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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. Details are provided for each State and Territory, together with 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.

Total adult imprisonment rates in this publication are usually calculated using the Estimated Resident Population (ERP) for two quarters prior to the reference quarter. An exception to this practice has been made in this issue. Due to the unavailability of September quarter 2000 ERP, total imprisonment rates for the March quarter 2001 have been based on June quarter 2000 ERP.

Due to difficulties experienced in the supply of data for the Northern Territory for the March 2001 quarter, it is anticipated that some figures for the Northern Territory may be revised in the June 2001 issue of this publication.

The valuable contribution of the Board of Management and the Advisory Group of the National Corrective Services Statistics Unit (NCSSU) to the production of the statistics in this publication is acknowledged.

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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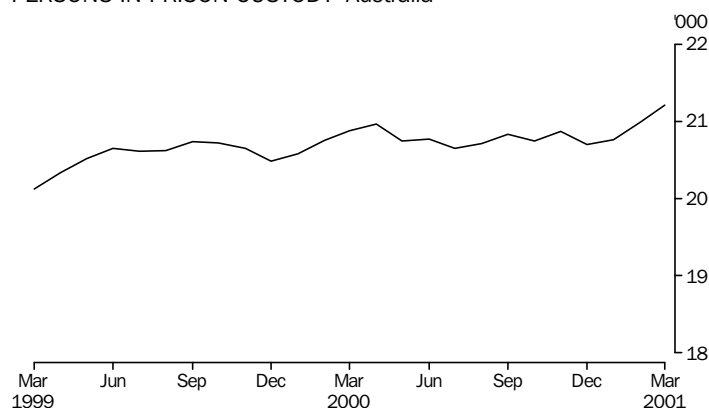
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

NUMBER OF PRISONERS

In the March quarter 2001 the average daily number of prisoners in Australia was 20,989, an increase of 220 (1%) on the December quarter 2000. Most States and Territories reported only small variations in prisoner numbers from December 2000. New South Wales and Victoria recorded the greatest increases, rising by 159 prisoners (2%) and 77 prisoners (2%) respectively. The number of prisoners in Queensland, Tasmania and the Australian Capital Territory (including Australian Capital Territory prisoners held in New South Wales prisons) decreased by 77 (2%), 29 (8%) and 3 (1%) respectively.

The average daily number of prisoners in Australia increased by 252 (1%) over the year from the March quarter 2000. The largest increases from the March quarter 2000 were recorded in New South Wales and Victoria, rising by 290 (4%) and 253 (8%) respectively. Queensland recorded the greatest decrease (499, or 10%).

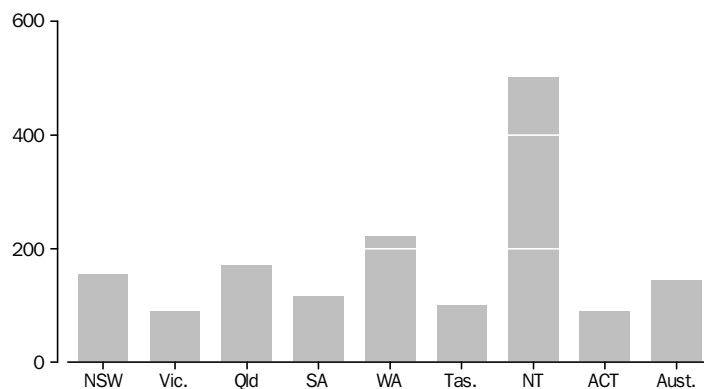
PERSONS IN PRISON CUSTODY—Australia



RATES PER 100,000 ADULTS

Nationally, the average daily imprisonment rate was 144 prisoners per 100,000 adult population during the March quarter 2001. The Northern Territory had the highest imprisonment rate per 100,000 adult population, with a rate of 503. This is substantially greater than the next highest rates for Western Australia and Queensland (221 and 170 prisoners per 100,000 adult population respectively).

AVERAGE DAILY IMPRISONMENT RATE^(a)



(a) Rate per 100,000 adult population.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS *continued*

SEX

Of the average daily number of prisoners in Australia during the March quarter 2001, 19,675 (94%) were males and 1,314 (6%) were females. The proportion of male and female prisoners remained unchanged from the December quarter 2000 to the March quarter 2001.

TYPE OF CUSTODY

In the March quarter 2001 the average daily number of prisoners in secure prison custody was 14,943 (71%). The remaining 6,046 prisoners (29%) were held in open prison custody. The highest proportion of prisoners held in secure custody was recorded in South Australia (89%) and Victoria (88%). 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 50% 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 March 2001, there were 21,126 prisoners. Of these, 16,818 (80%) were sentenced and 4,308 (20%) were unsentenced. South Australia had the highest proportion of unsentenced prisoners (35%), followed by the the Australian Capital Territory (including Australian Capital Territory prisoners held in New South Wales prisons) with 33%. Victoria and Western Australia recorded the lowest proportions of unsentenced prisoners with 14% and 16% respectively.

SENTENCED RECEPTIONS

There were 6,251 sentenced receptions in Australia during the March quarter 2001. New South Wales reported the highest number of sentenced receptions with 1,942 prisoners, followed by 1,584 in Queensland and 1,080 in Western Australia. The sentenced reception rate for Australia was 43 per 100,000 adult population. The Northern Territory recorded the highest sentenced reception rate of 204 persons per 100,000 adult population, followed by Western Australia and Queensland with sentenced reception rates of 77 and 59 persons per 100,000 adult population respectively.

Of all sentenced receptions in Australia during this quarter, 419 (7%) were for fine default only. The highest numbers of these fine default only receptions were recorded in Western Australia with 188 (45%) and the Northern Territory 93 (22%). It should be noted that persons imprisoned for fine default usually serve a relatively short time in custody.

INDIGENOUS PRISONERS

On 1 March 2001, there were 4,070 Indigenous prisoners in Australia (19% of the Australian prisoner population). The highest number of Indigenous prisoners was recorded in New South Wales (1,169). The Northern Territory, where Indigenous people comprise the largest proportion of the total population, recorded the highest proportion of Indigenous prisoners (62%).

The national rate of imprisonment for Indigenous persons on 1 March 2001 was 1,716 per 100,000 adult Indigenous population. The corresponding rate for the total adult population of Australia was 145 per 100,000 persons. The highest rate of imprisonment for Indigenous persons was recorded in Western Australia (2,986 Indigenous persons per 100,000 adult Indigenous population) followed by South Australia and New South Wales (1,802 and 1,792 Indigenous persons per 100,000 adult Indigenous population respectively).

Nationally, the Indigenous rate of imprisonment was 14 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 19 and 18 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 36 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 1,049 persons in New South Wales and 78 persons in the Australian Capital Territory held in periodic detention during the March quarter 2001.

PERSONS IN COMMUNITY-BASED CORRECTIONS

In the June quarter 2000 the number of persons in community-based corrections in Australia was 59,190. Of these persons, 81% (47,858) were males.

Rates per 100,000 adults

The rate for persons in community-based corrections during the June quarter 2000 was 408 persons per 100,000 adult population. Queensland recorded the highest rate of 750 persons per 100,000 adult population, followed by South Australia and the Australian Capital Territory with 524 and 448 persons per 100,000 adult population respectively. Victoria had the lowest rate of persons in community-based corrections (178 persons per 100,000 adult population).

Type of order

The most common community-based corrections orders served were sentenced probation (48%) followed by fine options (25%). Sentenced probation was the most common order served in each of the jurisdictions, except for Queensland where 55% of the orders were fine options. Only 370 orders (less than 1%) were for bail and 754 (1%) were for restricted movement.

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PERSONS IN PRISON CUSTODY(a)

Period	NSW(b)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(c)	ACT(d)	Aust.(c)
AVERAGE DAILY NUMBER										
1998	6 516	2 796	4 874	1 403	2 389	302	607	118	37	18 923
1999	7 117	2 945	5 095	1 363	2 903	343	615	129	36	20 416
2000	7 329	3 153	4 848	1 298	3 055	398	633	150	52	20 766
2000										
March quarter	7 242	3 069	5 100	1 308	2 953	374	640	142	51	20 737
June quarter	7 346	3 130	4 892	1 312	3 038	429	632	151	49	20 828
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
2001										
March quarter	7 532	3 322	4 601	1 338	3 101	359	682	155	55	20 989
2000										
January	7 177	3 088	5 065	1 302	2 911	362	629	144	45	20 579
February	7 266	3 051	5 096	1 305	2 960	368	655	144	52	20 753
March	7 285	3 067	5 138	1 318	2 988	391	637	139	55	20 879
April	7 397	3 126	4 993	1 322	2 993	450	634	141	49	20 964
May	7 308	3 121	4 875	1 312	3 037	418	636	152	42	20 749
June	7 334	3 142	4 809	1 301	3 083	420	627	160	55	20 771
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
2001										
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	691	152	62	20 992
March	7 607	3 338	4 664	1 367	3 141	356	689	154	49	21 212

(a) Includes Work Outreach Camps and Community Custody Centres in Qld.

