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ALCOHOL RELATED HARM IN THE PILBARA

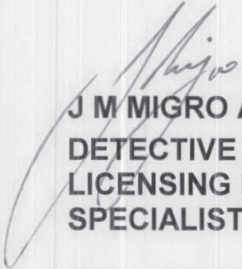
In response to your letter dated 8 February 2012, it was the Western Australia Police position that the Section 64 application only apply to the West Pilbara because numerous other communities within the Pilbara already had some level of restrictions in place.

After further consideration of the issue, the Western Australia Police requests that the Section 64 application encompass the entire Pilbara district. This I believe would provide the opportunity for consistency across the Pilbara district which would benefit the community, reduce harm and assist with enforcement.

The recently released National Survey of Community Satisfaction with Policing which measures many issues including community perception of feelings of safety, perception of neighbourhood problems and about becoming a victim of crime, identified that the Pilbara district had the highest level of concern in Western Australia about drunken and disorderly behaviour as a problem in the neighbourhood.

To support this request for the Section 64 application to cover the entire Pilbara district, I have attached a synopsis of the alcohol-related crime for the rest of the Pilbara district which covers Nullagine, Newman, Marble Bar, Port Hedland and South Hedland.

Yours faithfully


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SYNOPSIS OF ALCOHOL-RELATED HARM, NULLAGINE, NEWMAN, MARBLE BAR, PORT HEDLAND AND SOUTH HEDLAND:

The attached synopsis of alcohol-related crime for the police sub-districts of Nullagine, Newman, Marble, Port Hedland and South Hedland provides data on the following offences:

- Offences against the person,
- Assault,
- Non-domestic assaults, and
- Domestic assaults.

The synopsis identifies the significant impact that alcohol has in these types of offences. The level of alcohol-related offending in these sub-districts is appreciably higher than state-wide percentages and in many instances is higher than the Pilbara Police district's percentage.

In addition the recently released National Survey of Community Satisfaction with Policing (NSCSP) provides a measure of community perceptions.

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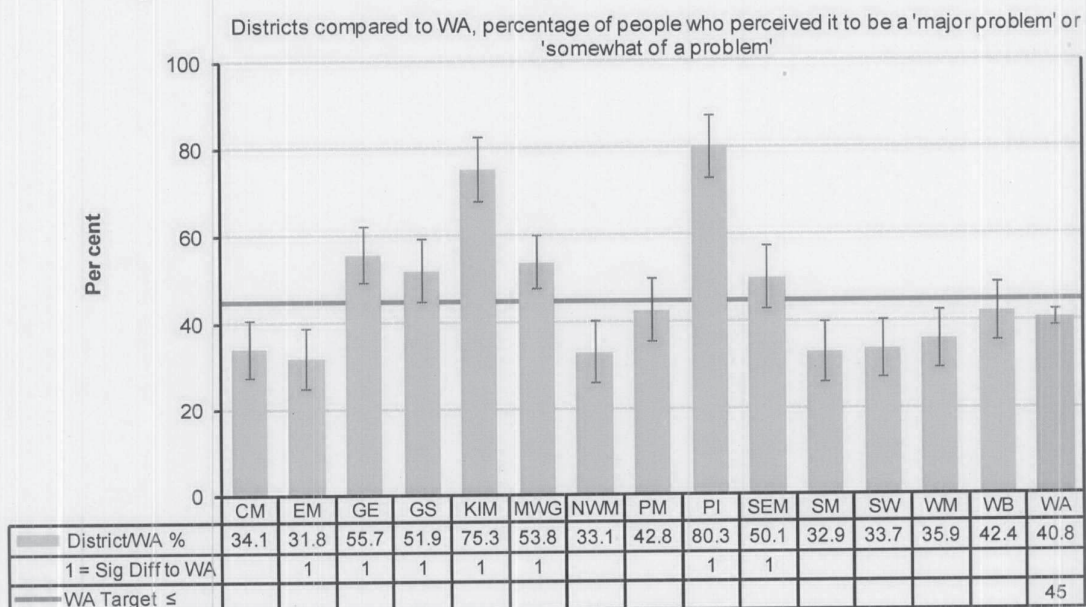
The below graph identifies that 80.3% of the community in the Pilbara Police district (PI) are concerned about drunken and disorderly behaviour.

