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### ABOUT THIS PUBLICATION

This publication presents information on persons in custody and community-based corrections. The statistics are derived from information collected by the Australian Bureau of Statistics from administrative records held by corrective services agencies in each State and Territory, and from the Federal Attorney-General's Department for details on Federal prisoners. Details are provided for each State and Territory on numbers and imprisonment rates by type of custody (i.e. open or secure custody or periodic detention). Information is also presented on prisoner numbers by legal status (sentenced or unsentenced) and by sentence type, for all prisoners and for Indigenous prisoners, together with the number of sentenced receptions into custody and the number of Federal prisoners.

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### SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics
ERP	Estimated Resident Population
n.a.	not available
n.p.	not published
r	figures or series revised since previous issue
..	not applicable
—	nil or rounded to zero

Where figures have been rounded discrepancies may occur between the sum of component items and the total.

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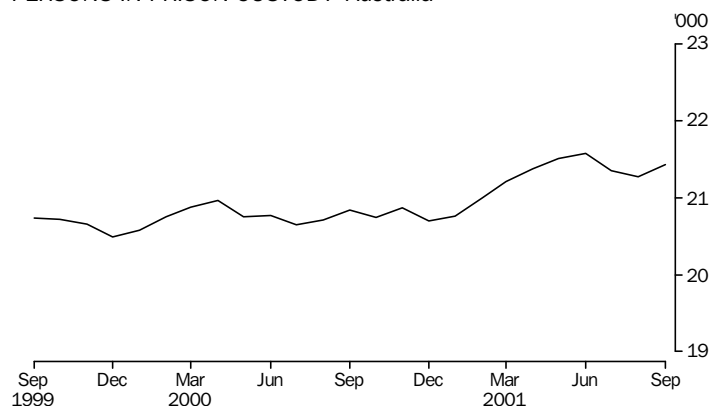
## SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

### NUMBER OF PRISONERS

In the September quarter 2001 the average daily number of prisoners in Australia was 21,351, a decrease of 136 (1%) on the June quarter 2001. Queensland recorded the greatest decrease in prisoner numbers from the June quarter 2001, decreasing by 150 prisoners (3%). The number of prisoners in South Australia and Tasmania increased by 47(3%) and 14 (4%) respectively.

The average daily number of prisoners in Australia increased by 620 (3%) over the year from the September quarter 2000. The largest increases from the September quarter 2000 were recorded in New South Wales and Victoria, rising by 338 (5%) and 219 (7%) respectively. Queensland and Tasmania recorded decreases in prisoner numbers of 101 (2%) and 38 (9%) respectively.

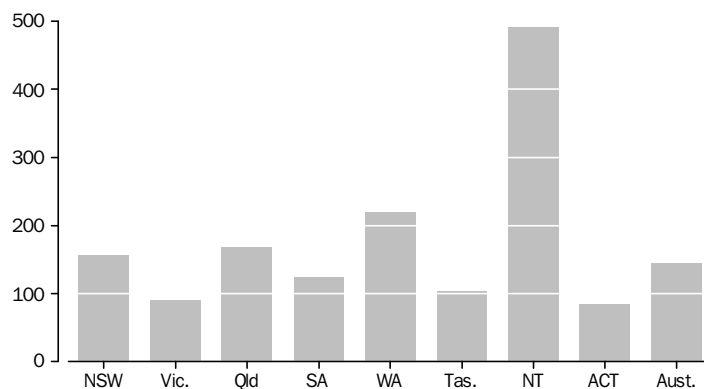
#### PERSONS IN PRISON CUSTODY—Australia



### RATES PER 100,000 ADULTS

Nationally, the average daily imprisonment rate was 145 prisoners per 100,000 adult population during the September quarter 2001, an increase of 2% since the September quarter 2000. The Northern Territory had the highest imprisonment rate per 100,000 adult population, with a rate of 491, representing an 8% increase since the September quarter 2000. The next highest rates were recorded by Western Australia and Queensland (220 and 168 prisoners per 100,000 adult population respectively).

#### AVERAGE DAILY IMPRISONMENT RATE(a)



(a) Rate per 100,000 adult population.

## SUMMARY OF FINDINGS *continued*

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Of the average daily number of prisoners in Australia during the September quarter 2001, 19,977 (94%) were males and 1,374 (6%) were females. The proportion of male and female prisoners remained unchanged from the June quarter 2001 to the September quarter 2001.

### TYPE OF CUSTODY

In the September quarter 2001 the average daily number of prisoners in secure prison custody was 15,378 (72%). The remaining 5,972 prisoners (28%) were held in open prison custody. The highest proportions of prisoners held in secure custody were recorded in Victoria (89%) and South Australia (89%). The States/Territories with the lowest proportions of prisoners in secure prison custody were the Australian Capital Territory (including Australian Capital Territory prisoners held in New South Wales prisons) with 51% and New South Wales with 55%. All female prisoners in South Australia, Tasmania and the Northern Territory were held in secure prison custody.

### LEGAL STATUS AND SENTENCE TYPE

On 1 September 2001, there were 21,391 prisoners. Of these, 17,073 (80%) were sentenced and 4,318 (20%) were unsentenced. South Australia had the highest proportion of unsentenced prisoners (34%), followed by the Australian Capital Territory (including Australian Capital Territory prisoners held in New South Wales prisons) with 33%. The lowest proportions of unsentenced prisoners were recorded in Victoria (16%) and Western Australia (15%).

### SENTENCED RECEPTIONS

There were 6,628 sentenced receptions in Australia during the September quarter 2001. New South Wales reported the highest number of sentenced receptions with 2,031 prisoners, followed by 1,684 in Queensland and 1,091 in Western Australia.

Of all sentenced receptions in Australia during this quarter, 506 (8%) were for fine default only. This is less than half the number that was recorded for the September quarter 2000. The large decrease is primarily the result of changes in Queensland where there has been a 98% decrease between the September quarter 2000 and the September quarter 2001. The highest numbers of these sentenced receptions for fine default only were recorded in Western Australia with 258 (51%). It should be noted that persons imprisoned for fine default usually serve a relatively short time in custody.

### INDIGENOUS PRISONERS

On 1 September 2001, there were 4,202 Indigenous prisoners in Australia (20% of the Australian prisoner population). The highest number of Indigenous prisoners was recorded in New South Wales (1,220). The Northern Territory, where Indigenous people comprise the largest proportion of the total population (25%), recorded the highest proportion of Indigenous prisoners (61%).

The national rate of imprisonment for Indigenous persons on 1 September 2001 was 1,765 per 100,000 adult Indigenous population. The corresponding rate for the total adult population of Australia was 145 per 100,000 adult population. The highest rate of imprisonment for Indigenous persons was recorded in Western Australia (3,013 Indigenous persons per 100,000 adult Indigenous population) followed by New South Wales, South Australia and Queensland (1,870, 1,698 and 1,691 Indigenous persons per 100,000 adult Indigenous population respectively).

Nationally, the Indigenous rate of imprisonment was 15 times the non-Indigenous rate. The highest ratios of Indigenous to non-Indigenous rates of imprisonment were recorded in Western Australia and South Australia with Indigenous rates of imprisonment 20 and 16 times the non-Indigenous rates respectively.

Further information on the interpretation of statistics on Indigenous persons in prison custody is provided in an Appendix on page 35 of this publication.

### PERIODIC DETENTION

Periodic detention is a form of custody only used in New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory. Prisoners on periodic detention are required to be held in custody for only two consecutive days each week. There was an average daily number of 1,063 persons in New South Wales and 67 persons in the Australian Capital Territory held in periodic detention during the September quarter 2001.

### PERSONS IN COMMUNITY-BASED CORRECTIONS

In the June quarter 2001 the number of persons in community-based corrections in Australia was 57,207, of whom 81% (46,465) were males.

#### Rates per 100,000 adults

The rate for persons in community-based corrections during the June quarter 2001 was 389 persons per 100,000 adult population. The Northern Territory recorded the highest rate of 1,045 persons per 100,000 adult population, followed by Queensland with 645 persons per 100,000 adult population. Victoria had the lowest rate of persons in community-based corrections (174 persons per 100,000 adult population).

#### Type of order

The most common orders served for community-based corrections were sentenced probation (30,188) followed by community service (12,687). Sentenced probation was the most common order served in each of the jurisdictions. Only 569 orders were for bail and 719 were for restricted movement.

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## PERSONS IN PRISON CUSTODY

Period	NSW(a)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in		Aust.(a)
								NSW(a)(b)	ACT(c)	
AVERAGE DAILY NUMBER										
<b>1998</b>	6 516	2 796	4 874	1 403	2 389	302	607	118	37	18 923
<b>1999</b>	7 117	2 945	5 095	1 363	2 903	343	615	129	36	20 416
<b>2000</b>	7 329	3 153	4 848	1 298	3 055	398	633	150	52	20 766
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter	7 352	3 165	4 728	1 283	3 132	403	617	150	52	20 731
December quarter	7 373	3 245	4 678	1 289	3 097	388	645	157	56	20 769
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter	7 532	3 322	4 601	1 338	3 101	359	683	155	55	20 990
June quarter	7 708	3 373	4 777	1 380	3 144	351	697	145	58	21 487
September quarter	7 690	3 384	4 627	1 427	3 124	365	672	136	61	21 351
<b>2000</b>										
July	7 320	3 138	4 685	1 284	3 124	415	623	147	58	20 648
August	7 367	3 147	4 734	1 266	3 132	404	613	151	48	20 711
September	7 370	3 212	4 765	1 299	3 140	389	614	152	49	20 838
October	7 321	3 215	4 724	1 282	3 115	400	628	155	59	20 744
November	7 406	3 256	4 711	1 291	3 103	390	655	156	54	20 867
December	7 392	3 263	4 600	1 295	3 072	374	651	160	54	20 700
<b>2001</b>										
January	7 466	3 310	4 534	1 314	3 061	358	667	160	54	20 764
February	7 521	3 316	4 605	1 334	3 100	363	695	152	62	20 996
March	7 607	3 338	4 664	1 367	3 141	356	689	154	49	21 212
April	7 640	3 360	4 731	1 379	3 154	356	690	155	66	21 375
May	7 727	3 385	4 784	1 377	3 125	354	698	147	56	21 506
June	7 756	3 373	4 815	1 383	3 153	343	704	134	54	21 580
July	7 684	3 391	4 644	1 406	3 142	345	687	134	55	21 353
August	7 645	3 376	4 595	1 436	3 121	366	668	134	63	21 269
September	7 744	3 385	4 643	1 440	3 109	384	661	140	66	21 432

(a) Prior to the September quarter 2000, all full-time prisoners sentenced in the ACT were held in NSW prisons. Since the September quarter 2000, some ACT-sentenced fine default only prisoners have been held in the ACT. The ACT in NSW figures are a subset of the NSW figures—see Explanatory notes, paragraph 12.

