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| MEMORANDUM FROM THE PARLIAMENTARY OFFICE |

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 592**

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**Mr P P Keetse (EFF) to ask the Minister of Higher Education, Science and Technology:**

What number of (a) plumbers, (b) electricians, (c) carpenters and (d) boilermakers graduated in each of the past five years?

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**REPLY:**

The numbers of qualified artisans in boiler making, carpentry, electrical and plumbing for the period 1 April 2014 to 31 March 2019 are tabulated below:

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| **Trade** | **2014/15** | **2015/16** | **2016/17** | **2017/18** | **2018/19** | **Total** |
| Boilermaker | 1 081 | 958 | 1 196 | 1 144 | 1 143 | **5 522** |
| Carpenter | 117 | 116 | 231 | 305 | 253 | **1 022** |
| Electrician | 3 000 | 3 261 | 4 679 | 5 737 | 5 245 | **21 922** |
| Plumber | 579 | 826 | 1 239 | 1 234 | 1 855 | **5 733** |
| **Total** | **4 777** | **5 161** | **7 345** | **8 420** | **8 496** | **34 199** |