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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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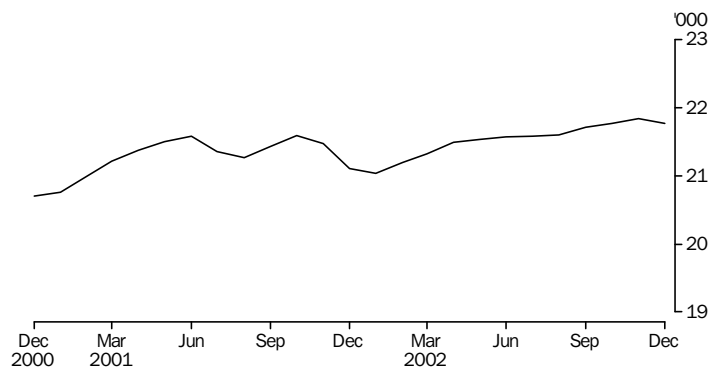
Community-based corrections data in tables 9 and 10 are published for the latest reference period. The format of these tables is now consistent with other tables in the publication.

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SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

NUMBER OF PRISONERS

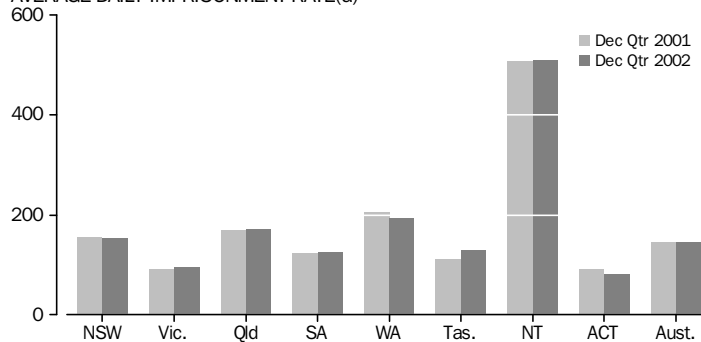
PERSONS IN PRISON CUSTODY, Average daily number—Australia



In the December quarter 2002 the average daily number of prisoners in Australia was 21,792, an increase of 161 (1%) on the September quarter 2002. The average daily number of prisoners in Australia increased by 401 (2%) over the year from the December quarter 2001.

RATES PER 100,000 ADULTS

AVERAGE DAILY IMPRISONMENT RATE(a)



(a) Rate per 100,000 adult population

Nationally, the average daily imprisonment rate was 145 prisoners per 100,000 adult population during the December quarter 2002, unchanged since the December quarter 2001. The Northern Territory had the highest imprisonment rate per 100,000 adult population, with a rate of 511, representing a 1% increase since the December quarter 2001. The next highest rates were recorded in Western Australia and Queensland (195 and 172 prisoners per 100,000 adult population respectively).

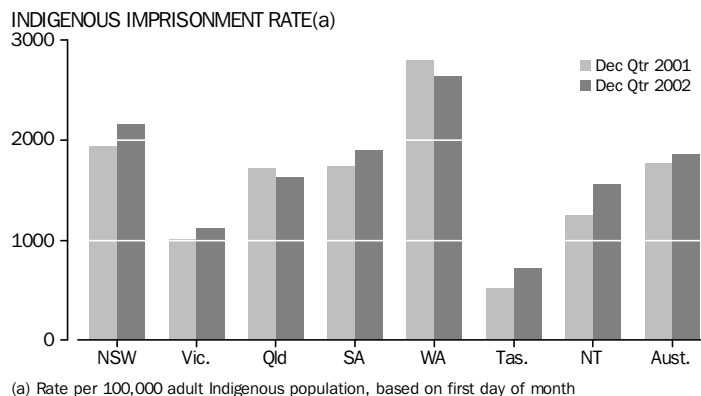
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INDIGENOUS PRISONERS



The national rate of imprisonment for Indigenous persons for the December quarter 2002 was 1,853 per 100,000 adult Indigenous population, an increase of 5% since the December quarter 2001.

Further information on the interpretation of statistics on Indigenous persons in prison custody is provided in the Appendix on page 39 of this publication.



The highest rate of imprisonment for Indigenous persons was recorded in Western Australia (2,637 Indigenous persons per 100,000 adult Indigenous population) followed by New South Wales (2,159), South Australia (1,900) and Queensland (1,631). Western Australia and Queensland both recorded decreases in the Indigenous rate of imprisonment since the December quarter 2001 by 6% and 5% respectively.

Nationally, the Indigenous rate of imprisonment was 16 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 18 times the non-Indigenous rates respectively.

SEX

Of the average daily number of prisoners in Australia in the December quarter 2002, 20,359 (93%) were male and 1,434 (7%) were female. The number of female prisoners increased by 54 (4%) since the December quarter 2001.

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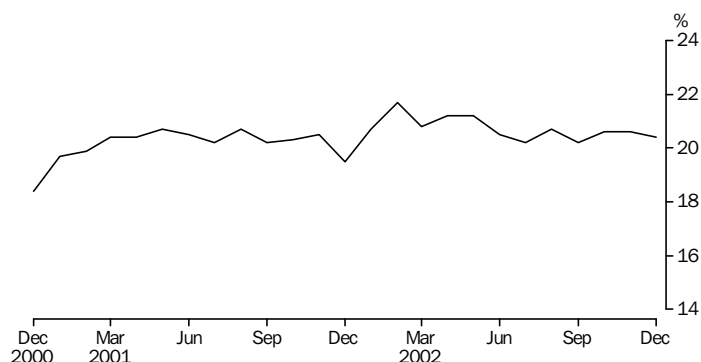
TYPE OF CUSTODY

In the December quarter 2002 the average daily number of prisoners in secure prison custody was 15,964 (73%). The remaining prisoners were held in open prison custody. The highest proportions of prisoners held in secure custody were recorded in Victoria (89%) and South Australia (88%). The states and 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 54% 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

Of the total prison population of 21,786, the average number of unsentenced prisoners on the first day of the month was 4,471 (20%) for the December quarter 2002. The Australian Capital Territory (including Australian Capital Territory prisoners held in New South Wales prisons) had the highest proportion of unsentenced prisoners with 38%. The lowest proportion of unsentenced prisoners was recorded in Western Australia (15%).

PERSONS IN PRISON CUSTODY, Proportion unsentenced



SENTENCED RECEPTIONS

In the December quarter 2002, there were 6,892 sentenced receptions in Australia. The number of sentenced receptions increased by 630 (10%) compared with the December quarter 2001 and were 117 (2%) more than in the September quarter 2002. Queensland recorded the largest actual and proportional increase in sentenced receptions of 256 (14%) to 2,063 between the December quarters 2001 and 2002.

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. During the December quarter 2002 there was an average daily number of 897 persons in New South Wales and 75 persons in the Australian Capital Territory held in periodic detention. This was a decrease of 163 (14%) on the December quarter 2001 and almost unchanged since the September quarter 2002.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS *continued*

FEDERAL PRISONERS

In the December quarter 2002 there were 742 federal prisoners in Australia, a decrease of 88 (11%) since the December quarter 2001 and a decrease of 8 since the September quarter 2002. The Northern Territory recorded the largest actual and proportional decrease in federal prisoners of 57 (46%) between the December quarters 2001 and 2002. This decrease in the Northern Territory is a result of a decline in imprisonments for federal offences associated with the illegal entry of persons into Australia.

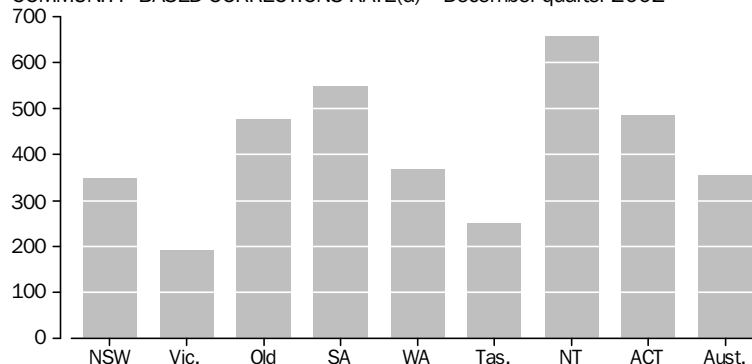
PERSONS IN COMMUNITY-BASED CORRECTIONS

In the December quarter 2002 the number of persons in community-based corrections in Australia was 53,147, a decrease of 1,671 (3%) since the December quarter 2001 and an increase of 453 (1%) since the September quarter 2002. Of these persons, 43,228 (81%) were male and 9,596 (18%) were female. During the same period, males comprised 93% and females 7% of the prison population.

Rates per 100,000 adults

Nationally, the rate of persons in community-based corrections was 354 persons per 100,000 adult population for the December quarter 2002. This is a 5% decrease on the rate of persons in community-based corrections in the December quarter 2001, but a 1% increase from the September quarter 2002.

COMMUNITY-BASED CORRECTIONS RATE(a)—December quarter 2002



(a) Rate per 100,000 adult population

Type of order

The most common orders served for community-based corrections were sentenced probation (30,957) followed by community service (12,192) and parole (8,583). Sentenced probation was the most common order served in each of the jurisdictions.

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PERSONS IN PRISON CUSTODY

Period	NSW(a)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(a)(b)	ACT(c)	Aust.(a)
AVERAGE DAILY NUMBER										
2000	7 329	3 153	4 848	1 298	3 055	398	633	150	52	20 766
2001	7 656	3 380	4 685	1 391	3 078	366	688	146	62	21 306
2002	7 705	3 550	4 854	1 470	2 803	423	675	133	58	21 538
2001										
December quarter	7 692	3 442	4 733	1 418	2 945	391	698	146	73	21 391
2002										
March quarter	7 602	3 439	4 819	1 448	2 807	378	653	143	41	21 187
June quarter	7 682	3 519	4 907	1 481	2 810	414	661	134	58	21 533
September quarter	7 765	3 585	4 847	1 476	2 786	441	669	123	63	21 631
December quarter	7 767	3 655	4 843	1 474	2 809	459	715	130	70	21 792
2001										
October	7 819	3 438	4 730	1 419	3 039	384	697	149	69	21 595
November	7 727	3 449	4 736	1 431	2 963	393	699	151	79	21 476
December	7 530	3 440	4 734	1 404	2 833	396	698	138	70	21 105
2002										
January	7 550	3 449	4 755	1 423	2 795	376	656	151	32	21 036
February	7 624	3 419	4 842	1 452	2 805	369	644	141	46	21 201
March	7 634	3 448	4 863	1 470	2 820	388	657	137	44	21 324
April	7 677	3 483	4 907	1 470	2 842	396	658	137	58	21 492
May	7 661	3 533	4 911	1 484	2 810	416	662	133	58	21 535
June	7 709	3 541	4 902	1 489	2 779	431	664	132	58	21 573
July	7 739	3 553	4 863	1 502	2 774	424	664	124	61	21 580
August	7 761	3 579	4 841	1 476	2 772	438	668	122	65	21 601
September	7 797	3 625	4 837	1 449	2 811	461	674	123	62	21 715
October	7 756	3 681	4 840	1 465	2 798	468	697	130	63	21 769
November	7 772	3 668	4 847	1 488	2 803	464	724	132	73	21 838
December	7 773	3 616	4 843	1 469	2 827	445	725	129	73	21 771

