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Young People in Detention Quarterly Statistics

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Quarterly Statistics reports numbers of adults and young people who are in the care of the Department, either in custody or in the community, on a quarterly basis.

Four Quarterly Statistics reports will be produced each year at the end of March, June, September and December.

The statistics provided in this report are snapshot data current at midnight (12.00 am) on the last day of each quarter, comparison data for the same quarter of the previous year and the percentage increase or decrease on that data.

It also includes trend information for each quarter for the previous 5 years.

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Young People in Detention

The Department operates the Banksia Hill Detention Centre. It is the only detention centre in WA for offenders aged 10-17 years and accommodates both male and female youth.

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Number of young people in detention - summary table

Table 1: Number of young people in detention as at 31 March 2015.

Young people in detention	31 March 2014	31 March 2015
Overall	163	158
Gender		
Male	156	153
Female	7	5
Aboriginality		
Aboriginal	130	114
Non-Aboriginal	33	44
Sentence Status		
Sentenced	80	100
Unsentenced	83	58

Source: WA Corrective Services TOMS Data System

Number of young people in detention by gender

Table 2 shows the total number of young people in detention by gender at the end of each quarter over 5 years.

Table 2: Number of young people in detention by gender 31 March 2010 to 31 March 2015.

Date	Male	Female	Total
31/03/2010	167	12	179
30/06/2010	156	9	165
30/09/2010	155	11	166
31/12/2010	152	14	166
31/03/2011	183	19	202
30/06/2011	180	19	199
30/09/2011	165	19	184
31/12/2011	157	10	167
31/03/2012	175	15	190
30/06/2012	165	15	180
30/09/2012	167	18	185
31/12/2012	171	22	193
31/03/2013	176	9	185
30/06/2013	156	14	170
30/09/2013	146	19	165
31/12/2013	139	12	151
31/03/2014	156	7	163
30/06/2014	132	11	143
30/09/2014	143	6	149
31/12/2014	161	4	165
31/03/2015	153	5	158

Source: WA Corrective Services TOMS data system

Number of young people in detention by Aboriginality

Table 3 shows the total number of young people in detention, by Aboriginality at the end of each quarter over 5 years.

Table 3: Number of young people in detention by Aboriginality, 31 March 2010 to 31 March 2015.

Date	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total
31/03/2010	127	52	179
30/06/2010	109	56	165
30/09/2010	127	39	166
31/12/2010	123	43	166
31/03/2011	150	52	202
30/06/2011	135	64	199
30/09/2011	120	64	184
31/12/2011	111	56	167
31/03/2012	127	63	190
30/06/2012	129	51	180
30/09/2012	131	54	185
31/12/2012	127	66	193
31/03/2013	137	48	185
30/06/2013	135	35	170
30/09/2013	125	40	165
31/12/2013	120	31	151
31/03/2014	130	33	163
30/06/2014	115	28	143
30/09/2014	111	38	149
31/12/2014	123	42	165
31/03/2015	114	44	158

Source: WA Corrective Services TOMS data system

Number of young people in detention by Aboriginality and gender

Table 4 shows the total number of young people in detention by Aboriginality and gender at the end of each quarter over 5 years.

Table 4: Number of young people in detention by Aboriginality by gender 31 March 2010 to 31 March 2015.

Date	Aboriginal		Non-Aboriginal	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
31/03/2010	117	10	50	2
30/06/2010	101	8	55	1
30/09/2010	116	11	39	0
31/12/2010	110	13	42	1
31/03/2011	134	16	49	3
30/06/2011	120	15	60	4
30/09/2011	104	16	61	3
31/12/2011	102	9	55	1
31/03/2012	116	11	59	4
30/06/2012	118	11	47	4
30/09/2012	118	13	49	5
31/12/2012	111	16	60	6
31/03/2013	131	6	45	3
30/06/2013	125	10	31	4
30/09/2013	113	12	33	7
31/12/2013	110	10	29	2
31/03/2014	124	6	32	1
30/06/2014	107	8	25	3
30/09/2014	107	4	36	2
31/12/2014	119	4	42	0
31/03/2015	110	4	43	1

Source: WA Corrective Services TOMS data system

Number of young people in detention - receptions and releases by gender

Table 5 shows the total number of young people by gender in detention receptions and releases during each quarter over 5 years.

Table 5: Number of young people in detention receptions and releases by gender, 31 March 2010 to 31 March 2015.

