

Youth Justice Demographic Data: Involvements

Source: DSI 2023. Extracted 21/12/2023. Job # EPR0243774

Notes

This data counts the total number of involvements young people aged 10-17 had with Youth Justice Services that began in each fiscal year from 2018-19 to 2022-23. An involvement is defined for the data request as either a task managed by Community Youth Justice (Diversionary or Community), or an episode of youth detention (Custodial).

Young people may have several involvements with Youth Justice Services within the same year and may have several involvements simultaneously (e.g. a young person may attend a Community Conference while also serving a Community Service Order.)

Cells that contain numbers less than 5 have been suppressed to protect the privacy of young people, along with secondary cells within a given data item for consequential suppression. Suppressed cells are marked with 'np'.

Categories of Youth Justice Involvements

The listed categories include different kinds of involvement with Youth Justice as governed by the *Youth Justice Act 1997*:

Diversionary: Includes young people who have a Diversionary involvement with Community Youth Justice. The tasks included as Diversionary involvements include Community Conference and Community Service Undertaking, which may be referred by Police or the Court. Note Police involvement precedes these tasks, usually in the form of warnings, informal or formal cautions, which are excluded from this data.

Community: Includes young people who have been managed by Community Youth Justice as directed by the Court. The tasks include the unsentenced tasks Deferred Sentence, Supported Bail, Pre-Sentence Report and Support Bail Plan, and the sentenced tasks Probation, Suspended Detention, Release and Adjourn with Conditions, Supervised Release and Community Service Orders.

Custodial: Includes young people who have been detained in custody at Ashley Youth Detention Centre on either remand or under a sentenced detention order. The counting unit is episodes of custody, noting that one young person may have multiple episodes in a given period and that an episode can be for any number of days.

Comparison to published sources

This data does not align with any published sources of Tasmanian Youth Justice data.

It differs from similar data published in AIHW reports including *Youth Justice in Australia* because of the inclusion of diversionary involvements such as Community Conferences and Pre-Sentence Reports.

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Region

Involvement Type	Fiscal Year														
	2018-19			2019-20			2020-21			2021-22			2022-23		
	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial
North	57	184	32	56	123	23	48	98	13	47	84	14	35	119	32
North West	27	136	20	30	127	11	19	121	5	16	86	9	21	97	7
South	45	264	62	51	243	62	67	216	52	84	192	44	67	232	79
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Total	129	584	114	137	493	96	134	435	70	147	362	68	123	448	118

Gender

Involvement Type	Fiscal Year														
	2018-19			2019-20			2020-21			2021-22			2022-23		
	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial
Female	35	126	17	43	108	13	48	104	15	40	97	10	46	124	32
Male	94	458	97	94	385	83	85	331	55	106	265	58	75	321	86
Not stated/inadequately described	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	3	0
Total	129	584	114	137	493	96	134	435	70	147	362	68	123	448	118

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	2018-19			2019-20			2020-21			2021-22			2022-23		
	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial
10-13	37	47	7	25	23	np	36	22	9	27	24	7	25	19	11
14-17	92	537	107	112	470	np	98	413	61	120	338	61	98	429	107
Total	129	584	114	137	493	96	134	435	70	147	362	68	123	448	118

Youth Justice Demographic Data: Young People

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Notes

This data counts the total number of distinct young people aged 10-17 with an involvement with Youth Justice Services each fiscal year from 2018-19 to 2022-23. An involvement is defined for the data request as either a task managed by Community Youth Justice (Diversionary or Community), or an episode of youth detention (Custodial).

In the instance a young person has an involvement with Youth Justice Services in multiple fiscal years, they are included in the count for each year.

In the instance a young person has multiple involvement in the same fiscal year, they are counted once. In these cases, each young person's type of involvement, age, region and gender is counted as it was in their first involvement in that fiscal year.

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It differs from Community Youth Justice data published in the Tasmanian Budget Papers and Annual Report because it includes all YJ involvement (Community or Custodial) and only 10-17 year olds.

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Region

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	2018-19			2019-20			2020-21			2021-22			2022-23		
	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial
North	44	49	22	48	54	np	48	35	np	39	24	11	38	27	15
North West	13	63	12	20	61	np	13	53	np	11	41	5	16	46	5
South	44	90	27	44	65	32	52	76	29	70	60	27	58	59	38
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Total	101	202	61	112	180	53	113	164	43	120	125	44	112	132	58

Gender

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	2018-19			2019-20			2020-21			2021-22			2022-23		
	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial
Female	24	50	14	40	55	8	45	53	9	37	43	9	36	41	13
Male	77	152	47	72	125	45	67	111	34	83	82	35	74	90	45
Not stated/inadequately described	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0
Total	101	202	61	112	180	53	113	164	43	120	125	44	112	132	58

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	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial	Diversions	Community	Custodial
10-13	27	21	9	22	14	np	29	9	np	27	11	5	24	7	9
14-17	74	181	52	90	166	np	84	155	np	93	114	39	88	125	49
Total	101	202	61	112	180	53	113	164	43	120	125	44	112	132	58