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

Period	NSW(a)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(a)(b)	ACT(c)	Aust.(a)
RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION										
2000	150.6	85.9	180.3	113.7	219.0	111.7	464.5	64.5	22.3	143.3
2001	155.5	90.6	170.8	121.1	216.8	103.3	502.8	61.9	26.3	145.0
2002	153.6	94.1	173.5	126.3	195.1	119.7	484.2	54.8	23.9	144.3
2001										
December quarter	155.4	91.8	171.3	123.1	206.1	111.2	507.6	61.7	30.8	144.8
2002										
March quarter	153.1	91.3	173.5	125.5	195.5	107.3	473.4	60.4	17.2	142.9
June quarter	153.0	93.7	176.0	127.1	196.3	117.1	473.1	55.1	23.9	144.5
September quarter	154.2	94.9	172.9	126.4	193.8	124.4	478.8	50.4	25.8	144.6
December quarter	153.9	96.5	171.6	126.0	194.7	129.4	510.8	53.4	28.5	145.2
2001										
October	158.0	91.6	171.1	123.2	212.7	109.2	506.9	63.0	29.3	146.2
November	156.1	91.9	171.3	124.2	207.3	111.7	508.3	63.7	33.4	145.4
December	152.1	91.7	171.3	121.9	198.3	112.6	507.6	58.5	29.7	142.9
2002										
January	152.0	91.6	171.2	123.3	194.7	106.7	475.7	63.8	13.7	141.9
February	153.5	90.8	174.4	125.8	195.3	104.8	467.5	59.6	19.6	143.0
March	153.7	91.6	175.1	127.4	196.4	110.2	476.5	57.9	18.5	143.8
April	152.9	92.7	176.0	126.2	198.6	111.8	470.7	56.4	24.0	144.2
May	152.6	94.0	176.2	127.4	196.3	117.5	473.7	54.7	23.8	144.5
June	153.5	94.2	175.8	127.8	194.1	121.9	474.9	54.3	23.8	144.8
July	153.7	94.1	173.5	128.7	192.9	119.7	475.4	50.8	25.2	144.3
August	154.1	94.8	172.7	126.4	192.8	123.6	478.6	50.0	26.9	144.4
September	154.8	96.0	172.6	124.1	195.5	130.1	482.4	50.3	25.3	145.2
October	153.7	97.2	171.5	125.2	193.9	132.0	498.2	53.2	26.0	145.0
November	154.0	96.8	171.8	127.2	194.2	130.8	516.9	54.2	29.9	145.5
December	154.0	95.5	171.6	125.6	196.0	125.5	517.6	52.8	29.8	145.1

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AVERAGE DAILY NUMBER										
Males										
Secure prison custody										
2000	3 754	2 631	3 721	1 055	1 862	296	494	41	45	13 858
2001	3 910	2 809	3 690	1 156	1 873	274	528	43	58	14 298
2002	3 939	2 945	4 000	1 203	1 858	305	523	39	55	14 829
2001										
December quarter	3 891	2 861	3 835	1 168	1 840	293	529	45	69	14 486
2002										
March quarter	3 917	2 870	3 964	1 177	1 806	281	503	39	39	14 556
June quarter	3 944	2 931	4 065	1 210	1 863	295	510	41	56	14 874
September quarter	3 914	2 964	4 037	1 210	1 887	319	525	37	59	14 916
December quarter	3 982	3 013	3 934	1 215	1 874	326	555	38	64	14 963
October	3 975	3 031	3 948	1 211	1 879	331	542	42	57	14 974
November	3 989	3 023	3 943	1 232	1 872	333	558	40	67	15 017
December	3 984	2 984	3 912	1 203	1 869	315	565	32	69	14 901
Open prison custody										
2000	3 119	326	834	172	953	81	123	97	..	5 608
2001	3 251	334	706	153	986	73	141	89	..	5 643
2002	3 268	348	556	179	745	86	132	86	..	5 314
2001										
December quarter	3 300	332	599	165	904	76	148	90	..	5 525
2002										
March quarter	3 217	325	553	181	807	77	131	95	..	5 291
June quarter	3 236	337	539	184	751	87	132	85	..	5 266
September quarter	3 337	369	516	176	697	86	123	79	..	5 304
December quarter	3 281	363	616	173	727	95	140	83	..	5 395
October	3 281	372	596	169	719	95	134	80	..	5 366
November	3 276	363	615	169	726	94	144	82	..	5 386
December	3 287	353	638	181	737	95	142	88	..	5 434
Total prison custody										
2000	6 873	2 957	4 555	1 228	2 815	377	617	138	45	19 466
2001	7 161	3 143	4 396	1 308	2 859	347	669	132	58	19 941
2002	7 207	3 293	4 556	1 382	2 603	392	655	124	55	20 143
2001										
December quarter	7 191	3 193	4 434	1 333	2 744	369	677	134	69	20 011
2002										
March quarter	7 134	3 195	4 517	1 358	2 613	358	634	133	39	19 846
June quarter	7 180	3 267	4 604	1 395	2 614	382	643	126	56	20 140
September quarter	7 251	3 334	4 553	1 386	2 584	405	648	116	59	20 220
December quarter	7 264	3 375	4 551	1 388	2 601	421	695	121	64	20 359
October	7 255	3 403	4 544	1 380	2 598	426	677	122	57	20 340
November	7 265	3 386	4 558	1 401	2 598	426	702	122	67	20 403
December	7 271	3 337	4 550	1 384	2 607	410	707	120	69	20 335

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AVERAGE DAILY NUMBER										
Females										
Secure prison custody										
2000	288	157	231	70	158	22	16	—	7	949
2001	299	189	241	83	139	20	18	1	4	993
2002	268	206	252	88	114	32	19	—	3	983
2001										
December quarter	291	200	255	85	123	22	21	—	4	1 000
2002										
March quarter	259	193	260	91	117	20	19	—	2	961
June quarter	271	201	260	86	119	32	18	—	2	990
September quarter	273	200	246	90	109	36	21	—	4	978
December quarter	267	229	243	86	112	38	20	1	5	1 000
October	261	229	244	85	99	43	21	—	6	987
November	272	231	243	87	111	37	22	2	7	1 009
December	269	227	243	85	125	35	18	—	4	1 005
Open prison custody										
2000	168	39	62	..	82	..	..	12	..	351
2001	196	49	48	..	79	..	..	12	..	371
2002	230	51	46	..	86	..	..	8	..	412
2001										
December quarter	210	49	44	..	78	..	..	12	..	380
2002										
March quarter	209	52	42	..	77	..	..	10	..	379
June quarter	232	51	43	..	77	..	..	8	..	403
September quarter	241	51	48	..	92	..	..	7	..	432
December quarter	237	51	49	..	97	..	..	8	..	433
October	240	49	52	..	101	..	..	8	..	442
November	236	51	46	..	93	..	..	8	..	426
December	234	52	50	..	95	..	..	9	..	431
Total prison custody										
2000	456	196	293	70	240	22	16	12	7	1 300
2001	495	238	289	83	219	20	18	13	4	1 365
2002	497	257	298	88	200	32	19	8	3	1 395
2001										
December quarter	501	249	299	85	201	22	21	12	4	1 380
2002										
March quarter	468	245	302	91	194	20	19	10	2	1 340
June quarter	503	252	303	86	197	32	18	8	2	1 393
September quarter	514	252	294	90	201	36	21	7	4	1 411
December quarter	504	280	293	86	208	38	20	9	5	1 434
October	501	278	296	85	200	43	21	8	6	1 429
November	507	282	289	87	205	37	22	10	7	1 435
December	503	279	293	85	221	35	18	9	4	1 437

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2001	4 209	2 998	3 931	1 238	2 013	293	546	44	62	15 291
2002	4 207	3 151	4 252	1 291	1 972	337	543	39	58	15 811
2001										
December quarter	4 182	3 061	4 091	1 253	1 963	315	549	45	73	15 486
2002										
March quarter	4 176	3 063	4 224	1 267	1 923	301	522	39	41	15 517
June quarter	4 215	3 132	4 325	1 297	1 982	327	529	41	58	15 864
September quarter	4 188	3 165	4 283	1 300	1 997	354	545	37	63	15 894
December quarter	4 249	3 242	4 178	1 301	1 985	364	575	39	70	15 964
October	4 235	3 260	4 192	1 296	1 978	373	563	42	63	15 961
November	4 261	3 254	4 186	1 319	1 984	370	580	42	73	16 026
December	4 252	3 211	4 155	1 288	1 995	350	582	32	73	15 907
Open prison custody										
2000	3 287	365	896	172	1 035	81	123	109	..	5 959
2001	3 447	382	753	153	1 065	73	141	102	..	6 015
2002	3 498	400	602	179	831	86	132	94	..	5 726
2001										
December quarter	3 510	381	643	165	982	76	148	101	..	5 905
2002										
March quarter	3 426	376	595	181	884	77	131	104	..	5 670
June quarter	3 468	387	582	184	828	87	132	93	..	5 669
September quarter	3 577	421	564	176	789	86	123	86	..	5 737
December quarter	3 518	413	666	173	824	95	140	92	..	5 828
October	3 521	421	648	169	820	95	134	88	..	5 808
November	3 511	414	661	169	819	94	144	90	..	5 812
December	3 521	405	688	181	833	95	142	97	..	5 865
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Secure prison custody										
2000	156.7	146.4	278.8	189.0	267.0	170.3	678.6	35.6	39.1	194.0
2001	161.1	153.7	271.2	205.6	264.0	158.9	724.9	37.0	49.7	197.3
2002	159.8	160.2	290.3	211.3	260.1	177.7	714.3	32.6	46.1	202.4
2001										
December quarter	159.4	155.5	279.9	207.2	257.6	172.0	722.6	38.1	59.1	198.7
2002										
March quarter	159.9	155.3	288.0	208.4	251.6	164.4	685.6	33.0	33.2	198.9
June quarter	160.1	160.5	296.6	212.5	262.3	171.5	696.6	34.3	47.2	203.6
September quarter	158.4	161.5	293.0	212.0	264.6	185.2	716.9	31.0	49.5	203.4
December quarter	160.8	163.6	283.8	212.4	261.7	189.3	757.1	31.9	54.0	203.4
October	160.5	164.6	284.7	211.6	262.5	191.8	739.7	35.2	48.2	203.5
November	161.1	164.1	284.4	215.3	261.5	193.1	761.3	33.8	55.9	204.1
December	160.8	162.0	282.1	210.2	261.1	183.0	770.4	26.9	57.9	202.5
Open prison custody										
2000	130.2	18.1	62.5	30.8	136.7	46.8	168.4	84.4	..	78.5
2001	133.9	18.2	51.9	27.2	138.9	42.6	193.9	76.9	..	77.9
2002	132.6	19.0	40.4	31.4	104.3	50.2	179.5	72.3	..	72.5
2001										
December quarter	135.2	18.1	43.7	29.3	126.5	44.6	203.0	76.6	..	75.8
2002										
March quarter	131.3	17.6	40.2	32.0	112.5	45.2	177.9	80.9	..	72.3
June quarter	131.3	18.4	39.3	32.4	105.7	50.6	180.8	72.0	..	72.1
September quarter	135.0	20.1	37.5	30.8	97.7	50.1	168.3	66.4	..	72.3
December quarter	132.5	19.7	44.5	30.2	101.6	54.9	191.0	70.0	..	73.3
October	132.4	20.2	43.0	29.5	100.4	55.2	183.0	67.2	..	72.9
November	132.2	19.7	44.4	29.5	101.4	54.4	196.2	68.9	..	73.2
December	132.7	19.2	46.0	31.6	103.0	55.0	194.0	73.9	..	73.8
Total prison custody										
2000	287.0	164.6	341.2	219.9	403.7	217.1	847.1	120.1	39.1	272.5
2001	295.0	171.9	323.1	232.8	402.9	201.4	918.9	113.9	49.7	275.1
2002	292.4	179.2	330.7	242.7	364.4	227.9	893.8	104.8	46.1	274.9
2001										
December quarter	294.7	173.5	323.6	236.5	384.0	216.6	925.6	114.7	59.1	274.5
2002										
March quarter	291.2	172.9	328.2	240.5	364.0	209.6	863.5	113.9	33.2	271.2
June quarter	291.4	178.9	335.9	244.9	368.0	222.0	877.5	106.4	47.2	275.7
September quarter	293.5	181.6	330.5	242.8	362.3	235.3	885.3	97.4	49.5	275.7
December quarter	293.2	183.3	328.2	242.6	363.3	244.1	948.1	101.9	54.0	276.7
October	292.9	184.8	327.7	241.2	362.9	247.0	922.7	102.4	48.2	276.4
November	293.3	183.8	328.7	244.8	362.9	247.5	957.6	102.7	55.9	277.3
December	293.5	181.2	328.2	241.9	364.1	238.0	964.3	100.8	57.9	276.4

