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Ms A T Lovemore (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:

- (1) How many schools were closed, in each province, in the (a) 2011-12, (b) 2012-13 and (c) 2013-14 financial years;
- (2) what was the reason for the closure of each specified school? NW795E

RESPONSE

(1)

Table 1: No of closed ordinary schools, by province, from 2012 -2014

Province	Closed Schools			Source
	2012	2013	2014	
EC	0	5	0	Provincial EMIS
FS	1	23	21	Provincial EMIS
GT	7	19	2	Provincial EMIS
KZ	0	1	0	10 th Day School Census 2014 Technical Report
LP	10	1	17	Provincial EMIS
MP	5	38	2	10 th Day School Census 2014 Technical Report
NC	25	0	0	10 th Day School Census 2014 Technical Report
NW	11	46	35	10 th Day School Census 2014 Technical Report
WC	9	8	1	Provincial EMIS
Total	68	141	78	

Source: Five Provinces: FS, GP, LP, MP and WC replied to parliamentary questions from own Master-lists. The remaining provinces' data was mined from the 2014 10th Day School Census Technical reports of provincial submitted data

(2) In all provinces, the core reasons for closure are as follows:-

- (a) Learner numbers declining;
- (b) Merging of schools;
- (c) Urbanisation; and
- (d) Rationalisation of middle schools in the North West province.