

Domain 5: Justice & safety

Goal 15: Aboriginal over-representation in the justice system is eliminated

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Goal 16 : Aboriginal Victorians have access to safe and effective justice services

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Table 15.1.1a. Unique youth alleged offenders (10–17 years) number and rate per 10,000 population receiving a caution, arrest, summons or other by Indigenous status, Victoria

Year	Aboriginal (n)	Non-Aboriginal (n)	Unknown (n)	Aboriginal rate (per 10,000)	Non-Aboriginal rate (per 10,000)	Gap (per 10,000)	Rate Ratio
2007–08	751	11,337	382	780.0	214.8	565.2	3.6
2008–09	786	11,697	272	819.6	221.0	598.5	3.7
2009–10	799	11,531	224	825.8	218.0	607.8	3.8
2010–11	755	9,779	227	781.4	184.7	596.7	4.2
2011–12	723	8,585	228	686.1	162.7	523.4	4.2
2012–13	718	7,736	178	667.8	145.9	521.9	4.6
2013–14	666	6,798	190	612.1	127.5	484.6	4.8
2014–15	661	6,399	144	600.0	118.9	481.1	5.0
2015–16	681	6,150	205	609.3	113.1	496.3	5.4
2016–17	721	6,126	221	629.6	110.6	519.0	5.7
2017–18	681	6,110	209	574.3	108.0	466.3	5.3
2018–19	644	6,120	242	526.1	106.1	420.0	5.0
2019–20	684	6,083	202	544.5	103.3	441.2	5.3
2020–21	629	5,351	217	487.9	89.0	398.9	5.5
2021–22	655	5,584	215	496.1	92.1	404.0	5.4
2022–23	749	6,295	249	552.7	101.8	450.8	5.4
2023–24	816	6,158	299	588.6	97.0	491.6	6.1
2024–25	811	6,135	318	580.9	94.6	486.4	6.1

Source: Crime Statistics Agency (CSA)

Indigenous status data are derived using the revised CSA most frequent recorded status of an individual as recorded by Victoria Police, and may not represent the Indigenous status recorded by police at the time of the incident.

Aboriginal and all persons population estimates are taken at December quarter. Non-Aboriginal estimates are calculated by subtracting the Victorian Aboriginal estimates from the total Victorian estimates.

Table 15.1.1b. Unique youth alleged offenders (10–14 years) number and rate per 10,000 population receiving a caution, arrest, summons or other by Indigenous status, Victoria

Year	Aboriginal (n)	Non-Aboriginal (n)	Unknown (n)	Aboriginal rate (per 10,000)	Non-Aboriginal rate (per 10,000)	Gap (per 10,000)	Rate Ratio
2007–08	312	3,679	146	524.6	112.5	412.1	4.7
2008–09	322	3,751	120	539.9	115.0	424.9	4.7
2009–10	297	3,608	81	492.0	110.8	381.2	4.4
2010–11	303	3,042	92	502.3	93.6	408.7	5.4
2011–12	295	2,527	80	435.4	78.0	357.4	5.6
2012–13	285	2,278	64	412.1	69.8	342.3	5.9
2013–14	279	1,913	71	400.9	58.0	342.9	6.9
2014–15	253	1,771	53	362.6	53.0	309.5	6.8
2015–16	264	1,733	63	374.3	50.9	323.4	7.3
2016–17	297	1,707	67	408.5	48.8	359.7	8.4
2017–18	283	1,830	75	372.0	50.7	321.3	7.3
2018–19	275	1,664	79	345.8	44.8	301.1	7.7
2019–20	263	1,645	65	316.8	43.0	273.7	7.4
2020–21	242	1,417	55	281.7	36.5	245.2	7.7
2021–22	243	1,774	90	280.3	45.3	235.0	6.2
2022–23	294	2,188	113	339.8	55.1	284.7	6.2
2023–24	310	2,019	117	357.1	50.0	307.1	7.1
2024–25	300	1,876	137	345.5	45.7	299.8	7.6

Source: Crime Statistics Agency (CSA)

Indigenous status data are derived using the revised CSA most frequent recorded status of an individual as recorded by Victoria Police, and may not represent the Indigenous status recorded by police at the time of the incident.

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Table 15.1.1c. Unique youth alleged offenders (15–17 years) number and rate per 10,000 population receiving a caution, arrest, summons or other by Indigenous status, Victoria

Year	Aboriginal (n)	Non-Aboriginal (n)	Unknown (n)	Aboriginal rate (per 10,000)	Non-Aboriginal rate (per 10,000)	Gap (per 10,000)	Rate Ratio
2007–08	439	7,658	236	1232.3	380.3	852.0	3.2
2008–09	464	7,946	152	1295.6	391.2	904.4	3.3
2009–10	502	7,923	143	1387.8	389.2	998.6	3.6
2010–11	452	6,737	135	1253.9	329.5	924.4	3.8
2011–12	428	6,058	148	1137.7	295.6	842.1	3.8
2012–13	433	5,458	114	1129.1	265.8	863.3	4.2
2013–14	387	4,885	119	987.0	237.3	749.7	4.2
2014–15	408	4,628	91	1010.7	223.4	787.2	4.5
2015–16	417	4,417	142	1011.6	211.6	800.0	4.8
2016–17	424	4,419	154	1014.4	210.7	803.7	4.8
2017–18	398	4,280	134	936.5	203.8	732.7	4.6
2018–19	369	4,456	163	860.3	211.0	649.3	4.1
2019–20	421	4,438	137	988.5	208.3	780.2	4.7
2020–21	387	3,934	162	900.2	182.7	717.5	4.9
2021–22	412	3,810	125	908.5	172.6	735.8	5.3
2022–23	455	4,107	136	929.0	179.0	749.9	5.2
2023–24	506	4,139	182	976.6	174.1	802.5	5.6
2024–25	511	4,259	181	968.4	174.3	794.1	5.6

Source: Crime Statistics Agency (CSA)

Indigenous status data are derived using the revised CSA most frequent recorded status of an individual as recorded by Victoria Police, and may not represent the Indigenous status recorded by police at the time of the incident.