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Prison custody and sex	NSW(a)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(a)(b)	ACT(c)	Aust.(a)
RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION										
Females										
Secure prison custody										
2000	11.7	8.4	17.0	12.0	22.7	11.9	25.8	0.2	5.8	12.9
2001	12.0	10.0	17.5	14.1	19.6	10.7	28.4	0.6	3.4	13.3
2002	10.5	10.6	17.8	14.8	15.8	17.4	29.5	0.1	2.7	12.9
2001										
December quarter	11.6	10.5	18.3	14.4	17.2	12.0	32.0	0.1	3.0	13.4
2002										
March quarter	10.3	10.1	18.6	15.4	16.3	11.1	29.3	—	1.5	12.8
June quarter	10.6	10.4	18.3	14.5	16.5	17.8	27.7	—	1.7	13.0
September quarter	10.7	10.3	17.2	15.0	15.1	19.5	31.1	—	3.2	12.8
December quarter	10.4	11.8	17.0	14.3	15.4	21.0	29.9	0.5	4.3	13.1
October	10.1	11.8	17.0	14.2	13.6	23.4	31.3	—	4.8	12.9
November	10.6	11.9	16.9	14.6	15.3	20.5	32.2	1.7	5.2	13.2
December	10.5	11.7	16.9	14.2	17.3	19.2	26.3	—	3.0	13.1
Open prison custody										
2000	6.8	2.1	4.6	..	11.8	..	..	10.1	..	4.8
2001	7.8	2.6	3.4	..	11.2	..	..	10.5	..	5.0
2002	9.0	2.6	3.2	..	11.9	..	..	6.7	..	5.4
2001										
December quarter	8.4	2.5	3.1	..	10.9	..	..	9.8	..	5.1
2002										
March quarter	8.3	2.7	3.0	..	10.7	..	..	8.1	..	5.1
June quarter	9.1	2.6	3.0	..	10.7	..	..	6.4	..	5.3
September quarter	9.4	2.6	3.4	..	12.7	..	..	5.6	..	5.7
December quarter	9.2	2.6	3.4	..	13.3	..	..	6.7	..	5.7
October	9.3	2.5	3.6	..	13.9	..	..	6.4	..	5.8
November	9.2	2.6	3.2	..	12.8	..	..	6.4	..	5.6
December	9.1	2.7	3.5	..	13.1	..	..	7.2	..	5.6
Total prison custody										
2000	18.4	10.4	21.6	12.0	34.5	11.9	25.8	10.3	5.8	17.7
2001	19.8	12.5	20.9	14.1	30.8	10.7	28.4	11.1	3.4	18.3
2002	19.5	13.3	21.0	14.8	27.7	17.4	29.5	6.8	2.7	18.4
2001										
December quarter	19.9	13.0	21.5	14.4	28.1	12.0	32.0	9.9	3.0	18.4
2002										
March quarter	18.6	12.8	21.6	15.4	27.0	11.1	29.3	8.1	1.5	17.9
June quarter	19.7	13.0	21.4	14.5	27.2	17.8	27.7	6.4	1.7	18.3
September quarter	20.0	13.0	20.6	15.0	27.8	19.5	31.1	5.6	3.2	18.5
December quarter	19.6	14.4	20.4	14.3	28.7	21.0	29.9	7.2	4.3	18.7
October	19.5	14.3	20.6	14.2	27.5	23.4	31.3	6.4	4.8	18.7
November	19.7	14.5	20.1	14.6	28.1	20.5	32.2	8.1	5.2	18.8
December	19.5	14.3	20.4	14.2	30.4	19.2	26.3	7.2	3.0	18.8

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RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION										
Persons										
Secure prison custody										
2000	83.1	75.9	146.9	98.6	144.8	89.0	374.5	17.7	22.3	102.2
2001	85.5	80.4	143.3	107.8	141.8	82.6	399.5	18.6	26.3	104.1
2002	83.8	83.5	152.0	110.9	137.2	95.3	389.7	16.0	23.9	106.0
2001										
December quarter	84.5	81.6	148.0	108.7	137.4	89.6	399.6	18.9	30.8	104.8
2002										
March quarter	84.1	81.3	152.1	109.8	133.9	85.4	378.7	16.3	17.2	104.7
June quarter	83.9	83.3	155.1	111.3	138.5	92.5	378.3	16.7	23.9	106.5
September quarter	83.2	83.8	152.8	111.4	138.9	100.1	390.5	15.1	25.8	106.3
December quarter	84.2	85.6	148.0	111.2	137.6	102.8	410.8	15.8	28.5	106.4
October	83.9	86.1	148.6	110.8	137.1	105.2	402.3	17.2	26.0	106.3
November	84.4	85.9	148.3	112.8	137.5	104.4	414.1	17.3	29.9	106.8
December	84.2	84.8	147.2	110.1	138.2	98.8	416.0	13.1	29.8	106.0
Open prison custody										
2000	67.6	9.9	33.3	15.1	74.2	22.7	90.0	46.8	..	41.1
2001	70.0	10.2	27.5	13.3	75.0	20.7	103.3	43.3	..	40.9
2002	69.7	10.6	21.5	15.3	57.8	24.4	94.4	38.8	..	38.4
2001										
December quarter	70.9	10.2	23.2	14.4	68.7	21.6	108.0	42.8	..	40.0
2002										
March quarter	69.0	10.0	21.4	15.7	61.6	21.9	94.7	44.1	..	38.2
June quarter	69.1	10.3	20.9	15.8	57.8	24.6	94.8	38.4	..	38.0
September quarter	71.0	11.1	20.1	15.1	54.9	24.4	88.2	35.3	..	38.4
December quarter	69.7	10.9	23.6	14.8	57.1	26.7	100.0	37.5	..	38.8
October	69.8	11.1	23.0	14.4	56.8	26.8	95.8	36.0	..	38.7
November	69.6	10.9	23.4	14.4	56.8	26.4	102.8	36.8	..	38.7
December	69.8	10.7	24.4	15.5	57.7	26.7	101.6	39.7	..	39.1
Total prison custody										
2000	150.6	85.9	180.3	113.7	219.0	111.7	464.5	64.5	22.3	143.3
2001	155.5	90.6	170.8	121.1	216.8	103.3	502.8	61.9	26.3	145.0
2002	153.6	94.1	173.5	126.3	195.1	119.7	484.2	54.8	23.9	144.3
2001										
December quarter	155.4	91.8	171.3	123.1	206.1	111.2	507.6	61.7	30.8	144.8
2002										
March quarter	153.1	91.3	173.5	125.5	195.5	107.3	473.4	60.4	17.2	142.9
June quarter	153.0	93.7	176.0	127.1	196.3	117.1	473.1	55.1	23.9	144.5
September quarter	154.2	94.9	172.9	126.4	193.8	124.4	478.8	50.4	25.8	144.6
December quarter	153.9	96.5	171.6	126.0	194.7	129.4	510.8	53.4	28.5	145.2
October	153.7	97.2	171.5	125.2	193.9	132.0	498.2	53.2	26.0	145.0
November	154.0	96.8	171.8	127.2	194.2	130.8	516.9	54.2	29.9	145.5
December	154.0	95.5	171.6	125.6	196.0	125.5	517.6	52.8	29.8	145.1

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NUMBER ON FIRST DAY OF MONTH										
Unsentenced										
2000(c)	1 495	459	702	364	451	73	160	3	54	3 755
2001(c)	1 650	512	913	476	494	61	139	3	65	4 309
2002(c)	1 666	621	963	492	471	77	110	2	54	4 452
2001										
December quarter(c)	1 623	542	939	462	469	62	136	1	76	4 309
2002										
March quarter(c)	1 686	630	950	460	491	66	111	—	46	4 441
June quarter(c)	1 641	615	964	523	517	90	111	—	49	4 509
September quarter(c)	1 621	607	981	488	465	76	101	2	46	4 386
December quarter(c)	1 717	631	955	494	412	75	115	5	72	4 471
October	1 748	622	945	481	420	77	108	5	60	4 461
November	1 723	637	960	514	399	71	125	9	77	4 506
December	1 679	633	961	488	416	77	113	—	80	4 447
Sentenced										
Fine default only										
2000(c)	3	3	193	3	55	13	14	—	1	285
2001(c)	2	—	4	2	49	24	20	—	1	104
2002(c)	2	1	4	1	45	14	3	—	2	71
2001										
December quarter(c)	1	—	1	1	48	17	26	—	2	97
2002										
March quarter(c)	1	1	1	1	41	11	11	—	1	67
June quarter(c)	6	1	2	—	31	10	1	—	1	52
September quarter(c)	—	1	4	1	41	24	—	—	3	75
December quarter(c)	1	—	7	1	66	12	—	—	2	89
October	—	—	8	—	64	10	—	—	2	84
November	1	1	8	2	58	17	—	—	2	89
December	3	—	6	1	75	8	1	1	1	95
Other sentenced										
2000(c)	5 842	2 680	3 910	941	2 529	258	459	147	..	16 619
2001(c)	6 030	2 864	3 741	921	2 546	241	529	142	..	16 872
2002(c)	6 059	2 921	3 863	983	2 289	289	564	131	..	16 967
2001										
December quarter(c)	6 143	2 891	3 739	972	2 470	263	539	142	..	17 017
2002										
March quarter(c)	5 915	2 808	3 821	989	2 265	252	537	143	..	16 588
June quarter(c)	6 078	2 883	3 911	961	2 272	312	555	133	..	16 972
September quarter(c)	6 152	2 955	3 850	990	2 280	287	569	121	..	17 083
December quarter(c)	6 090	3 040	3 871	991	2 338	302	594	125	..	17 225
October	6 009	3 039	3 844	989	2 332	314	574	125	..	17 101
November	6 109	3 057	3 877	1 003	2 330	301	590	123	..	17 267
December	6 151	3 023	3 891	980	2 352	292	618	128	..	17 307

