

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S PORTFOLIO

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Senator Dastyari asked the following question at the hearing on 12 December 2016:

Senator DASTYARI: Mr Moraitis, if I can ask you to take a question on notice, because I am sure you would not have this. I have been unable to find through public media or reports Indigenous incarceration rates per prison. You can get Indigenous incarceration rates at a state based level. I have been unable to get that information at a prison level. I assume, if they are compiling a state based system, they must add them up somehow. I would imagine that information exists. I do not know if you are able to take on notice—and there may be a report that already exists and that I just have not been able to find—what the Indigenous incarceration rates are per prison. You get the compound state figure, but I assume they add up all the prisons—I do not know how else you would get that state figure.

Senator Brandis: I do not know whether the states or the Northern Territory disaggregate those figures, Senator Dastyari. They may or they may not.

Senator DASTYARI: If you could take on notice. My thought would be that they would not be able to compile it. To be able to compile it, you have to add them up.

Mr Moraitis: We will take that on notice. Maybe the ABS might have some information. I am not sure if it goes down to the prison level.

Senator DASTYARI: It does not go down to prison level, because it is overall incarceration numbers.

Mr Moraitis: We will take that on notice.

Senator DASTYARI: Thank you, Senator Brandis

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

According to data provided to the Attorney-General's Department by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS), the Indigenous incarceration rates per prison as at 30 June 2016 are as set out in the table below. The table is based on data used by the ABS in its publication *Prisoners in Australia, 2016*, released on 8 December 2016, available at <http://www.abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs@.nsf/Lookup/4517.0Main+Features12016?OpenDocument>.

All the data included in *Prisoners in Australia, 2016* is data provided to the ABS from the corrective services agencies in each state and territory. Note that the two 'Total' columns include prisoners whose Indigenous status is unknown. Additionally, the data has been subject to 'perturbation' – which is the method used by the ABS to prevent the identification of individuals. This process randomly adjusts small cells, which means that the sum of the components of a total may not add to the published total (and this also impacts the subsequent proportions). The Explanatory Notes 108, 109 and 110 to the *Prisoners in Australia, 2016* provides further information about perturbation.



Australian Bureau of Statistics

PRISONERS, Prison location by Indigenous status, 30 June 2016

Prison location	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander	Non- Indigenous	Total	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander	Non- Indigenous	Total
	Number			Proportion (%)		
NEW SOUTH WALES						
Bathurst Correctional Centre	158	457	620	25.5	73.7	100.0
Brewarrina (Yetta Dhinnakkal) Centre	36	0	38	94.7	0.0	100.0
Broken Hill Correctional Centre	41	45	82	50.0	54.9	100.0
Cessnock Correctional Centre	250	586	838	29.8	69.9	100.0
Cooma Correctional Centre	27	168	192	14.1	87.5	100.0
Emu Plains Correctional Centre	46	130	178	25.8	73.0	100.0
Glen Innes Correctional Centre	45	132	174	25.9	75.9	100.0
Goulburn Correctional Centre	116	456	571	20.3	79.9	100.0
Grafton Correctional Centre	86	170	252	34.1	67.5	100.0
Ivanhoe (Warakirri) Centre	18	16	35	51.4	45.7	100.0
John Morony Correctional Centre (I)	89	312	401	22.2	77.8	100.0
June Correctional Centre	230	617	843	27.3	73.2	100.0
Kirkconnell Correctional Centre	26	210	237	11.0	88.6	100.0
Lithgow Correctional Centre	78	338	407	19.2	83.0	100.0
Long Bay Hospital	49	352	405	12.1	86.9	100.0
Metropolitan Special Programs Centre	176	899	1,073	16.4	83.8	100.0
Mannus Correctional Centre	15	143	160	9.4	89.4	100.0
Metropolitan Remand and Reception Centre	201	877	1,076	18.7	81.5	100.0
Silverwater Women's Correctional Centre	92	210	298	30.9	70.5	100.0
Oberon Correctional Centre	15	109	122	12.3	89.3	100.0
Parklea Correctional Centre	155	817	979	15.8	83.5	100.0
Special Purpose Centre	3	47	49	6.1	95.9	100.0

