
NSW SOUTH WALES CUSTODY STATISTICS

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This report presents 24 months of reception, discharge and custody population data and comparisons between the current and previous quarter for age, gender, indigenous status, most serious offence and the average length of stay.

Separate figures are presented for juveniles and adults.

The counting unit is a custodial episode. An individual will be counted multiple times in a period if they have multiple custodial episodes in that period.

SCOPE

The data in this report are extracted from the Corrective Services NSW (CSNSW) Offender Information Management System (OIMS) and the Juvenile Justice NSW (JJNSW) Client Information Management System (CIMS).

The adult custody population figures include only those persons held in gazetted correctional centres managed by CSNSW. This includes: persons managed as forensic patients, persons held after expiry of their sentence awaiting deportation and persons awaiting extradition to another jurisdiction.

In addition to gazetted correctional centres, CSNSW manages a number of police/court cell complexes. This report excludes persons received into and then discharged from a CSNSW-managed 24 hour police/court cell complex without entering a gazetted correctional centre. Adults refused police bail but not held in a gazetted correctional centre are not included.

Custody population figures are counted as at midnight on the last day of the month or quarter as appropriate. Reception and discharge figures are those during each month or quarter as appropriate.

Refer to the Glossary at the back of the report for detailed descriptions of the terms used in the report.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Juvenile custody data are provided by the Research and Information Section of JJNSW. Adult custody data are provided by the Corporate Research, Evaluation and Statistics (CRES) section of CSNSW. The Bureau is grateful for the support provided by both areas in supplying the data for this report and advising on its interpretation.

NOTE

The adult custody data presented in this report will differ from data reported by CSNSW due to data extract timing differences.

For this edition of the report the Adult Population by Most Serious Offence charts and tables are not presented due to a data quality issue. They will be reinstated when the data quality issue is corrected.