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NUMBER ON FIRST DAY OF MONTH										
Total sentenced										
2000(c)	5 845	2 683	4 103	944	2 584	271	473	147	1	16 904
2001(c)	6 033	2 864	3 746	922	2 595	265	549	142	1	16 975
2002(c)	6 061	2 922	3 867	984	2 334	303	567	131	2	17 038
2001										
December quarter(c)	6 145	2 891	3 740	974	2 518	280	564	142	2	17 115
2002										
March quarter(c)	5 916	2 809	3 823	990	2 306	263	547	143	1	16 655
June quarter(c)	6 084	2 883	3 913	962	2 303	322	556	133	1	17 024
September quarter(c)	6 152	2 956	3 854	991	2 322	312	569	121	3	17 159
December quarter(c)	6 091	3 040	3 878	992	2 404	314	594	126	2	17 314
October	6 009	3 039	3 852	989	2 396	324	574	125	2	17 185
November	6 110	3 058	3 885	1 005	2 388	318	590	123	2	17 356
December	6 154	3 023	3 897	981	2 427	300	619	129	1	17 402
Total										
2000(c)	7 340	3 141	4 804	1 307	3 035	344	633	150	55	20 659
2001(c)	7 683	3 377	4 658	1 398	3 089	326	688	145	66	21 284
2002(c)	7 727	3 543	4 830	1 475	2 805	380	676	132	55	21 490
2001										
December quarter(c)	7 768	3 433	4 680	1 436	2 987	342	700	143	78	21 424
2002										
March quarter(c)	7 602	3 439	4 773	1 450	2 797	329	658	143	48	21 096
June quarter(c)	7 725	3 498	4 877	1 485	2 820	412	667	133	50	21 533
September quarter(c)	7 773	3 563	4 835	1 479	2 787	388	670	123	50	21 545
December quarter(c)	7 808	3 671	4 833	1 486	2 815	389	710	130	74	21 786
October	7 757	3 661	4 797	1 470	2 816	401	682	130	62	21 646
November	7 833	3 695	4 845	1 519	2 787	389	715	132	79	21 862
December	7 833	3 656	4 858	1 469	2 843	377	732	129	81	21 849

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RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION										
Unsentenced										
2000(c)	30.7	12.5	26.1	31.8	32.3	20.4	117.0	1.4	23.0	25.9
2001(c)	33.5	13.7	33.3	41.4	34.8	17.2	101.4	1.5	27.4	29.3
2002(c)	33.2	16.5	34.4	42.2	32.8	21.7	78.6	0.7	22.1	29.8
2001										
December quarter(c)	32.8	14.4	34.0	40.1	32.8	17.7	98.7	0.6	32.1	29.2
2002										
March quarter(c)	34.0	16.7	34.2	39.9	34.2	18.7	80.5	—	19.6	30.0
June quarter(c)	32.7	16.4	34.6	44.9	36.1	25.3	79.4	—	20.2	30.3
September quarter(c)	32.2	16.1	35.0	41.8	32.4	21.5	72.1	0.7	19.0	29.3
December quarter(c)	34.0	16.6	33.9	42.3	28.5	21.2	82.4	1.9	29.6	29.8
October	34.6	16.4	33.5	41.1	29.1	21.7	77.1	2.0	24.6	29.7
November	34.1	16.8	34.0	43.9	27.7	20.0	89.3	3.7	31.5	30.0
December	33.3	16.7	34.1	41.7	28.8	21.7	80.7	—	32.7	29.6
Sentenced										
Fine default only										
2000(c)	0.1	0.1	7.2	0.2	3.9	3.7	10.5	—	0.5	2.0
2001(c)	—	—	0.2	0.1	3.5	6.8	14.9	0.1	0.5	0.7
2002(c)	—	—	0.1	0.1	3.1	4.0	2.3	0.1	0.7	0.5
2001										
December quarter(c)	—	—	—	0.1	3.4	4.7	18.7	—	1.0	0.7
2002										
March quarter(c)	—	—	—	0.1	2.9	3.1	7.7	—	0.6	0.5
June quarter(c)	0.1	—	0.1	—	2.1	2.8	1.0	—	0.3	0.3
September quarter(c)	—	—	0.1	0.1	2.9	6.9	0.2	0.1	1.4	0.5
December quarter(c)	—	—	0.3	0.1	4.6	3.3	0.2	0.1	0.7	0.6
October	—	—	0.3	—	4.4	2.8	—	—	0.8	0.6
November	—	—	0.3	0.2	4.0	4.8	—	—	0.8	0.6
December	0.1	—	0.2	0.1	5.2	2.3	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.6
Other sentenced										
2000(c)	120.1	73.0	145.4	82.4	181.3	72.2	336.5	63.1	..	114.7
2001(c)	122.5	76.8	136.4	80.1	179.3	67.9	386.6	60.3	..	114.8
2002(c)	120.8	77.4	138.1	84.4	159.3	81.6	404.5	54.0	..	113.7
2001										
December quarter(c)	124.1	77.1	135.3	84.4	172.9	74.8	391.9	60.1	..	115.2
2002										
March quarter(c)	119.1	74.6	137.6	85.7	157.8	71.6	389.3	60.4	..	111.9
June quarter(c)	121.0	76.7	140.3	82.5	158.7	88.2	396.9	54.9	..	113.9
September quarter(c)	122.2	78.2	137.3	84.8	158.6	81.1	407.2	49.6	..	114.2
December quarter(c)	120.6	80.2	137.2	84.7	162.0	85.3	424.2	51.3	..	114.8
October	119.0	80.2	136.2	84.6	161.6	88.5	410.0	51.2	..	113.9
November	121.0	80.7	137.4	85.8	161.5	84.9	421.4	50.4	..	115.0
December	121.9	79.8	137.9	83.8	163.0	82.3	441.4	52.4	..	115.3

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

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Legal status and sentence type	NSW(a)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(a)	ACT(b)	Aust. (a)
RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION										
Total sentenced										
2000(c)	120.1	73.1	152.6	82.6	185.2	75.9	347.0	63.1	0.5	116.7
2001(c)	122.5	76.8	136.5	80.3	182.8	74.7	401.6	60.3	0.5	115.5
2002(c)	120.8	77.5	138.2	84.5	162.4	85.6	406.7	54.1	0.7	114.2
2001										
December quarter(c)	124.1	77.1	135.3	84.5	176.2	79.5	410.6	60.1	1.0	115.9
2002										
March quarter(c)	119.1	74.6	137.7	85.8	160.6	74.8	397.1	60.4	0.6	112.3
June quarter(c)	121.2	76.7	140.4	82.6	160.9	91.0	397.8	54.9	0.3	114.3
September quarter(c)	122.2	78.3	137.5	84.9	161.5	88.0	407.4	49.8	1.4	114.7
December quarter(c)	120.7	80.2	137.4	84.8	166.6	88.5	424.5	51.4	0.7	115.4
October	119.0	80.2	136.5	84.6	166.1	91.4	410.0	51.2	0.8	114.5
November	121.0	80.7	137.7	85.9	165.5	89.7	421.4	50.4	0.8	115.6
December	121.9	79.8	138.1	83.9	168.2	84.6	442.1	52.8	0.4	115.9
Total										
2000(c)	150.9	85.6	178.6	114.5	217.6	96.3	464.1	64.5	23.5	142.6
2001(c)	156.0	90.5	169.8	121.7	217.6	91.9	502.9	61.8	27.9	144.9
2002(c)	154.0	93.9	172.6	126.7	195.2	107.3	485.3	54.7	22.8	144.0
2001										
December quarter(c)	156.9	91.5	169.3	124.7	209.0	97.3	509.3	60.6	33.1	145.0
2002										
March quarter(c)	153.1	91.3	171.9	125.7	194.8	93.5	477.6	60.4	20.1	142.3
June quarter(c)	153.8	93.1	175.0	127.5	197.0	116.4	477.3	54.9	20.4	144.5
September quarter(c)	154.4	94.3	172.5	126.7	193.8	109.5	479.5	50.4	20.4	144.0
December quarter(c)	154.7	96.9	171.3	127.0	195.1	109.7	506.9	53.4	30.3	145.1
October	153.7	96.6	170.0	125.7	195.2	113.1	487.1	53.2	25.4	144.2
November	155.2	97.5	171.7	129.9	193.2	109.7	510.7	54.0	32.3	145.7
December	155.2	96.5	172.2	125.6	197.0	106.3	522.8	52.8	33.2	145.6

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

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Sentence type	NSW(a)	Vic.(b)	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(a)	ACT	Aust.(a)
NUMBER										
Fine default only										
2000	75	29	3 290	130	537	162	378	2	41	4 642
2001	79	8	69	50	757	333	358	2	72	1 726
2002	52	5	33	24	671	211	6	4	107	1 109
2001										
December quarter	23	4	9	14	176	50	98	1	22	396
2002										
March quarter	16	1	12	5	131	33	—	1	21	219
June quarter	7	—	8	9	99	63	2	1	15	203
September quarter	r14	1	7	2	199	76	2	1	46	r347
December quarter	15	3	6	8	242	39	2	1	25	340
October	7	3	3	2	71	13	—	—	—	99
November	4	—	1	2	88	18	1	1	15	129
December	4	—	2	4	83	8	1	—	10	112
Other sentenced										
2000	7 917	4 012	8 872	1 156	3 552	588	768	155	..	26 865
2001	7 895	3 856	6 590	1 261	3 253	475	709	144	..	24 039
2002	7 922	4 167	7 885	1 097	2 890	603	770	106	..	25 334
2001										
December quarter	1 827	941	1 798	314	677	139	170	32	..	5 866
2002										
March quarter	1 957	925	1 891	287	720	111	162	20	..	6 053
June quarter	2 080	1 061	1 888	238	717	148	169	28	..	6 301
September quarter	r1 857	r1 126	2 049	257	759	181	199	22	..	r6 428
December quarter	2 028	1 055	2 057	315	694	163	240	36	..	6 552
October	690	392	797	96	241	36	81	8	..	2 333
November	710	332	721	111	247	73	96	12	..	2 290
December	628	331	539	108	206	54	63	16	..	1 929
Total sentenced										
2000	7 992	4 041	12 162	1 286	4 089	750	1 146	157	41	31 507
2001	7 974	3 864	6 659	1 311	4 010	808	1 067	146	72	25 765
2002	7 974	4 172	7 918	1 121	3 561	814	776	110	107	26 443
2001										
December quarter	1 850	945	1 807	328	853	189	268	33	22	6 262
2002										
March quarter	1 973	926	1 903	292	851	144	162	21	21	6 272
June quarter	2 087	1 061	1 896	247	816	211	171	29	15	6 504
September quarter	r1 871	r1 127	2 056	259	958	257	201	23	46	r6 775
December quarter	2 043	1 058	2 063	323	936	202	242	37	25	6 892
October	697	395	800	98	312	49	81	8	—	2 432
November	714	332	722	113	335	91	97	13	15	2 419
December	632	331	541	112	289	62	64	16	10	2 041