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Period	NSW(a)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in		Aust.(a)
								NSW(a)(b)	ACT(c)	
RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION										
<b>1998</b>	137.5	78.5	188.2	124.4	177.9	85.0	455.7	50.4	15.8	134.3
<b>1999</b>	148.1	81.4	193.0	120.0	211.6	96.4	453.9	54.7	15.3	142.8
<b>2000</b>	150.6	85.9	180.3	113.7	219.0	111.7	464.6	64.5	22.3	143.3
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter	151.0	86.1	175.5	112.3	224.2	112.8	456.9	64.4	22.4	142.9
December quarter	151.0	87.9	172.7	112.7	220.8	108.5	475.0	67.5	24.0	142.7
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter	153.7	89.6	169.0	116.8	219.9	100.4	501.8	66.5	23.4	143.7
June quarter	156.8	90.7	174.5	120.1	222.0	97.9	510.6	62.0	24.9	146.5
September quarter	155.9	90.5	168.3	124.1	219.5	103.7	491.0	57.7	26.0	145.1
<b>2000</b>										
July	150.4	85.3	173.9	112.4	223.7	116.2	461.6	63.1	25.1	142.4
August	151.3	85.6	175.8	110.8	224.2	113.1	454.1	64.7	20.8	142.8
September	151.4	87.3	176.9	113.7	224.8	109.0	454.8	65.3	21.2	143.7
October	150.0	87.1	174.4	112.0	222.1	111.8	462.9	66.6	25.4	142.5
November	151.7	88.2	173.9	112.8	221.2	109.1	482.8	66.9	23.3	143.4
December	151.4	88.4	169.8	113.2	219.0	104.6	479.5	68.8	23.1	142.2
<b>2001</b>										
January	152.4	89.3	166.6	114.7	217.1	100.1	490.1	68.3	22.9	142.1
February	153.5	89.5	169.2	116.4	219.9	101.5	510.3	65.1	26.4	143.7
March	155.3	90.0	171.3	119.3	222.8	99.6	505.8	65.9	21.1	145.2
April	155.4	90.3	172.8	120.1	222.7	99.3	505.2	66.2	27.9	145.7
May	157.2	91.0	174.8	119.9	220.7	98.9	511.1	62.5	23.8	146.6
June	157.7	90.7	175.9	120.4	222.7	95.6	515.7	57.2	23.0	147.1
July	155.8	90.7	168.9	122.2	220.8	98.0	501.6	56.9	23.3	145.1
August	155.0	90.3	167.1	124.8	219.3	104.0	488.1	56.7	26.6	144.5
September	157.0	90.5	168.8	125.2	218.4	109.3	483.1	59.6	28.0	145.6

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## PERSONS IN PRISON CUSTODY, By Sex and Type of Prison Custody

Prison custody and sex	NSW(a)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(a)(b)	ACT(c)	Aust.(a)
AVERAGE DAILY NUMBER										
<b>Males</b>										
<b>Secure prison custody</b>										
<b>1999</b>	3 744	2 465	3 844	1 100	1 758	235	476	39	33	13 654
<b>2000</b>	3 754	2 631	3 721	1 055	1 862	296	494	41	45	13 858
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter	3 752	2 634	3 634	1 036	1 908	309	468	39	46	13 786
December quarter	3 716	2 683	3 634	1 059	1 882	291	503	36	46	13 815
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter	3 858	2 757	3 563	1 112	1 849	267	543	47	49	13 997
June quarter	3 978	2 799	3 680	1 158	1 879	259	530	40	54	14 337
September quarter	3 914	2 819	3 679	1 184	1 925	275	512	40	59	14 366
July	3 932	2 819	3 695	1 176	1 953	255	525	38	53	14 409
August	3 903	2 807	3 677	1 189	1 921	279	504	39	59	14 339
September	3 908	2 830	3 665	1 187	1 900	290	505	42	63	14 348
<b>Open prison custody</b>										
<b>1999</b>	2 953	301	943	188	930	91	113	82	..	5 520
<b>2000</b>	3 199	326	834	172	953	81	123	97	..	5 609
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter	3 146	337	818	171	980	74	131	99	..	5 657
December quarter	3 194	352	787	161	969	77	124	107	..	5 664
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter	3 196	346	780	147	1 015	73	122	92	..	5 679
June quarter	3 227	331	797	138	1 043	75	149	91	..	5 760
September quarter	3 278	324	650	159	984	70	145	85	..	5 611
July	3 254	326	650	151	967	70	144	83	..	5 562
August	3 255	335	622	161	986	65	150	85	..	5 573
September	3 328	312	680	166	999	74	142	86	..	5 701
<b>Total prison custody</b>										
<b>1999</b>	6 697	2 766	4 786	1 288	2 688	326	590	121	33	19 174
<b>2000</b>	6 873	2 957	4 555	1 228	2 815	377	617	138	45	19 466
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter	6 898	2 970	4 452	1 207	2 889	383	599	137	46	19 444
December quarter	6 910	3 035	4 421	1 220	2 851	369	627	143	46	19 479
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter	7 054	3 103	4 342	1 259	2 864	340	665	140	49	19 676
June quarter	7 205	3 130	4 476	1 296	2 922	334	679	131	54	20 097
September quarter	7 193	3 143	4 330	1 343	2 909	344	657	124	59	19 977
July	7 186	3 145	4 345	1 327	2 920	325	669	121	53	19 971
August	7 158	3 142	4 299	1 350	2 907	344	654	124	59	19 913
September	7 236	3 142	4 345	1 353	2 899	365	647	128	63	20 050

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<i>Prison custody and sex</i>	<i>NSW(a)</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT in NSW(a)(b)</i>	<i>ACT(c)</i>	<i>Aust.(a)</i>
AVERAGE DAILY NUMBER										
<b>Females</b>										
<b>Secure prison custody</b>										
<b>1999</b>	277	146	216	74	142	17	25	—	3	901
<b>2000</b>	288	157	231	70	158	22	16	—	7	949
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter	288	155	218	75	163	20	18	—	6	943
December quarter	292	161	206	69	154	19	17	1	9	927
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter	296	166	206	79	155	19	19	2	6	947
June quarter	305	193	248	83	144	17	18	—	4	1 013
September quarter	303	197	256	84	135	20	15	—	3	1 013
July	297	201	257	79	139	19	17	1	2	1 012
August	306	190	255	86	134	22	14	—	4	1 011
September	307	199	255	87	132	19	14	—	3	1 016
<b>Open prison custody</b>										
<b>1999</b>	144	33	92	..	73	..	..	8	..	342
<b>2000</b>	168	39	62	..	82	..	..	12	..	351
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter	167	40	57	..	81	..	..	13	..	345
December quarter	171	49	51	..	92	..	..	13	..	363
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter	182	52	52	..	81	..	..	13	..	367
June quarter	197	50	53	..	77	..	..	14	..	377
September quarter	194	44	42	..	80	..	..	11	..	361
July	201	45	42	..	83	..	..	12	..	371
August	181	44	41	..	80	..	..	10	..	346
September	201	44	43	..	78	..	..	12	..	366
<b>Total prison custody</b>										
<b>1999</b>	421	179	309	74	215	17	25	8	3	1 242
<b>2000</b>	456	196	293	70	240	22	16	12	7	1 300
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter	454	195	276	75	243	20	18	13	6	1 288
December quarter	463	210	257	69	246	19	17	14	9	1 290
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter	478	218	259	79	237	19	19	16	6	1 314
June quarter	503	243	300	83	222	17	18	14	4	1 390
September quarter	498	241	298	84	215	20	15	12	3	1 374
July	498	246	299	79	222	19	17	13	2	1 382
August	487	234	296	86	214	22	14	10	4	1 357
September	508	243	298	87	210	19	14	12	3	1 382

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AVERAGE DAILY NUMBER										
<b>Persons</b>										
<b>Secure prison custody</b>										
<b>1999</b>	4 021	2 611	4 060	1 174	1 901	252	501	39	36	14 555
<b>2000</b>	4 041	2 788	3 952	1 126	2 020	317	511	41	52	14 807
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter	4 040	2 789	3 852	1 112	2 071	329	485	39	52	14 729
December quarter	4 008	2 843	3 840	1 129	2 035	311	520	37	56	14 742
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter	4 154	2 923	3 769	1 191	2 004	286	561	50	55	14 944
June quarter	4 283	2 992	3 927	1 241	2 023	276	548	41	58	15 350
September quarter	4 218	3 015	3 935	1 268	2 060	295	527	40	61	15 378
July	4 229	3 020	3 952	1 255	2 092	274	543	39	55	15 420
August	4 209	2 997	3 932	1 275	2 055	301	518	39	63	15 350
September	4 215	3 029	3 920	1 274	2 032	310	519	42	66	15 365
<b>Open prison custody</b>										
<b>1999</b>	3 097	333	1 035	188	1 003	91	113	90	..	5 861
<b>2000</b>	3 287	365	896	172	1 035	81	123	109	..	5 959
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter	3 313	377	875	171	1 061	74	131	111	..	6 002
December quarter	3 365	401	838	161	1 061	77	124	120	..	6 027
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter	3 377	398	832	147	1 096	73	122	106	..	6 046
June quarter	3 425	381	849	138	1 120	75	149	105	..	6 137
September quarter	3 473	369	692	159	1 064	70	145	96	..	5 972
July	3 455	371	692	151	1 049	70	144	95	..	5 933
August	3 436	379	663	161	1 066	65	150	95	..	5 919
September	3 529	356	723	166	1 077	74	142	98	..	6 067
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July	7 684	3 391	4 644	1 406	3 142	345	687	134	55	21 353
August	7 645	3 376	4 595	1 436	3 121	366	668	134	63	21 269
September	7 744	3 385	4 643	1 440	3 109	384	661	140	66	21 432

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Prison custody and sex	NSW(a)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in		Aust.(a)
								NSW(a)(b)	ACT(c)	
RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION										
<b>Males</b>										
<b>Secure prison custody</b>										
<b>1999</b>	158.4	139.3	293.3	198.2	256.5	135.6	659.6	33.5	28.1	193.8
<b>2000</b>	156.7	146.4	278.8	189.0	267.0	170.4	678.6	35.6	39.1	194.0
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter	156.6	146.3	271.9	185.6	273.3	177.8	648.0	33.6	39.8	192.8
December quarter	155.0	148.0	270.0	189.0	268.0	168.0	694.0	32.0	40.0	193.0
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter	159.8	151.8	263.9	198.4	262.3	153.7	747.4	41.0	42.2	194.2
June quarter	164.2	153.5	271.1	206.2	265.4	148.8	728.8	34.9	47.0	198.2
September quarter	161.0	153.8	269.8	210.4	270.5	161.1	701.5	34.0	50.3	197.8
July	161.7	153.8	271.0	209.0	274.5	149.6	720.5	32.6	45.8	198.4
August	160.5	153.1	269.6	211.3	269.9	163.7	691.5	33.2	50.8	197.4
September	160.7	154.4	268.8	211.0	267.0	170.2	692.3	36.4	54.4	197.6
<b>Open prison custody</b>										
<b>1999</b>	124.9	17.0	72.0	33.9	135.7	52.8	157.3	70.3	..	78.3
<b>2000</b>	130.2	18.1	62.5	30.8	136.7	46.8	168.5	84.4	..	78.5
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter	131.3	18.7	61.2	30.6	140.4	42.7	181.9	85.8	..	79.1
December quarter	132.9	19.5	58.5	28.7	138.2	44.4	171.5	92.8	..	78.9
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter	132.4	19.1	57.7	26.3	144.0	42.0	167.9	80.1	..	78.8
June quarter	133.2	18.2	58.7	24.6	147.3	42.9	204.8	78.5	..	79.6
September quarter	134.8	17.7	47.7	28.3	138.2	40.9	199.4	72.6	..	77.3
July	133.8	17.8	47.7	26.8	135.9	41.2	197.3	71.2	..	76.6
August	133.9	18.3	45.6	28.6	138.6	37.9	205.5	72.9	..	76.7
September	136.9	17.0	49.9	29.5	140.3	43.6	195.3	73.8	..	78.5
<b>Total prison custody</b>										
<b>1999</b>	283.2	156.3	365.2	232.1	392.2	188.4	816.9	103.8	28.1	272.1
<b>2000</b>	286.9	164.5	341.2	219.9	403.7	217.1	847.1	120.1	39.1	272.5
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter	287.8	165.0	333.0	216.2	413.7	220.4	829.9	119.4	39.8	271.9
December quarter	287.4	167.9	328.9	218.0	406.5	212.1	865.9	124.4	40.3	271.4
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter	292.2	170.9	321.6	224.7	406.3	195.6	915.3	121.1	42.2	273.0
June quarter	297.4	171.7	329.8	230.8	412.8	191.7	933.6	113.4	47.0	277.8
September quarter	295.8	171.5	317.5	238.8	408.7	201.9	901.0	106.7	50.3	275.1
July	295.5	171.6	318.6	235.9	410.3	190.8	917.8	103.8	45.8	275.0
August	294.4	171.4	315.3	240.0	408.5	201.6	897.0	106.1	50.8	274.2
September	297.6	171.4	318.6	240.5	407.3	213.9	887.6	110.2	54.4	276.1