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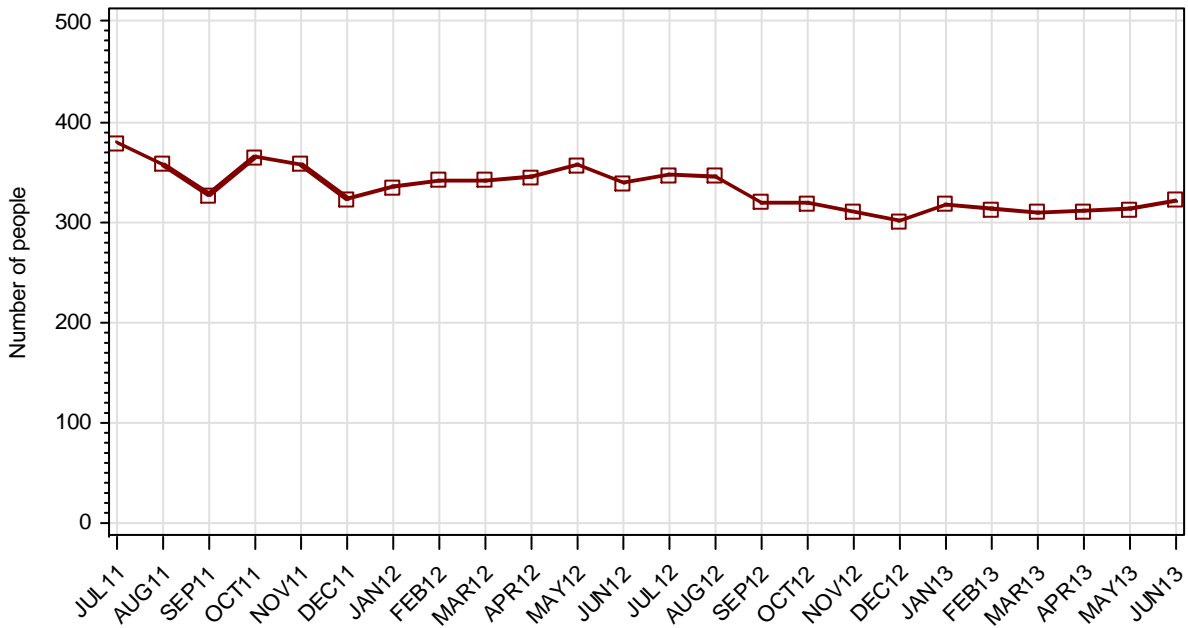
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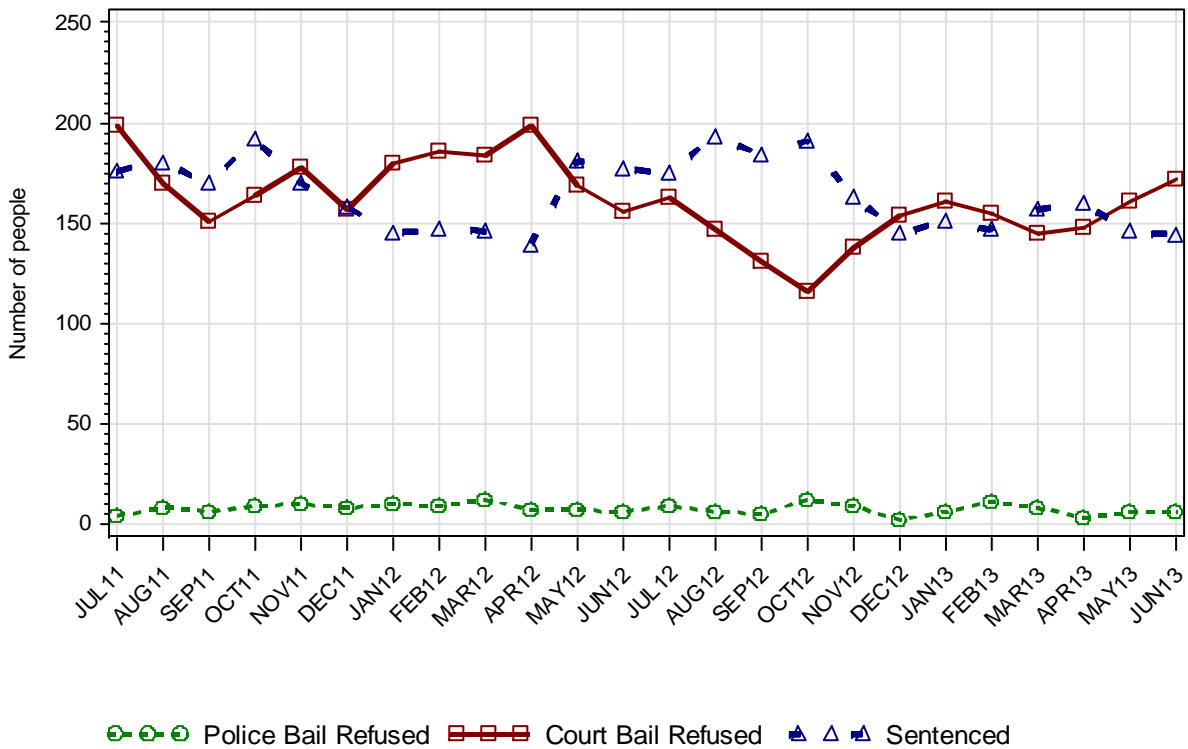
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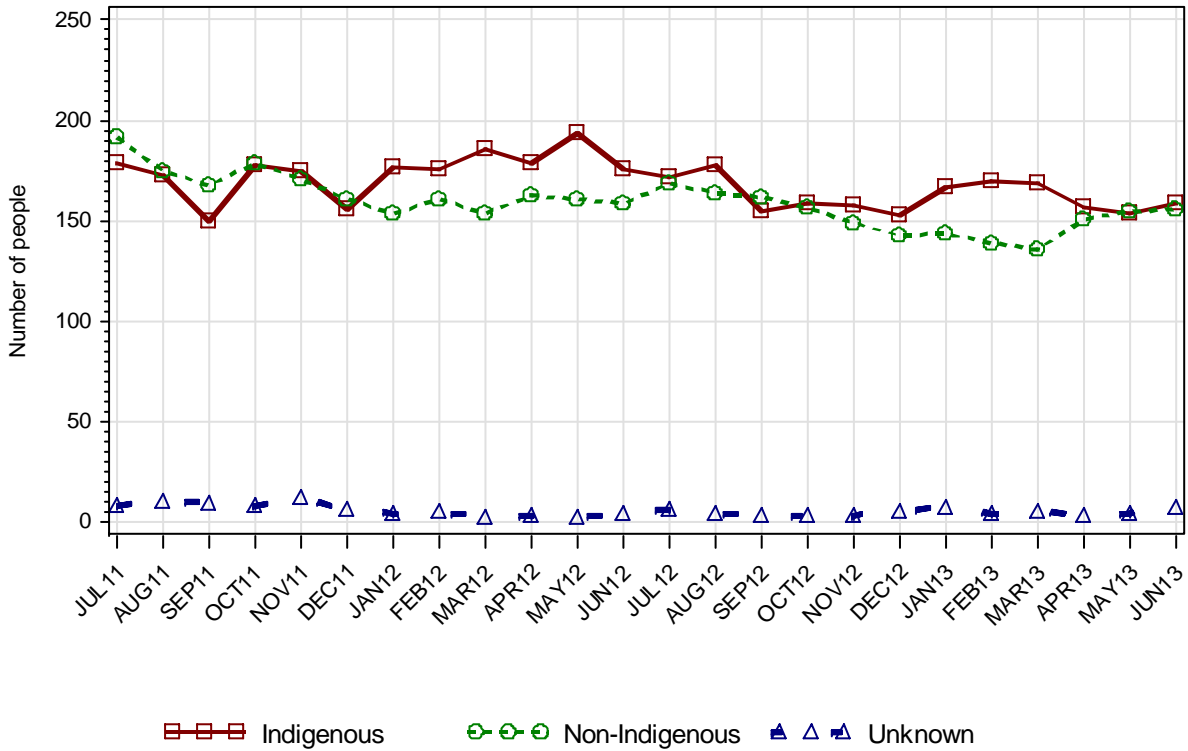
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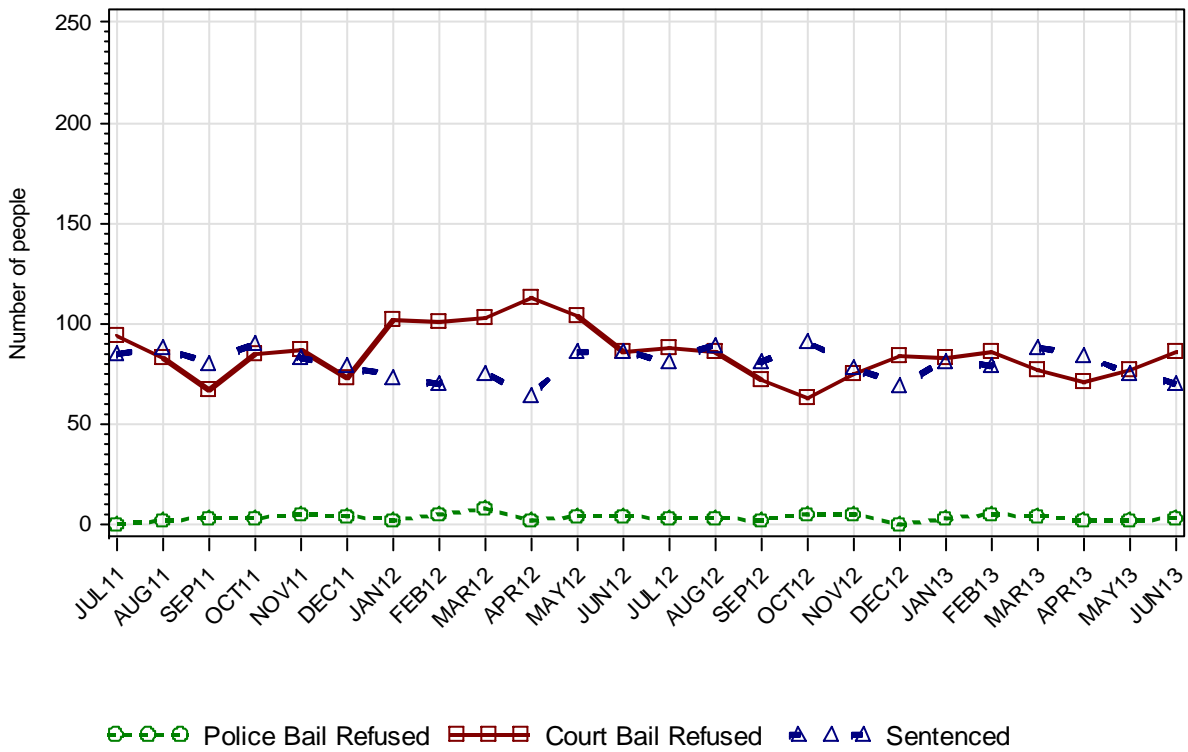