Date	Receptions of young people			Releases of young people		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
01/01/10 - 31/03/10	540	118	658	514	114	628
01/04/10 - 30/06/10	458	91	549	469	94	563
01/07/10 - 30/09/10	435	82	517	435	80	515
01/10/10 - 31/12/10	437	68	505	440	65	505
01/01/11 - 31/03/11	502	82	584	333	215	548
01/04/11 - 30/06/11	447	73	520	450	73	523
01/07/11 - 30/09/11	350	87	437	365	87	452
01/10/11 - 31/12/11	391	102	493	399	111	510
01/01/12 - 31/03/12	410	102	512	392	97	489
01/04/12 - 30/06/12	413	92	505	423	92	515
01/07/12 - 30/09/12	371	108	479	367	105	472
01/10/12 - 31/12/12	331	78	409	327	74	401
01/01/13 - 31/03/13	400	74	474	395	87	482
01/04/13 - 30/06/13	353	81	434	373	76	449
01/07/13 - 30/09/13	329	73	402	339	68	407
01/10/13 - 31/12/13	270	56	326	277	63	340
01/01/14 - 31/03/14	360	63	423	343	68	411
01/04/14 - 30/06/14	310	76	386	334	72	406
01/07/14 - 30/09/14	286	47	333	275	52	327
01/10/14 - 31/12/14	328	54	382	310	56	366
01/01/15 – 31/03/15	301	61	362	309	60	369

Source: WA Corrective Services TOMS data system

Number of young people in detention - receptions and releases by Aboriginality

Table 6 shows the total number of detention receptions and releases for young people by Aboriginality during each quarter over 5 years.

Table 6: Number of receptions and releases of young people in detention by Aboriginality 31 March 2010 to 31 March 2015.

Date	Receptions of Young People			Releases of young people		
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total
01/01/10 - 31/03/10	405	253	658	395	233	628
01/04/10 - 30/06/10	341	208	549	359	204	563
01/07/10 - 30/09/10	330	187	517	311	204	515
01/10/10 - 31/12/10	310	195	505	314	191	505
01/01/11 - 31/03/11	360	224	584	471	77	548
01/04/11 - 30/06/11	304	216	520	319	204	523
01/07/11 - 30/09/11	258	179	437	273	179	452
01/10/11 - 31/12/11	301	192	493	310	200	510
01/01/12 - 31/03/12	320	192	512	304	185	489
01/04/12 - 30/06/12	309	196	505	307	208	515
01/07/12 - 30/09/12	270	209	479	266	206	472
01/10/12 - 31/12/12	239	170	409	243	158	401
01/01/13 - 31/03/13	334	140	474	324	158	482
01/04/13 - 30/06/13	281	153	434	283	166	449
01/07/13 - 30/09/13	229	173	402	239	168	407
01/10/13 - 31/12/13	212	114	326	217	123	340
01/01/14 - 31/03/14	298	125	423	288	123	411
01/04/14 - 30/06/14	237	149	386	252	154	406
01/07/14 - 30/09/14	201	132	333	205	122	327
01/10/14 - 31/12/14	228	154	382	216	150	366
01/01/15 - 31/03/15	233	129	362	242	127	369

Source: WA Corrective Services TOMS data system

Number of young people in detention by sentence status

Table 7 shows the total number of young people in detention by sentence status at the end of each quarter over 5 years[^]

Table 7: Number of young people in detention by sentence status 31 March 2010 to 31 March 2015.

Date	Sentenced	Unsentenced	Total
31/03/2010	102	77	179
30/06/2010	95	70	165
30/09/2010	86	80	166
31/12/2010	89	77	166
31/03/2011	102	100	202
30/06/2011	102	97	199
30/09/2011	110	74	184
31/12/2011	99	68	167
31/03/2012	103	87	190
30/06/2012	112	68	180
30/09/2012	105	80	185
31/12/2012	100	93	193
31/03/2013	101	84	185
30/06/2013	100	70	170
30/09/2013	84	81	165
31/12/2013	83	68	151
31/03/2014	80	83	163
30/06/2014	74	69	143
30/09/2014	88	61	149
31/12/2014	105	60	165
31/03/2015	100	58	158

[^] Due to the low numbers the percentage changes may not be statistically significant and should be treated with caution

Source: WA Corrective Services TOMS data system

Number of young people in detention by age group

Table 8 shows the total number of young people in detention by age group at the end of each quarter over 5 years. There is a high degree of variability in youth data by age group due to the small number of young people in detention.

Table 8: Number of young people in detention by age group 31 March 2010 to 31 March 2015.

Date	10-12 years	13-14 years	15-16 years	17-18 years	Over 18 years
31/03/2010	4	28	86	61	0
30/06/2010	1	15	86	63	0
30/09/2010	2	22	72	70	0
31/12/2010	1	22	76	67	0
31/03/2011	4	28	97	73	0
30/06/2011	1	24	82	91	1
30/09/2011	2	21	74	87	0
31/12/2011	2	19	69	77	0
31/03/2012	5	28	70	87	0
30/06/2012	3	19	75	83	0
30/09/2012	1	25	80	78	1
31/12/2012	2	29	80	81	1
31/03/2013	3	24	69	87	2
30/06/2013	2	21	70	75	2
30/09/2013	3	22	67	73	0
31/12/2013	0	18	74	58	1
31/03/2014	2	24	65	71	1
30/06/2014	1	19	64	58	1
30/09/2014	2	13	62	70	2
31/12/2014	3	19	67	75	1
31/03/2015	2	22	71	61	2

Source: WA Corrective Services TOMS data system

Number of sentenced young people in detention by most serious offence¹

Table 9 shows the total number of young people in detention, by the type of offence committed at the end of each quarter over 5 years. Where a detainee has been sentenced on multiple offences, the most serious offence only has been counted. There is a high degree of variability in youth data for most serious offence due to the small number of young people in detention.