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								NSW(a)(b)	ACT(c)	
RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION										
<b>Females</b>										
<b>Secure prison custody</b>										
<b>1999</b>	11.3	7.9	16.3	12.8	20.7	9.2	39.7	—	2.7	12.4
<b>2000</b>	11.6	8.4	17.1	12.1	22.7	11.9	25.9	0.2	5.9	12.9
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter	11.6	8.3	16.1	12.9	23.3	10.9	28.3	—	5.4	12.8
December quarter	11.8	8.5	15.1	11.9	21.9	10.5	27.6	0.7	8.0	12.6
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter	11.9	8.8	15.0	13.5	22.0	10.3	29.3	1.9	5.0	12.8
June quarter	12.2	10.2	17.9	14.2	20.4	9.4	28.5	0.2	3.3	13.6
September quarter	12.1	10.3	18.4	14.3	19.0	11.2	23.7	0.3	2.1	13.6
July	11.9	10.5	18.5	13.4	19.6	10.6	27.2	0.8	1.4	13.6
August	12.2	10.0	18.4	14.6	18.9	12.1	21.9	—	3.0	13.6
September	12.3	10.4	18.4	14.8	18.6	10.7	21.9	—	2.1	13.6
<b>Open prison custody</b>										
<b>1999</b>	5.9	1.8	6.9	..	10.6	..	..	6.8	..	4.7
<b>2000</b>	6.8	2.1	4.6	..	11.7	..	..	10.1	..	4.8
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter	6.7	2.1	4.2	..	11.5	..	..	10.7	..	4.7
December quarter	6.9	2.6	3.8	..	13.1	..	..	11.3	..	4.9
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter	7.3	2.7	3.8	..	11.5	..	..	11.3	..	5.0
June quarter	7.9	2.6	3.8	..	10.9	..	..	11.5	..	5.1
September quarter	7.8	2.3	3.0	..	11.3	..	..	9.5	..	4.8
July	8.0	2.4	3.0	..	11.6	..	..	10.1	..	5.0
August	7.2	2.3	3.0	..	11.2	..	..	8.4	..	4.6
September	8.0	2.3	3.1	..	11.0	..	..	10.1	..	4.9
<b>Total prison custody</b>										
<b>1999</b>	17.2	9.7	23.2	12.8	31.3	9.2	39.7	6.8	2.7	17.1
<b>2000</b>	18.5	10.5	21.6	12.1	34.5	11.9	25.9	10.3	5.9	17.7
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter	18.4	10.4	20.3	12.9	34.8	10.9	28.3	10.7	5.4	17.5
December quarter	18.7	11.1	18.8	11.9	35.0	10.5	27.6	12.0	8.0	17.5
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter	19.2	11.5	18.9	13.5	33.5	10.3	29.3	13.2	5.0	17.8
June quarter	20.2	12.8	21.8	14.2	31.3	9.4	28.5	11.7	3.3	18.7
September quarter	19.9	12.6	21.5	14.3	30.3	11.2	23.7	9.8	2.1	18.4
July	19.9	12.9	21.6	13.4	31.2	10.6	27.2	10.9	1.4	18.5
August	19.5	12.3	21.3	14.6	30.1	12.1	21.9	8.4	3.0	18.2
September	20.3	12.8	21.5	14.8	29.5	10.7	21.9	10.1	2.1	18.5

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								NSW(a)(b)	ACT(c)	
RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION										
<b>Persons</b>										
<b>Secure prison custody</b>										
<b>1999</b>	83.6	72.2	153.8	103.4	138.5	70.7	370.1	16.6	15.3	101.8
<b>2000</b>	83.1	75.9	147.0	98.6	144.8	88.9	374.5	17.7	22.3	102.2
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter	83.0	75.8	143.0	97.3	148.3	92.0	359.6	16.6	22.4	101.6
December quarter	82.1	77.0	141.8	98.6	145.1	86.9	383.4	16.0	24.0	101.3
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter	84.8	78.9	138.5	103.9	142.2	80.0	412.2	21.2	23.4	102.3
June quarter	87.1	80.4	143.5	108.1	142.9	77.1	401.6	17.4	24.9	104.6
September quarter	85.5	80.7	143.1	110.2	144.8	83.9	384.8	17.0	26.0	104.5
July	85.7	80.8	143.7	109.1	147.0	78.0	396.5	16.6	23.3	104.8
August	85.3	80.2	143.0	110.8	144.4	85.7	378.6	16.4	26.6	104.3
September	85.4	81.0	142.5	110.8	142.8	88.1	379.0	18.0	28.0	104.4
<b>Open prison custody</b>										
<b>1999</b>	64.4	9.2	39.2	16.6	73.1	25.7	83.8	38.2	..	41.0
<b>2000</b>	67.6	9.9	33.3	15.1	74.2	22.8	90.0	46.8	..	41.1
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter	68.1	10.2	32.5	15.0	76.0	20.8	97.3	47.8	..	41.4
December quarter	68.9	10.9	30.9	14.0	75.7	21.6	91.5	51.5	..	41.4
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter	68.9	10.7	30.6	12.9	77.7	20.4	89.6	45.3	..	41.4
June quarter	69.7	10.2	31.0	12.0	79.1	20.8	109.1	44.6	..	41.8
September quarter	70.4	9.9	25.2	13.8	74.7	19.8	106.2	40.7	..	40.6
July	70.0	9.9	25.2	13.1	73.7	20.0	105.1	40.3	..	40.3
August	69.6	10.1	24.1	14.0	74.9	18.4	109.5	40.3	..	40.2
September	71.5	9.5	26.3	14.4	75.6	21.2	104.1	41.6	..	41.2
<b>Total prison custody</b>										
<b>1999</b>	148.1	81.4	193.0	120.0	211.6	96.4	453.9	54.7	15.3	142.8
<b>2000</b>	150.6	85.9	180.3	113.7	219.0	111.7	464.6	64.5	22.3	143.3
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter	151.0	86.1	175.5	112.3	224.2	112.8	456.9	64.4	22.4	142.9
December quarter	151.0	87.9	172.7	112.7	220.8	108.5	475.0	67.5	24.0	142.7
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter	153.7	89.6	169.0	116.8	219.9	100.4	501.8	66.5	23.4	143.7
June quarter	156.8	90.7	174.5	120.1	222.0	97.9	510.6	62.0	24.9	146.5
September quarter	155.9	90.5	168.3	124.1	219.5	103.7	491.0	57.7	26.0	145.1
July	155.8	90.7	168.9	122.2	220.8	98.0	501.6	56.9	23.3	145.1
August	155.0	90.3	167.1	124.8	219.3	104.0	488.1	56.7	26.6	144.5
September	157.0	90.5	168.8	125.2	218.4	109.3	483.1	59.6	28.0	145.6

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## PERSONS IN PRISON CUSTODY, By Legal Status and Sentence Type

Legal status and sentence type	NSW(a)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(a)	ACT(b)	Aust.(a)
NUMBER ON FIRST DAY OF MONTH										
<b>Unsentenced</b>										
<b>1999(c)</b>	1 321	451	616	277	377	56	91	3	41	3 231
<b>2000(c)</b>	1 495	459	702	364	451	73	160	3	54	3 755
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(c)	1 483	435	707	342	500	65	165	1	54	3 750
December quarter(c)	1 518	451	746	401	428	54	151	4	53	3 802
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(c)	1 630	458	875	445	480	60	169	8	63	4 181
June quarter(c)	1 706	535	904	499	515	61	120	3	58	4 398
September quarter(c)	1 643	514	932	496	511	61	130	2	61	4 348
July	1 622	500	931	477	550	59	127	2	53	4 319
August	1 661	518	954	512	513	57	128	2	63	4 406
September	1 646	525	911	500	469	66	134	1	67	4 318
<b>Sentenced</b>										
<b>Fine default only</b>										
<b>1999(c)</b>	1	5	234	43	71	21	20	2	..	395
<b>2000(c)</b>	3	3	193	3	55	13	14	—	1	285
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(c)	3	2	120	—	58	14	17	—	1	216
December quarter(c)	3	1	118	1	54	19	16	—	4	217
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(c)	2	—	12	1	48	20	18	—	1	103
June quarter(c)	4	1	4	3	45	27	20	—	—	103
September quarter(c)	3	—	—	1	56	33	18	1	1	112
July	3	—	—	1	36	27	19	—	—	86
August	5	—	—	1	66	54	16	1	2	144
September	1	—	—	1	67	17	19	1	—	105
<b>Other sentenced</b>										
<b>1999(c)</b>	5 796	2 482	4 213	1 043	2 438	257	497	125	..	16 725
<b>2000(c)</b>	5 842	2 680	3 910	941	2 529	258	459	147	..	16 619
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(c)	5 875	2 713	3 817	953	2 567	271	440	149	..	16 637
December quarter(c)	5 869	2 787	3 793	906	2 611	265	473	153	..	16 703
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(c)	5 890	2 849	3 721	886	2 560	239	490	147	..	16 635
June quarter(c)	6 015	2 846	3 805	890	2 586	230	556	143	..	16 927
September quarter(c)	6 073	2 869	3 700	935	2 568	232	530	134	..	16 907
July	6 125	2 883	3 719	910	2 583	222	555	132	..	16 997
August	6 015	2 874	3 645	944	2 541	212	524	132	..	16 755
September	6 080	2 849	3 735	952	2 579	261	512	139	..	16 968

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<i>Legal status and sentence type</i>	<i>NSW(a)</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT in NSW(a)</i>	<i>ACT(b)</i>	<i>Aust.(a)</i>
NUMBER ON FIRST DAY OF MONTH										
<b>Total sentenced</b>										
<b>1999(c)</b>	5 797	2 487	4 447	1 086	2 509	278	517	127	..	17 120
<b>2000(c)</b>	5 845	2 683	4 103	944	2 584	271	473	147	1	16 904
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(c)	5 878	2 716	3 938	953	2 625	285	457	149	1	16 853
December quarter(c)	5 872	2 788	3 911	907	2 665	284	490	153	4	16 920
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(c)	5 892	2 850	3 733	887	2 608	259	508	147	1	16 738
June quarter(c)	6 019	2 847	3 809	893	2 630	257	576	143	—	17 031
September quarter(c)	6 076	2 869	3 700	936	2 624	264	548	135	1	17 018
July	6 128	2 883	3 719	911	2 619	249	574	132	—	17 083
August	6 020	2 874	3 645	945	2 607	266	540	133	2	16 899
September	6 081	2 849	3 735	953	2 646	278	531	140	—	17 073
<b>Total</b>										
<b>1999(c)</b>	7 118	2 939	5 063	1 363	2 886	334	608	129	41	20 351
<b>2000(c)</b>	7 340	3 141	4 804	1 307	3 035	344	633	150	55	20 659
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(c)	7 361	3 151	4 645	1 295	3 125	350	622	150	55	20 603
December quarter(c)	7 390	3 239	4 657	1 307	3 093	337	641	157	57	20 722
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(c)	7 522	3 308	4 608	1 332	3 089	319	678	155	64	20 919
June quarter(c)	7 724	3 382	4 713	1 392	3 145	319	696	146	58	21 428
September quarter(c)	7 719	3 383	4 632	1 433	3 135	325	678	137	62	21 366
July	7 750	3 383	4 650	1 388	3 169	308	701	134	53	21 402
August	7 681	3 392	4 599	1 457	3 120	323	668	135	65	21 305
September	7 727	3 374	4 646	1 453	3 115	344	665	141	67	21 391