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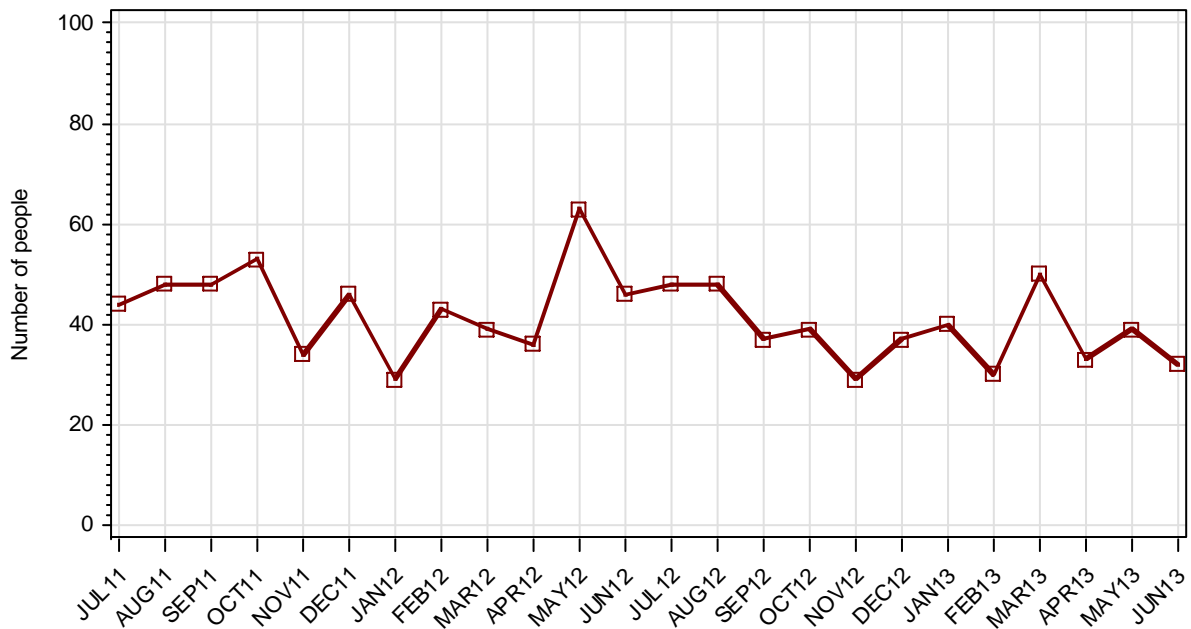
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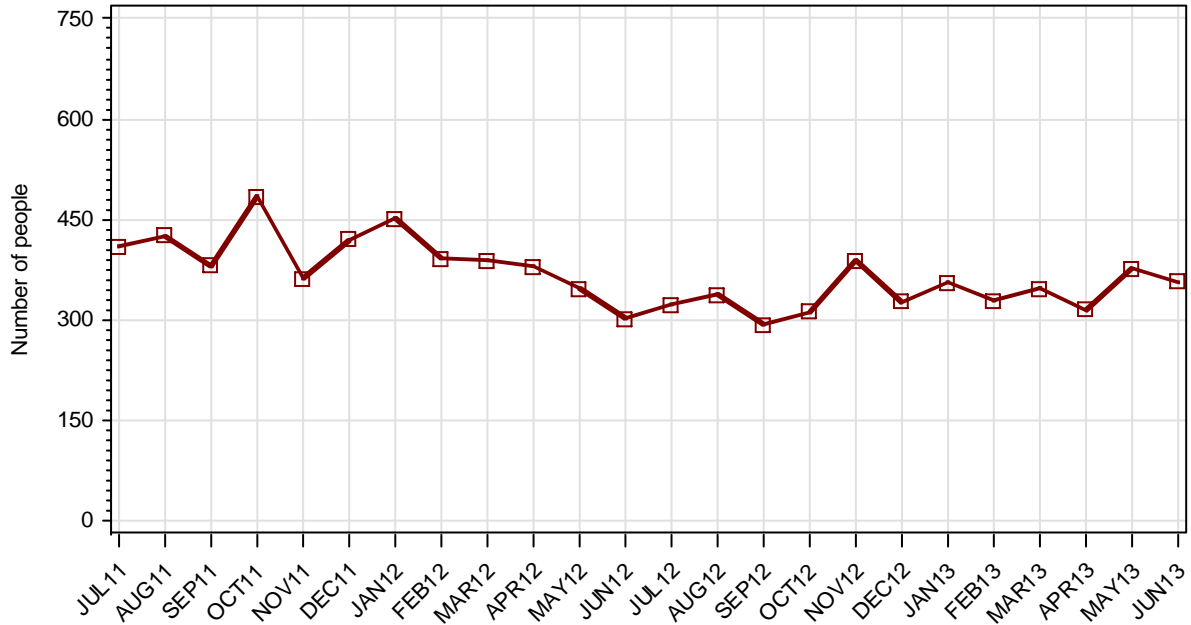
		Police Bail Refused		Court Bail Refused		Sentenced		Total	
		MAR13	JUN13	MAR13	JUN13	MAR13	JUN13	MAR13	JUN13
Total Male	Count	7	2	136	160	143	131	286	293
	Avg Age	15.6	15.5	16.1	16.1	17.0	17.0	16.5	16.5
Total Female	Count	1	4	9	12	14	13	24	29
	Avg Age	16.0	14.5	15.6	15.6	16.7	17.2	16.3	16.2
Indigenous Male	Count	4	1	73	83	82	64	159	148
	Avg Age	15.3	15.0	15.8	15.9	16.5	16.6	16.2	16.2
Indigenous Female	Count	0	2	4	3	6	6	10	11
	Avg Age	n/a	15.0	16.3	15.7	16.0	16.0	16.1	15.7
Total	Count	8	6	145	172	157	144	310	322
	Avg Age	15.6	14.8	16.1	16.0	17.0	17.0	16.5	16.5