The next highest level of concern is from the community within the Kimberley Police district (KIM).

The level of concern expressed by the community in the Pilbara Police district is more than double the concern expressed by many other districts throughout the state.

The state average for community concern on this issue is 40.8% compared to 80.3% in the Pilbara.

Drunken or disorderly behaviour as a problem in the neighbourhood, 2011



Note: All survey results are subject to a margin of error. Due to the smaller sample size for each district of 200 compared with 2,800 for WA, the margin of error is greater for district results and has been indicated in the chart using an error bar. Where two error bars do not overlap, the result is significantly different.

The results reflect data collected by telephone interview by The Social Research Centre between January and December 2011.

Source: National Survey of Community Satisfaction with Policing, Australia New Zealand Policing Advisory Agency (unpublished)

NULLAGINE ALCOHOL-RELATED OFFENCE DATA

Key points

- In 2010/2011:
 - 62.1% of *Offences Against the Person* in Nullagine were recorded as alcohol-related, down from 91.4% in 2009/10.
 - 68.03% of *Assault Offences* in Nullagine were recorded as alcohol-related, down from 93.5% in 2009/10.
 - 100.0% of *Domestic Assault Offences* were recorded as being alcohol-related, an increase from 94.1% in 2009/10.
 - 50.0% of *Non-Domestic Assault Offences* in Nullagine were recorded as being alcohol-related, a decrease from 92.9% in 2009/10.
- Between 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2011, the percentage of alcohol-related *Offences Against the Person and Assault which includes Non-Domestic and Domestic Assaults* were consistently higher than the state percentage and with the exception of *Non-Domestic Assaults* in 2010/11 was higher than the district percentage.

There are two (2) licensed premises in Nullagine:

1 x Hotel

1 x Special Facility Canteen

Nullagine: *Offences Against the Person*

In 2010/2011, 62.1% of *Offences Against the Person* for Nullagine were recorded as being alcohol-related. This was a decrease from 2008/09 and 2009/2010 where the percentage of alcohol-related *Offences Against the Person* was much higher (n=87.9% and 91.4% respectively).

Table 1 shows an increase in the number of non-alcohol related *Offences Against the Person* from 2008/09 to 2010/11 (n=4 in 2008/09 and n=11 in 2010/2011). The number of alcohol-related *Offences Against the Person* during this period did not follow the same pattern.

Table 1. Number of alcohol-related *Offences Against the Person* – Nullagine

Alcohol-related	2008-09	2009-10	2010- 11
Yes	29	32	18
No	4	3	11
Total	33	35	29
% Nullagine	87.9%	91.4%	62.1%
% State	39.2%	39.3%	37.1%
% Pilbara	60.1%	58.0%	60.5%

While the number of alcohol-related *Offences Against the Person* in Nullagine decreased between 2008/09 and 2010/11 (n=29 to n=18), The percentage of alcohol related *Offences Against the Person* is high and higher than both state and Pilbara District levels.

Nullagine: Assault Offences

In 2010/2011, 68.0% of *Assault Offences* in Nullagine were recorded as being alcohol-related. This was a decrease from 84.6% in 2008/09 and 93.5% in 2009/10 – see **Table 2**.

The number and percentage of alcohol-related *Assault Offences* in Nullagine have fluctuated but remain high. The percentage of alcohol-related *Assault Offences* in Nullagine is higher than both the state and district levels.

Table 2. Number of alcohol-related *Assault Offences*- Nullagine

Alcohol-related	2008-09	2009-10	2010- 11
Yes	22	29	17
No	4	2	8
Total	26	31	25
% Nullagine	84.6%	93.5%	68.0%
% State	45.2%	45.5%	42.7%
% Pilbara	67.9%	63.3%	64.5%

Nullagine: *Non-Domestic Assault Offences*

In 2010/2011, 50.0% of *Non-Domestic Assault Offences* in Nullagine were alcohol-related. The percentage of alcohol-related *Non-Domestic Assault Offences* was higher than the State but lower than the district rate in 2010/2011.

Table 3 shows that the number of alcohol-related *Non-Domestic Assault Offences* in Nullagine during the three recorded years presented, has fluctuated but the percentage that are alcohol related continues to be high.

