



Youth Justice Pocket Stats 2018-19

Did you know...

45% of young people who have a finalised court appearance never return to the Youth Justice System

There were
512,416

children aged 10 to 17 years in Queensland in 2018-19



1 in **100** Queensland children aged 10 to 17 had a proven offence (0.9%)

1 in **300** Queensland children aged 10 to 17 were supervised in the community on an average day (0.3%)

1 in **2,000** Queensland children aged 10 to 17 were in custody on an average day (0.05%)

Notes:

- Includes theft, break and enter and unlawful use of motor vehicle
- Includes traffic-related offences, public order offences, fraud and miscellaneous offences
- Custody is defined as young people in a youth detention centre on pre-court custody, remand or sentence or in a police watchhouse/other custody location (e.g. in police transit, court cells, hospital) on remand or sentence. It excludes young people on pre-court custody in locations other than a youth detention centre.

Profile



- 4,716** distinct young people had at least one proven offence
- 73%** of young offenders were male
- 45%** of young offenders were Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
- 76%** of young offenders are 15 and over
- 10%** of young offenders committed **44%** of all proven offences

Complexity of young offenders (Census 2019)

- 80%** have used at least one substance
- 39%** of young people in youth justice custody^c have used ice or other methamphetamines
- 63%** have experienced or been impacted by domestic and family violence
- 56%** have a mental health and/or behavioural disorder (diagnosed or suspected)
- 53%** are disengaged from education, training or employment
- 33%** have at least one parent who spent time in adult custody
- 21%** are in unstable and/or unsuitable accommodation
- 16%** have a disability (assessed or suspected)

Disproportionate representation

Compared to Non-Indigenous young people, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people were:

- 9 x** as likely to have a proven offence
- 17 x** as likely to receive a supervised order
- 28 x** as likely to be held in custody on an average day
- 27 x** as likely to be on remand on an average day

Proven offences

36,676 (86%) of offences were proven



Custody^c (on an average day)

- 252** young people in custody (**71%** Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander)
- 213** young people in custody on remand (**70%** Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander)
- 58** days average sentenced duration
- 26** days average remand duration

Orders

- 2,063** young people received a total of **4,010** supervised orders
- 1,969** young people received a total of **3,651** community-based orders
- 81%** of community-based orders were **successfully completed**
- 2,863** restorative justice referrals received (42% police referred; 58% court-referred)
- 1,704** restorative justice conferences held