(b) Persons sentenced to full-time custody in the ACT are held in NSW prisons. These persons are included in the NSW figures, as well as being reported separately under 'ACT in NSW'.

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(d) Refers to unsentenced persons in ACT prison custody—see Explanatory notes, paragraph 12.

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PERSONS IN PRISON CUSTODY(a) *continued*

<i>Period</i>	<i>NSW(b)</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>ACT in NSW(c)</i>	<i>ACT(d)</i>	<i>Aust.(c)</i>
RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION										
1998	137.5	78.5	188.2	124.4	177.9	85.0	455.7	50.4	15.8	134.3
1999	148.1	81.4	193.0	120.0	211.6	96.4	453.9	54.7	15.3	142.8
2000	150.6	85.9	180.3	113.7	219.0	111.7	464.6	64.5	22.3	143.3
2000										
March quarter	149.4	84.1	191.0	114.8	212.8	105.0	467.1	61.3	21.8	143.8
June quarter	151.0	85.4	182.2	114.9	218.1	120.4	459.3	64.8	20.9	143.9
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
2001										
March quarter	154.3	90.0	169.8	117.0	221.0	100.5	502.7	66.7	23.4	144.2
2000										
January	148.1	84.6	189.7	114.3	209.8	101.7	459.3	62.0	19.5	142.7
February	149.9	83.6	190.8	114.5	213.4	103.4	477.9	62.1	22.4	143.9
March	150.3	84.0	192.4	115.7	215.4	109.8	465.1	59.9	23.6	144.8
April	152.0	85.3	186.0	115.8	214.9	126.4	460.4	60.4	20.9	144.8
May	150.2	85.2	181.6	114.9	218.0	117.2	462.1	65.2	18.1	143.3
June	150.7	85.7	179.1	114.0	221.3	117.8	455.3	68.8	23.8	143.5
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
2001										
January	153.0	89.7	167.4	114.8	218.2	100.2	491.8	68.5	23.0	142.7
February	154.1	89.8	170.0	116.6	221.0	101.6	509.4	65.4	26.5	144.2
March	155.9	90.4	172.2	119.5	223.9	99.7	507.5	66.1	21.2	145.7

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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(b)	ACT(c)	Aust.(b)
AVERAGE DAILY NUMBER										
Males										
Secure prison custody										
1999	3 744	2 465	3 844	1 100	1 758	235	476	39	33	13 654
2000	3 754	2 631	3 721	1 055	1 862	296	494	41	45	13 858
2000										
March quarter	3 782	2 593	3 839	1 054	1 804	263	513	41	44	13 892
June quarter	3 765	2 616	3 779	1 072	1 851	319	494	48	43	13 940
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
2001										
March quarter	3 858	2 757	3 563	1 112	1 849	267	542	47	49	13 996
January	3 798	2 750	3 528	1 088	1 846	270	531	49	48	13 858
February	3 860	2 753	3 567	1 110	1 843	273	548	48	55	14 009
March	3 916	2 767	3 593	1 138	1 858	259	547	45	44	14 122
Open prison custody										
1999	2 953	301	943	188	930	91	113	82	..	5 520
2000	3 199	326	834	172	953	81	123	97	..	5 609
2000										
March quarter	3 015	291	917	183	920	87	110	90	..	5 523
June quarter	3 121	322	816	174	943	87	125	92	..	5 587
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
2001										
March quarter	3 196	346	780	147	1 015	73	122	92	..	5 679
January	3 199	349	759	152	981	68	119	94	..	5 626
February	3 182	346	783	148	1 022	72	125	89	..	5 677
March	3 205	344	797	142	1 042	79	123	94	..	5 732
Total prison custody										
1999	6 697	2 766	4 786	1 288	2 688	326	590	121	33	19 174
2000	6 873	2 957	4 555	1 228	2 815	377	617	138	45	19 466
2000										
March quarter	6 797	2 883	4 757	1 237	2 724	350	622	131	44	19 415
June quarter	6 886	2 937	4 595	1 246	2 794	406	619	140	43	19 527
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
2001										
March quarter	7 054	3 103	4 342	1 259	2 864	340	664	140	49	19 675
January	6 997	3 099	4 287	1 240	2 827	338	649	143	48	19 485
February	7 042	3 099	4 350	1 258	2 865	345	673	137	55	19 687
March	7 121	3 111	4 390	1 280	2 900	338	670	139	44	19 854

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AVERAGE DAILY NUMBER										
Females										
Secure prison custody										
1999	277	146	216	74	142	17	25	—	3	901
2000	288	157	231	70	158	22	16	—	7	949
2000										
March quarter	284	154	255	71	154	24	17	—	6	966
June quarter	288	157	245	65	163	24	13	—	6	961
September quarter	288	155	218	75	163	20	18	—	6	943
December quarter	292	161	206	69	154	19	17	1	9	927
2001										
March quarter	296	166	206	79	155	19	19	2	6	947
January	299	161	191	74	152	21	18	2	6	921
February	295	164	204	76	152	18	19	2	6	934
March	295	174	224	87	162	18	19	2	6	985
Open prison custody										
1999	144	33	92	—	73	—	—	8	..	342
2000	168	39	62	—	82	—	—	12	..	351
2000										
March quarter	160	32	88	—	75	—	—	11	..	356
June quarter	173	35	52	—	80	—	—	11	..	340
September quarter	167	40	57	—	81	—	—	13	..	345
December quarter	171	49	51	—	92	—	—	13	..	363
2001										
March quarter	182	52	52	—	81	—	—	13	..	367
January	170	50	56	—	82	—	—	14	..	358
February	184	53	51	—	84	—	—	13	..	372
March	191	53	50	—	79	—	—	13	..	373
Total prison custody										
1999	421	179	309	74	215	17	25	8	3	1 242
2000	456	196	293	70	240	22	16	12	7	1 300
2000										
March quarter	445	186	343	71	229	24	17	11	6	1 322
June quarter	460	192	297	65	244	24	13	11	6	1 301
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
2001										
March quarter	478	218	259	79	237	19	19	16	6	1 314
January	469	211	247	74	233	21	18	16	6	1 279
February	479	217	255	76	235	18	19	15	6	1 305
March	486	227	274	87	241	18	19	15	6	1 357

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AVERAGE DAILY NUMBER										
Persons										
Secure prison custody										
1999	4 021	2 611	4 060	1 174	1 901	252	501	39	36	14 555
2000	4 041	2 788	3 952	1 126	2 020	317	511	41	52	14 807
2000										
March quarter	4 067	2 747	4 095	1 125	1 958	287	530	41	51	14 858
June quarter	4 053	2 773	4 025	1 138	2 015	343	507	48	49	14 901
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
2001										
March quarter	4 154	2 923	3 769	1 191	2 004	286	560	50	55	14 943
January	4 097	2 911	3 719	1 162	1 998	291	549	52	54	14 780
February	4 155	2 917	3 771	1 186	1 995	291	567	50	62	14 943
March	4 211	2 941	3 817	1 225	2 020	277	566	47	49	15 107
Open prison custody										
1999	3 097	333	1 035	188	1 003	91	113	90	..	5 861
2000	3 287	365	896	172	1 035	81	123	109	..	5 959
2000										
March quarter	3 175	323	1 005	183	995	87	110	101	..	5 878
June quarter	3 293	357	867	174	1 023	87	125	103	..	5 927
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
2001										
March quarter	3 377	398	832	147	1 096	73	122	106	..	6 046
January	3 369	399	815	152	1 063	68	119	108	..	5 984
February	3 366	399	834	148	1 105	72	125	102	..	6 049
March	3 396	397	847	142	1 121	79	123	107	..	6 105
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2001										
March quarter	7 532	3 322	4 601	1 338	3 101	359	682	155	55	20 989
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	691	152	62	20 992
March	7 607	3 338	4 664	1 367	3 141	356	689	154	49	21 212