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Year	Aboriginal (n)	Non-Aboriginal (n)	Aboriginal rate (per 10,000)	Non-Aboriginal rate (per 10,000)	Gap (per 10,000)	Rate Ratio
2014–15	97.9	520.1	102.2	9.6	92.6	10.6
2015–16	113.3	472.2	118.2	8.6	109.7	13.8
2016–17	102.6	421.6	89.6	7.5	82.1	11.9
2017–18	91.7	415.5	77.3	7.3	70.1	10.6
2018–19	84.8	396.2	69.3	6.8	62.5	10.2
2019–20	70.4	368.8	56.1	6.2	49.9	9.1
2020–21	64.6	289.2	50.1	4.8	45.3	10.4
2021–22	50.7	237.5	38.4	3.9	34.4	9.8
2022–23	38	197.3	28.1	3.1	24.9	8.9
2023–24	37.7	178.7	27.2	2.8	24.4	9.8
2024–25	42.1	186.2	30.2	2.8	27.4	10.8

Source: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare. Youth justice in Australia 2023-24

(a) Number of young people on an average day may not sum to total due to rounding.

Note:

1. Trend data may differ from those previously published due to data revisions.
2. Age calculated as at start of financial year if first period of community-based supervision in the relevant year began before the start of the financial year, otherwise age calculated as at start of first period of community-based supervision in the relevant year.

Table 15.1.2b. Young people (10–17 years) under youth justice supervision in detention, daily average number and rate per 10,000 population

Year	Aboriginal (n)	Non-Aboriginal (n)	Aboriginal rate (per 10,000)	Non-Aboriginal rate (per 10,000)	Gap (per 10,000)	Rate Ratio
2014–15	13.9	64.6	14.5	1.2	13.3	12.2
2015–16	18.8	75.8	19.6	1.4	18.2	14.3
2016–17	20.0	93.2	17.5	1.7	15.8	10.5
2017–18	18.6	100.1	15.7	1.8	14.0	9.0
2018–19	18.7	92.5	15.3	1.6	13.7	9.7
2019–20	16.5	101.9	13.1	1.7	11.4	7.7
2020–21	11.1	90.4	8.6	1.5	7.1	5.8
2021–22	11.5	67.1	8.7	1.1	7.6	7.9
2022–23	10.3	61.4	7.6	1.0	6.6	7.7
2023–24	10.1	43.6	7.3	0.7	6.6	10.8
2024–25	11.3	62.3	8.1	1.0	7.1	8.1

Source: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare. Youth justice in Australia 2023-24

1. Trend data may differ from those previously published due to data revisions.

2. Age on an average day is calculated based on the age a young person is each day that they are under supervision. If a young person changes age during a period of supervision, then the average daily number under supervision will reflect this. Average daily data broken down by age will not be comparable to Youth justice in Australia releases prior to 2019–20.

[Index](#)**Table 15.1.3. Number and proportion of first-time youth alleged offenders^(a) (10–17 years) cautioned(a) by police, Victoria**

Year	Aboriginal first time alleged offenders (n)	Aboriginal cautioned (n)	Non-Aboriginal first time alleged offenders (n)	Non-Aboriginal cautioned (n)	Aboriginal status unknown first time alleged offenders (n)	Aboriginal status unknown caution (n)	Aboriginal (%)	Non-Aboriginal (%)	Aboriginal status unknown caution (%)	Gap (%)
2007–08	420	285	8,212	6,440	382	350	67.9%	78.4%	91.6%	-10.6%
2008–09	362	252	8,311	6,432	272	229	69.6%	77.4%	84.2%	-7.8%
2009–10	392	266	7,728	5,883	224	185	67.9%	76.1%	82.6%	-8.3%
2010–11	339	236	6,184	4,609	227	166	69.6%	74.5%	73.1%	-4.9%
2011–12	325	208	5,561	3,949	228	184	64.0%	71.0%	80.7%	-7.0%
2012–13	312	211	4,963	3,437	178	139	67.6%	69.3%	78.1%	-1.6%
2013–14	305	198	4,257	2,818	190	161	64.9%	66.2%	84.7%	-1.3%
2014–15	278	165	4,062	2,575	144	114	59.4%	63.4%	79.2%	-4.0%
2015–16	310	182	4,002	2,430	205	161	58.7%	60.7%	78.5%	-2.0%
2016–17	358	221	4,155	2,586	221	203	61.7%	62.2%	91.9%	-0.5%
2017–18	333	212	4,026	2,478	209	166	63.7%	61.5%	79.4%	2.1%
2018–19	314	164	4,061	2,372	242	182	52.2%	58.4%	75.2%	-6.2%
2019–20	311	185	4,082	2,255	202	146	59.5%	55.2%	72.3%	4.2%
2020–21	293	176	3,493	1,821	217	111	60.1%	52.1%	51.2%	7.9%
2021–22	318	208	3,919	2,496	215	164	65.4%	63.7%	76.3%	1.7%
2022–23	388	315	4,564	3,428	249	250	81.2%	75.1%	100.4%	6.1%
2023–24	395	315	4,092	3,141	299	288	79.7%	76.8%	96.3%	3.0%
2024–25	310	244	3,441	2,618	318	255	78.7%	76.1%	80.2%	2.6%

Source: Crime Statistics Agency (CSA)

(a) Age is based on when the first offence was allegedly committed by the offender.