Table 3. Number of alcohol-related *Offences Non-Domestic Assaults* – Nullagine

Alcohol-related	2008-09	2009-10	2010- 11
Yes	5	13	8
No	1	1	8
Total	6	14	16
% Nullagine	83.3%	92.9%	50.0%
% State	39.8%	40.9%	37.7%
% Pilbara	60.9%	50.6%	52.4%

Nullagine: Alcohol-related Domestic Assault Offences

During the defined period, alcohol featured very strongly in *Domestic Assault Offences* in Nullagine. In 2010/2011, 100% of *Domestic Assault Offences* were recorded as being alcohol-related. This was an increase from 85.0% in 2008/09 and 94.1% in 2009/10.

Though the number of *Domestic Assaults Offences* fluctuated over the reported years, the percentage involving alcohol increased and is way above state and district levels.

Table 4 Alcohol-related Domestic Assault, Nullagine

Alcohol-related	2008-09	2009-10	2010- 11
Yes	17	16	9
No	3	1	0
Total	20	17	9
% Nullagine	85.0%	94.1%	100%
% State	54.4%	52.9%	49.5%
% Pilbara	76.8%	77.8%	76.4%

NEWMAN ALCOHOL-RELATED OFFENCE DATA

Key points

- Between 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2011, the percentage of alcohol-related *Offences Against the Person and Assault including Domestic and Non-Domestic Assault* were consistently higher than the corresponding State percentage.
- In 2010/2011, Newman had a higher percentage of alcohol-related offences for *Offences Against the Person, Assault and Domestic Assault* when compared to 2009/10.
- In 2010/2011 in Newman:
 - 66.5% of *Offences Against the Person* were alcohol-related.
 - 71.2% of *Assault Offences* were alcohol-related.
 - 90.6% of *Domestic Assault Offences* were recorded as being alcohol-related.
 - 52.9% of *Non-Domestic Assault Offences* were alcohol-related.

There are twenty nine (29) licensed premises in Newman:

- 2 x Hotel
- 2 x Hotel restricted
- 2 x Tavern
- 2 x Club
- 6 x Club restricted
- 1 x Liquor Store
- 14 x Special Facility Canteen

Newman: *Offences Against the Person*

In 2010/2011, 66.5% of *Offences Against the Person* in Newman was recorded as being alcohol-related.

The percentage of alcohol-related *Offences Against the Person* in Newman was consistently higher than both the state and district level over the three recorded years.

Table 5: Number of alcohol related *Offences Against the Person*: Newman

Alcohol-related	2008-09	2009-10	2010- 11
Yes	183	104	107
No	63	55	54
Total	246	159	161
%Newman	74.4%	65.4%	66.5%
%State	39.2%	39.3%	37.1%
% Pilbara	60.1%	58.0%	60.5%

Newman: Assault Offences

In 2010/2011, 71.2% of *Assault Offences* (n=94) in Newman were alcohol-related.

For each of the recorded years from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2011, the percentage of *Assault Offences* in Newman recorded as being alcohol-related, were higher than the state and district levels.

For each of the recorded years between 1 July 2008 and 30 June 2011, there were consistently higher numbers of alcohol-related *Assaults* in Newman when compared to those that are not alcohol-related.

Table 6: Number of alcohol related *Assault Offences*: Newman

Alcohol-related	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Yes	162	90	94
No	38	39	38
Total	200	129	132
%Newman	81.0%	69.8%	71.2%
% State	45.2%	45.5%	42.7%
% Pilbara	67.9%	63.3%	64.5%

Newman: Non-Domestic Assault Offences

In 2010/2011, 52.9% of *Non-Domestic Assault Offences* were alcohol-related.

Between 2008/09 and 2009/10, the number of reported alcohol-related *Non-Domestic Assault Offences* dropped by n=32 (n=75 to n=43 respectively). In 2010/2011, the number of alcohol-related *Non-Domestic Assaults* in Newman (n=36) again reduced but the percentage that were alcohol related continued to exceed state and district levels.

Table 7: Number of alcohol related *Non-Domestic Assault Offences*: Newman

Alcohol related	2008-09	2009-10	2010- 11
Yes	75	43	36
No	28	19	32
Total	103	62	68
% Newman	72.8%	69.4%	52.9%
% State	39.8%	40.9%	37.7%
Pilbara %	60.9%	50,6%	52.4%

Newman: *Domestic Assault Offences*

During the recorded years, alcohol featured highly in *Domestic Assault Offences* in Newman. In 2010/11, 90.6% of *Domestic Assaults* were alcohol-related.