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

Sex	NSW(d)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(d)	ACT(e)	Aust. (d)
NUMBER ON FIRST DAY OF MONTH										
Males										
2000(f)	1 032	124	999	185	881	42	386	7	6	3 656
2001(f)	1 077	132	1 005	212	923	41	416	8	9	3 814
2002(f)	1 218	145	1 073	226	814	55	445	12	7	3 981
2001										
December quarter(f)	1 122	128	1 064	214	864	45	408	9	10	3 855
2002										
March quarter(f)	1 119	136	1 078	226	803	54	392	11	3	3 811
June quarter(f)	1 203	149	1 096	212	808	55	429	11	6	3 958
September quarter(f)	1 254	148	1 082	225	800	49	452	10	6	4 017
December quarter(f)	1 295	147	1 036	239	842	60	505	14	15	4 138
October	1 284	146	1 058	223	831	61	476	15	11	4 090
November	1 309	152	1 072	257	826	61	510	15	18	4 205
December	1 291	143	977	238	870	57	529	13	15	4 120
Females										
2000(f)	111	11	76	13	95	1	11	3	1	319
2001(f)	134	14	79	17	96	2	11	3	1	354
2002(f)	140	16	84	21	74	5	12	2	1	354
2001										
December quarter(f)	142	15	82	18	88	3	11	2	—	360
2002										
March quarter(f)	127	19	86	22	73	2	12	2	1	341
June quarter(f)	136	16	86	20	77	5	12	3	—	352
September quarter(f)	147	15	88	23	69	7	11	2	1	362
December quarter(f)	149	15	78	21	76	8	13	2	1	360
October	151	15	85	21	68	11	11	2	2	364
November	149	15	85	22	70	8	15	2	1	365
December	147	14	63	20	89	5	13	2	1	352
Persons										
2000(f)	1 143	134	1 075	199	977	43	398	10	6	3 974
2001(f)	1 211	146	1 083	230	1 019	43	427	11	10	4 168
2002(f)	1 357	161	1 157	247	887	60	457	14	8	4 335
2001										
December quarter(f)	1 264	143	1 147	232	952	48	419	12	10	4 215
2002										
March quarter(f)	1 245	155	1 165	248	876	56	404	13	4	4 152
June quarter(f)	1 339	165	1 181	232	885	60	442	14	6	4 310
September quarter(f)	1 401	163	1 170	248	869	56	463	12	7	4 379
December quarter(f)	1 444	162	1 113	260	918	68	518	16	16	4 499
October	1 435	161	1 143	244	899	72	487	17	13	4 454
November	1 458	167	1 157	279	896	69	525	17	19	4 570
December	1 438	157	1 040	258	959	62	542	15	16	4 472

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Sex	NSW(d)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(d)	ACT(e)	Aust.(d)
RATE PER 100,000 ADULT INDIGENOUS POPULATION										
Males										
2000(f)	3 390.3	1 814.1	3 228.2	3 024.9	5 489.3	n.p.	2 460.9	n.p.	n.p.	3 278.1
2001(f)	3 447.4	1 889.9	3 154.6	3 395.5	5 611.1	n.p.	2 580.3	n.p.	n.p.	3 335.7
2002(f)	3 798.1	2 029.9	3 281.3	3 542.3	4 829.9	n.p.	2 742.1	n.p.	n.p.	3 407.4
2001										
December quarter(f)	3 589.0	1 832.4	3 342.5	3 423.5	5 255.9	n.p.	2 483.4	n.p.	n.p.	3 365.1
2002										
March quarter(f)	3 489.5	1 905.0	3 297.7	3 546.2	4 767.6	n.p.	2 416.2	n.p.	n.p.	3 261.4
June quarter(f)	3 752.6	2 082.5	3 350.7	3 331.8	4 799.2	n.p.	2 648.6	n.p.	n.p.	3 387.8
September quarter(f)	3 911.7	2 073.1	3 309.9	3 535.7	4 751.7	n.p.	2 788.4	n.p.	n.p.	3 438.3
December quarter(f)	4 038.5	2 059.1	3 167.2	3 755.4	5 001.1	n.p.	3 115.4	n.p.	n.p.	3 541.9
October	4 005.2	2 045.1	3 235.5	3 499.1	4 933.8	n.p.	2 936.5	n.p.	n.p.	3 500.5
November	4 083.2	2 129.1	3 278.3	4 032.6	4 904.1	n.p.	3 146.2	n.p.	n.p.	3 598.9
December	4 027.1	2 003.1	2 987.8	3 734.5	5 165.4	n.p.	3 263.4	n.p.	n.p.	3 526.2
Females										
2000(f)	332.5	148.6	225.5	193.4	557.8	n.p.	68.6	n.p.	n.p.	264.7
2001(f)	393.9	195.0	226.8	244.6	548.5	n.p.	65.6	n.p.	n.p.	287.4
2002(f)	401.6	220.9	237.5	291.0	410.5	n.p.	71.8	n.p.	n.p.	281.0
2001										
December quarter(f)	418.7	208.9	237.8	257.5	501.5	n.p.	65.9	n.p.	n.p.	291.8
2002										
March quarter(f)	364.0	256.4	242.9	295.5	408.2	n.p.	70.8	n.p.	n.p.	270.9
June quarter(f)	390.8	219.8	241.0	268.3	428.6	n.p.	72.8	n.p.	n.p.	279.6
September quarter(f)	423.4	206.0	247.6	313.7	384.1	n.p.	66.9	n.p.	n.p.	287.3
December quarter(f)	428.2	201.5	218.5	286.5	421.2	n.p.	76.7	n.p.	n.p.	286.2
October	433.9	206.0	239.1	286.5	378.5	n.p.	64.9	n.p.	n.p.	289.1
November	428.2	206.0	239.1	300.1	389.6	n.p.	88.5	n.p.	n.p.	289.9
December	422.4	192.3	177.2	272.8	495.4	n.p.	76.7	n.p.	n.p.	279.6
Persons										
2000(f)	1 794.2	966.9	1 663.6	1 521.4	2 945.2	464.0	1 234.4	n.p.	n.p.	1 713.7
2001(f)	1 856.4	1 029.7	1 629.6	1 717.5	2 997.8	459.9	1 293.4	n.p.	n.p.	1 754.0
2002(f)	2 030.2	1 116.6	1 696.0	1 803.0	2 548.9	635.5	1 377.3	n.p.	n.p.	1 785.9
2001										
December quarter(f)	1 937.1	1 008.5	1 725.4	1 737.5	2 801.6	522.0	1 247.5	n.p.	n.p.	1 770.7
2002										
March quarter(f)	1 862.7	1 072.7	1 706.6	1 807.3	2 517.5	590.4	1 217.5	n.p.	n.p.	1 710.4
June quarter(f)	2 002.8	1 142.0	1 731.0	1 692.9	2 543.4	636.4	1 332.1	n.p.	n.p.	1 775.7
September quarter(f)	2 096.0	1 130.5	1 714.9	1 812.1	2 497.4	597.5	1 397.4	n.p.	n.p.	1 804.0
December quarter(f)	2 159.3	1 121.2	1 631.4	1 899.7	2 637.2	717.7	1 562.3	n.p.	n.p.	1 853.3
October	2 146.3	1 116.6	1 674.9	1 780.5	2 582.7	763.7	1 468.8	n.p.	n.p.	1 834.9
November	2 180.7	1 158.2	1 695.4	2 035.9	2 574.0	731.9	1 583.4	n.p.	n.p.	1 882.7
December	2 150.8	1 088.8	1 523.9	1 882.7	2 755.0	657.6	1 634.7	n.p.	n.p.	1 842.3

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Sex	NSW(d)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(d)	ACT(e)	Aust.(d)
RATIO OF INDIGENOUS TO NON-INDIGENOUS RATES OF IMPRISONMENT										
Males										
2000(f)	13.7	11.5	12.0	15.9	19.5	n.p.	6.1	n.p.	n.p.	14.7
2001(f)	13.5	11.4	12.4	17.1	20.0	n.p.	5.8	n.p.	n.p.	14.8
2002(f)	15.4	11.8	12.8	17.2	18.8	n.p.	7.4	n.p.	n.p.	15.2
2001										
December quarter(f)	14.1	11.0	13.5	16.8	19.1	n.p.	5.2	n.p.	n.p.	14.9
2002										
March quarter(f)	14.0	11.4	13.1	17.4	18.5	n.p.	5.6	n.p.	n.p.	14.7
June quarter(f)	15.2	12.2	12.9	15.8	18.3	n.p.	6.9	n.p.	n.p.	15.1
September quarter(f)	15.9	12.0	12.9	17.1	18.5	n.p.	8.1	n.p.	n.p.	15.4
December quarter(f)	16.4	11.6	12.3	18.3	19.8	n.p.	9.7	n.p.	n.p.	15.8
October	16.4	11.6	12.7	17.1	19.3	n.p.	9.0	n.p.	n.p.	15.7
November	16.6	12.0	12.8	19.4	19.4	n.p.	9.9	n.p.	n.p.	16.1
December	16.3	11.4	11.3	18.5	20.6	n.p.	10.4	n.p.	n.p.	15.7
Females										
2000(f)	23.3	15.0	14.1	19.4	26.6	n.p.	6.3	n.p.	n.p.	19.6
2001(f)	26.4	16.6	14.7	22.0	30.8	n.p.	4.7	n.p.	n.p.	20.8
2002(f)	27.9	17.8	15.1	25.7	23.3	n.p.	4.4	n.p.	n.p.	20.2
2001										
December quarter(f)	28.0	16.9	15.1	22.1	30.1	n.p.	4.2	n.p.	n.p.	20.9
2002										
March quarter(f)	26.2	22.4	15.4	25.4	24.6	n.p.	4.2	n.p.	n.p.	20.2
June quarter(f)	26.3	18.1	15.0	23.1	25.0	n.p.	6.0	n.p.	n.p.	19.9
September quarter(f)	28.9	17.0	16.2	28.1	20.8	n.p.	3.7	n.p.	n.p.	20.6
December quarter(f)	30.4	14.7	13.8	26.1	23.0	n.p.	4.2	n.p.	n.p.	20.0
October	31.4	15.5	15.7	26.0	20.5	n.p.	4.0	n.p.	n.p.	20.8
November	30.8	14.6	15.4	28.6	21.6	n.p.	5.5	n.p.	n.p.	20.4
December	29.0	13.9	10.6	24.0	27.0	n.p.	3.5	n.p.	n.p.	19.1
Persons										
2000(f)	13.9	11.8	11.7	15.5	19.5	5.4	5.5	n.p.	n.p.	14.6
2001(f)	13.9	11.8	12.2	16.7	20.1	5.6	5.1	n.p.	n.p.	14.8
2002(f)	15.8	12.4	12.6	16.9	18.6	6.8	6.7	n.p.	n.p.	15.3
2001										
December quarter(f)	14.5	11.5	13.2	16.4	19.2	6.1	4.6	n.p.	n.p.	15.0
2002										
March quarter(f)	14.4	12.3	12.8	17.1	18.4	7.4	5.0	n.p.	n.p.	14.7
June quarter(f)	15.5	12.8	12.7	15.6	18.4	6.2	6.3	n.p.	n.p.	15.1
September quarter(f)	16.3	12.5	12.8	17.0	18.3	6.2	7.2	n.p.	n.p.	15.5
December quarter(f)	16.9	12.1	12.1	17.9	19.6	7.7	8.7	n.p.	n.p.	15.8
October	16.9	12.0	12.6	16.8	19.0	8.0	8.0	n.p.	n.p.	15.8
November	17.0	12.4	12.7	19.0	19.2	7.9	8.9	n.p.	n.p.	16.1
December	16.8	11.7	11.0	18.0	20.6	7.2	9.2	n.p.	n.p.	15.7