Indigenous status data are derived using the revised CSA most frequent recorded status of an individual as recorded by Victoria Police, and may not represent the Indigenous status recorded by police at the time of the incident.

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Table 15.1.4. Number and proportion of youth (10–17 years) in detention unsentenced

Year	Aboriginal youth (aged 10–17) in detention (n)	Aboriginal youth (aged 10–17) in detention unsentenced (n)(a)(b)	Non-Aboriginal youth (aged 10–17) in detention (n)	Non-Aboriginal youth (aged 10–17) in detention unsentenced (n)(a)(b)	Aboriginal youth (aged 10–17) on unsentenced as proportion of all Aboriginal youth in detention (%)	Non-Aboriginal youth (aged 10–17) on unsentenced as proportion of all Non-Aboriginal youth in detention (%)	Aboriginal youth (aged 10–17) in detention unsentenced as proportion of all youth in detention (%) (b)
2007–08	14.0	7.0	53.0	29.0	50.0%	54.7%	10.4%
2008–09	14.0	8.0	59.0	30.0	57.1%	50.8%	11.0%
2009–10	18.0	9.0	67.0	36.0	50.0%	53.7%	10.6%
2010–11	17.0	6.0	68.0	35.0	35.3%	51.5%	7.1%
2011–12	14.0	5.0	63.0	30.0	35.7%	47.6%	6.5%
2012–13	9.0	5.0	54.0	28.0	55.6%	51.9%	7.9%
2013–14	11.0	3.0	51.0	22.0	27.3%	43.1%	4.8%
2014–15	15.0	8.0	68.0	41.0	53.3%	60.3%	9.6%
2015–16	19.0	13.0	77.0	53.0	68.4%	68.8%	13.5%
2016–17	20.0	11.0	95.0	68.0	55.0%	71.6%	9.6%
2017–18	19.5	12.6	89.9	52.3	64.5%	58.2%	11.5%
2018–19	18.7	12.9	104.4	77.8	69.0%	74.5%	10.5%
2019–20 ^(c)	12.4	9.4	104.2	83.8	75.8%	80.4%	8.1%
2020–21 ^(d)	12.4	7.3	82.5	74.8	59.2%	90.7%	6.2%
2021–22	14.0	12.2	69.0	57.8	87.7%	83.7%	13.4%
2022–23	9.2	9.1	52.1	49.3	98.1%	94.6%	13.0%
2023–24	7.9	6.7	33.8	28.6	84.8%	84.5%	11.8%
2024–25	12.9	9.3	78.7	40.4	72.2%	51.3%	9.2%

Source: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (2025) Youth detention population in Australia 2025, AIHW, Australian Government

(a) Persons aged 10–17 in unsentenced detention on an average night.

(b) Includes all youth in detention with a known Aboriginal status.

(c) For 2019–20, the age calculation for the average nightly population changed. Age is now calculated based on the age a young person is each night that they are under supervision. If a young person changes age during a period of supervision, then the average nightly number under supervision will reflect this.

Due to this change in methodology, average nightly data with an age breakdown or selection will not be comparable to previous Youth detention population in Australia releases.

[Index](#)**Table 15.2.1 Number and rate of unique adult (18 years and above) female alleged offenders^(a) processed by police, Victoria**

Year	Aboriginal (n)	Non-Aboriginal (n)	Aboriginal (rate per 10,000)	Non-Aboriginal (rate per 10,000)	Gap (rate per 10,000)	Rate Ratio
2007–08	576	8,682	418.4	43.4	374.9	9.6
2008–09	651	9,744	459.5	47.8	411.7	9.6
2009–10	738	10,933	508.0	52.4	455.6	9.7
2010–11	813	11,078	537.5	52.1	485.5	10.3
2011–12	833	11,273	472.0	51.1	420.9	9.2
2012–13	884	12,952	483.6	57.4	426.2	8.4
2013–14	926	13,323	488.6	57.8	430.8	8.5
2014–15	973	13,144	496.1	55.8	440.3	8.9
2015–16	997	13,694	491.4	56.8	434.7	8.7
2016–17	1,087	13,974	518.1	56.6	461.5	9.2
2017–18	1,179	14,008	544.3	55.6	488.8	9.8
2018–19	1,188	15,002	532.4	58.4	474.0	9.1
2019–20	1,273	15,727	554.4	60.2	494.1	9.2
2020–21	1,336	17,336	565.7	66.3	499.4	8.5
2021–22	1,227	14,669	505.5	56.1	449.5	9.0
2022–23	1,318	14,323	529.3	53.5	475.7	9.9
2023–24	1,386	13,804	541.9	50.1	491.7	10.8
2024–25	1,481	14,326	562.2	51.2	511.0	11.0

Source (counts): Crime Statistics Agency (CSA)

^(a)Excludes unique offenders with an unknown sex.

