



## **Return to Written Question**

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**Asked of:** Hon. Lorne Kusugak  
Minister responsible for the Nunavut Housing Corporation

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**Subject:** Administration of the Government of Nunavut's *Staff Housing Policy*

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### **NOTES:**

- A. The Corporation is unable to report on the following questions: 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 18, 19, 20, which should be referred to the Department of Finance directly.
- B. Questions 12 and 13 should be referred to Department of Finance (NHC will collaborate with the Department of Finance in relation to the answer provided in question 11).
- C. The Corporation issues Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) to departments for staffing housing units on the understanding that they will not be used for Government of Nunavut employees. As the Corporation does not track or police the use of the units engaged under an MOU with other GN departments, questions 16 and 17 should be referred to the departments listed in the response to question 15.

### **Question:**

1. As of March 1, 2018, broken down by community and size of unit (within the meaning of Schedule E of the Government of Nunavut's *Staff Housing Policy*), how many staff housing units were maintained (within the meaning of Page NHC-3 of the *Business Plan - Government of Nunavut and Territorial Corporations - 2017-2020*) by the Nunavut Housing Corporation?

2. As of March 1, 2018, broken down by community and size of unit (within the meaning of Schedule E of the Government of Nunavut's *Staff Housing Policy*), how many of the staff housing units referred to in question #1 were owned by the Nunavut Housing Corporation?
3. As of March 1, 2018, broken down by community and size of unit (within the meaning of Schedule E of the Government of Nunavut's *Staff Housing Policy*), how many of the staff housing units referred to in question #1 were leased by the Nunavut Housing Corporation?

**Response to Questions 1, 2 and 3:**

	Total units	Owned	Leased	Bach	1 BR	2 BR	3BR	4BR
Arctic Bay	19	18	1	0	0	16	3	0
Arviat	72	18	54	0	6	49	17	0
Baker Lake	55	12	43	0	11	31	13	0
Cambridge Bay	126	39	87	0	34	72	20	0
Cape Dorset	60	18	42	0	8	34	18	0
Chesterfield Inlet	10	9	1	0	0	10	0	0
Clyde River	31	19	12	0	4	25	2	0
Coral Harbour	17	12	5	0	0	15	2	0
Gjoa Haven	39	24	15	0	7	26	6	0
Grise Fiord	3	2	1	0	0	2	1	0
Hall Beach	14	10	4	0	0	10	3	1
Igloolik	73	31	42	0	5	48	18	2
Iqaluit	660	21	639	11	310	223	106	10
Kimmitut	10	8	2	0	0	7	3	0
Kugaaruk	16	12	4	0	1	13	2	0
Kugluktuk	47	33	14	0	6	27	13	1
Naujaat	17	10	7	0	2	13	2	0
Pangnirtung	55	10	45	0	4	32	19	0
Pond Inlet	68	19	49	0	13	36	19	0
Qikiqtarjuaq	15	9	6	0	2	11	2	0
Rankin Inlet	162	66	96	0	48	84	30	0
Resolute	8	8	0	0	0	6	2	0
Sanikiluaq	15	14	1	0	0	13	2	0
Taloyoak	12	9	3	0	0	9	2	1
Whale Cove	11	9	2	0	0	9	2	0
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4. As of March 1, 2018, broken down by community and size of unit (within the meaning of Schedule E of the Government of Nunavut's *Staff Housing Policy*), from which entities were the units referred to in question #3 leased?