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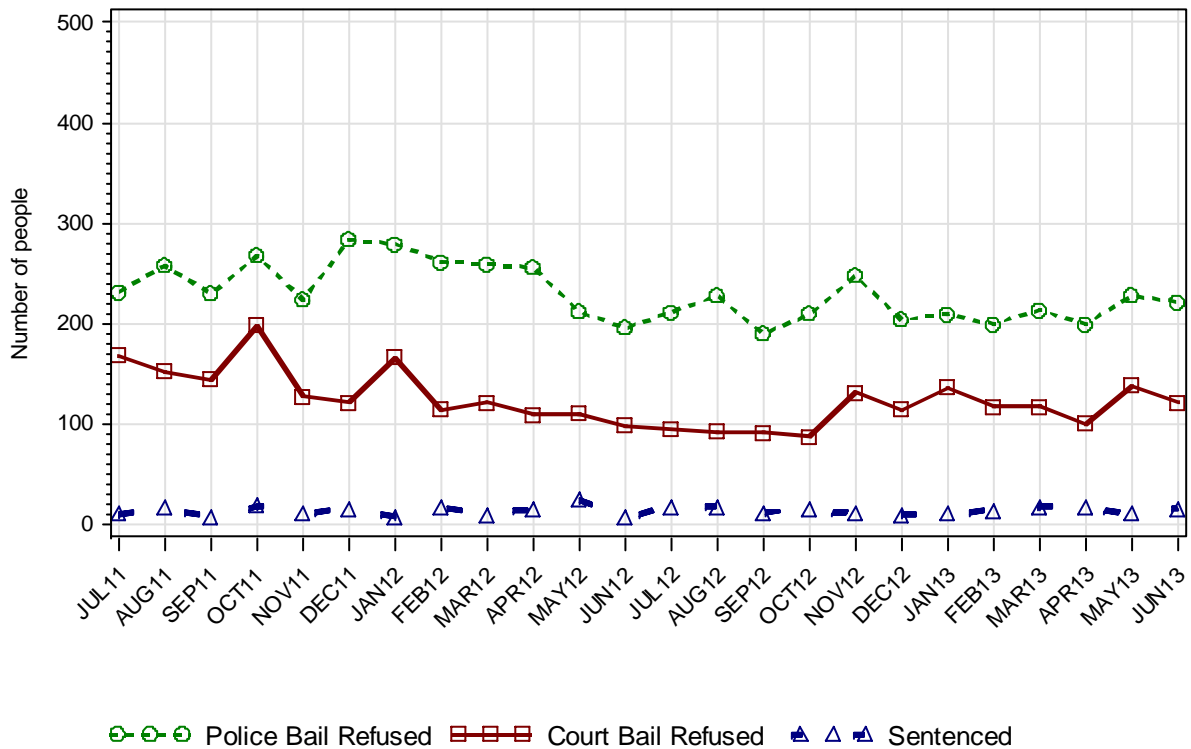


