

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY
QUESTION 195**

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

(a) How many vacancies for school principal posts existed in each province as at the latest specified date for which information is available and (b) when will these vacancies be filled in each case? NW242E

REPLY:

(a) The number of vacant Principal posts as at the end of January 2009 is as follows:

Provincial breakdown of principal vacancy rates

Province	Vacancies	Total Principal posts
Eastern Cape	1 783	7 169
Free State	366	1 958
Gauteng	278	2 276
KwaZulu Natal	837	6 413
Limpopo Province	705	4 443
Mpumalanga	243	2 062
North West	235	2 149
Northern Cape	105	706
Western Cape	268	1 795
TOTAL	4 820	28 71

(b) The frequency of vacancy lists per province is as follows for this year:

Province	Report
Eastern Cape	Vacancy list will be released in the last term for appointment in January 2010
Free State	Vacancy list released in first and second term and assumption of duty on 1 October 2009
Gauteng	A vacancy list to be released in July 2009 for filling 1 October 2009
KwaZulu-Natal	No Report available at the time of response
Limpopo	No Report available at the time of response
Mpumalanga	A vacancy list to be released in July 2009
North West	Vacancy list released in the second term and appointments made for assumption of duty on first July 2009
Northern Cape	No confirmation of the issuing of further vacancy lists in 2009
Western Cape	The vacancy list will be released in August 2009 for possible filling of posts in January 2010