Youth Justice Pocket Stats 2017-18

From 12 February 2018, 17 year old offenders are dealt with under the Youth Justice Act

Profile
There were 490,111 young people aged 10-17 years in Queensland in 2017-18
- 4,017 distinct young people aged 10-17 years had a total of 31,090 proven offences
- 10 per cent of young offenders committed 44 per cent of all proven offences
- 72 per cent of young offenders were male

Offences 2017-18
Proven Offences

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<th>Subtypes</th>
<th>% of all proven offences</th>
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<td>Theft and related offences - includes unlawful use of a motor vehicle (8%)</td>
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<td>Break and enter / burglary</td>
<td>18%</td>
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<td>Property damage</td>
<td>9%</td>
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<td>Trespass</td>
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<td>Assault</td>
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<td>Robbery</td>
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<td>Traffic and vehicle regulatory offences</td>
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<td>Dangerous or negligent acts</td>
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<td>Illicit drug offences</td>
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<td>Offences against justice procedures - includes resist police (5%)</td>
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<td>Public order</td>
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<td>Fraud</td>
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Orders 2017-18

1,956 young people* received a total of 3,795 supervised orders
1,877 young people received a total of 3,489 community-based orders
2,273 referrals to restorative justice conferencing were received (45% were police referrals)
1,412 restorative justice conferences were held

Detention* 2017-18
On an average day, there were

- 210 young people in detention
- 72% were Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
- 175 young people were held on remand
- 72 days was the average sentenced episode duration in custody
- 36 days was the average remand episode duration

Overrepresentation*
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people were:
- 11 x as likely to have a proven offence
- 17 x as likely to have a supervised order
- 31 x as likely to be held in custody
- 29 x as likely to be held in custody on remand

Complexity of young offenders, Youth Justice Census, June 2018

- 52% Disengaged from education, training and employment
- 18% Homeless or in unsuitable accommodation
- 80% Used at least one substance
- 33% Young people in detention have used Ice or other Methamphetamines
- 58% Mental health and/or behavioural disorder (diagnosed or suspected)
- 17% Disability (diagnosed or suspected)
- 5% Were parents of young children
- 31% At least one parent of young offenders spent time in adult custody

Notes:
- a. A young person may have been admitted to both a community-based and detention-based order during the reference period.
- b. Based on orders that were completed in 2016-17, regardless of when the order commenced.
- c. Includes both court-ordered custody in youth detention centres and Police watch-houses.
- d. Remand figures include pre-court custody in detention centres but excludes pre-court custody in Police watch-houses.
- e. Based on rate per population comparisons.
- f. Includes being pregnant or being an expectant father.