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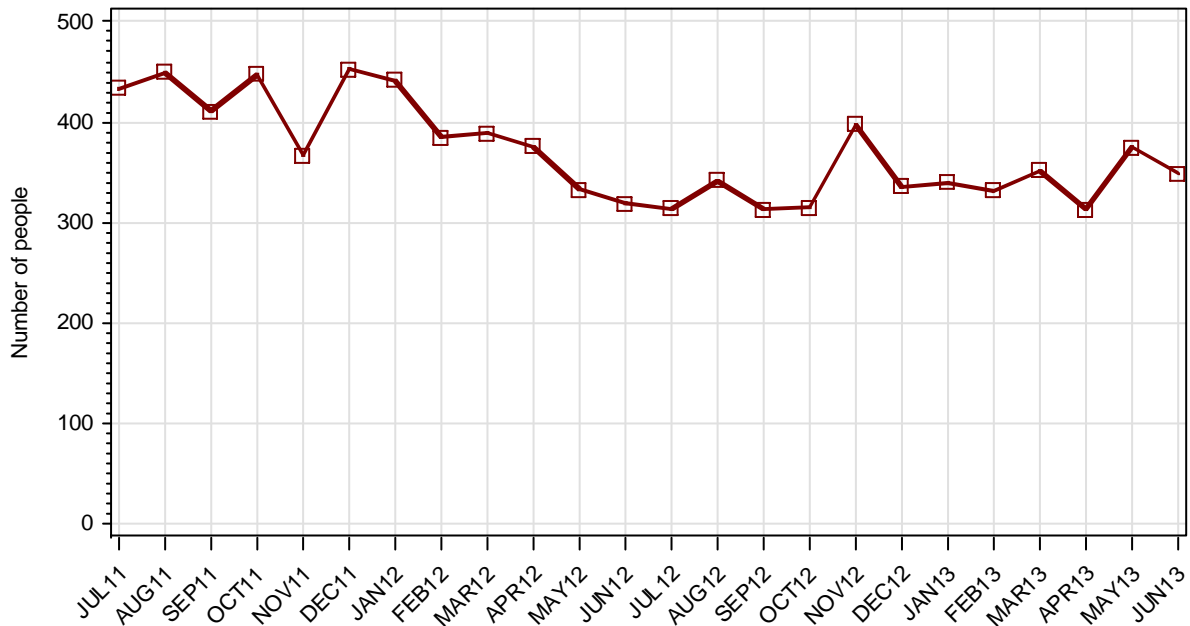


