 50 |
| Mpumalanga | 17 |
| North West | 60 |
| Northern Cape | 30 |
| Western Cape | There have been no additional ambulances allocated for 2019. The replacement schedule is determined through government garage on an ad hoc basis. |

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