

Public Accounts and Estimates Committee
Inquiry into the 2026-27 Budget Estimates

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Portfolio: Mental Health

Hearing: Monday 18 May 2026, 1:00 pm – 2:15 pm

Witnesses

Ingrid Stitt MLC, Minister for Mental Health;
Jenny Atta, Secretary, Department of Health
Pam Anders, Deputy Secretary, Mental Health and Wellbeing,
Catherine Rooney, Deputy Secretary, Budget, Finance and Investment,
Kate Matson, Executive Director, Workforce Strategy Planning and Leadership, and
Priscilla Radice, Chief Executive Officer, Victorian Infrastructure Development Authority - Health

Legend

All questions are in **red text**.

The responses to the questions, including source details **black text**.

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QUESTION:

Jade BENHAM: Okay, yes, but for the purpose of this hearing and the collating of this report, are you able to provide that data to the committee, please?

Ingrid STITT: Well, we will be happy to provide you with the links to the data that is already all publicly available, and that covers all of the issues that you have been asking about, including –

SOURCE: Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Inquiry into the 2026–27 Budget Estimates, Proof Hansard, 18 May 2026, p. 11.

COMMITTEE MEMBER ASKING QUESTION: Jade Benham

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<https://vahi.vic.gov.au/reports/victorian-health-services-performance>

QUESTION:

Aiv PUGLIELLI: Yes, just the FTE number would be great. Thank you.

Ingrid STITT: Mr Puglielli, I might need to just check with my officials whether we have that to hand or whether we need to take that on notice. We will take that on notice, if that is okay.

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