Indigenous status data are derived using the revised CSA most frequent recorded status of an individual as recorded by Victoria Police, and may not represent the Indigenous status recorded by police at the time of the incident.

[Index](#)**Table 15.2.2a. Average daily number and rate of women under community-based corrections supervision^(a)**

Year	Aboriginal (n)	Non-Aboriginal (n)	Aboriginal status unknown (n)	Aboriginal (rate per 10,000)	Non-Aboriginal (rate per 10,000)	Gap (rate per 10,000)	Rate Ratio
2007-08	83	1,218	206	58.9	6.0	52.9	9.8
2008-09	88	1,163	249	60.7	5.6	55.1	10.8
2009-10	115	1,408	98	77.2	6.7	70.5	11.6
2010-11	135	1,438	106	88.2	6.7	81.5	13.2
2011-12	134	1,429	63	75.9	6.5	78.9	11.7
2012-13	140	1,375	60	76.6	6.1	81.1	12.6
2013-14	149	1,531	45	78.6	6.6	84.1	11.8
2014-15	165	1,712	68	84.1	7.3	91.1	11.6
2015-16	197	2,045	100	97.1	8.5	106.4	11.5
2016-17	217	2,156	108	103.4	8.7	114.3	11.8
2017-18	237	2,288	95	109.4	9.1	120.9	12.1
2018-19	204	1,982	77	91.4	7.7	100.6	11.8
2019-20	199	1,753	67	86.7	6.7	95.9	12.9
2020-21	138	1,061	63	58.4	4.1	65.1	14.4
2021-22	137	1,128	101	56.4	4.3	62.4	13.1
2022-23	164	1,217	128	65.9	4.5	73.1	14.5
2023-24	155	1,240	81	60.6	4.5	66.9	13.5
2024-25	150	985	71	56.9	3.5	66.9	16.2

Source: Corrections Victoria

Aboriginal and all persons population estimates are taken at December quarter. Non-Aboriginal estimates are calculated by subtracting the Victorian Aboriginal estimates from the total Victorian estimates

(a) Community based corrections involves the management and supervision of offenders in the community. These offenders are serving court-imposed orders either as an alternative to imprisonment or as a condition of their release on parole from prison. This means they must report regularly to their community corrections officer and may have to participate in unpaid community work and rehabilitation programs.

Due to calculation error for the historical rate per 10,000, the timeseries has been re-released. Please use above figures.

Table 15.2.2b. Average daily number and rate of women under corrections supervision in prison

Year	Aboriginal (n)	Non-Aboriginal (n)	Aboriginal status unknown (n)	Aboriginal (rate per 10,000)	Non-Aboriginal (rate per 10,000)	Gap (rate per 10,000)	Rate Ratio
2007-08	15	226	3	11.0	0.1	10.9	147.7
2008-09	18	232	4	12.8	0.1	12.7	147.0
2009-10	24	266	18	16.6	0.1	16.5	145.9
2010-11	26	283	6	17.4	0.1	17.3	144.5
2011-12	26	294	7	14.7	1.3	13.4	11.1
2012-13	31	299	12	17.0	1.3	15.6	12.8
2013-14	39	336	28	20.6	1.5	19.1	14.1
2014-15	44	382	9	22.4	1.6	20.8	13.8
2015-16	40	361	28	19.7	1.5	18.2	13.2
2016-17	49	402	20	23.4	1.6	21.7	14.3
2017-18	65	435	12	30.0	1.7	28.3	17.4
2018-19	77	499	11	34.5	1.9	32.6	17.8
2019-20	75	427	9	32.7	1.6	31.0	20.0
2020-21	53	330	27	22.4	1.3	21.2	17.8
2021-22	46	295	26	19.0	1.1	17.8	16.8
2022-23	41	284	14	16.5	1.1	15.4	15.5
2023-24	36	259	12	14.1	0.9	13.1	15.0
2024-25	41	251	22	15.6	0.9	14.7	17.4

Source: Corrections Victoria

Non-Aboriginal estimates derived by subtracting the Victorian Aboriginal estimates from the total Victorian estimates

Population estimates by financial year is the mean between each calendar year estimate to derive the estimated population at December 30 (the midpoint) of a given reporting period.

Due to calculation error for the historical rate per 10,000, the time series has been re-released. Please use above figures.

[Index](#)**Table 15.2.3. Proportion of women who return to prison under sentence within two years of release**