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## PERSONS IN PRISON CUSTODY, By Legal Status and Sentence Type *continued*

<i>Legal status and sentence type</i>	<i>NSW(a)</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT in NSW(a)</i>	<i>ACT(b)</i>	<i>Aust.(a)</i>
RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION										
<b>Unsentenced</b>										
<b>1999(c)</b>	27.5	12.5	23.4	24.4	27.5	15.8	67.4	0.4	17.5	22.6
<b>2000(c)</b>	30.7	12.5	26.1	31.8	32.3	20.4	117.0	1.5	23.0	25.9
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(c)	30.5	11.8	26.3	29.9	35.8	18.1	122.0	0.3	23.3	25.9
December quarter(c)	31.1	12.2	27.5	35.0	30.5	15.0	111.5	1.9	22.9	26.1
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(c)	33.3	12.4	32.1	38.9	34.1	16.7	124.3	3.3	27.1	28.6
June quarter(c)	34.7	14.4	33.0	43.4	36.3	17.1	87.9	1.3	24.6	30.0
September quarter(c)	33.3	13.8	33.9	43.2	35.9	17.3	94.7	0.7	25.9	29.5
July	32.9	13.4	33.9	41.5	38.6	16.8	92.8	0.8	22.5	29.3
August	33.7	13.9	34.7	44.5	36.0	16.2	93.5	0.8	26.7	29.9
September	33.4	14.0	33.1	43.5	33.0	18.8	97.9	0.4	28.4	29.3
<b>Sentenced</b>										
<b>Fine default only</b>										
<b>1999(c)</b>	—	0.1	8.8	3.8	5.2	6.0	14.8	0.7	..	2.8
<b>2000(c)</b>	0.1	—	7.2	0.2	3.9	3.7	10.5	—	0.5	2.0
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(c)	0.1	0.1	4.5	—	4.1	4.0	12.8	—	0.3	1.5
December quarter(c)	0.1	—	4.4	0.1	3.8	5.3	12.0	—	0.7	1.5
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(c)	—	—	0.5	0.1	3.4	5.7	13.2	—	0.4	0.7
June quarter(c)	0.1	—	0.1	0.2	3.2	7.6	14.6	—	0.1	0.7
September quarter(c)	0.1	—	—	0.1	4.0	9.3	13.1	0.3	0.3	0.8
July	0.1	—	—	0.1	2.5	7.7	13.9	—	—	0.6
August	0.1	—	—	0.1	4.6	15.4	11.7	0.4	0.8	1.0
September	—	—	—	0.1	4.7	4.8	13.9	0.4	—	0.7
<b>Other sentenced</b>										
<b>1999(c)</b>	120.6	68.6	159.6	91.8	177.7	72.2	366.9	53.2	..	117.0
<b>2000(c)</b>	120.1	73.0	145.4	82.4	181.3	72.2	336.5	63.1	..	114.7
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(c)	120.7	73.8	141.7	83.4	183.8	75.9	325.7	64.1	..	114.7
December quarter(c)	120.2	75.5	140.0	79.1	186.1	74.1	348.7	65.7	..	114.8
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(c)	120.2	76.9	136.7	77.3	181.6	66.7	360.0	63.0	..	113.9
June quarter(c)	122.3	76.5	139.0	77.5	182.6	64.2	407.0	61.0	..	115.4
September quarter(c)	123.1	76.7	134.5	81.3	180.4	65.9	387.4	57.0	..	114.9
July	124.2	77.1	135.2	79.1	181.5	63.2	405.4	56.0	..	115.5
August	121.9	76.9	132.5	82.1	178.5	60.3	382.8	56.0	..	113.8
September	123.2	76.2	135.8	82.8	181.2	74.3	374.0	59.0	..	115.3

(a) Prior to the September quarter 2000, all full-time prisoners sentenced in the ACT were held in NSW prisons. Since the September quarter 2000, some ACT-sentenced fine default only prisoners have been held in the ACT. The ACT in NSW figures are a subset of the NSW figures—see Explanatory notes, paragraph 12.

(b) Refers to unsentenced persons in ACT prison custody and, from the September quarter 2000, may include some sentenced fine default only prisoners.

(c) Figures for the quarter and year for first day of month counts are calculated as a simple average—see Explanatory notes, paragraph 5.



# 3

## PERSONS IN PRISON CUSTODY, By Legal Status and Sentence Type *continued*

<i>Legal status and sentence type</i>	<i>NSW(a)</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT in NSW(a)</i>	<i>ACT(b)</i>	<i>Aust.(a)</i>
RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION										
<b>Total sentenced</b>										
<b>1999(c)</b>	120.6	68.7	168.4	95.6	182.9	78.2	381.6	54.0	..	119.7
<b>2000(c)</b>	120.2	73.1	152.6	82.6	185.2	76.0	347.1	63.1	0.5	116.7
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(c)	120.8	73.8	146.2	83.4	187.9	79.9	338.5	64.1	0.3	116.2
December quarter(c)	120.3	75.5	144.4	79.2	190.0	79.4	360.8	65.7	1.7	116.3
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(c)	120.3	76.9	137.1	77.4	185.0	72.4	373.3	63.0	0.4	114.6
June quarter(c)	122.4	76.5	139.2	77.7	185.8	71.8	421.6	61.0	0.1	116.1
September quarter(c)	123.2	76.7	134.5	81.4	184.4	75.2	400.6	57.3	0.3	115.6
July	124.2	77.1	135.2	79.2	184.0	70.9	419.3	56.0	—	116.1
August	122.0	76.9	132.5	82.2	183.2	75.7	394.5	56.5	0.8	114.8
September	123.3	76.2	135.8	82.9	185.9	79.1	387.9	59.4	—	116.0
<b>Total</b>										
<b>1999(c)</b>	148.1	81.2	191.8	120.1	210.4	94.0	449.1	55.1	17.5	142.4
<b>2000(c)</b>	150.9	85.6	178.7	114.5	217.6	96.4	464.1	64.6	23.5	142.6
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(c)	151.2	85.7	172.5	113.3	223.7	98.1	460.5	64.4	23.6	142.1
December quarter(c)	151.4	87.8	171.9	114.2	220.5	94.4	472.3	67.5	24.6	142.4
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(c)	153.5	89.2	169.3	116.3	219.0	89.1	497.6	66.3	27.5	143.2
June quarter(c)	157.1	90.9	172.2	121.2	222.1	89.0	509.5	62.2	24.7	146.1
September quarter(c)	156.5	90.5	168.4	124.6	220.3	92.5	495.3	58.0	26.2	145.2
July	157.1	90.5	169.1	120.7	222.7	87.6	512.1	56.9	22.5	145.4
August	155.7	90.7	167.2	126.7	219.2	91.9	488.0	57.3	27.6	144.7
September	156.6	90.2	168.9	126.3	218.9	97.9	485.8	59.9	28.4	145.3

(a) Prior to the September quarter 2000, all full-time prisoners sentenced in the ACT were held in NSW prisons. Since the September quarter 2000, some ACT-sentenced fine default only prisoners have been held in the ACT. The ACT in NSW figures are a subset of the NSW figures—see Explanatory notes, paragraph 12.

(b) Refers to unsentenced persons in ACT prison custody and, from the September quarter 2000, may include some sentenced fine default only prisoners.

(c) Figures for the quarter and year for first day of month counts are calculated as a simple average—see Explanatory notes, paragraph 5.

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## SENTENCED RECEPTIONS INTO PRISON CUSTODY, By Type of Sentence

Sentence type	NSW(a)	Vic.(b)	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(a)	ACT	Aust.(a)
NUMBER										
<b>Fine default only</b>										
<b>1999</b>	44	47	4 696	1 712	644	267	939	3	..	8 349
<b>2000</b>	75	29	3 290	130	537	162	378	—	41	4 642
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter	21	9	813	19	136	45	103	1	29	1 175
December quarter	25	3	215	10	131	57	92	—	12	545
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter	18	—	29	16	188	64	93	—	11	419
June quarter	18	4	18	9	135	119	r84	—	18	r405
September quarter	20	—	13	11	258	100	83	1	21	506
July	12	—	7	5	91	28	30	—	6	179
August	4	—	5	3	98	55	28	1	9	202
September	4	—	1	3	69	17	25	—	6	125
<b>Other sentenced</b>										
<b>1999</b>	8 293	3 959	10 854	1 537	3 373	610	896	115	..	29 522
<b>2000</b>	7 917	4 012	8 872	1 156	3 552	588	768	—	..	26 865
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter	1 793	1 019	2 120	241	965	170	159	38	..	6 467
December quarter	2 093	1 045	1 704	279	861	137	202	51	..	6 321
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter	1 924	899	1 555	278	892	100	184	44	..	5 832
June quarter	2 133	1 021	1 566	321	851	118	209	31	..	6 219
September quarter	2 011	995	1 671	348	833	118	146	37	..	6 122
July	635	331	463	120	271	27	57	8	..	1 904
August	710	328	638	114	320	64	50	18	..	2 224
September	666	336	570	114	242	27	39	11	..	1 994
<b>Total sentenced</b>										
<b>1999</b>	8 337	4 006	15 550	3 249	4 017	877	1 835	118	..	37 871
<b>2000</b>	7 992	4 041	12 162	1 286	4 089	750	1 146	—	41	31 507
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter	1 814	1 028	2 933	260	1 101	215	262	39	29	7 642
December quarter	2 118	1 048	1 919	289	992	194	294	51	12	6 866
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter	1 942	899	1 584	294	1 080	164	277	44	11	6 251
June quarter	2 151	1 025	1 584	330	986	237	r293	31	18	r6 624
September quarter	2 031	995	1 684	359	1 091	218	229	38	21	6 628
July	647	331	470	125	362	55	87	8	6	2 083
August	714	328	643	117	418	119	78	19	9	2 426
September	670	336	571	117	311	44	64	11	6	2 119

(a) Prior to the September quarter 2000, all full-time prisoners sentenced in the ACT were held in NSW prisons. Since the September quarter 2000, some ACT-sentenced fine default only prisoners have been held in the ACT. The ACT in NSW figures are a subset of the NSW figures—see Explanatory notes, paragraph 12.

(b) Victorian figures do not include prisoners whose status changed from unsentenced to sentenced during the period.

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## INDIGENOUS PERSONS IN PRISON CUSTODY, By Sex(a)(b)(c)

Sex	NSW(d)(e)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(d)(e)	ACT(f)	Aust.(e)
NUMBER ON FIRST DAY OF MONTH										
<b>Males</b>										
1999(g)	n.a.	115	1 044	191	883	36	430	n.a.	6	n.a.
2000(g)	1 032	124	999	185	881	42	386	7	6	3 656
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(g)	1 025	123	962	191	888	46	371	8	4	3 609
December quarter(g)	1 017	125	959	193	885	43	393	11	5	3 621
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(g)	1 026	135	907	210	916	39	418	9	7	3 668
June quarter(g)	1 077	135	1 004	215	961	38	424	9	7	3 861
September quarter(g)	1 085	129	1 043	210	950	42	413	6	10	3 882
July	1 096	134	1 035	207	973	39	429	6	10	3 923
August	1 066	127	1 049	215	947	40	411	6	10	3 865
September	1 093	125	1 044	209	931	46	398	7	11	3 857
<b>Females</b>										
1999(g)	n.a.	8	71	14	94	2	17	n.a.	1	n.a.
2000(g)	111	11	76	13	95	1	11	3	1	319
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(g)	106	12	69	18	88	—	12	4	—	307
December quarter(g)	121	11	67	15	97	1	12	4	1	326
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(g)	131	12	67	17	103	1	12	3	3	347
June quarter(g)	137	14	84	17	97	2	12	3	1	364
September quarter(g)	126	15	80	17	97	3	9	2	—	347
July	132	16	79	17	102	2	9	2	—	357
August	119	13	82	16	96	3	9	2	—	338
September	127	15	80	18	93	3	9	3	—	345
<b>Persons</b>										
1999(g)	n.a.	122	1 116	205	977	37	447	n.a.	7	n.a.
2000(g)	1 143	134	1 075	199	977	43	398	10	6	3 974
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(g)	1 131	135	1 031	209	977	46	383	12	5	3 916
December quarter(g)	1 138	137	1 027	208	982	44	406	15	6	3 947
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(g)	1 157	147	974	227	1 019	41	430	12	10	4 005
June quarter(g)	1 214	150	1 088	232	1 057	40	436	12	8	4 224
September quarter(g)	1 211	143	1 123	227	1 047	44	422	9	10	4 228
July	1 228	150	1 114	224	1 075	41	438	8	10	4 280
August	1 185	140	1 131	231	1 043	43	420	8	10	4 203
September	1 220	140	1 124	227	1 024	49	407	10	11	4 202

(a) Some rates and ratios in this table have not been published—see Explanatory notes, paragraph 21.

