

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND**  
**INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO**  
**2012-13 Supplementary Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number:** 7

**Question No:** 234

**Topic:** Remote Housing

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**Senator Siewert** asked:

What is the average delay between the reporting that a SIHIP or NPARIA house has been completed and is occupancy by tenants in the Northern Territory?

**Answer:**

The Northern Territory Department of Housing has advised that as at 30 September 2012, the average number of days from the construction completion to tenant occupancy for new houses is 12.8 days.

Typical actions in this timeframe include:

- Final inspections and rectification of immediate defects
- Tenants undertaking Intensive Tenancy Support
- Finalisation of Tenancy Agreements.