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NUMBER ON FIRST DAY OF MONTH										
Unsentenced										
2000(f)	214	27	154	66	133	8	69	—	6	676
2001(f)	250	32	173	85	159	12	86	1	10	807
2002(f)	290	35	189	92	146	15	83	—	8	856
2001										
December quarter(f)	258	32	186	81	143	16	91	—	10	818
2002										
March quarter(f)	282	41	201	97	150	14	78	—	3	867
June quarter(f)	287	39	195	86	161	16	84	—	6	874
September quarter(f)	279	28	200	93	144	14	79	—	7	844
December quarter(f)	312	31	160	89	128	14	89	1	16	839
October	340	29	159	82	127	15	88	1	13	853
November	303	30	183	97	115	17	93	2	19	857
December	294	33	137	89	142	10	87	—	16	808
Sentenced										
Fine default only										
2000(f)	1	—	43	1	24	—	11	—	—	81
2001(f)	—	—	—	—	30	1	15	—	—	47
2002(f)	—	—	—	—	28	1	1	—	—	30
2001										
December quarter(f)	—	—	—	—	31	—	14	—	—	45
2002										
March quarter(f)	—	—	—	—	25	—	5	—	—	31
June quarter(f)	—	—	—	—	17	1	—	—	—	18
September quarter(f)	—	—	—	—	25	1	—	—	—	27
December quarter(f)	—	—	—	—	43	1	—	—	—	45
October	—	—	—	—	46	3	—	—	—	49
November	—	—	1	1	37	1	—	—	—	40
December	—	—	—	—	47	—	—	1	—	47
Other sentenced										
2000(f)	928	107	878	132	819	35	318	10	..	3 217
2001(f)	961	114	910	144	830	31	326	11	..	3 315
2002(f)	1 067	126	968	156	714	45	373	13	..	3 449
2001										
December quarter(f)	1 006	111	960	151	778	32	314	12	..	3 352
2002										
March quarter(f)	964	113	963	150	701	42	320	13	..	3 254
June quarter(f)	1 052	126	986	146	707	43	357	14	..	3 418
September quarter(f)	1 122	135	970	155	700	41	384	12	..	3 508
December quarter(f)	1 131	131	953	171	747	52	429	15	..	3 614
October	1 095	132	984	162	726	54	399	16	..	3 552
November	1 155	137	973	181	744	51	432	15	..	3 673
December	1 144	124	903	169	770	52	455	14	..	3 617

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NUMBER ON FIRST DAY OF MONTH										
Total sentenced										
2000(f)	929	107	921	132	844	36	329	10	—	3 298
2001(f)	961	114	910	144	860	32	341	11	—	3 361
2002(f)	1 067	126	969	156	742	45	374	14	—	3 479
2001										
December quarter(f)	1 006	111	960	151	809	32	328	12	—	3 397
2002										
March quarter(f)	964	113	964	150	726	42	326	13	—	3 285
June quarter(f)	1 052	126	986	146	725	44	357	14	—	3 436
September quarter(f)	1 122	135	971	155	725	42	384	12	—	3 535
December quarter(f)	1 131	131	954	171	790	54	429	15	—	3 659
October	1 095	132	984	162	772	57	399	16	—	3 601
November	1 155	137	974	182	781	52	432	15	—	3 713
December	1 144	124	903	169	817	52	455	15	—	3 664
Total										
2000(f)	1 143	134	1 075	199	977	43	398	10	6	3 974
2001(f)	1 211	146	1 083	230	1 019	43	427	11	10	4 168
2002(f)	1 357	161	1 157	247	887	60	457	14	8	4 335
2001										
December quarter(f)	1 264	143	1 147	232	952	48	419	12	10	4 215
2002										
March quarter(f)	1 245	155	1 165	248	876	56	404	13	4	4 152
June quarter(f)	1 339	165	1 181	232	885	60	442	14	6	4 310
September quarter(f)	1 401	163	1 170	248	869	56	463	12	7	4 379
December quarter(f)	1 444	162	1 113	260	918	68	518	16	16	4 499
October	1 435	161	1 143	244	899	72	487	17	13	4 454
November	1 458	167	1 157	279	896	69	525	17	19	4 570
December	1 438	157	1 040	258	959	62	542	15	16	4 472

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Legal status and sentence type	NSW(d)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(d)	ACT(e)	Aust.(d)
RATES PER 100,000 ADULT INDIGENOUS POPULATION										
Unsentenced										
2000(f)	335.9	195.5	238.0	508.4	400.9	82.1	212.8	n.p.	n.p.	291.7
2001(f)	383.6	225.0	260.3	638.8	466.8	124.3	261.4	n.p.	n.p.	339.5
2002(f)	433.6	241.0	276.7	667.7	418.7	153.8	249.3	n.p.	n.p.	352.7
2001										
December quarter(f)	395.9	226.2	280.4	605.7	421.7	170.4	271.7	n.p.	n.p.	343.6
2002										
March quarter(f)	421.3	286.7	294.5	710.3	431.9	148.5	235.3	n.p.	n.p.	357.2
June quarter(f)	428.8	270.5	285.7	627.6	461.6	169.7	254.4	n.p.	n.p.	360.1
September quarter(f)	417.3	194.2	292.6	681.1	413.7	148.5	238.3	n.p.	n.p.	347.7
December quarter(f)	467.2	212.7	234.0	651.9	367.7	148.5	269.4	n.p.	n.p.	345.8
October	508.5	201.1	233.0	598.4	364.8	159.1	265.4	n.p.	n.p.	351.4
November	453.2	208.1	268.2	707.8	330.4	180.3	280.5	n.p.	n.p.	353.1
December	439.7	228.9	200.8	649.4	407.9	106.1	262.4	n.p.	n.p.	332.9
Sentenced										
Fine default only										
2000(f)	n.p.	n.p.	66.4	n.p.	73.1	n.p.	35.4	n.p.	n.p.	34.7
2001(f)	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	89.2	n.p.	44.5	n.p.	n.p.	19.6
2002(f)	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	79.5	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	12.5
2001										
December quarter(f)	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	90.2	n.p.	41.6	n.p.	n.p.	19.0
2002										
March quarter(f)	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	71.8	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	12.8
June quarter(f)	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	49.8	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	7.4
September quarter(f)	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	71.8	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	11.0
December quarter(f)	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	124.5	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	18.7
October	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	132.1	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	20.2
November	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	106.3	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	16.5
December	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	135.0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	19.4
Other sentenced										
2000(f)	1 457.4	770.2	1 359.2	1 007.9	2 471.1	378.3	986.1	n.p.	..	1 387.3
2001(f)	1 472.4	804.1	1 368.9	1 077.5	2 441.8	327.6	987.5	n.p.	..	1 395.0
2002(f)	1 596.5	875.6	1 418.9	1 134.7	2 050.7	473.8	1 123.7	n.p.	..	1 420.7
2001										
December quarter(f)	1 541.2	782.3	1 444.5	1 131.7	2 289.8	348.0	934.1	n.p.	..	1 408.0
2002										
March quarter(f)	1 441.4	786.0	1 411.6	1 097.0	2 013.8	441.9	966.1	n.p.	..	1 340.4
June quarter(f)	1 574.0	871.5	1 445.3	1 065.4	2 032.0	459.6	1 077.7	n.p.	..	1 408.3
September quarter(f)	1 678.7	936.3	1 421.9	1 131.1	2 011.9	438.4	1 158.2	n.p.	..	1 445.3
December quarter(f)	1 692.1	908.5	1 396.9	1 245.4	2 145.0	555.1	1 292.9	n.p.	..	1 488.9
October	1 637.8	915.5	1 441.9	1 182.1	2 085.7	572.8	1 203.4	n.p.	..	1 463.3
November	1 727.5	950.1	1 425.8	1 320.8	2 137.4	540.9	1 302.9	n.p.	..	1 513.2
December	1 711.1	860.0	1 323.2	1 233.2	2 212.1	551.5	1 372.3	n.p.	..	1 490.1