(b) Persons in custody are asked their Indigenous status during reception into custody—see Explanatory notes, paragraphs 10–11.

(c) See Appendix—Interpretation of Indigenous Statistics.

(d) Numbers of Indigenous persons for NSW prior to September 1999 are unavailable—see Explanatory notes, paragraph 9.

(e) Prior to the September quarter 2000, all full-time prisoners sentenced in the ACT were held in NSW prisons. Since the September quarter 2000, some ACT-sentenced fine default only prisoners have been held in the ACT. The ACT in NSW figures are a subset of the NSW figures—see Explanatory notes, paragraph 12.

(f) Refers to unsentenced persons in ACT prison custody and, from the September quarter 2000, may include some sentenced fine default only prisoners.

(g) Figures for the quarter and year for first day of the month counts are calculated as a simple average—see Explanatory notes, paragraph 5.

Sex	NSW(d)(e)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(d)(e)	ACT(f)	Aust.(e)
RATE PER 100,000 ADULT INDIGENOUS POPULATION										
<b>Males</b>										
<b>1999(g)</b>	n.a.	1 727.9	3 504.6	3 178.8	5 662.1	n.p.	2 772.1	n.a.	n.p.	n.a.
<b>2000(g)</b>	3 390.3	1 814.2	3 228.3	3 024.9	5 489.3	n.p.	2 461.2	n.p.	n.p.	3 278.1
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(g)	3 367.3	1 797.1	3 107.9	3 117.3	5 534.4	n.p.	2 406.1	n.p.	n.p.	3 245.4
December quarter(g)	3 339.9	1 836.1	3 100.3	3 144.6	5 513.7	n.p.	2 553.3	n.p.	n.p.	3 255.9
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(g)	3 282.9	1 937.7	2 847.4	3 359.5	5 568.1	n.p.	2 649.4	n.p.	n.p.	3 205.7
June quarter(g)	3 446.1	1 942.5	3 154.1	3 434.1	5 841.7	n.p.	2 683.1	n.p.	n.p.	3 383.3
September quarter(g)	3 471.7	1 846.8	3 274.5	3 364.8	5 778.9	n.p.	2 511.8	n.p.	n.p.	3 388.4
July	3 506.9	1 923.4	3 250.4	3 311.5	5 916.7	n.p.	2 611.2	n.p.	n.p.	3 424.4
August	3 410.9	1 822.9	3 294.4	3 439.4	5 758.6	n.p.	2 501.7	n.p.	n.p.	3 373.8
September	3 497.3	1 794.2	3 278.7	3 343.5	5 661.3	n.p.	2 422.5	n.p.	n.p.	3 366.8
<b>Females</b>										
<b>1999(g)</b>	n.a.	n.p.	218.8	211.3	566.2	n.p.	100.4	n.a.	n.p.	n.a.
<b>2000(g)</b>	332.5	148.6	225.5	193.4	557.8	n.p.	68.8	n.p.	n.p.	264.7
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(g)	319.9	169.8	205.9	259.5	516.4	n.p.	76.1	n.p.	n.p.	255.4
December quarter(g)	365.1	160.4	200.0	216.2	569.0	n.p.	76.1	n.p.	n.p.	271.7
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(g)	384.3	167.1	194.5	243.4	588.9	n.p.	72.4	n.p.	n.p.	281.6
June quarter(g)	402.0	199.6	242.7	238.7	550.9	n.p.	72.4	n.p.	n.p.	295.4
September quarter(g)	370.6	204.3	232.1	238.7	552.8	n.p.	52.4	n.p.	n.p.	280.7
July	388.3	222.8	228.2	238.7	581.3	n.p.	52.4	n.p.	n.p.	289.1
August	350.0	181.1	236.9	224.7	547.1	n.p.	52.4	n.p.	n.p.	273.7
September	373.6	208.9	231.1	252.8	530.0	n.p.	52.4	n.p.	n.p.	279.3
<b>Persons</b>										
<b>1999(g)</b>	n.a.	900.7	1 791.2	1 613.2	3 030.2	412.8	1 402.7	n.a.	n.p.	n.a.
<b>2000(g)</b>	1 794.3	966.9	1 663.6	1 521.4	2 945.2	464.0	1 234.7	n.p.	n.p.	1 713.7
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(g)	1 776.7	969.3	1 595.7	1 599.8	2 945.7	488.9	1 211.3	n.p.	n.p.	1 693.0
December quarter(g)	1 787.2	983.7	1 589.0	1 589.6	2 962.8	474.7	1 282.9	n.p.	n.p.	1 706.6
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(g)	1 772.6	1 039.1	1 465.6	1 700.1	2 997.8	424.7	1 329.2	n.p.	n.p.	1 688.3
June quarter(g)	1 860.0	1 057.9	1 637.6	1 732.5	3 110.5	414.2	1 345.6	n.p.	n.p.	1 780.9
September quarter(g)	1 855.9	1 013.2	1 689.8	1 700.1	3 081.1	482.1	1 254.4	n.p.	n.p.	1 776.1
July	1 882.0	1 060.3	1 676.2	1 675.1	3 162.5	445.8	1 303.0	n.p.	n.p.	1 797.8
August	1 816.1	989.6	1 701.8	1 727.5	3 068.4	467.6	1 249.4	n.p.	n.p.	1 765.5
September	1 869.7	989.6	1 691.3	1 697.6	3 012.5	532.8	1 210.8	n.p.	n.p.	1 765.1

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(b) Persons in custody are asked their Indigenous status during reception into custody—see Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 10–11.

(c) See Appendix—Interpretation of Indigenous Statistics.

(d) Numbers of Indigenous persons for NSW prior to September 1999 are unavailable—see Explanatory notes, paragraph 9.

(e) Prior to the September quarter 2000, all full-time prisoners sentenced in the ACT were held in NSW prisons. Since the September quarter 2000, some ACT-sentenced fine default only prisoners have been held in the ACT. The ACT in NSW figures are a subset of the NSW figures—see Explanatory notes, paragraph 12.

(f) Refers to unsentenced persons in ACT prison custody and, from the September quarter 2000, may include some sentenced fine default only prisoners. The figures are a single count taken on a specific day of the month and are not an average of the daily prisoner population for that month.

(g) Figures for the quarter and year for first day of the month counts are calculated as a simple average—see Explanatory notes, paragraph 5.

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## INDIGENOUS PERSONS IN PRISON CUSTODY, By Sex(a)(b)(c) *continued*

Sex	NSW(d)(e)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	ACT in		ACT(f)	Aust.(e)
							NT	NSW(d)(e)		
<b>RATIO OF INDIGENOUS TO NON-INDIGENOUS RATES OF IMPRISONMENT</b>										
<b>Males</b>										
1999(g)	n.a.	11.5	12.1	15.9	21.2	n.p.	10.4	n.a.	n.p.	n.a.
2000(g)	13.7	11.5	12.0	15.9	19.5	n.p.	6.1	n.p.	n.p.	14.7
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(g)	13.6	11.4	11.9	16.8	18.9	n.p.	5.8	n.p.	n.p.	14.5
December quarter(g)	13.4	11.4	11.8	16.7	19.3	n.p.	6.3	n.p.	n.p.	14.6
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(g)	13.0	11.9	10.9	17.8	19.8	n.p.	6.2	n.p.	n.p.	14.2
June quarter(g)	13.4	11.7	12.2	17.4	20.6	n.p.	6.0	n.p.	n.p.	14.9
September quarter(g)	13.6	11.2	13.3	16.4	20.4	n.p.	5.7	n.p.	n.p.	15.0
July	13.7	11.7	13.0	16.7	20.8	n.p.	5.8	n.p.	n.p.	15.2
August	13.4	11.0	13.5	16.5	20.4	n.p.	5.8	n.p.	n.p.	15.0
September	13.7	10.9	13.3	16.1	19.9	n.p.	5.5	n.p.	n.p.	14.9
<b>Females</b>										
1999(g)	n.a.	n.p.	12.2	20.7	32.0	n.p.	6.8	n.a.	n.p.	n.a.
2000(g)	23.4	15.0	14.1	19.4	26.9	n.p.	6.5	n.p.	n.p.	19.6
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(g)	22.3	17.8	14.0	25.7	22.7	n.p.	7.6	n.p.	n.p.	19.1
December quarter(g)	26.0	15.1	14.1	21.5	26.4	n.p.	6.7	n.p.	n.p.	20.3
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(g)	27.3	15.4	13.8	24.4	30.4	n.p.	6.0	n.p.	n.p.	21.4
June quarter(g)	26.3	16.8	15.5	20.8	29.7	n.p.	5.4	n.p.	n.p.	21.0
September quarter(g)	24.1	17.1	14.4	21.1	33.3	n.p.	3.5	n.p.	n.p.	20.0
July	24.8	18.4	14.3	22.4	34.8	n.p.	3.1	n.p.	n.p.	20.4
August	22.9	15.2	15.1	19.5	33.6	n.p.	4.1	n.p.	n.p.	19.7
September	24.7	17.8	13.8	21.6	31.4	n.p.	3.5	n.p.	n.p.	19.9
<b>Persons</b>										
1999(g)	n.a.	11.5	11.7	15.6	21.3	4.8	9.1	n.a.	n.p.	n.a.
2000(g)	13.9	11.8	11.7	15.5	19.5	5.4	5.5	n.p.	n.p.	14.7
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(g)	13.7	11.8	11.6	16.6	18.7	5.6	5.2	n.p.	n.p.	14.5
December quarter(g)	13.8	11.7	11.6	16.4	19.2	5.6	5.7	n.p.	n.p.	14.6
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(g)	13.5	12.1	10.7	17.4	19.9	5.3	5.6	n.p.	n.p.	14.3
June quarter(g)	13.9	12.1	12.1	17.0	20.6	5.2	5.4	n.p.	n.p.	14.9
September quarter(g)	13.9	11.6	12.9	16.0	20.5	5.9	5.1	n.p.	n.p.	15.0
July	14.0	12.2	12.7	16.4	21.0	5.7	5.1	n.p.	n.p.	15.2
August	13.6	11.3	13.2	16.0	20.5	5.7	5.2	n.p.	n.p.	14.9
September	14.0	11.4	12.9	15.7	20.0	6.2	4.8	n.p.	n.p.	14.9