**Response:** In alphabetical order, the Corporation leases units from the following entities:

<b>COMMUNITY</b>	<b>Alex / Sheila Arychuk</b>	<b>Baker Lake Contracting and Supplies Ltd.</b>	<b>BI 5 Ltd.</b>	<b>Carl's Woodworking Ltd.</b>	<b>David / Kimberley Crockatt</b>
<b>Arviat</b>	10				
<b>Baker Lake</b>		23			
<b>Cambridge Bay</b>					1
<b>Igloolik Qikiqtarjuaq</b>			5	2	
<b>COMMUNITY</b>	<b>D.J. Specialties Ltd.</b>	<b>Eepow Construction Ltd.</b>	<b>Enokhok</b>	<b>Eskimo Point Lumber Supply</b>	<b>GC North Inc.</b>
<b>Arviat</b>				21	
<b>Cambridge Bay</b>			12		
<b>Iqaluit</b>	1				5
<b>Pangnirtung</b>		1			
<b>COMMUNITY</b>	<b>Grise Fiord Inuit Co-op. Ltd.</b>	<b>Hamlet of Kugluktuk</b>	<b>IBSL Leasing Ltd.</b>	<b>Ilagiiktut Ltd.</b>	<b>Inuksugait Inc.</b>
<b>Coral Harbour</b>				5	
<b>Grise Fiord</b>	1				
<b>Iqaluit</b>					43
<b>Kugluktuk</b>		1			
<b>Naujaat</b>				3	
<b>Rankin Inlet</b>			1	63	
<b>Whale Cove</b>				2	
<b>COMMUNITY</b>	<b>Kawtak Construction</b>	<b>Kissarvik Coop Association</b>	<b>Koomiut Co-op Ltd.</b>	<b>M&amp;T Enterprises/Sakku</b>	<b>Midnight Sun Mgmt</b>
<b>Iqaluit</b>					1
<b>Kugaaruk</b>			4		
<b>Rankin Inlet</b>		1		1	
<b>Sanikiluaq</b>	1				
<b>Taloyoak</b>					
<b>Whale Cove</b>					

COMMUNITY	Naujat Co-op Ltd.	Northview	Nuna-star	Nunavut Construction Corp.	Nunavut Employees Union
Arctic Bay		1			
Arviat				23	
Baker Lake				20	
Cambridge Bay		60		10	
Cape Dorset		12		26	
Clyde River		6			
Gjoa Haven				15	
Hall Beach		4			
Igloolik		6		34	
Iqaluit		440	73	40	8
Kimmirut		2			
Kugluktuk				13	
Naujaat	4				
Pangnirtung		12		32	
Pond Inlet		12		32	
Rankin Inlet				10	
Taloyoak		1			

COMMUNITY	Nunavut Teachers Assoc.	Pitsuilak Co-Op Assoc. Ltd.	TBG Construction Ltd.	Toonoonik Sahoornik Co-Op ltd	Tulugak Co-Op Society Ltd.
Chesterfield Inlet		1			
Iqaluit	5		23		
Pond Inlet				5	
Qikiqtarjuaq					1
Rankin Inlet			20		

COMMUNITY	West Baffin Eskimo Co-Operative Ltd.	5043 Nunavut Ltd.	923117 NWT Limited	953703 N.W.T. Ltd.
Cambridge Bay		4		
Cape Dorset	4			
Clyde River				6
Taloyoak			2	

In relation to the units listed above, the sizes of typical units range as follows:

	Min (m2)	Max (m2)
Bachelor	35	38
1 BR	35	83
2 BR	49	115
3 BR	69	156
4 BR	90	179
5 BR	141	

5. As of March 1, 2018, broken down by community, employing entity (Government of Nunavut department, Crown agency and territorial corporation) and category of position (within the meaning of subsection 2(c) of Schedule A of the Government of Nunavut's *Staff Housing Policy*), how many staff housing units were rented to employees who were Nunavut Inuit?

**Response:** See Note A.

6. As of March 1, 2018, broken down by community, employing entity (Government of Nunavut department, Crown agency and territorial corporation) and category of position (within the meaning of subsection 2(c) of Schedule A of the Government of Nunavut's *Staff Housing Policy*), how many staff housing units were rented to employees who were not Nunavut Inuit?

**Response:** See Note A.

7. As of March 1, 2018, how many employees under the jurisdiction of the Government of Nunavut's Senior Personnel Secretariat (within the meaning of the "Definitions" section of the Government of Nunavut's *Staff Housing Policy*) were renting staff housing units?

**Response:** See Note A.

8. How many of the employees referred to in question #7 were Nunavut Inuit?

**Response:** See Note A.

9. How many of the employees referred to in question #7 were not Nunavut Inuit?

**Response:** See Note A.

10. As of March 1, 2018, what was the average monthly value of the staff housing subsidy provided to employees under the jurisdiction of the Government of Nunavut's Senior Personnel Secretariat (within the meaning of the "Definitions" section of the Government of Nunavut's *Staff Housing Policy*) renting staff housing units?

**Response:** See Note A.

11. As of March 1, 2018, broken down by community, how many individuals were on the Nunavut Housing Corporation's staff housing waiting list (within the meaning of subsection 4(c) of Schedule A of the Government of Nunavut's *Staff Housing Policy*)?