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RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION										
Males										
Secure prison custody										
1999	158.4	139.3	293.3	198.2	256.5	135.6	659.6	33.5	28.1	193.8
2000	156.7	146.4	278.8	189.0	267.0	170.4	678.6	35.6	39.1	194.0
2000										
March quarter	158.6	145.1	289.6	189.2	260.2	151.7	701.4	35.9	38.7	195.4
June quarter	157.2	145.9	283.6	192.1	265.9	184.0	671.2	41.5	37.5	195.3
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
2001										
March quarter	160.5	152.5	265.1	198.7	263.7	153.7	747.9	41.2	42.3	195.0
January	158.0	152.1	262.5	194.4	263.2	155.3	732.5	42.8	41.5	193.1
February	160.6	152.3	265.4	198.4	262.8	157.1	756.6	41.6	48.2	195.2
March	162.9	153.1	267.3	203.4	264.9	149.1	755.3	39.1	37.9	196.8
Open prison custody										
1999	124.9	17.0	72.0	33.9	135.7	52.8	157.3	70.3	..	78.3
2000	130.2	18.1	62.5	30.8	136.7	46.8	168.5	84.4	..	78.5
2000										
March quarter	126.4	16.3	69.2	32.9	132.7	50.1	149.9	78.9	..	77.7
June quarter	130.3	17.9	61.2	31.2	135.4	50.0	170.2	80.1	..	78.3
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
2001										
March quarter	132.9	19.2	58.0	26.3	144.7	42.0	168.4	80.4	..	79.1
January	133.1	19.3	56.5	27.2	139.9	38.9	163.9	81.7	..	78.4
February	132.4	19.1	58.3	26.4	145.7	41.5	172.1	77.4	..	79.1
March	133.3	19.0	59.3	25.4	148.6	45.5	169.6	81.7	..	79.9
Total prison custody										
1999	283.2	156.3	365.2	232.1	392.2	188.4	816.9	103.8	28.1	272.1
2000	286.9	164.5	341.2	219.9	403.7	217.1	847.1	120.1	39.1	272.5
2000										
March quarter	285.0	161.4	358.7	222.1	392.9	201.8	851.4	114.8	38.7	273.1
June quarter	287.5	163.8	344.8	223.3	401.3	233.9	841.4	121.6	37.5	273.6
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
2001										
March quarter	293.4	171.7	323.1	225.0	408.4	195.7	916.3	121.6	42.3	274.1
January	291.1	171.5	319.0	221.6	403.1	194.3	896.4	124.6	41.5	271.5
February	292.9	171.5	323.7	224.8	408.5	198.6	928.7	119.0	48.2	274.3
March	296.2	172.1	326.6	228.7	413.6	194.7	924.9	120.9	37.9	276.6

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RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION										
Females										
Secure prison custody										
1999	11.3	7.9	16.3	12.8	20.7	9.2	39.7	—	2.7	12.4
2000	11.6	8.4	17.1	12.1	22.7	11.9	25.9	0.2	5.9	12.9
2000										
March quarter	11.5	8.3	19.0	12.2	22.1	13.3	27.2	—	5.3	13.2
June quarter	11.6	8.4	18.1	11.2	23.5	12.9	20.3	—	4.7	13.1
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
2000										
March quarter	12.0	8.8	15.1	13.5	22.1	10.3	29.4	1.9	5.0	12.8
January	12.1	8.5	14.0	12.7	21.6	11.3	28.7	2.0	5.0	12.5
February	11.9	8.7	14.9	13.0	21.6	9.8	29.6	2.1	5.3	12.7
March	11.9	9.2	16.4	14.9	23.1	9.8	29.9	1.7	4.9	13.4
Open prison custody										
1999	5.9	1.8	6.9	—	10.6	—	—	6.8	..	4.7
2000	6.8	2.1	4.6	—	11.7	—	—	10.1	..	4.8
2000										
March quarter	6.5	1.7	6.5	—	10.8	—	—	9.1	..	4.9
June quarter	7.0	1.9	3.8	—	11.5	—	—	9.4	..	4.6
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
2001										
March quarter	7.3	2.8	3.8	—	11.6	—	—	11.3	..	5.0
January	6.9	2.7	4.1	—	11.7	—	—	11.9	..	4.9
February	7.4	2.8	3.7	—	11.9	—	—	11.0	..	5.0
March	7.7	2.8	3.7	—	11.2	—	—	11.0	..	5.1
Total prison custody										
1999	17.2	9.7	23.2	12.8	31.3	9.2	39.7	6.8	2.7	17.1
2000	18.5	10.5	21.6	12.1	34.5	11.9	25.9	10.3	5.9	17.7
2000										
March quarter	18.1	10.0	25.5	12.2	33.0	13.3	27.2	9.1	5.3	18.1
June quarter	18.6	10.3	22.0	11.2	35.0	12.9	20.3	9.4	4.7	17.7
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
2001										
March quarter	19.3	11.6	19.0	13.5	33.7	10.3	29.4	13.2	5.0	17.8
January	18.9	11.2	18.1	12.7	33.3	11.3	28.7	13.9	5.0	17.3
February	19.3	11.5	18.7	13.0	33.6	9.8	29.6	13.1	5.3	17.7
March	19.6	12.1	20.1	14.9	34.3	9.8	29.9	12.7	4.9	18.4

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RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION										
Persons										
Secure prison custody										
1999	83.6	72.2	153.8	103.4	138.5	70.7	370.1	16.6	15.3	101.8
2000	83.1	75.9	147.0	98.6	144.8	88.9	374.5	17.7	22.3	102.2
2000										
March quarter	83.9	75.2	153.3	98.7	141.1	80.6	387.1	17.7	21.8	103.0
June quarter	83.3	75.7	149.9	99.7	144.6	96.1	368.3	20.5	20.9	102.9
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
2001										
March quarter	85.1	79.2	139.1	104.1	142.9	80.1	412.8	21.3	23.4	102.7
January	83.9	78.9	137.3	101.5	142.4	81.3	404.3	22.2	23.0	101.6
February	85.1	79.0	139.2	103.6	142.2	81.4	417.5	21.6	26.5	102.7
March	86.3	79.7	140.9	107.0	144.0	77.6	417.1	20.2	21.2	103.8
Open prison custody										
1999	64.4	9.2	39.2	16.6	73.1	25.7	83.8	38.2	..	41.0
2000	67.6	9.9	33.3	15.1	74.2	22.8	90.0	46.8	..	41.1
2000										
March quarter	65.5	8.8	37.6	16.1	71.7	24.4	80.0	43.6	..	40.8
June quarter	67.7	9.7	32.3	15.2	73.4	24.3	91.0	44.3	..	40.9
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
2001										
March quarter	69.2	10.8	30.7	12.9	78.1	20.4	89.9	45.4	..	41.5
January	69.0	10.8	30.1	13.3	75.8	18.9	87.5	46.4	..	41.1
February	69.0	10.8	30.8	12.9	78.8	20.2	91.9	43.8	..	41.6
March	69.6	10.8	31.3	12.4	79.9	22.1	90.5	45.9	..	41.9
Total prison custody										
1999	148.1	81.4	193.0	120.0	211.6	96.4	453.9	54.7	15.3	142.8
2000	150.6	85.9	180.3	113.7	219.0	111.7	464.6	64.5	22.3	143.3
2000										
March quarter	149.4	84.1	191.0	114.8	212.8	105.0	467.1	61.3	21.8	143.8
June quarter	151.0	85.4	182.2	114.9	218.1	120.4	459.3	64.8	20.9	143.9
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
2001										
March quarter	154.3	90.0	169.8	117.0	221.0	100.5	502.7	66.7	23.4	144.2
January	153.0	89.7	167.4	114.8	218.2	100.2	491.8	68.5	23.0	142.7
February	154.1	89.8	170.0	116.6	221.0	101.6	509.4	65.4	26.5	144.2
March	155.9	90.4	172.2	119.5	223.9	99.7	507.5	66.1	21.2	145.7

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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(b)	ACT(c)	Aust.(b)
NUMBER ON FIRST DAY OF MONTH										
Unsentenced										
1999(d)	1 321	451	616	277	377	56	91	3	41	3 231
2000(d)	1 495	459	702	364	451	73	160	3	54	3 755
2000										
March quarter(d)	1 469	478	659	344	424	80	144	4	52	3 650
June quarter(d)	1 509	471	694	368	453	93	178	4	54	3 819
September quarter(d)	1 483	435	707	342	500	65	165	1	54	3 750
December quarter(d)	1 518	451	746	401	428	54	151	4	53	3 802
2001										
March quarter(d)	1 630	458	875	445	480	60	169	8	63	4 181
January	1 651	436	859	405	458	63	166	7	55	4 093
February	1 579	458	874	449	482	54	176	9	70	4 142
March	1 660	481	892	482	501	62	165	7	65	4 308
Sentenced										
Fine default only										
1999(d)	1	5	234	43	71	21	20	2	..	395
2000(d)	3	3	193	3	55	13	14	—	1	285
2000										
March quarter(d)	1	5	286	9	54	12	13	—	..	379
June quarter(d)	5	2	246	—	55	7	11	—	..	326
September quarter(d)	3	2	120	—	58	14	17	—	1	216
December quarter(d)	3	1	118	1	54	19	16	—	4	217
2001										
March quarter(d)	2	—	12	1	48	20	40	—	1	125
January	1	1	21	1	38	24	12	—	2	100
February	3	—	10	—	53	23	55	—	1	145
March	1	—	6	2	53	14	53	—	—	129
Other sentenced										
1999(d)	5 796	2 482	4 213	1 043	2 438	257	497	125	..	16 725
2000(d)	5 842	2 680	3 910	941	2 529	258	459	147	..	16 619
2000										
March quarter(d)	5 777	2 562	4 082	944	2 437	234	474	138	..	16 510
June quarter(d)	5 847	2 659	3 948	963	2 500	261	449	147	..	16 627
September quarter(d)	5 875	2 713	3 817	953	2 567	271	440	149	..	16 637
December quarter(d)	5 869	2 787	3 793	906	2 611	265	473	153	..	16 703
2001										
March quarter(d)	5 890	2 849	3 721	886	2 560	239	470	147	..	16 615
January	5 829	2 848	3 738	877	2 563	232	485	152	..	16 572
February	5 878	2 842	3 717	897	2 555	246	448	143	..	16 583
March	5 963	2 858	3 707	884	2 563	238	476	147	..	16 689