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## 6

## INDIGENOUS PERSONS IN PRISON CUSTODY, By Legal Status and Sentence Type(a)(b)(c)

Legal status and sentence type	NSW(d)(e)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(d)(e)	ACT(f)	Aust.(e)
NUMBER ON FIRST DAY OF MONTH										
<b>Unsentenced</b>										
<b>1999(g)</b>	n.a.	24	124	52	124	8	53	n.a.	7	n.a.
<b>2000(g)</b>	214	27	154	66	133	8	69	—	6	676
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(g)	202	30	140	69	140	7	70	—	5	662
December quarter(g)	226	29	154	75	126	7	93	1	5	715
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(g)	236	30	155	87	161	7	94	1	10	780
June quarter(g)	264	35	170	91	173	10	79	1	8	831
September quarter(g)	242	30	181	83	157	14	80	—	10	798
July	247	31	175	82	168	12	82	—	10	807
August	239	28	192	83	161	14	80	—	10	807
September	241	32	177	83	141	16	78	—	11	779
<b>Sentenced</b>										
<b>Fine default only</b>										
<b>1999(g)</b>	n.a.	—	54	9	34	1	17	n.a.	..	n.a.
<b>2000(g)</b>	1	—	43	1	24	—	11	—	—	81
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(g)	1	—	24	—	25	1	16	—	..	67
December quarter(g)	1	—	23	—	24	—	10	—	1	59
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(g)	—	—	—	—	26	1	16	—	—	44
June quarter(g)	—	—	—	—	24	—	14	—	—	40
September quarter(g)	1	—	—	—	40	1	14	—	—	57
July	1	—	—	—	28	2	16	—	—	47
August	1	—	—	1	46	1	10	—	—	59
September	—	—	—	—	47	1	17	—	—	65
<b>Other sentenced</b>										
<b>1999(g)</b>	n.a.	98	937	144	819	29	378	n.a.	..	n.a.
<b>2000(g)</b>	928	107	878	132	819	35	318	10	..	3 217
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(g)	928	104	867	140	812	38	297	12	..	3 187
December quarter(g)	912	107	850	132	832	38	302	14	..	3 173
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(g)	920	117	819	140	832	32	320	11	..	3 181
June quarter(g)	949	114	918	140	860	30	342	11	..	3 353
September quarter(g)	968	113	942	144	850	29	327	9	..	3 374
July	980	119	939	142	879	27	340	8	..	3 426
August	945	112	939	147	836	28	330	8	..	3 337
September	979	108	947	144	836	32	312	10	..	3 358

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(d) Numbers of Indigenous persons for NSW prior to September 1999 are unavailable—see Explanatory notes, paragraph 9.

(e) Prior to the September quarter 2000, all full-time prisoners sentenced in the ACT were held in NSW prisons. Since the September quarter 2000, some ACT-sentenced fine default only prisoners have been held in the ACT. The ACT in NSW figures are a subset of the NSW figures—see Explanatory notes, paragraph 12.

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Legal status and sentence type	NSW(d)(e)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(d)(e)	ACT(f)	Aust.(e)
NUMBER ON FIRST DAY OF MONTH										
<b>Total sentenced</b>										
<b>1999(g)</b>	n.a.	98	991	153	853	30	394	n.a.	..	n.a.
<b>2000(g)</b>	929	107	921	132	844	36	329	10	—	3 298
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(g)	929	104	891	140	837	39	313	12	..	3 254
December quarter(g)	912	108	873	133	856	38	313	14	1	3 233
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(g)	920	117	819	141	858	33	336	11	—	3 225
June quarter(g)	949	114	919	140	884	30	356	11	—	3 393
September quarter(g)	969	113	942	145	891	30	342	9	—	3 431
July	981	119	939	142	907	29	356	8	—	3 473
August	946	112	939	148	882	29	340	8	—	3 396
September	979	108	947	144	883	33	329	10	—	3 423
<b>Total</b>										
<b>1999(g)</b>	n.a.	122	1 116	205	977	37	447	n.a.	7	n.a.
<b>2000(g)</b>	1 143	134	1 075	199	977	43	398	10	6	3 974
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(g)	1 131	135	1 031	209	977	46	383	12	5	3 916
December quarter(g)	1 138	137	1 027	208	982	44	406	15	6	3 947
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(g)	1 157	147	974	227	1 019	41	430	12	10	4 005
June quarter(g)	1 214	150	1 088	232	1 057	40	436	12	8	4 224
September quarter(g)	1 211	143	1 123	227	1 047	44	422	9	10	4 228
July	1 228	150	1 114	224	1 075	41	438	8	10	4 280
August	1 185	140	1 131	231	1 043	43	420	8	10	4 203
September	1 220	140	1 124	227	1 024	49	407	10	11	4 202

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Legal status and sentence type	NSW(d)(e)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(d)(e)	ACT(f)	Aust.(e)
<b>RATES PER 100,000 ADULT INDIGENOUS POPULATION</b>										
<b>Unsentenced</b>										
<b>1999(g)</b>	n.a.	175.2	199.4	408.1	384.5	n.p.	165.3	n.a.	n.p.	n.a.
<b>2000(g)</b>	336.0	195.5	238.0	508.4	400.9	n.p.	213.7	n.p.	n.p.	291.7
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(g)	317.8	218.3	216.2	528.2	421.2	n.p.	221.4	n.p.	n.p.	286.3
December quarter(g)	354.4	208.7	237.8	574.1	381.0	n.p.	294.1	n.p.	n.p.	309.0
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(g)	362.2	209.7	232.7	648.1	474.6	n.p.	291.4	n.p.	n.p.	328.8
June quarter(g)	405.1	249.8	255.3	683.0	509.9	100.9	245.0	n.p.	n.p.	350.5
September quarter(g)	371.4	214.4	272.8	618.2	460.9	152.2	238.0	n.p.	n.p.	335.1
July	378.5	219.1	263.3	613.2	494.2	130.5	243.9	n.p.	n.p.	339.0
August	366.3	197.9	288.9	620.7	473.6	152.2	238.0	n.p.	n.p.	339.0
September	369.3	226.2	266.3	620.7	414.8	174.0	232.0	n.p.	n.p.	327.2
<b>Sentenced</b>										
<b>Fine default only</b>										
<b>1999(g)</b>	n.a.	n.p.	87.1	n.p.	105.9	n.p.	52.6	n.a.	..	n.a.
<b>2000(g)</b>	n.p.	n.p.	66.4	n.p.	73.1	n.p.	35.6	n.p.	n.p.	34.7
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(g)	n.p.	n.p.	37.1	n.p.	74.4	n.p.	50.6	n.p.	..	29.0
December quarter(g)	n.p.	n.p.	35.1	n.p.	73.4	n.p.	32.7	n.p.	n.p.	25.7
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(g)	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	76.5	n.p.	49.4	n.p.	n.p.	18.4
June quarter(g)	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	71.6	n.p.	44.3	n.p.	n.p.	16.9
September quarter(g)	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	118.7	n.p.	42.6	n.p.	n.p.	23.9
July	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	82.4	n.p.	47.6	n.p.	n.p.	19.7
August	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	135.3	n.p.	29.7	n.p.	n.p.	24.8
September	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	138.3	n.p.	50.6	n.p.	n.p.	27.3
<b>Other sentenced</b>										
<b>1999(g)</b>	n.a.	725.5	1 504.7	1 134.8	2 539.8	321.2	1 185.2	n.a.	..	n.a.
<b>2000(g)</b>	1 457.4	770.2	1 359.2	1 007.9	2 471.2	378.3	985.5	n.p.	..	1 387.3
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(g)	1 456.9	748.6	1 342.4	1 071.6	2 450.0	410.4	939.3	n.p.	..	1 377.7
December quarter(g)	1 431.7	772.6	1 316.1	1 013.0	2 508.3	403.3	956.1	n.p.	..	1 371.9
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(g)	1 410.5	829.4	1 232.3	1 049.5	2 446.7	337.6	988.4	n.p.	..	1 341.0
June quarter(g)	1 454.4	805.8	1 381.8	1 049.5	2 529.0	309.8	1 056.3	n.p.	..	1 413.6
September quarter(g)	1 483.5	798.8	1 416.9	1 079.4	2 501.6	315.4	973.8	n.p.	..	1 417.1
July	1 501.9	841.2	1 412.9	1 061.9	2 585.9	293.6	1 011.5	n.p.	..	1 439.1
August	1 448.3	791.7	1 412.9	1 099.3	2 459.4	304.5	981.7	n.p.	..	1 401.7
September	1 500.4	763.4	1 424.9	1 076.9	2 459.4	348.0	928.2	n.p.	..	1 410.6

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INDIGENOUS PERSONS IN PRISON CUSTODY, By Legal Status and Sentence Type(a)(b)(c) *continued*

Legal status and sentence type	NSW(d)(e)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(d)(e)	ACT(f)	Aust.(e)
RATES PER 100,000 ADULT INDIGENOUS POPULATION										
<b>Total sentenced</b>										
<b>1999(g)</b>	n.a.	725.5	1 591.8	1 205.1	2 645.7	328.6	1 237.9	n.a.	..	n.a.
<b>2000(g)</b>	1 458.3	771.4	1 425.6	1 013.0	2 544.3	381.9	1 021.0	n.p.	n.p.	1 422.0
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(g)	1 458.9	751.0	1 379.6	1 071.6	2 524.4	417.6	989.9	n.p.	..	1 406.7
December quarter(g)	1 432.8	775.0	1 351.2	1 015.5	2 581.7	403.3	988.8	n.p.	n.p.	1 397.6
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(g)	1 410.5	829.4	1 232.8	1 051.9	2 523.1	348.1	1 037.8	n.p.	n.p.	1 359.4
June quarter(g)	1 454.9	808.2	1 382.3	1 049.5	2 600.6	313.3	1 100.6	n.p.	n.p.	1 430.4
September quarter(g)	1 484.5	798.8	1 416.9	1 081.9	2 620.2	329.9	1 016.4	n.p.	n.p.	1 441.1
July	1 503.4	841.2	1 412.9	1 061.9	2 668.3	315.4	1 059.1	n.p.	n.p.	1 458.9
August	1 449.8	791.7	1 412.9	1 106.8	2 594.7	315.4	1 011.5	n.p.	n.p.	1 426.5
September	1 500.4	763.4	1 424.9	1 076.9	2 597.7	358.9	978.7	n.p.	n.p.	1 437.9
<b>Total</b>										
<b>1999(g)</b>	n.a.	900.7	1 791.2	1 613.2	3 030.2	412.8	1 402.7	n.a.	n.p.	n.a.
<b>2000(g)</b>	1 794.3	966.9	1 663.6	1 521.4	2 945.2	464.0	1 234.7	n.p.	n.p.	1 713.7
<b>2000</b>										
September quarter(g)	1 776.7	969.3	1 595.7	1 599.8	2 945.7	488.9	1 211.3	n.p.	n.p.	1 693.0
December quarter(g)	1 787.2	983.7	1 589.0	1 589.6	2 962.8	474.7	1 282.9	n.p.	n.p.	1 706.6
<b>2001</b>										
March quarter(g)	1 772.6	1 039.1	1 465.6	1 700.1	2 997.8	424.7	1 329.2	n.p.	n.p.	1 688.3
June quarter(g)	1 860.0	1 057.9	1 637.6	1 732.5	3 110.5	414.2	1 345.6	n.p.	n.p.	1 780.9
September quarter(g)	1 855.9	1 013.2	1 689.8	1 700.1	3 081.1	482.1	1 254.4	n.p.	n.p.	1 776.1
July	1 882.0	1 060.3	1 676.2	1 675.1	3 162.5	445.8	1 303.0	n.p.	n.p.	1 797.8
August	1 816.1	989.6	1 701.8	1 727.5	3 068.4	467.6	1 249.4	n.p.	n.p.	1 765.5
September	1 869.7	989.6	1 691.3	1 697.6	3 012.5	532.8	1 210.8	n.p.	n.p.	1 765.1

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# 7

## PERSONS IN PERIODIC DETENTION, By Sex

Sex	NSW	ACT	Aust.
AVERAGE DAILY NUMBER(a)			
<b>Males</b>			
<b>1999</b>	1 190	62	1 252
<b>2000</b>	1 107	69	1 176
<b>2000</b>			
September quarter	1 107	72	1 178
December quarter	1 010	75	1 084
<b>2001</b>			
March quarter	952	71	1 023
June quarter	974	65	1 039
September quarter	981	65	1 046
July	975	65	1 040
August	979	65	1 044
September	989	65	1 054
<b>Females</b>			
<b>1999</b>	114	3	117
<b>2000</b>	109	7	115
<b>2000</b>			
September quarter	111	6	117
December quarter	102	9	110
<b>2001</b>			
March quarter	98	6	104
June quarter	85	4	89
September quarter	82	3	85
July	83	3	86
August	81	3	84
September	83	2	85
<b>Persons</b>			
<b>1999</b>	1 304	65	1 369
<b>2000</b>	1 216	75	1 291
<b>2000</b>			
September quarter	1 218	77	1 295
December quarter	1 111	83	1 195
<b>2001</b>			
March quarter	1 049	78	1 127
June quarter	1 059	69	1 127
September quarter	1 063	67	1 131
July	1 058	68	1 126
August	1 060	67	1 127
September	1 072	67	1 139

(a) See Explanatory notes, paragraph 2.