Year	Aboriginal women released from prison who return within 2 years (n)	Non-Aboriginal women released from prison who return within 2 years (n)	Aboriginal women released from prison who return within 2 years (%)	Non-Aboriginal women released from prison who return within 2 years (%)	Gap (%)	Rate Ratio
2007–08	8	86	38.1%	33.9%	4.2%	1.1
2008–09	8	78	53.3%	29.1%	24.2%	1.8
2009–10	14	90	53.9%	31.8%	22.1%	1.7
2010–11	12	76	63.2%	30.7%	32.5%	2.1
2011–12	14	98	45.2%	33.3%	11.9%	1.4
2012–13	20	70	48.8%	25.2%	23.6%	1.9
2013–14	13	97	40.6%	31.3%	9.3%	1.3
2014–15	20	125	51.3%	41.0%	10.3%	1.3
2015–16	23	119	53.7%	36.6%	17.1%	1.5
2016–17	24	124	43.6%	35.8%	7.8%	1.2
2017–18	16	86	30.8%	26.1%	4.6%	1.2
2018–19	26	108	47.3%	30.3%	16.9%	1.6
2019–20	34	126	43.0%	32.7%	10.3%	1.3
2020–21	39	131	39.8%	28.4%	11.4%	1.4
2021–22	18	123	24.3%	28.9%	-4.5%	0.8
2022–23	19	95	29.7%	28.8%	0.9%	1.0
2023–24	19	72	35.2%	28.5%	6.7%	1.2
2024–25	7	70	16.7%	27.5%	-10.8%	0.6

Source: Corrections Victoria

[Index](#)**Table 15.2.4. Proportion of women in prison on remand**

Year	Aboriginal women in prison (n) ^(a)	Aboriginal women in prison and on remand (n)	Non-Aboriginal women in prison (n) ^(a)	Non-Aboriginal women in prison and on remand (n)	Aboriginal women on remand as proportion of all Aboriginal women in prison (%)	Non-Aboriginal women on remand as a proportion of all non-Aboriginal women in prison (%)
2007–08	15	2	226	49	13.3%	21.7%
2008–09	18	6	232	60	33.3%	25.9%
2009–10	24	7	266	61	29.2%	22.9%
2010–11	26	6	283	63	23.1%	22.3%
2011–12	26	9	294	64	34.6%	21.8%
2012–13	31	10	299	75	32.3%	25.1%
2013–14	39	12	336	84	30.8%	25.0%
2014–15	44	17	382	103	38.6%	27.0%
2015–16	40	16	361	119	40.0%	33.0%
2016–17	49	22	402	158	44.9%	39.3%
2017–18	65	31	435	170	47.7%	39.1%
2018–19	77	45	499	222	58.4%	44.5%
2019–20	75	43	427	188	57.3%	44.0%
2020–21	53	31	330	145	58.5%	43.9%
2021–22	46	28	295	152	60.9%	51.5%
2022–23	41	23	284	140	56.1%	49.3%
2023–24	36	19	259	105	52.8%	40.5%
2024–25	41	23	251	103	56.1%	41.0%

Source: Corrections Victoria

(a) data sourced from Table 15.2.2.

(b) Includes all women in prison with a known Aboriginal status.

**Aboriginal women on
remand as proportion of all
women in prison (%)^(b)**

0.8%
2.4%
2.4%
1.9%
2.8%
3.0%
3.2%
4.0%
4.0%
4.9%
6.2%
7.8%
8.6%
8.1%
8.2%
7.1%
6.4%
7.9%

[Index](#)**Table 15.3.1. Number and rate unique adult (18 years and above) male alleged offenders processed by police, Victoria**

Year	Aboriginal (n)	Non-Aboriginal (n)	Aboriginal (rate per 10,000)	Non-Aboriginal (rate per 10,000)	Gap (rate per 10,000)	Rate Ratio
2007–08	1,411	33,927	1013.8	177.9	835.9	5.7
2008–09	1,468	38,065	1032.2	195.0	837.1	5.3
2009–10	1,768	44,802	1200.1	223.9	976.1	5.4
2010–11	1,893	44,804	1248.1	219.0	1029.1	5.7
2011–12	2,074	46,808	1156.1	221.1	935.0	5.2
2012–13	2,173	50,941	1170.2	235.6	934.7	5.0
2013–14	2,253	51,618	1172.0	233.7	938.4	5.0
2014–15	2,394	51,068	1206.1	226.4	979.7	5.3
2015–16	2,464	51,014	1202.2	221.1	981.1	5.4
2016–17	2,542	51,535	1201.4	218.2	983.2	5.5
2017–18	2,672	51,141	1226.5	211.9	1014.6	5.8
2018–19	2,826	52,582	1259.3	213.4	1045.9	5.9
2019–20	2,878	53,826	1243.6	214.9	1028.8	5.8
2020–21	2,969	58,142	1246.1	232.1	1013.9	5.4
2021–22	2,910	51,296	1188.9	204.8	984.2	5.8
2022–23	3,005	49,480	1196.2	193.0	1003.2	6.2
2023–24	3,036	47,329	1177.2	179.3	997.9	6.6
2024–25	3,221	49,870	1213.8	186.0	1027.8	6.5

Source: Crime Statistics Agency (CSA)

Indigenous status data are derived using the revised CSA most frequent recorded status of an individual as recorded by Victoria Police, and may not represent the Indigenous status recorded by police at the time of the incident.