St Heliers Correctional Centre	34	229	263	12.9	87.1	100.0
Tamworth Correctional Centre	48	42	85	56.5	49.4	100.0
Bolwara House Transitional Centre	7	7	13	53.8	53.8	100.0
Parramatta Transitional Centre	0	11	16	0.0	68.8	100.0
Periodic Detention Administration	0	0	7	0.0	0.0	100.0
Silverwater Periodic Detention Centre - Stage 2	0	3	3	0.0	100.0	100.0
Batemans Bay Police/Court Cells	0	0	4	0.0	0.0	100.0
Dubbo Police/Court Cells	3	0	10	30.0	0.0	100.0
Moree Police/Court Cells	3	0	3	100.0	0.0	100.0
Newcastle Police/Court Cells	3	4	16	18.8	25.0	100.0
Penrith Police/Court Cells	3	18	22	13.6	81.8	100.0
Surry Hills Police/Court Cells	5	48	62	8.1	77.4	100.0
Wollongong Police/Court Cells	3	9	11	27.3	81.8	100.0
Port Macquarie Police/Court Cells	0	3	4	0.0	75.0	100.0
Albury Police/Court Cells	3	7	9	33.3	77.8	100.0
Dillwynia Correctional Centre	76	168	245	31.0	68.6	100.0
Kariong Detention Centre	28	65	94	29.8	69.1	100.0
Mid North Coast Correctional Centre	229	312	542	42.3	57.6	100.0
Compulsory Drug Treatment Correctional Centre	10	42	58	17.2	72.4	100.0
Outer Metropolitan Multi-Purpose Correctional Centre	71	272	343	20.7	79.3	100.0
Dawn de Loas Correctional Centre	65	373	439	14.8	85.0	100.0
Wellington Correctional Centre	360	314	673	53.5	46.7	100.0
High Risk Management Correctional Centre	3	39	38	7.9	102.6	100.0
South Coast Correctional Centre	126	505	628	20.1	80.4	100.0
Amber Laurel Correctional Centre	3	24	27	11.1	88.9	100.0
Total	3,037	9,586	12,629	24.0	75.9	100.0

VICTORIA

Hopkins Correctional Centre	51	647	690	7.4	93.8	100.0
Langi Kal Kal	19	363	376	5.1	96.5	100.0
Beechworth Correctional Centre	8	171	186	4.3	91.9	100.0
Loddon	46	641	687	6.7	93.3	100.0
Tarrengower	4	51	52	7.7	98.1	100.0
Dhurringile	17	219	245	6.9	89.4	100.0
Marrngoneet Correctional Centre	28	518	549	5.1	94.4	100.0
Barwon	22	403	429	5.1	93.9	100.0
Metropolitan Remand Centre	72	699	770	9.4	90.8	100.0

Judy Lazarus Transition Centre	0	22	19	0.0	115.8	100.0
Melbourne Assessment Prison	40	236	281	14.2	84.0	100.0
Dame Phyllis Frost Centre	40	333	372	10.8	89.5	100.0
Fulham Correctional Centre	56	735	788	7.1	93.3	100.0
Port Phillip Prison	127	942	1,068	11.9	88.2	100.0
Total	535	5,979	6,522	8.2	91.7	100.0

