

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

FOR WRITTEN REPLYQUESTION 777DATE OF PUBLICATION IN INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER: 22 MARCH 2024
(INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO 12-2024)**777. M. Gen O S Terblanche (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:**

What total number of (a) case dockets and investigations were closed, without result, by the SA Police Service (SAPS) due to a lack of leads and (b) open case dockets were (i) lost and (ii) stolen in each province, while in SAPS custody, (aa) in the past five financial years and (bb) from 1 March 2023 to 1 March 2024?

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REPLY:

(a)(aa) The total number of case dockets that were closed without a result, due to the lack of leads at the time, in the past five financial years, are indicated in the table below;

Provinces	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
Eastern Cape	91 745	88 556	81 665	75 202	86 767
Free State	60 274	56 129	49 872	46 731	53 357
Gauteng	427 911	413 878	347 606	315 327	331 965
Kwazulu-Natal	183 150	174 345	169 732	164 154	177 415
Limpopo	63 629	61 057	55 245	56 876	59 965
Mpumalanga	67 919	67 974	60 654	57 148	57 596
North West	63 205	62 676	52 452	48 420	50 462
Northern Cape	17 634	15 616	14 248	13 372	16 112
Western Cape	239 927	226 450	194 531	191 981	217 701
Total	1 215 394	1 166 681	1 026 005	969 211	1 051 340

The information for the period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 is not available, as the crime stats for the 4th Quarter have not been officially released by the Minister of Police.

(bb) Please note that the information for 1 March 2023 to 31 March 2023, is included in the 2022/23 financial year column above.

(b)(i)(aa) The total number of open case dockets that were lost for the past five financial years, is reflected in the table below;

Provinces	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
Eastern Cape	0	0	0	0	0
Free State	0	0	0	2	7
Gauteng	4	0	5	6	10
Kwazulu-Natal	0	0	1	3	2
Limpopo	0	0	0	2	0
Mpumalanga	1	0	2	1	0
North West	0	0	0	0	0
Northern Cape	0	0	0	0	0
Western Cape	0	2	4	6	1
Total	5	2	12	20	20

(b)(i)(bb) The total number of open case dockets that were lost from 1 March 2023 to 1 March 2024, is reflected in the table below;

Provinces	1 March 2023 – 31 December 2023
Eastern Cape	0
Free State	30
Gauteng	16
Kwazulu-Natal	3
Limpopo	4
Mpumalanga	10
North West	0
Northern Cape	0
Western Cape	21
Total	84

The information for the period 1 January 2024 to 31 March 2024 is not available, as the crime stats for the 4th Quarter have not been officially released by the Minister of Police.

(b)(ii)(aa) The total number of open case docket, stolen in each province in the past five financial years, is reflected in the table below;


Provinces	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
Eastern Cape	0	0	0	0	2
Free State	0	0	0	0	0
Gauteng	0	0	0	0	0
Kwazulu-Natal	0	0	0	6	0
Limpopo	0	0	0	1	0
Mpumalanga	0	0	0	0	0
North West	0	0	1	0	0
Northern Cape	0	0	0	0	0
Western Cape	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	1	7	2

(b)(ii)(bb) The total number of open case docket, stolen in each province from 1 March 2023 to 1 March 2024, is reflected in the table below;

Provinces	1 March 2023 – 31 December 2023
Eastern Cape	0
Free State	10
Gauteng	8
Kwazulu-Natal	0
Limpopo	26
Mpumalanga	0
North West	0
Northern Cape	0
Western Cape	0
Total	44


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