Source (total Victorian population estimates): Table 52. Estimated Resident Population By Single Year Of Age, Victoria. ABS Cat No. 3101.0 Australian Demographic Statistics December 2020

Source (Aboriginal Victorian population estimates): Table 1. Estimated and projected, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population, Series B(a) 18 years and over, Australia, states and territories, ABS Cat No. 3238.0 Estimates and Projections, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians, 2006 to 2031

Aboriginal and all persons population estimates are taken at December quarter. Non-Aboriginal estimates are calculated by subtracting the Victorian Aboriginal estimates from the total Victorian estimates

[Index](#)**Table 15.3.2a. Average daily number and rate of men under community-based corrections supervision**

Year	Aboriginal (n)	Non-Aboriginal (n)	Aboriginal status unknown (n)	Aboriginal (rate per 10,000)	Non-Aboriginal (rate per 10,000)	Gap (rate per 10,000)	Rate Ratio
2007–08	270	5,602	500	203.3	29.4	173.9	6.9
2008–09	291	5,503	800	212.9	28.2	184.7	7.5
2009–10	371	6,657	318	263.4	33.3	230.1	7.9
2010–11	391	6,858	294	269.4	33.5	235.8	8.0
2011–12	377	6,601	198	210.1	31.2	179.0	6.7
2012–13	406	6,850	179	218.6	31.7	187.0	6.9
2013–14	413	7,056	153	214.8	31.9	182.9	6.7
2014–15	508	8,148	213	255.9	36.1	219.8	7.1
2015–16	650	10,145	347	317.1	44.0	273.2	7.2
2016–17	705	10,487	352	333.2	44.4	288.8	7.5
2017–18	764	10,826	348	350.7	44.8	305.8	7.8
2018–19	714	10,042	342	318.2	40.7	277.4	7.8
2019–20	703	9,204	274	303.8	36.7	267.0	8.3
2020–21	547	6,616	259	229.6	26.4	203.2	8.7
2021–22	618	6,825	374	252.5	27.2	225.2	9.3
2022–23	680	7,640	570	270.7	29.8	240.9	9.1
2023–24	728	7,745	361	282.3	29.3	252.9	9.6
2024–25	651	6,633	372	245.3	24.7	220.6	9.9

Source: Corrections Victoria

Aboriginal and all persons population estimates are taken at December quarter. Non-Aboriginal estimates are calculated by subtracting the Victorian Aboriginal estimates from the total Victorian estimates

Measure 15.3.2b. Average daily number and rate of men under corrections supervision in prison

Year	Aboriginal (n)	Non-Aboriginal (n)	Aboriginal status unknown (n)	Aboriginal (rate per 10,000)	Non-Aboriginal (rate per 10,000)	Gap (rate per 10,000)	Rate Ratio
2007-08	221	3,704	7	166.4	19.4	147.0	8.6
2008-09	232	3,759	12	169.7	19.3	150.4	8.8
2009-10	247	3,817	100	175.3	19.1	156.3	9.2
2010-11	261	3,969	42	179.8	19.4	160.4	9.3
2011-12	293	4,167	45	163.3	19.7	143.6	8.3
2012-13	344	4,375	58	185.3	20.2	165.0	9.2
2013-14	411	4,915	71	213.8	22.3	191.6	9.6
2014-15	464	5,391	60	233.8	23.9	209.9	9.8
2015-16	463	5,342	86	225.9	23.2	202.7	9.8
2016-17	524	5,779	79	247.7	24.5	223.2	10.1
2017-18	574	6,097	74	263.5	25.3	238.2	10.4
2018-19	687	6,696	74	306.1	27.2	279.0	11.3
2019-20	752	6,620	66	325.0	26.4	298.5	12.3
2020-21	699	5,901	128	293.4	23.6	269.8	12.5
2021-22	669	5,506	223	273.3	22.0	251.3	12.4
2022-23	759	5,365	148	302.1	20.9	281.2	14.4
2023-24	760	5,066	131	294.7	19.2	275.5	15.4
2024-25	761	4,872	156	286.8	18.2	268.6	15.8

Source: Corrections Victoria

Aboriginal and all persons population estimates are taken at December quarter. Non-Aboriginal estimates are calculated by subtracting the Victorian Aboriginal estimates from the total Victorian estimates

[Index](#)**Table 15.3.3. Proportion of men who return to prison under sentence within two years of release from a sentence episode**

Year	Aboriginal released from prison who return within 2 years (n)	Non-Aboriginal released from prison who return within 2 years (n)	Aboriginal released from prison who return within 2 years (%)	Non-Aboriginal released from prison who return within 2 years (%)	Gap	Rate Ratio
2007–08	101	949	51.3%	34.9%	16.4%	1.5
2008–09	96	976	50.3%	33.6%	16.7%	1.5
2009–10	84	1,000	45.2%	32.8%	12.4%	1.4
2010–11	127	1,110	55.0%	36.3%	18.7%	1.5
2011–12	115	1,125	53.7%	34.8%	18.9%	1.5
2012–13	139	1,141	51.1%	36.8%	14.3%	1.4
2013–14	163	1,296	57.0%	38.9%	18.1%	1.5
2014–15	240	1,468	60.6%	42.8%	17.8%	1.4
2015–16	185	1,494	55.8%	42.3%	13.5%	1.3
2016–17	237	1,567	48.8%	38.9%	9.9%	1.3
2017–18	244	1,549	50.3%	38.8%	11.5%	1.3
2018–19	233	1,410	47.1%	36.5%	10.6%	1.3
2019–20	289	1,523	49.3%	37.3%	12.0%	1.3
2020–21	308	1,701	47.8%	37.8%	10.0%	1.3
2021–22	317	1,719	47.8%	36.4%	11.4%	1.3
2022–23	299	1,582	46.4%	39.4%	7.0%	1.2
2023–24	302	1,452	48.0%	38.7%	9.3%	1.2
2024–25	265	1,321	45.8%	36.2%	9.6%	1.3