QUEENSLAND

Borallon Correctional Centre	33	206	231	14.3	89.2	100.0
Lotus Glen Correctional Centre - Main	511	246	760	67.2	32.4	100.0
Palen Creek Correctional Centre	12	128	143	8.4	89.5	100.0
Townsville Correctional Centre - Male Main	378	259	636	59.4	40.7	100.0
Arthur Gorrie Correctional Centre	191	961	1148	16.6	83.7	100.0
Lotus Glen Correctional Centre - Farm	84	31	119	70.6	26.1	100.0
Townsville Correctional Centre - Female Farm	24	17	40	60.0	42.5	100.0
Townsville Correctional Centre - Male Farm	54	34	86	62.8	39.5	100.0
Woodford Correctional Centre	225	709	935	24.1	75.8	100.0
Numinbah Correctional Centre - Women's Unit	19	96	112	17.0	85.7	100.0
The Helana Jones Community Corrections Centre	3	14	20	15.0	70.0	100.0
Wolston Correctional Centre	112	616	724	15.5	85.1	100.0
Maryborough Correctional Centre	151	419	566	26.7	74.0	100.0
Capricornia Correctional Centre - Farm	45	69	114	39.5	60.5	100.0
Capricornia Correctional Centre	202	336	540	37.4	62.2	100.0
Brisbane Women's Correctional Centre	115	253	362	31.8	69.9	100.0
Townsville Womens Correctional Centre	81	64	145	55.9	44.1	100.0
Brisbane Correctional Centre	140	581	721	19.4	80.6	100.0
Southern Queensland Correctional Centre	95	250	343	27.7	72.9	100.0
Total	2,461	5,281	7,746	31.8	68.2	100.0

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Yatala Labour Prison	99	489	592	16.7	82.6	100.0
James Nash House	3	12	17	17.6	70.6	100.0
Cadell Training Centre	14	195	208	6.7	93.8	100.0
Port Augusta Gaol	184	346	531	34.7	65.2	100.0
Port Lincoln Gaol	47	156	205	22.9	76.1	100.0
Mount Gambier Gaol	39	452	488	8.0	92.6	100.0
Adelaide Remand Centre	56	227	278	20.1	81.7	100.0
Mobilong Prison	76	292	367	20.7	79.6	100.0

Adelaide Women's Prison	41	120	162	25.3	74.1	100.0
Adelaide Pre-Release Centre	12	91	98	12.2	92.9	100.0
Total	571	2,381	2,948	19.4	80.8	100.0

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Albany Regional Prison	194	218	416	46.6	52.4	100.0
Bandyup Women's Prison	176	218	397	44.3	54.9	100.0
Bunbury Regional Prison	81	247	333	24.3	74.2	100.0
Casuarina Prison	326	608	942	34.6	64.5	100.0
Eastern Goldfields Regional Prison	64	34	100	64.0	34.0	100.0
Greenough Regional Prison	244	82	328	74.4	25.0	100.0
Karnet Prison Farm	38	282	320	11.9	88.1	100.0
Pardelup Prison Farm	10	67	79	12.7	84.8	100.0
Roebourne Regional Prison	146	30	174	83.9	17.2	100.0
Wooroloo Prison Farm	46	326	379	12.1	86.0	100.0
Hakea Prison	278	682	960	29.0	71.0	100.0
Acacia Prison	503	970	1467	34.3	66.1	100.0
Boronia Pre-release Centre for Women	9	75	90	10.0	83.3	100.0
Wandoo Reintegration Facility	19	54	75	25.3	72.0	100.0
West Kimberley Regional Prison	252	23	272	92.6	8.5	100.0
Total	2,403	3,927	6,329	38.0	62.0	100.0

TASMANIA

Risdon Prison Complex	46	231	277	16.6	83.4	100.0
Launceston Reception Prison	8	24	28	28.6	85.7	100.0
Hobart Reception Prison	7	21	27	25.9	77.8	100.0
Mary Hutchinson Women's Prison	9	36	47	19.1	76.6	100.0
Ron Barwick Minimum Security Prison	21	165	186	11.3	88.7	100.0
Total	92	476	569	16.2	83.7	100.0

NORTHERN TERRITORY

Darwin Correctional Centre	766	217	985	77.8	22.0	100.0
Alice Springs Correctional Centre	529	48	579	91.4	8.3	100.0
Katherine Police Prison	4	0	4	100.0	0.0	100.0
Tennant Creek	4	0	4	100.0	0.0	100.0
Barkly Work Camp	56	0	56	100.0	0.0	100.0
Datjala Work Camp	32	4	38	84.2	10.5	100.0
Total	1,393	270	1,666	83.6	16.2	100.0

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

ACT Periodic Detention Centre	0	21	20	0.0	105.0	100.0
Alexander Maconochie Centre	102	310	423	24.1	73.3	100.0
Total	105	328	441	23.8	74.4	100.0