

Youth Justice annual summary statistics: 2015-16 to 2019-20

Overview

Courts data¹										
Counts of charges, distinct young people and court appearances.										
	2015-16		2016-17		2017-18		2018-19		2019-20	
Total finalised charges ^a	27,272		29,618		36,906		42,756		36,112	
Total proven charges (offences) ^d	23,736		25,151		31,074		36,500		30,516	
Distinct young people with a proven offence ^f	3,487		3,405		3,995		4,646		3,395	
Total finalised court appearances ^h	7,155		7,215		8,456		9,699		7,147	
Average number of charges finalised per court appearance	3.8		4.1		4.4		4.4		5.1	
Youth justice orders data²										
Count of admissions to supervised or unsupervised youth justice orders, where the order started during the reference period.										
	2015-16		2016-17		2017-18		2018-19		2019-20	
Admissions to supervised youth justice orders ^a	3,392		3,200		3,788		4,015		2,994	
Distinct young people admitted to supervised youth justice orders ^d	1,733		1,620		1,950		2,064		1,571	
Rate (per 10,000) of distinct people admitted to supervised youth justice orders ^f	40.3		36.9		43.4		39.5		29.5	
Average daily number of young people supervised in the community ^g	1,233		1,190		1,378		1,643		1,514	
Admissions to unsupervised youth justice orders ^a	3,989		3,707		4,198		4,628		3,008	
Distinct young people admitted to unsupervised youth justice orders ^d	2,762		2,485		2,791		3,295		2,187	
Rate (per 10,000) of distinct young people admitted to unsupervised youth justice orders ^f	64.3		56.5		62.1		63.0		41.0	
Youth detention centre data³										
Count of young people in Queensland youth detention centres (YDCs) at 11.59pm on each day during the financial year.										
	2015-16		2016-17		2017-18		2018-19		2019-20	
Average daily number of young people in a YDC ^a	184		178		201		213		200	
Average daily number on remand in YDC (including young people in pre-court custody in YDC)	146	79%	144	81%	166	83%	176	82%	170	85%
Average daily number on sentence in YDC	39	21%	34	19%	35	17%	38	18%	30	15%
Average daily number in Brisbane YDC	105	57%	105	59%	115	57%	126	59%	117	59%
Average daily number in Cleveland YDC	79	43%	73	41%	86	43%	88	41%	83	41%
Rate (per 10,000) average daily number in YDC ^d	4.3		4.1		4.5		4.1		3.8	
Admissions to a YDC ^e	1,680		2,026		2,214		1,526		1,891	
Distinct young people admitted to YDC ^f	814		931		972		806		881	
Rate (per 10,000) of distinct young people admitted to YDC ^{de}	18.9		21.2		21.6		15.4		16.5	
Custody data⁴										
Counts of young people in Queensland youth detention centres and other custodial locations at 11.59pm each day during the financial year. Youth Justice custody data is those young people on pre-court custody, custody-bail, remand or sentence legal status held in a youth detention centre; and young people held in other custodial locations (i.e. watchhouses, police transit, Brisbane Childrens Court cells, mental health ward) on custody-bail, remand or sentence. It excludes young people with an 'unknown' legal status and young people held on pre-court custody in other custodial locations.										
	2015-16		2016-17		2017-18		2018-19		2019-20	
Average daily number of young people in custody ^b (YDCs and other custodial locations)	186		181		207		252		208	
Average daily number on remand (includes remand in YDCs and in other custodial locations and pre-court custody in YDCs only)	147	79%	147	81%	173	83%	213	85%	178	86%
Average daily number on sentence (includes sentenced in YDCs and other custodial locations)	39	21%	34	19%	35	17%	39	15%	30	14%
Average daily number in a YDC	184	99%	178	98%	201	97%	213	85%	200	96%
Average daily number in other custodial locations	2	1%	3	2%	6	3%	38	15%	8	4%
Rate (per 10,000) average daily number in custody ^e	4.3		4.1		4.6		4.8		3.9	

Notes:

1. Refer to the courts data of the Youth Justice annual summary statistics: 2015-16 to 2019-20.
2. Refer to the Youth Justice orders data of the Youth Justice annual summary statistics: 2015-16 to 2019-20.
3. Refer to the detention centre data of the Youth Justice annual summary statistics: 2015-16 to 2019-20.
4. Refer to the cCustody data of the Youth Justice annual summary statistics: 2015-16 to 2019-20.