Table 8 shows that the total number of alcohol-related *Domestic Assault Offences* fluctuated each financial year between July 2008 and 30 June 2011 but the percentage that were alcohol related were higher than the state and district levels except for 2009/10.

Table 8: Alcohol-related *Domestic Assault*, Newman

Alcohol related	2008-09	2009-10	2010- 11
Yes	87	47	58
No	10	20	6
Total	97	67	64
% Newman	89.7%	70.1%	90.6%
% State	54.4%	52.9%	49.5%
% Pilbara	76.8%	77.8%	76.4%

MARBLE BAR ALCOHOL-RELATED OFFENCE DATA

Key points

- When comparing 2008/09 and 2010/11 there was an increase in the number of alcohol-related offences across all offence categories presented for Marble Bar, with the exception of *Non-Domestic Assault* which reduced.
- The percentage of alcohol-related offences across all offence categories presented for Marble Bar for 2008/09 to 2010/11 was greater than the state percentage.
- In 2010/2011 in Marble Bar:
 - 68.0% of *Offences Against the Person* were alcohol-related.
 - 82.4% of *Assault Offences* were alcohol-related.
 - 86.70% of *Domestic Assault Offences* were recorded as being alcohol-related.
 - 50.08% of *Non-Domestic Assault Offences* were alcohol-related.

There are four (4) licensed premises in Marble Bar:

- 1 x Hotel
- 1 x Restaurant
- 2 x Special Facility Canteen

During the period (1 July 2009 to 30 June 2011) the percentage of alcohol-related offences across all offence categories presented was 50.0% or higher.

Marble Bar: *Offences Against the Person*

In 2010/11, more than two thirds (68.0%) of *Offences Against the Person* in Marble Bar were recorded as being alcohol-related. This represented an increase from 40.7% in 2008/09 and a slight decrease from 70.6% in 2009/10.

For the last two recorded years the percentage of *Offences Against the Person* in Marble Bar recorded as being alcohol-related was above the state and district levels.

Table 9. Offences Against the Person - Marble Bar

Alcohol-related	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Yes	11	24	17
No	16	10	8
Total	27	34	25
% Marble Bar	40.7%	70.6%	68.0%
% State	39.2%	39.3	37.1
% Pilbara	60.1%	58.0%	60.5%

Marble Bar: Assault Offences

In 2010/11, over three quarters (82.4%) of *Assault Offences* in Marble Bar were recorded as being alcohol-related. The percentage of alcohol-related *Assault Offences* in Marble Bar rose sharply between 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2010 (50.0% in 2008/09 and 88.0% in 2009/10) but reduced slightly to 82.4% in 2010/2011.

The percentage of alcohol-related *Assault Offences* in Marble Bar was higher than the state across the three financial years presented.

Table 10. Assault Offences - Marble Bar

Alcohol-related	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Yes	8	22	14
No	8	3	3
Total	16	25	17
% Marble Bar	50.0%	88.0%	82.4%
% State	45.2%	45.5%	42.7%
% Pilbara	67.9%	63.3%	64.5%

Marble Bar: Non-Domestic Assault

In 2010/11, 50.0% of *Non-Domestic Assault Offences* in Marble Bar were recorded as being alcohol-related.

Though the number of *Non-Domestic Assault Offences* in Marble Bar is very small over the three recorded years, alcohol is clearly an issue.

Table 11. Non-Domestic Assault Offences - Marble Bar

Alcohol-related	2008-09	2009-10	2010- 2011
Yes	4	5	1
No	4	1	1
Total	8	6	2
% Marble Bar	50.0%	83.3%	50.0%
% State	39.8%	40.9%	37.7%
% Pilbara	60.9%	50.6%	52.4%

Marble Bar: Alcohol-related Domestic Assault

Statistics show that the vast majority of *Domestic Assault Offences* in Marble Bar are alcohol-related. In 2010/11, 86.7% (n=13) of reported *Domestic Assault Offences* in Marble Bar were recorded as being alcohol-related.