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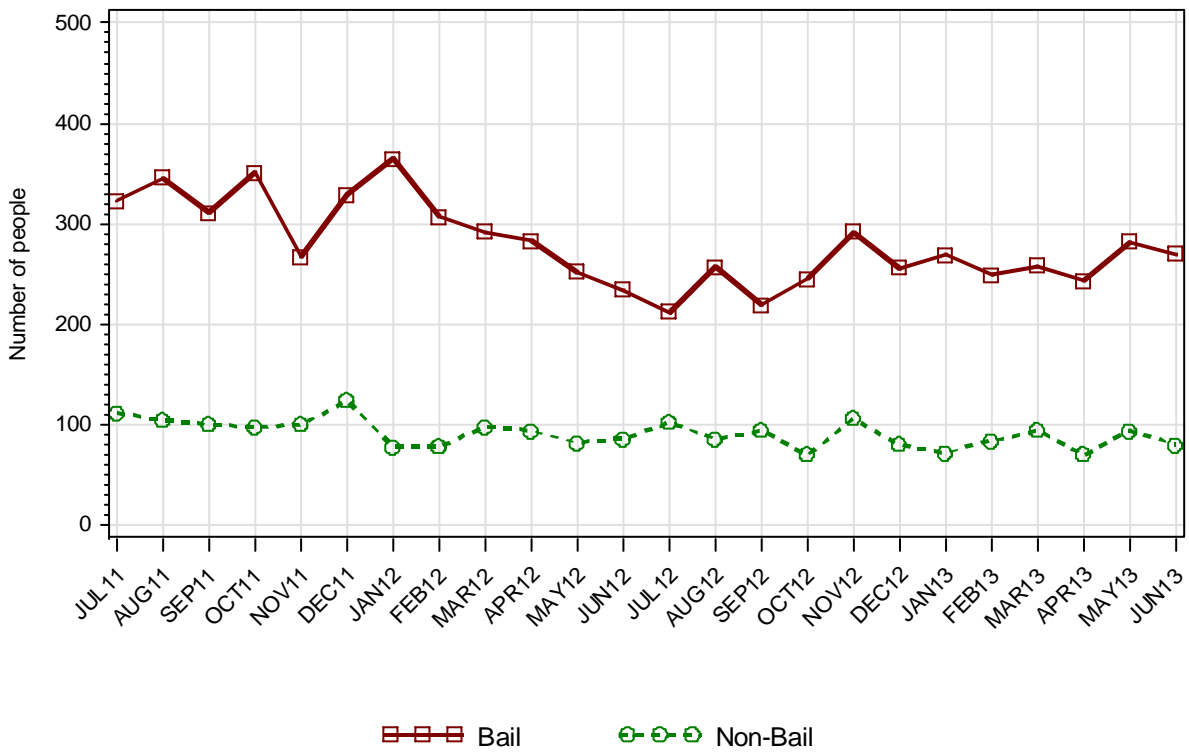


