

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY  
QUESTION 1066**

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**Dr JC Kloppers-Lourens (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

How many (a) primary and (b) secondary school teachers are qualified to teach (i) (aa) maths and (bb) mathematical literacy, (ii) English as (aa) first language and (bb) second language, (iii) religious studies, (iv) life science, (v) science and (vi) history in each province in each case and (c) learners in total were registered in 2009 at (i) primary and (ii) secondary schools.

**REPLY**

**(a & b)(i - vi)**

The recruitment process for educators is managed by Provincial Education Departments. The initial selection of educators, is in most cases, recommended by the School Governing Body to the Provincial Head of Department for approval. The utilization of educators in relation to the qualifications varies from year to year and even in the same year. The information being requested is thus not processed at the national Department of Education and may be sourced from the Provincial Education Department as the accountable employer.

**(c) (i) and (ii)****Table 2: Number of learners in ordinary schools by province in 2009**

Province	(i) Primary (Gr 1 - 7)	(ii) Secondary (Gr 8 - 12)
Eastern Cape	1 270 191	636 060
Free State	376 320	249 416
Gauteng	1 113 719	711 807
KwaZulu Natal	1 620 902	1 027 218
Limpopo Province	911 187	695 166
Mpumalanga	598 294	386 769
Northern Cape	164 887	90 193
North West	468 785	276 266
Western Cape	594 368	338 632
<b>SA</b>	<b>7 118 653</b>	<b>4 411 527</b>

Source: Department of Education. .School Realities 2009.