

Adult Prisoners in Custody

Quick Reference Statistics – 31 March 2016



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Quick Reference 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 monthly basis. The Quick Reference Statistics are snapshot data for midnight (12am) on the last day of the month, comparison information for the same month of the previous year.

The statistics are accurate as at the time the data is extracted from the systems. The data systems are dynamic and are constantly being updated and data integrity improved. For this reason data may change slightly from month to month or quarter to quarter.

Time series statistics are reported in the Quarterly Statistical Report. A glossary of definitions is at the end of each report.

1 Adult Prisoners in Custody

1.1 Number of prisoners by facility – (sentenced and unsentenced)

Name of Facility	Number of adults as at 31 March 2015	Number of adults as at 31 March 2016
Acacia Prison	1,354	1,392
Albany Regional Prison	232	406
Bandyup Women's Prison	322	361
Boronia Pre-Release Centre	90	91
Bunbury Regional Prison	285	338
Casuarina Prison	748	870
Eastern Goldfields Regional Prison	80	94
Greenough Regional Prison	293	306
Hakea Prison	947	924
Karnet Prison Farm	297	325
Pardelup Prison Farm	81	84
Roebourne Regional Prison	167	174
Wandoo Reintegration Facility	70	74
West Kimberley Regional Prison	203	242
Wooroloo Prison Farm	311	376

1.2 Number of prisoners by gender – (sentenced and unsentenced)

Gender	Number of adults as at 31 March 2015	Number of adults as at 31 March 2016
All persons	5,480	6,057
Male	4,957	5,470
Female	523	587

1.3 Number of prisoners by Aboriginality – (sentenced and unsentenced)

Aboriginality	Number of adults as at 31 March 2015	Number of adults as at 31 March 2016
Aboriginal	2,131	2,328
Non-Aboriginal	3,349	3,729

1.4 Number of prisoners by Aboriginality and gender – (sentenced and unsentenced)

Aboriginality and gender	Number of adults as at 31 March 2015	Number of adults as at 31 March 2016
Aboriginal male	1,866	2,058
Aboriginal female	265	270
Non-Aboriginal male	3,091	3,412
Non-Aboriginal female	258	317

1.5 Number of prisoners by sentence status

Sentence status	Number of adults as at 31 March 2015	Number of adults as at 31 March 2016
Sentenced	4,222	4,303
Unsentenced	1,258	1,754

1.6 Number of sentenced prisoners by security rating

Security rating	Number of adults as at 31 March 2015	Number of adults as at 31 March 2016
Maximum security (sentenced)	304	293
Medium security (sentenced)	2,473	2,504
Minimum security (sentenced)	1,445	1,506

1.7 Number of prisoners by age group – (sentenced and unsentenced)

Age group	Number of adults as at 31 March 2015	Number of adults as at 31 March 2016
Aged less than 25 years	976	1,072
Aged 25 to 34 years	1,969	2,208
Aged 35 to 49 years	1,973	2,157
Aged 50 years and over	562	620

1.8 Number of sentenced prisoners by most serious offence¹

Most serious offence	Number of adults as at 31 March 2015	Number of adults as at 31 March 2016
Offences against the person	1,617	1,625
Robbery and extortion	498	493
Break and enter and other offences involving theft	917	916
Offences against good order and property damage	199	217
Drug offences	618	659
Driving, motor vehicle, traffic and related offences	324	269
Other offences	49	124

1.9 Number of sentenced prisoners who have been imprisoned in the 5 years prior to their current sentence

Prior imprisonment history *	Number of adults as at 31 March 2015	Number of adults as at 31 March 2016
No prior imprisonment	3,095	3,094
One prior imprisonment sentence	802	842
Two to four prior imprisonment sentences	324	366
Five or more prior imprisonment sentences	1	1

* Separate periods of imprisonment that have not been served concurrently i.e. separate terms of imprisonment

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.

2 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	A prisoner or young person who 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.
Unsentenced	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 unsentenced.
Snapshot Data	Data counted at a point in time.
Termination	When an offender completes a Community order or the order is cancelled or expires.

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