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NUMBER ON FIRST DAY OF MONTH										
Total sentenced										
1999(d)	5 797	2 487	4 447	1 086	2 509	278	517	127	..	17 120
2000(d)	5 845	2 683	4 103	944	2 584	271	473	147	1	16 904
2000										
March quarter(d)	5 778	2 567	4 368	952	2 491	246	487	138	..	16 889
June quarter(d)	5 852	2 661	4 195	963	2 555	268	459	147	..	16 953
September quarter(d)	5 878	2 716	3 938	953	2 625	285	457	149	1	16 853
December quarter(d)	5 872	2 788	3 911	907	2 665	284	490	153	4	16 920
2001										
March quarter(d)	5 892	2 850	3 733	887	2 608	259	510	147	1	16 739
January	5 830	2 849	3 759	878	2 601	256	497	152	2	16 672
February	5 881	2 842	3 727	897	2 608	269	503	143	1	16 728
March	5 964	2 858	3 713	886	2 616	252	529	147	—	16 818
Total										
1999(d)	7 118	2 939	5 063	1 363	2 886	334	608	129	41	20 351
2000(d)	7 340	3 141	4 804	1 307	3 035	344	633	150	55	20 659
2000										
March quarter(d)	7 247	3 044	5 027	1 296	2 915	326	631	142	52	20 539
June quarter(d)	7 361	3 132	4 888	1 330	3 008	361	638	151	54	20 772
September quarter(d)	7 361	3 151	4 645	1 295	3 125	350	622	150	55	20 603
December quarter(d)	7 390	3 239	4 657	1 307	3 093	337	641	157	57	20 722
2001										
March quarter(d)	7 522	3 308	4 608	1 332	3 089	319	679	155	64	20 920
January	7 481	3 285	4 618	1 283	3 059	319	663	159	57	20 765
February	7 460	3 300	4 601	1 346	3 090	323	679	152	71	20 870
March	7 624	3 339	4 605	1 368	3 117	314	694	154	65	21 126

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RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION										
Unsentenced										
1999(d)	27.5	12.5	23.4	24.4	27.5	15.8	67.4	0.4	17.5	22.6
2000(d)	30.7	12.5	26.1	31.8	32.3	20.4	117.0	1.5	23.0	25.9
2000										
March quarter(d)	30.3	13.1	24.7	30.2	30.5	22.5	105.1	1.9	22.6	25.3
June quarter(d)	31.0	12.8	25.8	32.2	32.5	26.0	129.5	1.7	23.2	26.4
September quarter(d)	30.5	11.8	26.3	29.9	35.8	18.1	122.0	0.3	23.3	25.9
December quarter(d)	31.1	12.2	27.5	35.0	30.5	15.0	111.5	1.9	22.9	26.1
2001										
March quarter(d)	33.4	12.4	32.3	38.9	34.2	16.7	124.5	3.3	27.2	28.7
January	33.8	11.8	31.7	35.4	32.7	17.6	122.3	3.0	23.6	28.1
February	32.4	12.4	32.3	39.2	34.4	15.1	129.7	3.9	30.0	28.5
March	34.0	13.0	32.9	42.1	35.7	17.3	121.6	3.0	27.9	29.6
Sentenced										
Fine default only										
1999(d)	—	0.1	8.8	3.8	5.2	6.0	14.8	0.7	..	2.8
2000(d)	0.1	0.1	7.2	0.2	3.9	3.7	10.5	—	0.5	2.0
2000										
March quarter(d)	—	0.1	10.7	0.8	3.9	3.5	9.5	—	..	2.6
June quarter(d)	0.1	0.1	9.2	—	3.9	2.1	7.7	—	..	2.3
September quarter(d)	0.1	0.1	4.5	—	4.1	4.0	12.8	—	0.3	1.5
December quarter(d)	0.1	—	4.4	0.1	3.8	5.3	12.0	—	1.7	1.5
2001										
March quarter(d)	—	—	0.5	0.1	3.4	5.7	29.5	—	0.4	0.9
January	—	—	0.8	0.1	2.7	6.7	8.8	—	0.9	0.7
February	0.1	—	0.4	—	3.8	6.4	40.5	—	0.4	1.0
March	—	—	0.2	0.2	3.8	3.9	39.0	—	—	0.9
Other sentenced										
1999(d)	120.6	68.6	159.6	91.8	177.7	72.2	366.9	53.2	..	117.0
2000(d)	120.1	73.0	145.4	82.4	181.3	72.2	336.5	63.1	..	114.7
2000										
March quarter(d)	119.2	70.2	152.9	82.8	175.7	65.7	345.8	59.4	..	114.5
June quarter(d)	120.2	72.5	147.1	84.3	179.4	73.2	325.8	63.2	..	114.9
September quarter(d)	120.7	73.8	141.7	83.4	183.8	75.9	325.7	64.1	..	114.7
December quarter(d)	120.2	75.5	140.0	79.1	186.1	74.1	348.7	65.7	..	114.8
2001										
March quarter(d)	120.7	77.2	137.4	77.4	182.5	66.8	346.0	63.2	..	114.2
January	119.4	77.2	138.0	76.6	182.7	64.9	357.3	65.2	..	113.9
February	120.4	77.0	137.2	78.4	182.1	68.8	330.1	61.4	..	113.9
March	122.2	77.4	136.9	77.2	182.7	66.6	350.7	63.1	..	114.7

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(d) 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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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(b)</i>	<i>ACT(c)</i>	<i>Aust.(b)</i>
RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION										
Total sentenced										
1999(d)	120.6	68.7	168.4	95.6	182.9	78.2	381.6	54.0	..	119.7
2000(d)	120.2	73.1	152.6	82.6	185.2	76.0	347.1	63.1	0.5	116.7
2000										
March quarter(d)	119.2	70.3	163.6	83.6	179.6	69.2	355.3	59.4	..	117.1
June quarter(d)	120.3	72.6	156.3	84.3	183.4	75.3	333.6	63.2	..	117.1
September quarter(d)	120.8	73.8	146.2	83.4	187.9	79.9	338.5	64.1	0.3	116.2
December quarter(d)	120.3	75.5	144.4	79.2	190.0	79.4	360.8	65.7	1.7	116.3
2001										
March quarter(d)	120.7	77.2	137.8	77.5	185.9	72.5	375.5	63.2	0.4	115.0
January	119.4	77.2	138.8	76.7	185.4	71.6	366.2	65.2	0.9	114.6
February	120.5	77.0	137.6	78.4	185.9	75.3	370.6	61.4	0.4	114.9
March	122.2	77.4	137.1	77.4	186.5	70.5	389.8	63.1	—	115.6
Total										
1999(d)	148.1	81.2	191.8	120.1	210.4	94.0	449.1	55.1	17.5	142.4
2000(d)	150.9	85.6	178.7	114.5	217.6	96.4	464.1	64.6	23.5	142.6
2000										
March quarter(d)	149.5	83.4	188.2	113.8	210.1	91.6	460.4	61.3	22.6	142.4
June quarter(d)	151.3	85.5	182.1	116.5	215.9	101.3	463.1	65.0	23.2	143.5
September quarter(d)	151.2	85.7	172.5	113.3	223.7	98.1	460.5	64.4	23.6	142.1
December quarter(d)	151.4	87.8	171.9	114.2	220.5	94.4	472.3	67.5	24.6	142.4
2001										
March quarter(d)	154.1	89.6	170.1	116.4	220.2	89.2	500.0	66.5	27.6	143.7
January	153.3	89.0	170.5	112.1	218.1	89.3	488.5	68.2	24.5	142.7
February	152.8	89.4	169.9	117.6	220.3	90.4	500.3	65.2	30.5	143.4
March	156.2	90.5	170.0	119.5	222.2	87.9	511.3	66.1	27.9	145.2

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(c) Refers to unsentenced persons in ACT prison custody—see Explanatory notes, paragraph 12.