Table 9: Number of sentenced young people in detention by most serious offence 31 March 2010 to 31 March 2015.

Date	Offences against the person	Robbery and extortion	Break and enter and other offences involving theft	Property damage and environmental offences	Offences against good order	Drug offences	Driving, motor vehicle, traffic and related offences	Other offences	Total
31/03/2010	24	37	36	5	0	0	0	0	102
30/06/2010	27	28	33	6	0	0	1	0	95
30/09/2010	23	29	32	1	0	1	0	0	86
31/12/2010	21	29	34	2	1	0	2	0	89
31/03/2011	24	34	40	2	0	0	2	0	102
30/06/2011	23	27	49	2	0	0	1	0	102
30/09/2011	20	36	49	0	0	1	2	1	109
31/12/2011	22	40	34	1	0	1	0	1	99
31/03/2012	26	38	37	2	0	0	0	0	103
30/06/2012	27	39	46	0	0	0	0	0	112
30/09/2012	24	40	38	2	0	0	1	0	105
31/12/2012	25	42	31	1	0	0	1	0	100
31/03/2013	18	36	40	2	0	0	5	0	101
30/06/2013	20	32	43	1	0	0	2	2	100
30/09/2013	15	27	37	2	0	1	2	0	84
31/12/2013	15	27	36	1	0	0	3	1	83
31/03/2014	16	25	33	2	1	0	3	0	80
30/06/2014	27	18	26	2	0	0	1	0	74
30/09/2014	36	19	29	1	2	0	1	0	88
31/12/2014	38	31	35	0	0	0	1	0	105
31/03/2015	61	30	65	1	0	0	1	0	158

Source: WA Corrective Services TOMS data system

¹ Offences are classified on the basis of 'Australian National Classification of Offences' (ANCO). "Other offences" include: Other offences, Child welfare matters and offence unknown.

Number of sentenced young people in detention by prior detention history

Table 10 shows the number of young people in detention by any previous sentence of detention prior to the current sentence, at the end of each quarter over 5 years. There is a high degree of variability in youth data for prior detention due to the small number of young people in detention.

Table 10: Number of sentenced young people in detention with prior detention before current sentence 31 March 2010 to 31 March 2015.

Date	None	One	2-5	5+
31/03/2010	53	13	30	6
30/06/2010	42	15	30	8
30/09/2010	39	14	25	8
31/12/2010	38	19	24	8
31/03/2011	45	23	24	10
30/06/2011	40	19	32	11
30/09/2011	48	16	37	8
31/12/2011	42	18	32	7
31/03/2012	37	21	38	7
30/06/2012	49	23	29	10
30/09/2012	43	24	27	11
31/12/2012	37	35	21	7
31/03/2013	30	37	24	10
30/06/2013	34	26	32	8
30/09/2013	36	14	24	10
31/12/2013	28	17	30	8
31/03/2014	28	20	26	6
30/06/2014	30	13	23	8
30/09/2014	45	8	27	8
31/12/2014	58	12	26	9
31/03/2015	60	16	17	7

Source: WA Corrective Services TOMS data system

Definitions of terms

Term	Description
Aboriginal	Indigenous people of Australia.
Non-Aboriginal	An ethnicity other than Aboriginal.
Aboriginality	Persons who have identified themselves as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent.
Commencement	The term of a Community Based Order begins on the day the order is imposed as per the <i>Sentencing Act 1995</i> .
Community Based Order	An order issued by a Court of Law, or other authority, for the management of an offender or person on bail in the community. For example: Bail Orders, Community Based Orders, Intensive Supervision Orders, Work and Development Order and Early Release Orders (Parole).
Detainee	A young person who is being held in a youth detention centre as per the <i>Young Offenders Act 1994</i> .
Facility	A prison, work camp or youth detention centre.
Juvenile Justice Team Referral	Diversion of a young person from the court system to a Juvenile Justice Team.
Most serious offence	The most serious offence, out of a number of offences, for which a prisoner, offender or young person is being managed in the community or held in custody.
Offender managed in the community	Any person being managed by the Department under a community order who is not a prisoner or young person in detention.
Prisoner	An adult held in prison custody as per the <i>Prisons Act 1981</i> .
Reception	The receipt of a prisoner or detainee into custody.
Release	When a prisoner or young person is released from custody.
Security rating	The personal security categorisation of the prisoner or detainee either as maximum, medium or minimum security.
Sentenced	A person serving a sentence issued by a Court of Law.
Un-sentenced	In relation to prisoners and detainees, is a person in custody who has not had a sentence issued by a Court of Law.
Sentenced Status	Whether a person is sentenced or un-sentenced.
Snapshot Data	Data counted at a point in time.
Termination	When an offender completes a Community order or the order is cancelled or expires.