**Response:** This table sets out number of employees on the waitlist per community.

Major Communities	
IQALUIT	90
RANKIN INLET	20
CAMBRIDGE BAY	12
<b>Total Major</b>	<b>122</b>
Decentralized Communities	
POND INLET	2
IGLOOLIK	1
PANGNIRTUNG	1
CAPE DORSET	0
ARVIAT	7
BAKER LAKE	5
KUGLUKTUK	2
GJOA HAVEN	2
<b>Total Decentralized</b>	<b>20</b>
Other Communities	
QIKIQTARJUAQ	0
ARCTIC BAY	0
CLYDE RIVER	0
KIMMIRUT	0
HALL BEACH	0
RESOLUTE BAY	0
SANIKILUAQ	0
GRISE FIORD	0
CHESTERFIELD INLET	1
CORAL HARBOUR	1
NAUJAAT	1
WHALE COVE	1
TALOYOAK (SPENCE BAY)	0
KUGAARUK (PELLY BAY)	0
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>GN Total</b>	<b>146</b>

\* Please note, these figures include applications for 'moves of convenience' from employees already living in a staff housing unit.

12. How many of the individuals referred to in question #11 were Nunavut Inuit?

**Response:** See Note B.

13. How many of the individuals referred to in question #11 were not Nunavut Inuit?

**Response:** See Note B.

14. As of March 1, 2018, what was the average length of time for an individual to remain on the Nunavut Housing Corporation’s staff housing waiting list (within the meaning of subsection 4(c) of Schedule A of the Government of Nunavut’s *Staff Housing Policy*)?

**Response:** The average wait time varies between communities and depends on Staff Housing unit availability and determinations of the Staff Housing Allocations Committee with respect to that stock of units. A waiting period of two years or longer is common.

15. As of March 1, 2018, broken down by community and employing entity (Government of Nunavut department, Crown agency and territorial corporation), within the meaning of the “Sponsoring” provision that is provided for in Schedule A of the Government of Nunavut’s *Staff Housing Policy*, how many non-employees of the Government of Nunavut were residing in staff housing units?

**Response:** Non-GN employees are typically not permitted to live in staff housing units that NHC operates through the staff housing program (as the primary tenant). Though a department can sponsor a non-GN employee under the Policy, departments typically request units for non-employees for which NHC will establish a lease agreement through a Memorandum of Understanding with the department. The requesting department is responsible for the cost of the unit and its use.

The following table lists the units allocated through Memoranda of Understanding to other GN departments, as well as the Nunavut Teachers Association.

Community	CGS	DFS	Education	Health	Justice	NTA	Total units per community
Arctic Bay				4			4
Arviat				1			1
Baker Lake			1				1
Cambridge Bay				5			5
Gjoa Haven				4			4
Igloolik				1			1
Iqaluit	7	2	1	24	2	1	37
Kimmirut		1					1
Kugluktuk				1			1
Pangnirtung				1			1
Rankin Inlet		2		1	1		4
Sanikiluaq				1			1
<b>Total units per department / organization</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Grand Total: 61</b>

CGS: Community and Government Services

DFS: Department of Family Services

NTA: Nunavut Teachers Association

16. How many of the individuals referred to in question #15 were Nunavut Inuit?

**Response:** See Note C.

17. How many of the individuals referred to in question #15 were not Nunavut Inuit?

**Response:** See Note C.

18. As of March 1, 2018, broken down by community, employing entity (Government of Nunavut department, Crown agency and territorial corporation) and category of position (within the meaning of subsection 2(c) of Schedule A of the Government of Nunavut's *Staff Housing Policy*), how many employees were participating in the Rental Assistance Program that is provided for in Schedule F of the Government of Nunavut's *Staff Housing Policy*?

**Response:** See Note A.

19. How many of the individuals referred to in question #18 were Nunavut Inuit?

**Response:** See Note A.

20. How many of the individuals referred to in question #18 were not Nunavut Inuit?

**Response:** See Note A.

21. On what date did the Government of Nunavut's current *Staff Housing Policy* come into effect?

**Response:** November 2009

22. What specific amendments to the Government of Nunavut's current *Staff Housing Policy* have been made to date?

**Response:** No amendments have been made to the 2009 policy; however, the NHC and the Department of Finance are currently collaborating on a review of the policy.

23. On what date does the Government of Nunavut's current *Staff Housing Policy* sunset?

**Response:** April 30, 2015.