(d) 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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SENTENCED RECEPTIONS INTO PRISON CUSTODY, By Type of Sentence

Sentence type	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(a)	ACT(b)	Aust. (a)
NUMBER										
Fine default only										
1999	44	47	4 696	1 712	644	267	939	3	..	8 349
2000	75	29	3 290	130	537	162	378	—	41	4 642
2000										
March quarter	15	5	1 328	99	130	37	85	1	..	1 699
June quarter	14	12	934	2	140	23	98	—	..	1 223
September quarter	21	9	813	19	136	45	103	1	29	1 175
December quarter	25	3	215	10	131	57	92	—	12	545
2001										
March quarter	18	—	29	16	188	64	93	—	11	419
January	6	—	7	2	63	27	35	—	3	143
February	8	—	14	6	48	23	34	—	3	136
March	4	—	8	8	77	14	24	—	5	140
Other sentenced										
1999	8 293	3 959	10 854	1 537	3 373	610	896	115	..	29 522
2000	7 917	4 012	8 872	1 156	3 552	588	768	—	..	26 865
2000										
March quarter	2 114	919	2 674	339	865	131	229	22	..	7 271
June quarter	1 917	1 029	2 374	297	861	150	178	44	..	6 806
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
2001										
March quarter	1 924	899	1 555	278	892	100	184	44	..	5 832
January	578	243	395	70	287	32	59	6	..	1 664
February	681	327	561	98	304	37	62	20	..	2 070
March	665	329	599	110	301	31	63	18	..	2 098
Total sentenced										
1999	8 337	4 006	15 550	3 249	4 017	877	1 835	118	..	37 871
2000	7 992	4 041	12 162	1 286	4 089	750	1 146	—	41	31 507
2000										
March quarter	2 129	924	4 002	438	995	168	314	23	..	8 970
June quarter	1 931	1 041	3 308	299	1 001	173	276	44	..	8 029
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
2001										
March quarter	1 942	899	1 584	294	1 080	164	277	44	11	6 251
January	584	243	402	72	350	59	94	6	3	1 807
February	689	327	575	104	352	60	96	20	3	2 206
March	669	329	607	118	378	45	87	18	5	2 238

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SENTENCED RECEPTIONS INTO PRISON CUSTODY, By Type of Sentence *continued*

Sentence type	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(a)	ACT(b)	Aust.(a)
RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION										
Fine default only										
1999	0.9	1.3	177.8	150.8	47.0	74.9	693.8	1.3	..	58.3
2000	1.5	0.7	122.6	11.5	38.4	45.4	277.4	0.8	17.7	32.0
2000										
March quarter	0.3	0.1	49.7	8.7	9.4	10.4	62.1	0.4	..	11.8
June quarter	0.3	0.3	34.8	0.2	10.0	6.5	71.2	—	..	8.4
September quarter	0.4	0.2	30.2	1.7	9.7	12.6	76.3	0.4	12.5	8.1
December quarter	0.5	0.1	7.9	0.9	9.3	15.9	67.8	—	5.2	3.7
2001										
March quarter	0.4	—	1.1	1.4	13.4	17.9	68.5	—	4.7	2.9
January	0.1	—	0.3	0.2	4.5	7.6	25.8	—	1.3	1.0
February	0.2	—	0.5	0.5	3.4	6.4	25.1	—	1.3	0.9
March	0.1	—	0.3	0.7	5.5	3.9	17.7	—	2.1	1.0
Other sentenced										
1999	172.5	109.5	411.0	135.3	246.1	171.5	662.3	49.0	..	206.5
2000	162.7	109.3	330.1	101.2	254.6	164.8	563.1	66.6	..	185.4
2000										
March quarter	43.6	25.2	100.1	29.7	62.3	36.8	167.2	9.5	..	50.4
June quarter	39.4	28.1	88.4	26.0	61.8	42.1	129.3	18.9	..	47.0
September quarter	36.8	27.7	78.7	21.1	69.1	47.6	117.8	16.3	..	44.6
December quarter	42.9	28.3	62.9	24.4	61.4	38.3	148.8	21.9	..	43.4
2001										
March quarter	39.4	24.4	57.4	24.3	63.6	28.0	135.6	18.9	..	40.1
January	11.8	6.6	14.6	6.1	20.5	9.0	43.5	2.6	..	11.4
February	14.0	8.9	20.7	8.6	21.7	10.4	45.7	8.6	..	14.2
March	13.6	8.9	22.1	9.6	21.5	8.7	46.4	7.7	..	14.4
Total sentenced										
1999	173.4	110.8	588.8	286.2	293.1	246.5	1 356.1	47.3	..	264.7
2000	164.3	110.0	452.7	112.7	293.0	210.2	840.3	67.4	17.7	217.6
2000										
March quarter	43.9	25.3	149.8	38.4	71.7	47.2	229.2	9.9	..	62.2
June quarter	39.7	28.4	123.2	26.2	71.8	48.5	200.4	18.9	..	55.5
September quarter	37.3	27.9	108.9	22.8	78.8	60.2	194.1	16.7	12.5	52.7
December quarter	43.4	28.4	70.8	25.3	70.7	54.3	216.6	21.9	5.2	47.2
2001										
March quarter	39.8	24.4	58.5	25.7	77.0	45.9	204.1	18.9	4.7	43.0
January	12.0	6.6	14.8	6.3	25.0	16.5	69.3	2.6	1.3	12.4
February	14.1	8.9	21.2	9.1	25.1	16.8	70.7	8.6	1.3	15.2
March	13.7	8.9	22.4	10.3	26.9	12.6	64.1	7.7	2.1	15.4

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

Sex	NSW(d)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(d)(e)	ACT(f)	Aust.(e)
NUMBER ON FIRST DAY OF MONTH										
Males										
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
2000										
March quarter(g)	1 035	122	1 047	162	857	42	396	3	7	3 668
June quarter(g)	1 051	126	1 027	196	894	39	385	7	6	3 724
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
2001										
March quarter(g)	1 026	135	907	210	916	39	422	9	7	3 662
January	1 030	136	851	196	900	39	426	9	5	3 583
February	1 013	138	928	213	930	39	422	11	7	3 690
March	1 035	131	941	221	917	40	418	7	9	3 712
Females										
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
2000										
March quarter(g)	108	7	87	10	98	1	11	1	1	323
June quarter(g)	107	11	80	11	98	1	9	2	1	319
September quarter(g)	106	12	69	18	88	—	12	4	—	307
December quarter(g)	121	11	67	15	97	1	12	4	1	326
2001										
March quarter(g)	131	12	67	17	103	1	12	3	3	347
January	124	10	57	14	107	2	12	3	3	329
February	134	11	72	18	105	1	10	3	2	353
March	134	15	73	20	98	1	14	3	3	358
Persons										
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
2000										
March quarter(g)	1 143	129	1 134	172	956	43	408	4	7	3 991
June quarter(g)	1 158	137	1 108	207	991	40	395	9	7	4 042
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
2001										
March quarter(g)	1 157	147	974	227	1 019	41	434	12	10	4 008
January	1 154	146	908	210	1 007	41	438	12	8	3 912
February	1 147	149	1 000	231	1 035	40	432	14	9	4 043
March	1 169	146	1 014	241	1 015	41	432	10	12	4 070

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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) Persons sentenced to full-time custody in the ACT are held in NSW prisons. The figures are a subset of the NSW figures and are NOT included in the totals for Australia—see Explanatory notes, paragraph 12.