Source: Corrections Victoria

[Index](#)**Table 15.3.4. Proportion of men in prison on remand**

Year	Aboriginal men in prison (n)	Aboriginal men in prison and on remand (n)	Non-Aboriginal men in prison (n)	Non-Aboriginal men in prison and on remand (n)	Aboriginal men on remand as proportion of all Aboriginal men in prison (%)	Non-Aboriginal men on remand as a proportion of all non-Aboriginal men in prison (%)	Aboriginal men on remand as proportion of all men in prison (%) ^(a)
2007–08	221	49	3,704	713	22.2%	19.2%	1.2%
2008–09	232	43	3,759	715	18.5%	19.0%	1.1%
2009–10	247	50	3,817	706	20.2%	18.5%	1.2%
2010–11	261	51	3,969	714	19.5%	18.0%	1.2%
2011–12	293	61	4,167	785	20.8%	18.8%	1.4%
2012–13	344	72	4,375	840	20.9%	19.2%	1.5%
2013–14	411	80	4,915	829	19.5%	16.9%	1.5%
2014–15	464	108	5,391	1,158	23.3%	21.5%	1.8%
2015–16	463	140	5,342	1,349	30.2%	25.3%	2.4%
2016–17	524	202	5,779	1,723	38.5%	29.8%	3.2%
2017–18	574	218	6,097	1,914	38.0%	31.4%	3.3%
2018–19	687	301	6,696	2,340	43.8%	34.9%	4.1%
2019–20	752	331	6,620	2,343	44.0%	35.4%	4.5%
2020–21	699	323	5,901	2,239	46.2%	37.9%	4.9%
2021–22	669	325	5,506	2,218	48.6%	40.3%	5.3%
2022–23	759	375	5,365	2,151	49.5%	40.1%	6.1%
2023–24	760	329	5,066	1,742	43.4%	34.4%	5.7%
2024–25	761	338	4,872	1,714	44.4%	35.2%	6.0%

Source: Corrections Victoria

(a) Includes all men in prison with a known Aboriginal status.

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Index**Table 16.1.1. Number and proportion of Aboriginal youth receiving intensive bail support through the Aboriginal Intensive Support Program (AISP) formerly KISP**

Year	Aboriginal children and young people on the AISP	Aboriginal youth ^(a) receiving bail support through the AISP (count)	Aboriginal youth ^(a) receiving bail support through the AISP (%)
2018–19	111	27	24.3%
2019–20	90	11	12.2%
2020–21	100	8	8.0%
2021–22	104	9	8.7%
2022–23	81	5	6.0%
2023–24	67	7	10.4%
2024–25	71	3	4.2%

Source: Department of Justice and Community Safety

(a) aged 10–17, including both Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Note: The Victorian Department of Justice and Community Safety are collecting this data and processes are being established for future reporting.

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[Index](#)**Table 16.1.2a. Number and proportion of adults referred for intensive bail support by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander status**

Year	Aboriginal ^(a) adults referred for intensive bail support	Non-Aboriginal adults referred for intensive bail support	Aboriginal status not stated adults receiving intensive bail support
2007–08	248	2,367	157
2008–09	201	2,756	99
2009–10	226	2,637	191
2010–11	211	2,417	178
2011–12	236	2,068	170
2012–13	236	2,311	133
2013–14	194	2,264	114
2014–15	194	2,252	105
2015–16	289	2,416	148
2016–17	316	2,286	187
2017–18	373	2,674	188
2018–19	497	3,184	286
2019–20	461	3,189	369
2020–21	408	2,812	417
2021–22	564	3,455	471
2022–23	620	3,068	396
2023–24	759	3,113	278
2024–25	920	3,663	211
Source: Court	161	550	-67
(a) Includes A	631	1247	63

Note: *Adults* includes persons aged 18 and above.

Note: Data has been collated from the County Court of Victoria, and the Magistrates' Court of Victoria

Table 16.1.2b. Number and proportion of Aboriginal adults receiving intensive bail support

Year	Aboriginal ^(a) adults receiving intensive bail support	Non-Aboriginal adults receiving intensive bail support	Aboriginal status not stated adults receiving intensive bail support	Proportion of Aboriginal adults receiving intensive bail support	Proportion of Non-Aboriginal adults receiving intensive bail support
2007–08	123	1,473	93	49.6%	62.2%
2008–09	129	1,759	64	64.2%	63.8%
2009–10	105	1,682	116	46.5%	63.8%
2010–11	133	1,428	112	63.0%	59.1%
2011–12	147	1,202	110	62.3%	58.1%
2012–13	128	1,279	71	54.2%	55.3%
2013–14	116	1,283	49	59.8%	56.7%
2014–15	116	1,334	61	59.8%	59.2%
2015–16	176	1,348	94	60.9%	55.8%
2016–17	176	1,258	116	55.7%	55.0%
2017–18	205	1,438	109	55.0%	53.8%
2018–19	278	1,695	180	55.9%	53.2%
2019–20	234	1,666	192	50.8%	52.2%
2020–21	223	1,517	222	54.6%	55.8%
2021–22	329	1,825	244	58.3%	52.8%
2022–23	390	1,817	215	62.9%	59.2%
2023–24	413	1,575	130	54.4%	50.6%
2024–25	435	1,651	91	47.3%	45.1%

Source: Courts Integrated Services Program (CISP) data, Court Services Victoria

(a) Includes Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander persons. Aboriginality is recorded based on voluntary self-reports from court users.