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RATES PER 100,000 ADULT INDIGENOUS POPULATION										
Total sentenced										
2000(f)	1 458.3	771.4	1 425.6	1 013.0	2 544.3	381.9	1 021.6	n.p.	n.p.	1 422.0
2001(f)	1 472.8	804.6	1 369.3	1 078.7	2 531.0	335.6	1 032.0	n.p.	n.p.	1 414.5
2002(f)	1 596.5	875.6	1 419.3	1 135.3	2 130.2	481.7	1 128.0	n.p.	n.p.	1 433.2
2001										
December quarter(f)	1 541.2	782.3	1 445.0	1 131.7	2 380.0	351.6	975.8	n.p.	n.p.	1 427.1
2002										
March quarter(f)	1 441.4	786.0	1 412.1	1 097.0	2 085.7	441.9	982.2	n.p.	n.p.	1 353.2
June quarter(f)	1 574.0	871.5	1 445.3	1 065.4	2 081.8	466.7	1 077.7	n.p.	n.p.	1 415.7
September quarter(f)	1 678.7	936.3	1 422.3	1 131.1	2 083.8	449.0	1 159.2	n.p.	n.p.	1 456.3
December quarter(f)	1 692.1	908.5	1 397.4	1 247.8	2 269.5	569.2	1 292.9	n.p.	n.p.	1 507.5
October	1 637.8	915.5	1 441.9	1 182.1	2 217.8	604.6	1 203.4	n.p.	n.p.	1 483.5
November	1 727.5	950.1	1 427.2	1 328.1	2 243.7	551.5	1 302.9	n.p.	n.p.	1 529.7
December	1 711.1	860.0	1 323.2	1 233.2	2 347.1	551.5	1 372.3	n.p.	n.p.	1 509.5
Total										
2000(f)	1 794.2	966.9	1 663.6	1 521.4	2 945.2	464.0	1 234.4	n.p.	n.p.	1 713.7
2001(f)	1 856.4	1 029.7	1 629.6	1 717.5	2 997.8	459.9	1 293.4	n.p.	n.p.	1 754.0
2002(f)	2 030.2	1 116.6	1 696.0	1 803.0	2 548.9	635.5	1 377.3	n.p.	n.p.	1 785.9
2001										
December quarter(f)	1 937.1	1 008.5	1 725.4	1 737.5	2 801.6	522.0	1 247.5	n.p.	n.p.	1 770.7
2002										
March quarter(f)	1 862.7	1 072.7	1 706.6	1 807.3	2 517.5	590.4	1 217.5	n.p.	n.p.	1 710.4
June quarter(f)	2 002.8	1 142.0	1 731.0	1 692.9	2 543.4	636.4	1 332.1	n.p.	n.p.	1 775.7
September quarter(f)	2 096.0	1 130.5	1 714.9	1 812.1	2 497.4	597.5	1 397.4	n.p.	n.p.	1 804.0
December quarter(f)	2 159.3	1 121.2	1 631.4	1 899.7	2 637.2	717.7	1 562.3	n.p.	n.p.	1 853.3
October	2 146.3	1 116.6	1 674.9	1 780.5	2 582.7	763.7	1 468.8	n.p.	n.p.	1 834.9
November	2 180.7	1 158.2	1 695.4	2 035.9	2 574.0	731.9	1 583.4	n.p.	n.p.	1 882.7
December	2 150.8	1 088.8	1 523.9	1 882.7	2 755.0	657.6	1 634.7	n.p.	n.p.	1 842.3

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PERSONS IN PERIODIC DETENTION, By sex

Sex	NSW	ACT	Aust.(a)
AVERAGE DAILY NUMBER(b)			
Males			
2000	1 107	69	1 176
2001	974	66	1 040
2002	831	66	897
2001			
December quarter	989	62	1 051
2002			
March quarter	857	56	914
June quarter	814	64	878
September quarter	825	72	897
December quarter	830	70	900
October	809	72	881
November	846	71	917
December	835	68	903
Females			
2000	109	6	115
2001	87	4	91
2002	68	4	72
2001			
December quarter	82	2	85
2002			
March quarter	65	3	68
June quarter	68	4	73
September quarter	71	5	77
December quarter	67	5	72
October	69	5	73
November	66	4	70
December	68	5	73
Persons			
2000	1 216	75	1 291
2001	1 061	70	1 130
2002	899	70	969
2001			
December quarter	1 071	64	1 135
2002			
March quarter	922	60	982
June quarter	883	68	951
September quarter	896	77	973
December quarter	897	75	972
October	878	77	954
November	912	75	987
December	903	73	976

(a) Periodic detention is a form of custody only used in NSW and the ACT.

(b) See Explanatory Notes, paragraph 2.

Sex	NSW	ACT	Aust.(a)
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RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION

Males

2000	46.2	60.0	16.5
2001	40.1	56.5	14.3
2002	33.7	55.5	12.2

2001

December quarter	40.5	52.8	14.4
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2002

March quarter	35.0	48.2	12.5
June quarter	33.0	54.0	12.0
September quarter	33.4	60.3	12.2
December quarter	33.5	59.1	12.2

October	32.7	60.5	12.0
November	34.2	59.5	12.5
December	33.7	57.3	12.3

Females

2000	4.4	5.3	1.6
2001	3.5	3.3	1.2
2002	2.7	3.6	1.0

2001

December quarter	3.3	1.9	1.1
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2002

March quarter	2.6	2.7	0.9
June quarter	2.7	3.6	1.0
September quarter	2.8	4.2	1.0
December quarter	3.0	3.8	0.9

October	2.7	3.8	1.0
November	2.6	3.5	0.9
December	2.6	4.0	1.0

Persons

2000	25.0	32.3	8.9
2001	21.5	29.6	7.7
2002	17.9	29.0	6.5

2001

December quarter	21.6	27.1	7.7
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2002

March quarter	18.6	25.2	6.6
June quarter	17.6	28.2	6.4
September quarter	17.8	31.5	6.5
December quarter	17.8	30.7	6.5

October	17.4	31.4	6.4
November	18.1	30.8	6.6
December	17.9	30.0	6.5

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NUMBER ON FIRST DAY OF MONTH.....

NSW Vic. Qld SA WA Tas. NT ACT Aust.

MALES

2000(b)	296	76	84	24	120	2	37	5	645
2001(b)	293	84	68	19	138	3	105	6	717
2002(b)	299	77	63	19	138	4	88	4	692
2001									
December quarter(b)	300	85	66	17	152	3	123	6	753
2002									
March quarter(b)	304	80	68	16	140	3	111	5	727
June quarter(b)	299	77	62	20	137	4	98	5	701
September quarter(b)	296	77	58	21	136	5	80	3	676
December quarter(b)	297	75	64	17	139	5	62	3	663
October	290	75	65	19	142	7	69	3	670
November	297	78	64	17	140	4	61	3	664
December	304	72	64	16	136	4	57	3	656

FEMALES

2000(b)	27	5	13	6	13	2	—	1	67
2001(b)	31	6	16	4	16	1	1	—	75
2002(b)	32	8	13	3	14	1	3	1	75
2001									
December quarter(b)	30	6	17	4	17	—	1	1	77
2002									
March quarter(b)	31	6	18	3	16	1	1	1	77
June quarter(b)	33	6	14	3	14	1	1	—	72
September quarter(b)	33	10	9	3	13	1	4	1	74
December quarter(b)	34	11	12	3	12	1	5	1	79
October	33	12	12	3	13	1	5	1	80
November	33	12	13	3	12	1	5	1	80
December	35	10	12	3	10	1	5	1	77

PERSONS

2000(b)	323	82	97	30	133	5	38	6	712
2001(b)	324	90	84	24	154	4	105	7	792
2002(b)	331	85	77	22	152	5	91	5	767
2001									
December quarter(b)	331	91	84	22	169	3	124	7	830
2002									
March quarter(b)	334	86	86	19	156	5	112	5	804
June quarter(b)	332	83	76	23	151	4	99	5	773
September quarter(b)	329	86	67	24	149	6	84	4	750
December quarter(b)	331	86	77	20	151	6	67	4	742
October	323	87	77	22	155	8	74	4	750
November	330	90	77	20	152	5	66	4	744
December	339	82	76	19	146	5	62	4	733

(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.

NUMBER ON FIRST DAY OF MONTH.....

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT(b)	Aust.
MALES									
2001(c)	15 088	5 232	13 301	5 020	3 997	791	1 040	1 073	45 544
2002(c)	14 778	5 430	11 061	5 403	4 177	726	818	1 036	43 428
2001									
December quarter(c)	14 920	5 315	11 963	5 506	4 212	766	853	1 062	44 598
2002									
March quarter(c)	14 754	5 151	11 537	5 622	4 256	761	827	1 067	43 975
June quarter(c)	14 753	5 277	11 146	5 676	4 169	730	809	1 096	43 656
September quarter(c)	14 774	5 433	10 831	5 188	4 147	696	813	972	42 854
December quarter(c)	14 831	5 859	10 729	5 126	4 137	715	823	1 009	43 228
October	14 797	5 725	10 734	5 116	4 149	723	816	1 013	43 073
November	14 863	5 925	10 756	5 127	4 129	713	829	1 007	43 349
December	14 832	5 927	10 696	5 136	4 132	709	824	1 007	43 263
FEMALES									
2001(c)	2 685	1 111	3 455	1 256	1 161	164	139	236	10 206
2002(c)	2 610	1 205	2 908	1 311	1 164	171	90	194	9 652
2001									
December quarter(c)	2 671	1 165	3 084	1 362	1 202	168	101	224	9 976
2002									
March quarter(c)	2 615	1 175	3 034	1 333	1 193	166	91	221	9 828
June quarter(c)	2 575	1 205	2 888	1 324	1 156	168	86	211	9 612
September quarter(c)	2 608	1 181	2 925	1 302	1 127	174	86	168	9 571
December quarter(c)	2 641	1 259	2 788	1 282	1 178	175	98	175	9 596
October	2 639	1 237	2 788	1 288	1 149	180	96	180	9 557
November	2 646	1 282	2 792	1 294	1 190	175	99	176	9 654
December	2 639	1 259	2 783	1 265	1 195	170	98	168	9 577
PERSONS(d)									
2001(c)	17 897	6 462	16 756	6 325	5 158	956	1 179	1 310	56 042
2002(c)	17 488	6 755	13 969	6 764	5 341	896	908	1 230	53 350
2001									
December quarter(c)	17 643	6 590	15 048	6 950	5 413	934	954	1 286	54 818
2002									
March quarter(c)	17 432	6 413	14 571	7 037	5 449	926	918	1 288	54 036
June quarter(c)	17 406	6 583	14 034	7 077	5 325	898	895	1 307	53 525
September quarter(c)	17 502	6 743	13 756	6 510	5 274	871	899	1 140	52 694
December quarter(c)	17 610	7 281	13 516	6 430	5 315	890	921	1 184	53 147
October	17 571	7 096	13 522	6 422	5 298	903	912	1 193	52 917
November	17 650	7 376	13 548	6 442	5 319	888	928	1 183	53 334
December	17 610	7 371	13 479	6 427	5 327	879	922	1 175	53 190

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(c) Figures for the quarter and year 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.

RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION.....