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(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)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(d)(e)	ACT(f)	Aust.(e)
RATE PER 100,000 ADULT INDIGENOUS POPULATION										
Males										
1999(g)	n.a.	1 727.9	3 504.6	3 178.8	5 662.1	814.4	2 772.1	n.a.	610.3	n.a.
2000(g)	3 390.3	1 814.2	3 228.3	3 024.9	5 489.3	939.5	2 461.2	780.1	605.7	3 278.1
2000										
March quarter(g)	3 400.1	1 782.4	3 384.7	2 644.0	5 341.3	922.8	2 477.1	n.p.	n.p.	3 280.6
June quarter(g)	3 453.8	1 841.0	3 320.1	3 193.5	5 567.7	863.8	2 408.3	n.p.	n.p.	3 330.4
September quarter(g)	3 367.3	1 797.1	3 107.9	3 117.3	5 534.4	1 011.4	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	959.8	2 553.3	n.p.	n.p.	3 255.9
2001										
March quarter(g)	3 282.9	1 937.7	2 847.4	3 359.5	5 568.1	850.8	2 672.6	n.p.	n.p.	3 208.9
January	3 295.7	1 952.1	2 672.6	3 135.5	5 472.8	843.6	2 697.9	n.p.	n.p.	3 139.9
February	3 241.3	1 980.8	2 914.4	3 407.5	5 655.2	843.6	2 672.6	n.p.	n.p.	3 233.7
March	3 311.7	1 880.3	2 955.2	3 535.4	5 576.2	865.2	2 647.2	n.p.	n.p.	3 253.0
Females										
1999(g)	n.a.	108.3	218.8	211.3	566.2	36.0	100.4	n.a.	98.0	n.a.
2000(g)	332.5	148.6	225.5	193.4	557.8	19.0	68.8	273.5	64.4	264.7
2000										
March quarter(g)	323.9	103.8	257.4	139.3	574.9	n.p.	67.4	n.p.	n.p.	267.6
June quarter(g)	320.9	160.4	238.6	158.6	571.0	n.p.	55.5	n.p.	n.p.	264.0
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
2001										
March quarter(g)	384.3	167.1	194.5	243.4	588.9	n.p.	72.4	n.p.	n.p.	281.6
January	364.7	139.3	164.7	196.6	609.8	n.p.	72.4	n.p.	n.p.	267.3
February	394.1	153.2	208.0	252.8	598.4	n.p.	60.3	n.p.	n.p.	286.8
March	394.1	208.9	210.9	280.9	558.5	n.p.	84.4	n.p.	n.p.	290.8
Persons										
1999(g)	n.a.	900.7	1 791.2	1 613.2	3 030.2	412.8	1 402.7	n.a.	339.2	n.a.
2000(g)	1 794.3	966.9	1 663.6	1 521.4	2 945.2	464.0	1 234.7	510.1	317.2	1 713.7
2000										
March quarter(g)	1 794.5	928.5	1 755.1	1 314.0	2 882.3	460.4	1 242.0	n.p.	n.p.	1 716.5
June quarter(g)	1 818.6	986.1	1 714.4	1 582.0	2 989.9	431.8	1 202.4	n.p.	n.p.	1 738.6
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
2001										
March quarter(g)	1 772.6	1 039.1	1 465.6	1 700.1	2 997.8	424.7	1 340.5	n.p.	n.p.	1 689.8
January	1 768.6	1 032.0	1 366.3	1 570.4	2 962.5	428.2	1 352.9	n.p.	n.p.	1 649.2
February	1 757.8	1 053.2	1 504.7	1 727.5	3 044.8	417.7	1 334.3	n.p.	n.p.	1 704.4
March	1 791.5	1 032.0	1 525.8	1 802.3	2 986.0	428.2	1 334.3	n.p.	n.p.	1 715.8

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Sex	NSW(d)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(d)(e)	ACT(f)	Aust.(e)
RATIO OF INDIGENOUS TO NON-INDIGENOUS RATES OF IMPRISONMENT										
Males										
1999(g)	n.a.	11.5	12.1	15.9	21.2	4.9	10.4	n.a.	23.4	n.a.
2000(g)	13.7	11.5	12.0	15.9	19.5	5.7	6.1	6.8	16.5	14.7
2000										
March quarter(g)	13.9	11.6	12.0	13.7	19.7	6.0	6.5	n.p.	n.p.	14.7
June quarter(g)	14.0	11.7	12.1	16.5	20.2	4.8	5.8	n.p.	n.p.	14.9
September quarter(g)	13.6	11.4	11.9	16.8	18.9	6.0	5.8	n.p.	n.p.	14.5
December quarter(g)	13.4	11.4	11.8	16.7	19.3	5.9	6.3	n.p.	n.p.	14.6
2001										
March quarter(g)	12.9	11.8	10.8	17.7	19.7	5.5	6.3	n.p.	n.p.	14.2
January	13.1	12.0	10.0	17.0	19.6	5.5	6.9	n.p.	n.p.	13.9
February	12.9	12.1	11.2	17.8	20.2	5.3	6.3	n.p.	n.p.	14.4
March	12.9	11.3	11.4	18.3	19.4	5.7	5.8	n.p.	n.p.	14.3
Females										
1999(g)	n.a.	11.6	12.2	20.7	32.0	2.2	6.8	n.a.	36.5	n.a.
2000(g)	23.4	15.0	14.1	19.4	26.9	1.7	6.5	34.0	12.5	19.6
2000										
March quarter(g)	23.2	10.7	13.6	13.4	31.4	n.p.	5.0	n.p.	n.p.	19.5
June quarter(g)	21.9	16.2	14.6	17.0	27.0	n.p.	6.6	n.p.	n.p.	19.4
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
2001										
March quarter(g)	27.2	15.3	13.7	24.4	30.2	n.p.	5.6	n.p.	n.p.	21.3
January	26.1	13.0	11.5	20.6	30.9	n.p.	6.8	n.p.	n.p.	20.3
February	28.0	14.1	15.2	25.2	30.5	n.p.	3.5	n.p.	n.p.	21.9
March	27.6	18.7	14.5	27.0	29.2	n.p.	7.9	n.p.	n.p.	21.8
Persons										
1999(g)	n.a.	11.5	11.7	15.6	21.3	4.8	9.1	n.a.	24.2	n.a.
2000(g)	13.9	11.8	11.7	15.5	19.5	5.4	5.5	8.4	15.2	14.7
2000										
March quarter(g)	14.1	11.6	11.7	13.2	19.9	5.6	5.8	n.a.	n.p.	14.7
June quarter(g)	14.1	12.0	11.9	15.9	20.2	4.7	5.2	n.p.	n.p.	14.8
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
2001										
March quarter(g)	13.4	12.1	10.7	17.4	19.8	5.3	5.7	n.p.	n.p.	14.3
January	13.5	12.1	9.7	16.6	19.8	5.4	6.2	n.p.	n.p.	14.0
February	13.4	12.3	11.0	17.5	20.3	5.1	5.6	n.p.	n.p.	14.5
March	13.4	11.9	11.2	18.1	19.4	5.5	5.3	n.p.	n.p.	14.4

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Legal status and sentence type	NSW(d)	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT in NSW(d)(e)	ACT(f)	Aust.(e)
NUMBER ON FIRST DAY OF MONTH										
Unsentenced										
1999(g)	n.a.	24	124	52	124	8	53	n.a.	7	n.a.
2000(g)	214	27	154	66	133	8	69	—	6	676
2000										
March quarter(g)	211	23	159	52	121	9	52	—	7	635
June quarter(g)	217	27	162	69	145	8	59	1	7	694
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
2001										
March quarter(g)	236	30	155	87	161	7	94	1	10	780
January	242	27	145	80	159	6	101	—	8	768
February	219	33	158	90	171	7	98	1	9	785
March	248	29	161	90	154	9	83	1	12	786
Sentenced										
Fine default only										
1999(g)	n.a.	—	54	9	34	1	17	n.a.	..	n.a.
2000(g)	1	—	43	1	24	—	11	—	n.a.	81
2000										
March quarter(g)	—	—	66	2	21	—	9	—	..	99
June quarter(g)	—	—	59	—	27	1	10	—	..	97
September quarter(g)	1	—	24	—	25	1	16	—	..	67
December quarter(g)	1	—	23	—	24	—	10	—	1	59
2001										
March quarter(g)	—	—	—	—	26	1	34	—	—	62
January	—	—	1	1	17	3	12	—	—	34
February	—	—	—	—	29	—	48	—	—	77
March	—	—	—	—	32	—	42	—	—	74
Other sentenced										
1999(g)	n.a.	98	937	144	819	29	378	n.a.	..	n.a.
2000(g)	928	107	878	132	819	35	318	10	..	3 217
2000										
March quarter(g)	931	106	909	117	814	34	346	4	..	3 257
June quarter(g)	941	110	886	137	820	32	325	8	..	3 252
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
2001										
March quarter(g)	920	117	819	140	832	32	306	11	..	3 167
January	912	119	762	129	831	32	325	12	..	3 110
February	928	116	842	141	835	33	286	13	..	3 181
March	921	117	853	151	829	32	307	9	..	3 210

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NUMBER ON FIRST DAY OF MONTH										
Total sentenced										
1999(g)	n.a.	98	991	153	853	30	394	n.a.	..	n.a.
2000(g)	929	107	921	132	844	36	329	10	n.a.	3 298
2000										
March quarter(g)	932	106	975	119	835	34	356	4	..	3 356
June quarter(g)	941	110	945	137	847	32	335	8	..	3 349
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
2001										
March quarter(g)	920	117	819	141	858	33	340	11	—	3 229
January	912	119	763	130	848	35	337	12	—	3 144
February	928	116	842	141	864	33	334	13	—	3 258
March	921	117	853	151	861	32	349	9	—	3 284
Total										
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
2000										
March quarter(g)	1 143	129	1 134	172	956	43	408	4	7	3 991
June quarter(g)	1 158	137	1 108	207	991	40	395	9	7	4 042
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
2001										
March quarter(g)	1 157	147	974	227	1 019	41	434	12	10	4 008
January	1 154	146	908	210	1 007	41	438	12	8	3 912
February	1 147	149	1 000	231	1 035	40	432	14	9	4 043
March	1 169	146	1 014	241	1 015	41	432	10	12	4 070