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PERSONS IN PERIODIC DETENTION, By Sex *continued*

Sex	NSW	ACT	Aust.
RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION			
<b>Males</b>			
<b>1999</b>	50.3	53.0	17.8
<b>2000</b>	46.2	60.0	16.5
<b>2000</b>			
September quarter	46.2	62.2	16.5
December quarter	42.0	64.9	15.1
<b>2001</b>			
March quarter	39.4	61.9	14.2
June quarter	40.2	55.7	14.4
September quarter	40.3	55.7	14.4
July	40.1	55.6	14.3
August	40.3	55.3	14.4
September	40.7	56.1	14.5
<b>Females</b>			
<b>1999</b>	4.6	2.8	1.6
<b>2000</b>	4.4	5.3	1.6
<b>2000</b>			
September quarter	4.5	5.0	1.6
December quarter	4.1	7.3	1.5
<b>2001</b>			
March quarter	3.9	5.5	1.4
June quarter	3.4	3.6	1.2
September quarter	3.3	2.2	1.1
July	3.3	2.5	1.2
August	3.2	2.3	1.1
September	3.3	1.7	1.1
<b>Persons</b>			
<b>1999</b>	27.1	27.6	9.6
<b>2000</b>	25.0	32.3	8.9
<b>2000</b>			
September quarter	25.0	33.3	8.9
December quarter	22.8	35.7	8.2
<b>2001</b>			
March quarter	21.4	33.3	7.7
June quarter	21.5	29.3	7.7
September quarter	21.6	28.6	7.7
July	21.4	28.8	7.6
August	21.5	28.5	7.7
September	21.7	28.6	7.7

## NUMBER ON FIRST DAY OF MONTH.....

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
MALES									
<b>1999(b)</b>	262	72	98	27	101	1	16	4	581
<b>2000(b)</b>	296	76	84	24	120	2	37	5	645
<b>2000</b>									
September quarter(b)	301	73	89	23	130	2	39	6	664
December quarter(b)	303	82	75	21	129	4	75	6	694
<b>2001</b>									
March quarter(b)	288	86	72	19	131	5	74	5	682
June quarter(b)	285	81	71	20	131	3	109	6	706
September quarter(b)	301	85	62	21	138	2	111	7	727
July	299	83	67	21	135	2	114	7	728
August	303	86	60	21	137	2	110	7	726
September	300	85	59	21	142	3	109	8	727
FEMALES									
<b>1999(b)</b>	31	5	13	4	9	2	2	1	66
<b>2000(b)</b>	27	5	13	6	13	2	—	1	67
<b>2000</b>									
September quarter(b)	27	3	11	7	15	3	—	—	67
December quarter(b)	27	6	12	5	13	3	—	1	68
<b>2001</b>									
March quarter(b)	31	7	14	5	15	2	—	—	72
June quarter(b)	31	5	15	4	15	1	—	—	72
September quarter(b)	31	6	18	5	16	1	1	—	77
July	32	6	17	5	16	—	1	—	77
August	31	6	19	5	14	1	1	—	77
September	30	6	18	4	17	2	1	—	78
PERSONS									
<b>1999(b)</b>	293	78	111	31	110	2	18	5	647
<b>2000(b)</b>	323	82	97	30	133	5	38	6	712
<b>2000</b>									
September quarter(b)	328	76	100	30	145	5	39	6	731
December quarter(b)	330	88	88	26	142	7	75	7	762
<b>2001</b>									
March quarter(b)	319	93	86	24	146	7	74	5	754
June quarter(b)	316	87	86	24	146	3	110	6	778
September quarter(b)	332	91	80	26	154	3	112	7	804
July	331	89	84	26	151	2	115	7	805
August	334	92	79	26	151	3	111	7	803
September	330	91	77	25	159	5	110	8	805

(a) This table shows prisoners by the State or Territory in which they were sentenced, not where they were held in custody.

(b) Figures for the quarter and year for first day of the month counts are calculated as a simple average—see Explanatory notes, paragraph 5.

Sex	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
NUMBER ON FIRST DAY OF MONTH(c)									
<b>Males</b>									
<b>2000</b>									
September quarter	15 756	5 393	16 376	4 223	3 530	880	1 075	1 007	48 240
December quarter	15 417	5 432	14 997	4 455	3 793	886	1 138	1 047	47 165
<b>2001</b>									
March quarter	15 255	5 006	14 461	4 565	3 845	819	1 199	1 077	46 227
June quarter	15 408	5 270	14 066	4 659	3 896	794	1 260	1 114	46 465
<b>Females</b>									
<b>2000</b>									
September quarter	2 802	1 141	4 455	1 122	958	188	145	209	11 020
December quarter	2 765	1 145	3 938	1 158	1 011	183	146	222	10 568
<b>2001</b>									
March quarter	2 721	1 054	3 786	1 151	1 071	164	163	239	10 349
June quarter	2 721	1 102	3 658	1 186	1 158	155	171	249	10 400
<b>Persons(d)</b>									
<b>2000</b>									
September quarter	18 682	6 589	20 831	5 367	4 488	1 068	1 220	1 222	59 468
December quarter	18 344	6 671	18 936	5 634	4 804	1 069	1 285	1 274	58 016
<b>2001</b>									
March quarter	18 156	6 166	18 246	5 731	4 916	984	1 362	1 321	56 882
June quarter	18 323	6 497	17 724	5 863	5 054	949	1 431	1 365	57 207
RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION									
<b>Males</b>									
<b>2000</b>									
September quarter	648.0	294.2	1 200.9	750.6	496.1	516.3	1 474.7	864.1	664.3
December quarter	634.0	296.3	1 099.8	791.9	533.0	519.6	1 561.1	898.5	649.4
<b>2001</b>									
March quarter	627.4	273.1	1 060.4	811.4	540.4	480.5	1 644.3	924.5	636.5
June quarter	633.7	287.5	1 031.5	828.1	547.5	465.5	1 727.5	955.7	639.8
<b>Females</b>									
<b>2000</b>									
September quarter	112.0	59.9	321.3	191.0	134.6	103.7	226.2	175.9	147.8
December quarter	110.5	60.1	284.0	197.1	142.1	101.0	228.8	186.5	141.7
<b>2001</b>									
March quarter	108.8	55.3	273.0	195.8	150.5	90.8	254.8	200.8	138.8
June quarter	108.8	57.8	263.9	201.8	162.7	85.7	267.9	209.2	139.5
<b>Persons(d)</b>									
<b>2000</b>									
September quarter	378.7	176.2	757.4	466.6	337.6	303.9	891.3	518.9	404.0
December quarter	371.8	178.4	688.5	489.8	337.6	304.1	938.5	541.0	394.1
<b>2001</b>									
March quarter	368.0	164.9	663.5	498.3	345.4	279.9	995.0	560.9	386.4
June quarter	371.4	173.8	644.5	509.8	355.1	269.9	1 045.4	579.5	388.6

(a) This table is updated annually in the September quarter publication.

(b) With the exception of Tasmania, the number of persons in community-based corrections includes those persons with breached or suspended orders—see Explanatory notes, paragraph 6.

(c) Figures for each quarter for first day of the month counts are calculated as a simple average—see Explanatory notes, paragraph 5.

(d) Includes persons whose sex is unknown.

NUMBER ON FIRST DAY OF MONTH(c).....

Type of order	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
SEPTEMBER QUARTER 2000									
Restricted movement	190	—	284	144	86	—	31	—	735
Reparation									
Fine option	135	1 119	9 697	637	397	84	188	—	12 257
Community service	5 598	965	2 051	1 790	1 909	411	354	186	13 264
Supervision (compliance)									
Parole	3 741	900	1 523	953	1 086	89	180	128	8 600
Bail	109	—	—	222	—	—	1	160	492
Sentenced probation	11 072	3 805	7 276	2 426	2 630	608	553	748	29 118
DECEMBER QUARTER 2000									
Restricted movement	184	—	277	176	83	—	28	—	747
Reparation									
Fine option	128	1 124	7 752	1 106	506	66	179	—	10 860
Community service	5 343	915	1 981	1 618	2 008	410	414	189	12 878
Supervision (compliance)									
Parole	3 625	928	1 515	956	1 120	103	181	134	8 563
Bail	118	—	—	231	—	—	1	170	520
Sentenced probation	11 164	3 900	7 412	2 449	2 856	602	560	781	29 725
MARCH QUARTER 2001									
Restricted movement	179	—	269	165	86	—	31	—	731
Reparation									
Fine option	122	1 043	6 835	1 323	501	54	225	—	10 104
Community service	5 260	803	1 999	1 504	2 055	357	422	202	12 602
Supervision (compliance)									
Parole	3 629	917	1 534	946	1 160	104	186	140	8 616
Bail	138	—	—	236	—	—	1	169	544
Sentenced probation	10 994	3 573	7 609	2 430	2 946	566	587	810	29 515
JUNE QUARTER 2001									
Restricted movement	184	—	239	176	80	—	40	—	719
Reparation									
Fine option	122	1 131	6 054	1 523	550	61	261	—	9 701
Community service	5 153	893	2 099	1 430	2 142	326	430	214	12 687
Supervision (compliance)									
Parole	3 616	1 009	1 521	948	1 166	110	179	149	8 698
Bail	168	—	—	233	—	—	—	167	569
Sentenced probation	11 264	3 630	7 811	2 432	3 053	552	611	836	30 188

(a) If a person has more than one type of order, they are counted more than once in this table. If a person has more than one order of the same order type, they are counted once in the order type. With the exception of Tasmania, the number of persons in community-based corrections includes those persons with breached or suspended orders—see Explanatory notes, paragraph 6.

(b) This table is updated annually in the September quarter publication.

(c) Figures for each quarter for first day of the month counts are calculated as a simple average—see Explanatory notes, paragraph 5.

# EXPLANATORY NOTES

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## INTRODUCTION

**1** This publication presents statistical series on persons held in either adult corrective services custody or who are serving community-based orders in Australia. It contains data on the number of persons by their sex, type of custody, legal status and sentence type; the number of sentenced persons received into corrective services custody each month; the number of Indigenous persons in corrective services custody by their sex, legal status and sentence type, and the number of Federal prisoners each month.

**2** Statistics presented in this publication are compiled in three ways:

- Average daily prisoner population: Counts taken on each day of the month are summed and divided by the number of days in that month to determine the average daily prisoner population for that month. The average daily periodic detainee population is a count of persons on periodic detention on each day a centre is open, divided by the number of days a centre is open.
- Sentenced prisoner reception figures: Counts are provided each month of the number of receptions where a prisoner is received as a sentenced prisoner plus the number of changes of legal status from unsentenced to sentenced.
- First day of the month prisoner population: Counts of prisoner populations, taken on or near the first day of the month (see Explanatory notes, paragraph 4).

