

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2023 - 2024

Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts

Committee Question Number: 388

Departmental Question Number: SQ23-004941

Division/Agency Name: Agency – Civil Aviation Safety Authority

Hansard Reference: Written (03 November 2023)

Topic: CASA – Freedom of Information Figures

Senator Malcolm Roberts asked:

CASA has previously provided the following figures via Freedom of Information:

	FY 19/20	FY 20/21*	FY 21/22*	FY 22/23^
Total on MC/SP/Prox**	150	89	78	239
Class 1	93	52	33	181
ATPL	73	41	21	149
CPL	18	10	12	30
Class 2	49	34	37	47
Class 3	8	5	9	13
Total Class 1 Issued	17,699	16,638	17,153	17,062
Total Class 2 Issued	23,937	22,675	22,936	23,111
Total Class 3 Issued	669	744	599	656

These appear to be in conflict with the numbers provided in answer to Question on Notice SQ23-003974. Please explain this discrepancy and provide the most updated numbers.

Answer:

The Freedom of Information request sought records that did not exist and information was collated and provided as an administrative release. That information contained errors as there were duplicate records resulting in higher totals for Class 1 medical certificates.

Please find the updated data of medical certificates issued in each financial year with either a Multi-Crew, Safety Pilot or Proximity condition in the below table:

	FY 19/20	FY 20/21	FY 21/22	FY 22/23
Total on MC/SP/Prox	151	89	81	151
Class 1	93	52	34	101
ATPL	73	41	21	84
CPL	18	10	13	17
Class 2	50	34	39	42
Class 3	8	5	9	8

Total certs issued (from annual report):				
	FY 19/20	FY 20/21	FY 21/22	FY 22/23
Class 1	17,699	16,638	17,153	18,947
Class 2	23,937	22,675	22,936	25,672
Class 3	669	744	599	729

The numbers provided in Committee Question Numbers 273 (SQ23-003974) and 191 (SQ23-003788) from the 2023-24 Budget Estimates Hearing outline the number of medical certificates issued over the past five years that have included a restriction requiring there to be a second pilot only. This is the sum of Class 1 and Class 2 certificates from the above table, and do not include Class 3.