The percentage of alcohol-related *Domestic Assault Offences* in Marble Bar has remained higher than the state percentage over the recorded years (50.0% in 2008/09; 89.5% in 2009/10, and 86.7% in 2010/2011).

As shown in **Table 12**, the number of alcohol-related *Domestic Assault Offences* in Marble Bar almost quadrupled from (n=4) to (n=17) between 2008/09 and 2009/10 but reduced in 2010/11 which was only triple the number from 2008/09.

Table 12. Domestic Assault Offences in Marble Bar

Alcohol-related	2008-09	2009-10	2010- 11
Yes	4	17	13
No	4	2	2
Total	8	19	15
% Marble Bar	50.0%	89.5%	86.7%
% State	54.4%	52.9%	49.5%
% Pilbara	76.8%	77.8%	76.4%

PORT HEDLAND ALCOHOL-RELATED OFFENCE DATA

Key points

- From 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2011, the number of reported offences across all offence categories increased.
- From 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2011, the number of reported offences across all offence categories that were alcohol related increased, with the exception of *Offences Against the Person* which reduced slightly.
- The percentage of reported offences across all offence categories during the recorded years that were alcohol related were above the state and district percentages.
- In 2010/2011 in Port Hedland:
 - 63.4% of *Offences Against the Person* were alcohol-related.
 - 68.1% of *Assault Offences* were alcohol-related.
 - 78.9% of *Domestic Assault Offences* were alcohol related.
 - 62.7% of *Non-Domestic Assault Offences* were alcohol-related.

There are twenty eight (28) licensed premises in Port Hedland:

- 3 x Hotel
- 1 x Hotel Restricted
- 2 x Tavern
- 1 x Club
- 3 x Club Restricted
- 3 x Liquor Store
- 2 x Restaurant
- 2 x Special Facility Transport
- 11 x Special Facility Canteen

Port Hedland: *Offences Against the Person*

In 2010/11, 63.4% (n=85) of *Offences Against the Person* in Port Hedland were recorded as being alcohol-related. The number of reported Offences increased between 2008/09 and 2009/10 and the percentage of those that were alcohol-related remained higher than the state and district levels during this time.

Table 13. *Offences Against the Person, Port Hedland*

Alcohol-related	2008-09	2009-10	2010- 11
Yes	69	93	85
No	38	34	49
Total	107	127	134
% Port Hedland	64.5%	73.2%	63.4%
% State	39.2%	39.3%	37.1%
% Pilbara	60.1%	58.0%	60.5%

Port Hedland: Assault Offences

Overall, recorded *Assault Offences* in Port Hedland are increasing as is the number that is alcohol related. In 2010/11, 68.1% (n=77) of *Assault Offences* in Port Hedland were recorded as being alcohol-related.

The percentage of *Assault Offences* in Port Hedland that are alcohol related continue to be higher than the state and district levels.

Table 14. Assault Offences, Port Hedland

Alcohol-related	2008-09	2009-10	2010- 11
Yes	55	71	77
No	17	23	36
Total	72	94	113
% Port Hedland	76.4%	75.5%	68.1%
% State	45.2	45.5	42.7%
% Pilbara	67.9%	63.3%	64.5%

Port Hedland: Non-Domestic Assault

Non-domestic Assault accounts for the greatest number of *Assaults* in Port Hedland. Alcohol is a key feature of the *Non-Domestic Assaults* occurring. In 2010/11, 62.7% (n=47) of *Non-Domestic Assaults* were alcohol-related

The total number of alcohol-related *Non-Domestic Assaults* increased across the recorded years.

The percentage of *Non-Domestic Assaults* occurring in Port Hedland that are alcohol-related is higher than the state and district levels.

Table 15. Non Domestic Assault Offences, Port Hedland

Alcohol-related	2008-09	2009-10	2010- 11
Yes	37	43	47
No	16	20	28
Total	53	63	75
%Port Hedland	69.8%	68.3%	62.7%
% State	39.8	40.9	37.7%
% Pilbara	60.9%	50.6%	52.4%

Port Hedland: Domestic Assault Offences

The percentage of *Domestic Assaults* in Port Hedland that are alcohol related continue at a very high level. The percentage of *Domestic Assaults* that were alcohol related has varied from 94.7% to 78.9%.