**3** Although national standards and classifications are used in the compilation of these statistics, some discrepancies remain between the States and Territories. These are due to legislative and procedural differences between jurisdictions and the way that these differences are reflected in agencies' administrative data systems. As part of its development strategy, the ABS is working with corrective services agencies to minimise the effect of these differences.

## REFERENCE PERIOD/DATE

**4** For the average daily prisoner population and the sentenced prisoner receptions counts, the reference period is the complete reference month. For all other information in the publication, the reference date is the first day of the month. However, not all States and Territories report strictly according to this 'first day of the month' rule:

- The Western Australian and Victorian prison population and Australian Capital Territory prisoners in New South Wales prisons are counted as at midnight on the last day of the month. In these cases the figures provided are taken to represent the prison population at the beginning of the following month to align with practices in other States and Territories.
- The New South Wales prison population is counted on the first Sunday of the month.
- In January 1999 ACT Corrections commenced sending surplus unsentenced prisoners to New South Wales prisons. These unsentenced ACT in NSW prisoners are shown on a daily average basis in Table 3.

**5** Calculation of figures for the entire quarter and entire year varies depending on the counting unit and method of counting prisoners. These figures may be subject to rounding:

- Average daily figures: Figures are calculated by weighting the average according to the number of days in each month or year.
- First day of the month: Figures are simple averages. Quarterly figures for each month are added and the total is divided by three; for yearly figures, the figures for each month are added and the total divided by twelve.
- Sentenced receptions: Figures are totals of each month.

### SCOPE

**6** The scope of the statistics in this publication includes all persons remanded or sentenced to adult custodial corrective services agencies or who are serving community-based orders in each State and Territory in Australia, including Work Outreach Camps and Community Custody Centres in Queensland. Commencing with the 2000–01 reference period, community-based corrections includes those persons with breached or suspended orders, with the exception of Tasmania.

**7** In all States and Territories except Victoria and Queensland, persons remanded or sentenced to adult custody are aged 18 years and over. Persons under 18 years are treated as juveniles in most Australian courts and are not remanded or sentenced to custody in adult prisons, other than in exceptional circumstances. However, in Victoria and Queensland, 'adult' refers to persons aged 17 years and over.

### DATA SOURCE

**8** Statistics in this publication are derived from information collected by the ABS from administrative records held by corrective services agencies within each State and Territory. Statistics on Federal prisoners are derived from records kept by the Criminal Law Division of the Commonwealth Attorney-General's Department.

**9** Statistics marked 'n.a.' in tables 3, 5 and 6 are not available for inclusion in this publication. New South Wales Department of Corrective Services modified its computer system to enable provision of counts of Indigenous persons in custody from July 1999. Australian Capital Territory Corrective Services Department has advised that the numbers of Indigenous prisoners sentenced in Australian Capital Territory courts and held in New South Wales prisons had been under reported. This under reporting was resolved from April 2000.

### INDIGENOUS IDENTIFICATION

**10** In all States and Territories persons are asked during entry into custody whether they identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander. It is uncommon for corrective services agencies to collect Indigenous status information from sources other than the person's own identification.

**11** Some persons in custody are recorded as of unknown Indigenous status on corrective services agencies' information systems, but unknown Indigenous status has not been provided for this collection. Such persons are designated as non-Indigenous. It is intended that unknown Indigenous status will be collected from these systems in future.

### AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY PRISONERS

**12** The Australian Capital Territory has a detention centre for unsentenced prisoners and a periodic detention centre. With the exception of some sentenced fine default only prisoners, persons sentenced to full-time custody by Australian Capital Territory criminal courts are held in New South Wales prisons.

**13** During 2000 the Australian Capital Territory commenced detaining prisoners sentenced for fine default only at their centre for unsentenced persons. To provide greater understanding of the number of prisoners attributed to the Australian Capital Territory, while presenting an accurate picture of the New South Wales prisoner population, statistics relating to Australian Capital Territory prisoners in New South Wales prisons are presented as a subset of the New South Wales figures.



### RATES AND RATIOS

**14** Imprisonment rates enable comparison of prisoner numbers across States and Territories. Prisoner rates are expressed per 100,000 adult population.

**15** For the purpose of this publication the population figures used in the calculation of rates are for persons aged 18 years and over for all States and Territories except Victoria and Queensland where the population used is persons aged 17 and over (see Explanatory Notes, paragraph 7).

**16** Rates for the Indigenous adult population in this publication are based on revised projections for 30 June 2001 (refer *Experimental Projections of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Population 30 June 1996 to 30 June 2006* (Cat. no. 3231.0)). These projections are in turn based on the results of the 1996 Census of Population and Housing.

**17** Two series of these projections have been published. The so-called 'higher series' takes into account a possible change in propensity for people to identify themselves as Indigenous since the last Population Census and estimates this from the last inter-censal period. The lower series assumes no such change has taken place since 1996. The lower of the two series was used in calculating rates for the Indigenous adult population in this publication. This is because, after discussions with representatives of Corrective Services agencies, it was felt that the propensity to identify as Indigenous has not increased to the same extent in the prison environment as might have occurred in the wider community.

**18** Rates for the total adult prisoner population are calculated using the Estimated Resident Population (ERP) for each of the States and Territories (refer *Population by Age and Sex, Australian States and Territories* (Cat. no. 3201.0)). As the population changes over time the denominator used for the calculation of rates varies, depending on the reference period. Rates are calculated using ERP for two quarters prior to their respective quarters. Thus for the September quarter 2001, ERP for the March quarter 2001 was used in the calculation of rates. This approach uses the latest ERP available at the time of publication.

**19** The ratio of imprisonment rates of Indigenous persons to non-Indigenous persons is calculated by dividing the Indigenous imprisonment rate for each period and State or Territory by the corresponding non-Indigenous imprisonment rate.

**20** The ratio indicates the extent to which the imprisonment rates of Indigenous persons exceed the imprisonment rates of non-Indigenous persons. A ratio of 20.0 indicates that, for the given State or Territory, the imprisonment rate of Indigenous persons per 100,000 adult population is 20 times that of the imprisonment rate of non-Indigenous persons.

**21** In some instances Indigenous rates and ratios have not been published. Where this occurs, the cell concerned contains the symbol 'n.p.' This happens where, either the number of persons in custody is less than 10, or where the population on which the rate is calculated is less than 5,000. This has been done because such rates and ratios vary widely from month to month with small variations in numbers of persons, and therefore may give an inaccurate reflection of the relative involvement of Indigenous persons in custody.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

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## APPENDIX Interpretation of Indigenous Statistics

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### INTRODUCTION

Tables 5 and 6 in this publication provide nationally comparable statistics on imprisonment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (Indigenous) people. There are a number of issues that bear on the statistical measures of Indigenous imprisonment. This technical appendix provides advice on how these statistics should be interpreted.

### NUMBERS

The first and most basic measure of Indigenous imprisonment is the *number of persons imprisoned*. Imprisoned persons are classified as Indigenous if they identify themselves as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander at the time they are received into prison custody. These statistics in *Corrective Services Australia* are derived from administrative records held by corrective services agencies in each jurisdiction. The accuracy of the Indigenous component of the statistics is dependent upon the quality of the information collected by these agencies.

### PROPORTIONS

The second measure is the Indigenous *proportion of the prisoner population*. This relates the number of Indigenous persons in custody to the total number of persons in custody, and provides a basis for comparing the composition of the prison population across jurisdictions.

### RATES

The third measure of Indigenous imprisonment is the *rate of imprisonment*, that is the number of Indigenous prisoners per 100,000 adults in the Indigenous population. The number of persons imprisoned in any jurisdiction is partly a function of the size of the population in that jurisdiction. All other things being equal, a jurisdiction such as the Northern Territory with a large Indigenous population will have a larger number of Indigenous prisoners than a jurisdiction such as Tasmania with a small Indigenous population. The rate of imprisonment provides a basis for comparing the relative likelihood that any Indigenous adult in a State or Territory will be imprisoned.

### RATIOS

The fourth measure of Indigenous imprisonment is the *ratio of Indigenous to non-Indigenous imprisonment*. Australian States and Territories have widely varying rates of imprisonment. Hence, the likelihood that any Indigenous adult will be imprisoned in any jurisdiction is partly a function of the overall likelihood of imprisonment in that jurisdiction. This ratio provides a measure of how much more likely it is that an Indigenous adult in a particular jurisdiction will be imprisoned compared with his or her non-Indigenous counterparts.

## GLOSSARY

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<b>Corrective services custody</b>	Confinement in a place intended primarily for the purpose of confining prisoners, such as a prison, prison farm, Periodic Detention Centre or Community Custody Centre.
<b>Community-based corrections</b>	This refers to the community-based management of court-ordered sanctions, post-prison administrative arrangements and fine conversions for offenders, which principally involve the provision of one or more of the following activities: supervision, programmes or community work.
<b>Federal sentenced prisoner</b>	Persons charged and sentenced under a Commonwealth statute. For the purposes of this publication Federal sentenced prisoners are those persons who are recognised by the Criminal Law Division of the Commonwealth Attorney-General's Department as having been charged and sentenced under a Commonwealth statute. Federal sentenced prisoners are counted by the State or Territory in which they were sentenced, not where they were held in custody.
<b>Fine default only</b>	A sentence type indicating that, at the time, the prisoner is serving a sentence for default of a fine and nothing else.
<b>Full-time custody</b>	A type of custody where a prisoner is required to be held in custody on a full-time basis.
<b>Indigenous prisoner</b>	A prisoner who identifies as either Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.
<b>Legal status</b>	An offender may be either sentenced or unsentenced depending on the warrant(s) or court order(s) which provide the legal basis for the detention of the offender in custody.
<b>Open custody</b>	A custodial regime for managing prisoners which does not require them to be confined by a secure perimeter physical barrier, irrespective of whether a physical barrier exists.
<b>Other sentenced</b>	A sentence type indicating that, at the time, a person is serving a sentence other than, or in addition to, a fine default sentence.
<b>Periodic detention</b>	A type of custody or order where a sentenced prisoner is required to be held in custody for two consecutive days in a one-week period.
<b>Prisoner</b>	A person held in custody. For the purposes of this collection, prisoners are those whose confinement is the responsibility of a corrective services agency.
<b>Reparation</b>	Reparation refers to all offenders with a community service order or fine option that requires them to undertake unpaid work.
<b>Restricted movement</b>	This refers to offenders who are subject to a system of restricted movement including supervision and/or electronic monitoring.
<b>Secure custody</b>	A custodial regime for managing prisoners that requires them to be confined by a secure physical barrier.
<b>Sentenced</b>	A legal status indicating that a person has received a custodial order from a court in response to a conviction for a criminal offence.

**Sentenced prisoner reception** Includes persons who enter corrective services custody from the community, having received a sentence of imprisonment as an outcome of a court proceeding. It also includes persons who are sentenced to custody while in custody on remand (i.e. change status from a remand to a sentenced prisoner). Sentenced prisoners in custody who receive a further sentence of imprisonment are not counted as sentenced receptions.

Two types of sentenced prisoner reception are distinguished:

- A *fine default only* reception is a sentenced reception where a person enters custody as a result of defaulting on the payment of a fine.
- An *other sentenced reception* is a sentenced reception (including changes of status from unsentenced to sentenced) for anything other than a fine default only reception.

Note that Victorian reception figures do not include prisoners who change status from unsentenced to sentenced in the period.

**Supervision (compliance)** This includes community-based orders other than those categorised as restricted movement or reparation (e.g. parole, bail and sentenced probation).

**Unsentenced** A legal status indicating that a person is confined to custody while awaiting the outcome of their trial. Some sentenced prisoners may also be "remanded in custody", (i.e. are unsentenced) in relation to other offences pending a court hearing. In such cases, these prisoners are counted as sentenced.





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