

## **Written Question**

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**Asked of: Honourable David Akeeagok, Minister of Economic Development and Transportation**

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**Subject: Unemployment Rates and Labour Force**

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**Question 1: For the calendar years 2017, 2018, and 2019 to date, and providing a ranking from highest to lowest:**

- a) What was the unemployment rate by Nunavut community?**
- b) What was the source of data for the answer to 1 a)?**
- c) To what extent does this represent a true measure of unemployment in Nunavut, considering the tendency for individuals to remove themselves from the labour force?**
- d) What alternative measures to a unemployment rate does the Department track in terms of labour force utilization and employment in Nunavut?**

**Question 2: What specific actions has the Department taken to target economic development and employment opportunities in Nunavut communities with high unemployment?**