The total number of *Domestic Assaults* in Port Hedland has increased each year across the recorded period.

The number of *Domestic Assaults* that are alcohol related has increased each year, 2008/09 (n=18), 2009/10 (n=28) and 2010/11 (n=30) and the percentage of these assaults exceed state and district levels.

Table 16. Domestic Assault Offences, Port Hedland

Alcohol-related	2008-09	2009-10	2010- 11
Yes	18	28	30
No	1	3	8
Total	19	31	38
% Port Hedland	94.7%	90.3%	78.9%
% State	54.4%	52.9%	49.5%
% Pilbara	76.8%	77.8%	76.4%

SOUTH HEDLAND ALCOHOL-RELATED OFFENCE DATA

Key points

- The percentage of reported offences across all offence categories during the recorded years for South Hedland that were alcohol related remained stable.
- The percentage of reported offences across all offence categories during the recorded years for Port Hedland, that were alcohol related were above the state level but similar to the district level.
- In 2010/2011 in South Hedland:
 - 62.2% of *Offences Against the Person* were alcohol-related.
 - 63.5% of *Assault Offences* were alcohol-related.
 - 49.4% of *Non-Domestic Assault Offences* were alcohol related.
 - 74.7% of *Domestic Assault Offences* were alcohol-related

There are seven (7) licensed premises in South Hedland:

- 1 x Tavern
- 1 x Club
- 2 x Club Restricted
- 2 x Liquor Store
- 1 x Restaurant

South Hedland: *Offences Against the Person*

The number of *Offences Against the Person* in South Hedland that are alcohol related have increased over the three recorded years, 2008/09 (n=245), 2009/10 (n=261) and 2010/11 (n=283).

The percentage of *Offences Against the Person* in South Hedland that are alcohol related is currently above the state but similar to district levels.

Table 17. *Offences Against the Person, South Hedland*

Alcohol-related	2008-09	2009-10	2010- 11
Yes	245	261	283
No	145	203	172
Total	390	464	455
% South Hedland	62.8%	56.3%	62.2%
% State	39.2%	39.3%	37.1%
% Pilbara	60.1%	58.0%	60.5%

South Hedland: Assaults Offences

The number of *Assault Offences* in South Hedland that are alcohol related have increased over the three recorded years, 2008/09 (n=194), 2009/10 (n=211) and 2010/11 (n=226).

The percentage of *Assault Offences* that are alcohol related is similar to the district levels but higher than the state levels.

Table 18. Assault Offences, South Hedland

Alcohol-related	2008-09	2009-10	2010- 11
Yes	194	211	226
No	100	125	130
Total	294	336	356
% South Hedland	66.0%	62.8%	63.5%
% State	45.2%	45.5%	42.7%
% Pilbara	67.9%	63.3%	64.5%

South Hedland: Non-Domestic Assaults Offences

The number of *Non Domestic Assault Offences* in South Hedland has remained stable over the three recorded years, 2008/09 (n=147), 2009/10 (n=169) and 2010/11 (n=158).

The number and percentage of *Non Domestic Assault Offences* in South Hedland that are alcohol related have also remained stable and though the percentage that are recorded as alcohol-related is slightly lower than the district level, they are higher than the state level.

Table 19. Non Domestic Assault Offences, South Hedland

Alcohol-related	2008-09	2009-10	2010- 11
Yes	85	76	78
No	62	93	80
Total	147	169	158
% South Hedland	57.8%	45.0%	49.4%
% State	39.8%	40.9%	37.7%
% Pilbara	60.9%	50.6%	52.4%

South Hedland: Domestic Assaults Offences

The number of *Domestic Assault Offences* in South Hedland have increased over the three recorded years as have the number that are recorded as alcohol related , 2008/09 (n=109), 2009/10 (n=135) and 2010/11 (n=148).

The percentage of *Domestic Assault Offences* in South Hedland that are recorded as alcohol related continue to be above the state levels but are similar to the district level.

Table 20. Domestic Assault Offences, South Hedland

Alcohol-related	2008-09	2009-10	2010- 11
Yes	109	135	148
No	38	32	50
Total	147	167	198
% South Hedland	74.1%	80.8%	74.7%
% State	54.4%	53.0%	49.5%
% Pilbara	76.8%	77.8%	76.4%