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RATES PER 100,000 ADULT INDIGENOUS POPULATION										
Unsentenced										
1999(g)	n.a.	175.2	199.4	408.1	384.5	84.2	165.3	n.a.	339.2	n.a.
2000(g)	336.0	195.5	238.0	508.4	400.9	82.1	213.7	n.p.	308.6	291.7
2000										
March quarter(g)	331.4	163.2	246.6	400.6	364.9	99.9	158.4	n.p.	n.p.	273.1
June quarter(g)	340.3	191.9	251.3	530.7	436.3	85.7	180.8	n.p.	n.p.	298.3
September quarter(g)	317.8	218.3	216.2	528.2	421.2	71.4	221.4	n.p.	n.p.	286.3
December quarter(g)	354.4	208.7	237.8	574.1	381.0	71.4	294.1	n.p.	n.p.	309.0
2001										
March quarter(g)	362.2	209.7	232.7	648.1	474.6	76.6	290.3	n.p.	n.p.	328.7
January	370.9	190.9	218.2	598.3	467.8	62.7	312.0	n.p.	n.p.	323.8
February	335.6	233.3	237.7	673.0	503.1	73.1	302.7	n.p.	n.p.	330.9
March	380.1	205.0	242.3	673.0	453.0	94.0	256.4	n.p.	n.p.	331.4
Sentenced										
Fine default only										
1999(g)	n.a.	—	87.1	70.3	105.9	4.6	52.6	n.a.	..	n.a.
2000(g)	0.9	1.2	66.4	5.1	73.1	3.6	35.6	n.p.	n.a.	34.7
2000										
March quarter(g)	0.5	—	102.2	17.9	63.3	—	28.4	n.p.	..	42.6
June quarter(g)	—	—	91.3	—	81.4	7.1	30.5	n.p.	..	41.6
September quarter(g)	2.1	2.4	37.1	—	74.4	7.1	50.6	n.p.	..	29.0
December quarter(g)	1.0	2.4	35.1	2.6	73.4	—	32.7	n.p.	n.p.	25.7
2001										
March quarter(g)	—	—	0.5	2.5	76.5	10.4	105.0	n.p.	n.p.	26.0
January	—	—	1.5	7.5	50.0	31.3	37.1	n.p.	n.p.	14.3
February	—	—	—	—	85.3	—	148.3	n.p.	n.p.	32.5
March	—	—	—	—	94.1	—	129.7	n.p.	n.p.	31.2
Other sentenced										
1999(g)	n.a.	725.5	1 504.7	1 134.8	2 539.8	321.2	1 185.2	n.a.	..	n.a.
2000(g)	1 457.4	770.2	1 359.2	1 007.9	2 471.2	378.3	985.5	488.7	..	1 387.3
2000										
March quarter(g)	1 462.6	765.4	1 406.4	895.6	2 454.1	360.5	1 055.2	n.p.	..	1 400.8
June quarter(g)	1 478.3	794.2	1 371.8	1 051.2	2 472.2	339.0	991.2	n.p.	..	1 398.7
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
2001										
March quarter(g)	1 410.5	829.4	1 232.3	1 049.5	2 446.7	337.6	945.1	n.p.	..	1 335.1
January	1 397.7	841.2	1 146.6	964.7	2 444.7	334.2	1 003.8	n.p.	..	1 311.1
February	1 422.2	820.0	1 266.9	1 054.4	2 456.5	344.6	883.4	n.p.	..	1 341.0
March	1 411.5	827.0	1 283.5	1 129.2	2 438.8	334.2	948.2	n.p.	..	1 353.3

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RATES PER 100,000 ADULT INDIGENOUS POPULATION										
Total sentenced										
1999(g)	n.a.	725.5	1 591.8	1 205.1	2 645.7	328.6	1 237.9	n.a.	..	n.a.
2000(g)	1 458.3	771.4	1 425.6	1 013.0	2 544.3	381.9	1 021.0	488.7	n.a.	1 422.0
2000										
March quarter(g)	1 463.1	765.4	1 508.5	913.5	2 517.4	360.5	1 083.6	n.p.	..	1 443.4
June quarter(g)	1 478.3	794.2	1 463.1	1 051.2	2 553.6	346.2	1 021.6	n.p.	..	1 440.2
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
2001										
March quarter(g)	1 410.5	829.4	1 232.8	1 051.9	2 523.1	348.1	1 050.2	n.p.	n.p.	1 361.1
January	1 397.7	841.2	1 148.1	972.2	2 494.7	365.5	1 040.9	n.p.	n.p.	1 325.4
February	1 422.2	820.0	1 266.9	1 054.4	2 541.8	344.6	1 031.6	n.p.	n.p.	1 373.5
March	1 411.5	827.0	1 283.5	1 129.2	2 532.9	334.2	1 078.0	n.p.	n.p.	1 384.5
Total										
1999(g)	n.a.	900.7	1 791.2	1 613.2	3 030.2	412.8	1 402.7	n.a.	339.2	n.a.
2000(g)	1 794.3	966.9	1 663.6	1 521.4	2 945.2	464.0	1 234.7	510.1	317.2	1 713.7
2000										
March quarter(g)	1 794.5	928.5	1 755.1	1 314.0	2 882.3	460.4	1 242.0	n.p.	n.p.	1 716.5
June quarter(g)	1 818.6	986.1	1 714.4	1 582.0	2 989.9	431.8	1 202.4	n.p.	n.p.	1 738.6
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
2001										
March quarter(g)	1 772.6	1 039.1	1 465.6	1 700.1	2 997.8	424.7	1 340.5	n.p.	n.p.	1 689.8
January	1 768.6	1 032.0	1 366.3	1 570.4	2 962.5	428.2	1 352.9	n.p.	n.p.	1 649.2
February	1 757.8	1 053.2	1 504.7	1 727.5	3 044.8	417.7	1 334.3	n.p.	n.p.	1 704.4
March	1 791.5	1 032.0	1 525.8	1 802.3	2 986.0	428.2	1 334.3	n.p.	n.p.	1 715.8

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PERSONS IN PERIODIC DETENTION, By Sex(a)

Sex	NSW	ACT	Aust.
AVERAGE DAILY NUMBER			
Males			
1999	1 190	62	1 252
2000	1 107	69	1 176
2000			
March quarter	1 160	63	1 223
June quarter	1 154	66	1 220
September quarter	1 107	72	1 178
December quarter	1 010	75	1 084
2001			
March quarter	952	71	1 023
January	965	77	1 042
February	937	72	1 009
March	952	66	1 018
Females			
1999	114	3	117
2000	109	7	115
2000			
March quarter	112	5	117
June quarter	110	6	116
September quarter	111	6	117
December quarter	102	9	110
2001			
March quarter	98	6	104
January	99	6	105
February	100	7	107
March	94	7	101
Persons			
1999	1 304	65	1 369
2000	1 216	75	1 291
2000			
March quarter	1 273	68	1 340
June quarter	1 264	72	1 336
September quarter	1 218	77	1 295
December quarter	1 111	83	1 195
2001			
March quarter	1 049	78	1 127
January	1 064	83	1 147
February	1 037	78	1 115
March	1 046	73	1 119

(a) See Glossary for definition of Periodic detention.

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PERSONS IN PERIODIC DETENTION, By Sex(a) *continued*

Sex	NSW	ACT	Aust.
RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION			
Males			
1999	50.3	53.0	17.8
2000	46.2	60.0	16.5
2000			
March quarter	48.6	55.2	17.2
June quarter	48.2	57.5	17.1
September quarter	46.2	62.2	16.5
December quarter	42.0	64.9	15.1
2001			
March quarter	39.6	62.1	14.3
January	40.1	66.6	14.5
February	39.0	62.4	14.1
March	39.6	57.4	14.2
Females			
1999	4.6	2.8	1.6
2000	4.4	5.3	1.6
2000			
March quarter	4.6	4.0	1.6
June quarter	4.5	4.7	1.6
September quarter	4.5	5.0	1.6
December quarter	4.1	7.3	1.5
2001			
March quarter	3.9	5.5	1.4
January	4.0	5.4	1.4
February	4.0	5.5	1.4
March	3.8	5.5	1.4
Persons			
1999	27.1	27.6	9.6
2000	25.0	32.3	8.9
2000			
March quarter	26.3	29.3	9.3
June quarter	26.0	30.8	9.2
September quarter	25.0	33.3	8.9
December quarter	22.8	35.7	8.2
2001			
March quarter	21.5	33.4	7.7
January	21.8	35.6	7.9
February	21.2	33.6	7.7
March	21.4	31.1	7.7

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NUMBER ON FIRST DAY OF MONTH.....