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT(b)	Aust.
MALES									
2001(c)	621.7	286.2	977.8	893.2	563.3	459.5	1 428.0	923.0	628.3
2002(c)	599.5	295.5	802.8	949.1	584.7	422.3	1 116.4	875.1	592.6
2001									
December quarter(c)	611.4	288.8	873.1	977.1	589.5	449.3	1 166.1	908.5	611.8
2002									
March quarter(c)	602.3	278.8	838.3	995.9	593.0	445.4	1 127.3	911.3	601.0
June quarter(c)	598.8	289.0	813.2	996.6	586.8	424.5	1 104.8	925.3	597.7
September quarter(c)	598.0	295.9	786.1	908.8	581.3	404.4	1 110.8	817.1	584.4
December quarter(c)	598.7	318.1	773.8	895.9	577.8	415.0	1 122.4	847.5	587.5
October	597.4	310.9	774.2	894.1	579.5	419.7	1 112.8	850.8	585.4
November	600.1	321.7	775.8	896.0	576.7	413.8	1 130.6	845.8	589.1
December	598.8	321.8	771.4	897.6	577.1	411.5	1 123.7	845.8	588.0
FEMALES									
2001(c)	107.5	58.4	249.8	213.9	163.5	90.0	217.5	198.1	137.1
2002(c)	102.3	62.3	204.9	220.4	161.0	93.9	136.4	156.7	127.1
2001									
December quarter(c)	106.4	60.9	221.3	231.5	168.2	92.6	157.1	187.5	133.3
2002									
March quarter(c)	103.9	61.3	216.6	226.2	166.2	91.3	141.2	184.8	130.9
June quarter(b)	100.7	62.4	203.8	222.5	160.3	92.4	128.8	169.2	126.6
September quarter(c)	101.7	60.8	205.2	218.3	155.6	95.8	129.4	134.7	125.5
December quarter(c)	102.8	64.7	194.2	214.6	162.1	96.0	146.5	139.5	125.4
October	102.7	63.6	194.2	215.6	158.1	98.7	144.0	143.7	124.9
November	102.9	65.9	194.5	216.6	163.7	96.0	148.5	140.6	126.2
December	102.7	64.7	193.9	211.7	164.4	93.2	147.0	134.2	125.2
PERSONS(d)									
2001(c)	363.4	173.3	610.8	550.4	363.4	269.4	862.4	557.2	381.4
2002(c)	348.5	179.1	499.4	581.1	371.7	253.4	651.9	508.2	357.5
2001									
December quarter(c)	356.4	175.7	544.4	603.3	378.9	265.6	694.1	544.1	371.1
2002									
March quarter(c)	351.0	170.3	524.7	609.8	379.5	263.0	666.2	544.2	364.5
June quarter(c)	346.6	175.2	503.4	607.5	372.0	253.9	640.4	537.8	359.2
September quarter(c)	347.6	178.5	490.7	557.7	366.8	245.8	643.7	467.5	352.3
December quarter(c)	348.9	192.2	479.0	549.8	368.3	251.0	657.6	484.5	354.1
October	348.1	187.3	479.2	549.0	367.2	254.7	651.4	488.4	352.6
November	349.7	194.7	480.1	550.8	368.6	250.4	662.8	484.3	355.3
December	348.9	194.6	477.7	549.5	369.2	247.9	658.5	481.0	354.4

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(d) Includes persons whose sex is unknown.

Sex	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
NUMBER ON FIRST DAY OF MONTH									
Restricted movement									
2001(b)	180	..	167	177	81	..	36	—	640
2002(b)	203	..	81	211	84	..	37	2	617
2001									
December quarter(b)	180	..	68	182	84	..	28	1	543
2002									
March quarter(b)	154	..	83	185	89	..	29	1	540
June quarter(b)	189	..	77	191	80	..	30	1	568
September quarter(b)	224	..	72	218	96	..	38	2	651
December quarter(b)	246	..	91	248	73	..	51	2	712
October	251	..	91	234	65	..	52	1	694
November	242	..	93	254	77	..	50	1	717
December	245	..	89	257	78	..	52	3	724
Reparation									
Fine option									
2001(b)	118	1 088	5 166	1 657	502	67	204	..	8 802
2002(b)	81	1 107	2 632	1 891	398	95	25	..	6 228
2001									
December quarter(b)	112	1 038	3 432	1 978	457	76	142	..	7 234
2002									
March quarter(b)	110	993	3 073	1 964	416	80	58	..	6 694
June quarter(b)	106	1 077	2 710	1 908	367	98	24	..	6 290
September quarter(b)	81	1 003	2 464	1 928	376	100	12	..	5 965
December quarter(b)	28	1 353	2 282	1 763	432	101	6	..	5 964
October	78	1 201	2 346	1 796	399	104	6	..	5 930
November	3	1 417	2 283	1 769	418	104	6	..	6 000
December	3	1 441	2 216	1 723	480	94	6	..	5 963
Community service									
2001(b)	4 983	894	2 109	1 405	2 201	348	301	183	12 423
2002(b)	4 508	915	2 116	1 534	2 329	379	242	159	12 180
2001									
December quarter(b)	4 696	935	2 202	1 357	2 373	364	197	173	12 298
2002									
March quarter(b)	4 472	850	2 192	1 340	2 417	391	236	176	12 074
June quarter(b)	4 536	919	2 159	1 371	2 342	385	245	159	12 116
September quarter(b)	4 547	938	2 091	1 711	2 277	380	246	149	12 340
December quarter(b)	4 476	952	2 023	1 712	2 278	361	239	150	12 192
October	4 482	930	2 049	1 694	2 297	381	237	150	12 220
November	4 484	975	2 027	1 705	2 283	361	238	140	12 213
December	4 462	952	1 994	1 737	2 254	342	243	159	12 143

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(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									
Supervision (compliance)									
Parole									
2001(b)	3 421	1 008	1 477	921	1 204	107	175	139	8 451
2002(b)	3 450	1 198	1 252	904	1 303	88	163	133	8 491
2001									
December quarter(b)	3 306	1 077	1 390	873	1 263	102	165	134	8 311
2002									
March quarter(b)	3 416	1 153	1 318	879	1 317	99	163	142	8 488
June quarter(b)	3 371	1 173	1 256	877	1 335	91	165	153	8 421
September quarter(b)	3 455	1 220	1 234	921	1 286	79	161	117	8 472
December quarter(b)	3 559	1 247	1 202	937	1 272	83	163	120	8 583
October	3 522	1 244	1 216	929	1 260	80	164	116	8 531
November	3 564	1 246	1 197	941	1 282	82	163	124	8 599
December	3 591	1 251	1 192	941	1 275	87	162	119	8 618
Bail									
2001(b)	169	..	..	219	..	..	1	158	547
2002(b)	175	..	..	300	..	..	3	197	675
2001									
December quarter(b)	184	..	..	194	..	..	2	146	526
2002									
March quarter(b)	162	..	..	226	..	..	3	176	567
June quarter(b)	170	..	..	283	..	..	3	194	650
September quarter(b)	192	..	..	333	..	..	3	223	750
December quarter(b)	177	..	..	356	..	..	3	196	732
October	171	..	..	328	..	..	3	225	727
November	183	..	..	367	..	..	3	200	753
December	178	..	..	373	..	..	3	162	716
Sentenced probation									
2001(b)	11 246	3 646	7 837	2 397	3 156	535	519	831	30 167
2002(b)	11 178	3 725	7 888	2 641	3 342	438	465	812	30 488
2001									
December quarter(b)	11 415	3 712	7 955	2 393	3 408	496	442	833	30 654
2002									
March quarter(b)	11 252	3 605	7 905	2 443	3 434	457	456	794	30 347
June quarter(b)	11 145	3 614	7 832	2 447	3 335	430	450	800	30 054
September quarter(b)	11 108	3 763	7 895	2 848	3 303	416	463	797	30 593
December quarter(b)	11 206	3 918	7 919	2 825	3 297	448	489	855	30 957
October	11 190	3 900	7 820	2 849	3 313	448	483	848	30 851
November	11 255	3 930	7 948	2 821	3 288	439	492	846	31 019
December	11 173	3 924	7 988	2 806	3 291	458	492	870	31 002

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(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.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

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.

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 on 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, paragraphs 4 and 5).

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 some 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 The 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. No adjustments to data prior to April 2000 were able to be made.

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 2002 (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 1996 Population Census and estimates this from the 1991–1996 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 and persons in community-based corrections 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. 3101.0)). 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 December quarter 2002, ERP for the June quarter 2002 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 denominator 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.

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

22 During 2002 the following factors in Western Australia have impacted on the prisoner population: an increase in the acquittal and dismissal rates in courts; greater use by the courts of suspended imprisonment and community orders as penalties; and a decrease in the breach rate for early release orders. The impact of these factors has been proportionally greater on the number of Indigenous prisoners who tend to be convicted of offences which attract shorter sentences.

23 During the 2001–02 financial year, Tasmania recorded a large increase in the number of unsentenced prisoners. This overall increase was due to an increase in lodgments in the Supreme Court coupled with the move by police to more actively oppose bail. The variation over the period is explained primarily by the availability of judicial resources. A Supreme Court Judge was allocated to a long running trial in the March and June quarters of 2002—this represented 25% of the judicial resources allocated to crime by the court. There was also a reduction in the number of magistrates available in the Court of Petty Sessions due to a number of long running coronial inquests.

RELATED PUBLICATIONS

ABS publications

24 Other ABS publications which may be of interest include:

Australian Standard Offence Classification, 1997 (ASOC) cat. no. 1234.0—irregular

Crime and Safety, Australia, April 1998 cat. no. 4509.0—irregular

Higher Criminal Courts, Australia, 2000-2001 cat. no. 4513.0—annual

Prisoners in Australia, 2002 cat. no. 4517.0—annual

Recorded Crime, Australia, 2001 cat. no. 4510.0—annual

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SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics
ACT	Australian Capital Territory
Aust.	Australia
ERP	Estimated Resident Population
n.a.	not available
NCCJS	National Centre for Crime and Justice Statistics
n.p.	not available for publication but included in totals where applicable, unless otherwise stated
NSW	New South Wales
NT	Northern Territory
Qld	Queensland
r	figures or series revised since previous issue

EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES *continued*

SA	South Australia
Tas.	Tasmania
Vic.	Victoria
WA	Western Australia
. .	not applicable
—	nil or rounded ot zero

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

APPENDIX Interpretation of Indigenous Statistics

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

Community-based corrections	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.
Corrective services custody	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.
Federal sentenced prisoner	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 necessarily where they were held in custody.
Fine default only	A sentence type indicating that, at the time, the prisoner is serving a sentence for default of a fine and nothing else.
Full-time custody	A type of custody where a prisoner is required to be held in custody on a full-time basis.
Indigenous prisoner	A prisoner who identifies as either Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.
Legal status	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.
Open custody	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.
Other sentenced	A sentence type indicating that, at the time, a person is serving a sentence other than, or in addition to, a fine default sentence.
Periodic detention	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.
Prisoner	A person held in custody. For the purposes of this collection, prisoners are those whose confinement is the responsibility of a corrective services agency.
Reparation	Reparation refers to all offenders with a community service order or fine option that requires them to undertake unpaid work.
Restricted movement	This refers to offenders who are subject to a system of restricted movement including supervision and/or electronic monitoring.
Secure custody	A custodial regime for managing prisoners that requires them to be confined by a secure physical barrier.
Sentenced	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 <i>fine default only</i> reception is a sentenced reception where a person enters custody as a result of defaulting on the payment of a fine. ■ An <i>other sentenced reception</i> 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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