Note: Adults includes persons aged 18 and above.

Note: Data has been collated from the County Court of Victoria, and the Magistrates' Court of Victoria

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Table 16.1.3. Number of Aboriginal children and young people accessing community support programs through youth justice community services

Year	Number of Aboriginal children and young people accessing community support programs through youth justice community services
2019–20	484
2020–21	652
2021–22	518
2022–23	580
2023–24	451
2024–25	610

Source: Department of Justice and Community Safety

Note: includes all Aboriginal specific programs funded by Aboriginal Youth Justice.

[Index](#)**Table 17.1.1 Proportion of police officers who have received Aboriginal cultural awareness training**

Year	Recruit	PSO*	Police	Total
2018–19 ^(a)	1,241	176	153	1,570
2019–20	1,030	105	68	1,203
2020–21	1,005	120	490	1,615
2021–22 ^(b)	693	92	636	1,421
2022–23	628	307	5270	6,205
2023–24	977	855	5184	7,016
2024–25	704	248	2,300	3,252
<i>Total Completed Aboriginal Cultural Safety Training</i>				22,282
Proportion of Police officers that have completed Aboriginal Cultural Safety Training				94.7%

Source: Internal Victoria Police records.

Note: Proportion based on total number completing training divided by total Police, Recruit and PSO headcount at 30 June 2023

(a) In May 2019 a revised training package was delivered to Police Aboriginal Liaison Officers

(b) since 2021-22 training has included Academy and PSCD/DTO training

*Protective Services Officers (PSO)

Does not include Police Custody Officers who are not sworn employees-87 trained to 30 June 2023.

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New data is not available

Table 17.1.2. Proportion of Victorians who feel safe/very safe walking alone at night in local area in the last 12 months, 2006–08 and 2014–15

Year	Aboriginal (%)	Non-Aboriginal (%)	Rate ratio
2006–08	50.0%	50.9%	1.0
2014–15	63.0%	52.8%	1.2

Aboriginal data sourced from National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Survey 2008 and 2014–15

Non-Aboriginal data sourced from General Social Survey 2006 and 2014

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New data is not available

Table 17.1.3. Proportion who reported being a victim of physical or threatened violence in the last 12 months, 2005–08 and 2014–16

Year	Aboriginal (%)	Non-Aboriginal (%)	Rate ratio
2005–08	26.0%	5.3%	4.9
2014–16	20.6%	4.3%	4.8

Aboriginal data sourced from National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Survey 2008 and 2014–15

Non-Aboriginal data sourced from Personal Safety Survey 2005 and 2016

[Index](#)**Table 17.1.4a. Number and proportion of Aboriginal people employed with the Department of Justice and Community Safety**

Year	Number of Aboriginal staff (n)	Proportion of all staff (%)
2007–08	30	0.5%
2008–09	62	1.0%
2009–10	70	0.9%
2010–11	86	1.2%
2011–12	108	1.4%
2012–13	133	1.9%
2013–14	116	1.4%
2014–15 ^(a)	102	1.3%
2015–16	132	1.7%
2016–17	150	1.7%
2017–18	185	1.9%
2018–19	205	2.0%
2019–20	210	2.1%
2020–21	218	2.0%
2021–22	184	1.8%
2022–23	186	1.8%
2023–24	224	2.2%
2024–25	233	2.2%

Source: Aboriginal Employment Team, DJCS

(a) In July 2014 Court Services Victoria (CSV) was established as an independent statutory body, CSV data is not included in data beyond that date.

Data quality statement: Please note above data only relates to the Department of Justice and Community Safety workforce.

This does not include the Aboriginal workforce at Victoria's two private prisons or at Aboriginal community controlled organisations (ACCOs) who may have justice specific roles.

Measure 17.1.4b. Number and proportion of Aboriginal people employed with Victoria Police

Year	Number of Aboriginal staff (n)	Proportion of all staff (%)
2008–09 ^(a)	7	0.1%
2018–19	98	0.5%
2019–20	103	0.6%
2020–21	113	0.5%
2021–22	127	0.6%
2022–23	135	0.7%
2023–24	148	0.7%
2024–25	146	0.7%

Source: Internal Victoria Police records.

(a) 7 employees were active as at 30/06/2008 and had declared an Aboriginal status, however we cannot determine the effective date as this is not recorded on the former HRM reporting system.

note: Aboriginal staff (n) is based on HR Assist reports which identify the effective date of declaration. Whilst an increase may be attributable to targeted employment, growth due to increased awareness to declare Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin is also likely.

Measure 17.1.4c. Number and proportion of Aboriginal people employed with Court Services Victoria (as of June)

Year	Number of Aboriginal staff (n)	Proportion of all staff (%)
2016–17	46	2.0%
2017–18	53	2.4%
2018–19	53	2.2%
2019–20	60	2.3%
2020–21	64	2.3%
2021–22	68	2.3%
2022–23	79	2.7%
2023–24	89	2.5%
2024–25	71	2.5%

Source: Internal Courts Services Victoria records.

Note: Prior to July 2014, Court Services Victoria staff were counted as part of the Department of Justice and Community Safety. Note that Elders and Respected Persons (ERPs) working across Koori Courts are not included in Aboriginal staff numbers.

Note: Includes Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander persons. Aboriginality is recorded based on voluntary self-reports from employees.