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
MALES									
1999(b)	262	72	98	27	101	1	16	4	581
2000(b)	296	76	84	24	120	2	37	5	645
2000									
March quarter(b)	287	77	81	27	108	1	17	4	602
June quarter(b)	293	74	88	26	112	2	19	5	619
September quarter(b)	301	73	89	23	130	2	39	6	664
December quarter(b)	303	82	75	21	129	4	75	6	694
2001									
March quarter(b)	288	86	72	19	131	5	74	5	682
January	296	84	75	19	127	6	69	6	682
February	290	85	71	19	125	5	80	5	680
March	278	90	70	19	142	5	74	5	683
FEMALES									
1999(b)	31	5	13	4	9	2	2	1	66
2000(b)	27	5	13	6	13	2	—	1	67
2000									
March quarter(b)	26	6	17	4	10	2	—	1	65
June quarter(b)	29	6	13	6	13	2	—	—	68
September quarter(b)	27	3	11	7	15	3	—	—	67
December quarter(b)	27	6	12	5	13	3	—	1	68
2001									
March quarter(b)	31	7	14	5	15	2	—	—	72
January	31	8	15	5	14	2	—	—	75
February	30	6	15	5	15	2	—	—	73
March	31	6	12	4	15	1	—	—	69
PERSONS									
1999(b)	293	78	111	31	110	2	18	5	647
2000(b)	323	82	97	30	133	5	38	6	712
2000									
March quarter(b)	313	83	98	32	118	2	17	4	667
June quarter(b)	322	79	101	32	126	4	19	5	687
September quarter(b)	328	76	100	30	145	5	39	6	731
December quarter(b)	330	88	88	26	142	7	75	7	762
2001									
March quarter(b)	319	93	86	24	146	7	74	5	754
January	327	92	90	24	141	8	69	6	757
February	320	91	86	24	140	7	80	5	753
March	309	96	82	23	157	6	74	5	752

(a) See Glossary for definition of Federal sentenced prisoner. 'ACT in NSW' in other tables refers to prisoners held in NSW and sentenced in the ACT. This table shows prisoners by the State or Territory in which they were sentenced, not where they were held in custody, so 'ACT in NSW' is not shown here.

(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(b)									
Males									
1999									
September quarter	15 453	6 225	15 496	5 393	3 173	1 051	522	911	48 224
December quarter	15 745	6 108	14 999	5 097	3 242	1 060	518	863	47 632
2000									
March quarter	16 152	5 599	15 284	4 913	3 258	970	514	873	47 563
June quarter	16 356	5 362	15 766	4 598	3 429	952	516	879	47 858
Females									
1999									
September quarter	2 759	1 352	4 264	1 817	950	207	63	192	11 604
December quarter	2 817	1 292	4 169	1 691	950	213	69	176	11 377
2000									
March quarter	2 883	1 200	4 228	1 580	899	196	75	152	11 213
June quarter	2 891	1 149	4 424	1 353	884	199	79	165	11 144
Unknown									
1999									
September quarter	54	77	—	72	—	—	—	—	203
December quarter	67	64	—	49	—	—	—	—	180
2000									
March quarter	87	47	—	44	—	—	—	—	178
June quarter	107	50	—	30	—	—	—	—	187
Persons									
1999									
September quarter	18 266	7 654	19 760	7 282	4 123	1 258	585	1 103	60 031
December quarter	18 629	7 463	19 168	6 836	4 192	1 273	587	1 040	59 188
2000									
March quarter	19 122	6 846	19 511	6 537	4 157	1 166	589	1 026	58 954
June quarter	19 354	6 561	20 189	5 982	4 313	1 152	595	1 044	59 190
RATE PER 100,000 ADULT POPULATION									
Males									
1999									
September quarter	644.9	345.7	1 159.2	965.5	454.4	605.4	708.4	792.5	674.2
December quarter	657.0	339.2	1 122.0	912.5	464.3	610.6	703.0	750.7	665.9
2000									
March quarter	674.0	310.9	1 143.3	879.6	466.6	558.7	697.6	759.4	664.9
June quarter	682.5	297.8	1 179.4	823.2	491.1	548.4	700.3	764.6	669.1
Females									
1999									
September quarter	111.6	72.0	314.3	311.2	136.0	112.9	98.1	162.8	157.8
December quarter	114.0	68.8	307.3	289.7	136.0	116.2	107.4	149.3	154.7
2000									
March quarter	116.7	63.9	311.6	270.6	128.7	106.9	116.8	128.9	152.5
June quarter	117.0	61.2	326.1	231.8	126.5	108.6	123.0	139.9	151.5
Persons									
1999									
September quarter	375.2	208.1	733.6	637.5	295.2	352.5	424.2	473.7	413.8
December quarter	382.7	202.9	711.7	598.4	300.1	356.7	425.7	446.6	408.0
2000									
March quarter	392.8	186.1	724.4	572.2	297.6	326.7	427.1	440.6	406.4
June quarter	397.6	178.4	749.6	523.7	308.8	322.8	431.5	448.3	408.0

(a) These statistics have a financial year reference period, therefore the tables are updated annually in the September quarter publication.

(b) Figures for each quarter for first day of the month counts are calculated as a simple average.

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

Type of order	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
SEPTEMBER QUARTER 1999									
Restricted movement	154	—	284	113	94	..	17	..	662
Reparation									
Fine option	392	1 868	11 153	3 347	356	151	153	..	17 420
Community service	5 252	1 217	2 112	1 236	1 905	548	80	178	12 528
Supervision (compliance)									
Parole	3 433	831	1 646	996	969	89	120	109	8 193
Bail	—	—	—	142	—	..	—	150	292
Sentenced probation	10 977	4 006	6 517	2 269	2 332	667	227	665	27 660
Persons	18 266	7 654	19 760	7 282	4 123	1 258	585	1 103	60 031
DECEMBER QUARTER 1999									
Restricted movement	162	—	299	133	88	..	13	..	695
Reparation									
Fine option	392	1 773	10 423	2 845	375	151	139	..	16 098
Community service	5 360	1 124	2 040	1 147	1 868	531	76	157	12 303
Supervision (compliance)									
Parole	3 542	870	1 598	978	1 013	97	130	105	8 333
Bail	—	—	—	154	—	..	2	147	303
Sentenced probation	11 187	3 966	6 659	2 355	2 352	685	235	630	28 069
Persons	18 629	7 463	19 168	6 836	4 192	1 273	587	1 040	59 188
MARCH QUARTER 2000									
Restricted movement	196	—	308	140	80	..	18	..	742
Reparation									
Fine option	355	1 420	10 622	2 386	337	130	164	..	15 414
Community service	5 613	967	2 008	1 087	1 795	453	73	156	12 152
Supervision (compliance)									
Parole	3 649	904	1 577	1 023	1 042	84	124	102	8 505
Bail	—	—	—	191	—	..	2	152	345
Sentenced probation	11 459	3 756	6 871	2 416	2 377	655	221	616	28 371
Persons	19 122	6 846	19 511	6 537	4 157	1 166	589	1 026	58 954
JUNE QUARTER 2000									
Restricted movement	209	—	300	136	87	..	22	..	754
Reparation									
Fine option	309	1 147	11 133	1 418	434	117	171	..	14 729
Community service	5 861	950	2 086	1 425	1 770	452	88	153	12 785
Supervision (compliance)									
Parole	3 709	916	1 601	1 036	1 089	76	118	108	8 653
Bail	—	—	—	232	—	..	3	135	370
Sentenced probation	11 451	3 718	7 139	2 439	2 441	647	214	648	28 697
Persons	19 354	6 561	20 189	5 982	4 313	1 152	595	1 044	59 190

(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.

(b) These statistics have a financial year reference period, therefore the tables are 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.

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 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.

7 In all States and Territories except Victoria, Queensland and Tasmania, 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, Queensland and Tasmania '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, but does not have a facility to hold persons sentenced to full-time custody. Persons sentenced to full-time custody in 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, Queensland and Tasmania 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 December quarter 2000, ERP for the June quarter 2000 was used in the calculation of rates. This approach uses the latest ERP available at the time of publication. An exception to this practice was made in calculating rates for the March quarter 2001. Due to the unavailability of September quarter 2000 ERP the imprisonment rates for the March quarter 2001 were based on June quarter 2000 ERP.

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.

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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 and the likelihood that any Indigenous adult will be imprisoned is partly a function of the overall likelihood of imprisonment. 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

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.
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.
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 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 *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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