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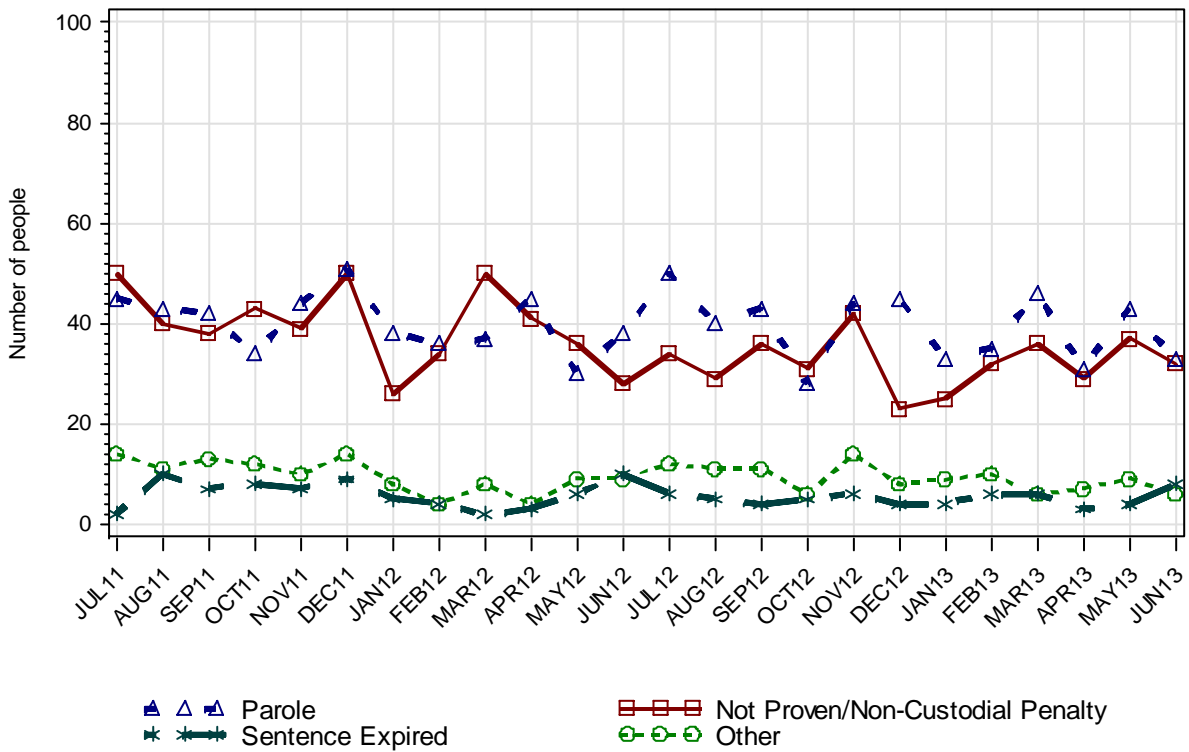
		Remand Custody Only		Sentenced Custody Only		Remand to Sentenced Custody	
		MAR13	JUN13	MAR13	JUN13	MAR13	JUN13
Total Male	Avg Days	8.4	8.3	105.3	89.5	199.4	157.1
	Number	701	679	38	35	105	104
Total Female	Avg Days	5.8	2.7	143.3	61.7	141.3	81.2
	Number	166	201	3	7	11	11
Indigenous Male	Avg Days	10.8	12.0	124.5	106.7	180.6	135.7
	Number	285	281	14	21	56	52
Indigenous Female	Avg Days	4.1	4.7	52.0	20.5	156.1	104.0
	Number	65	64	1	2	8	4
Total	Avg Days	7.9	7.0	108.0	84.9	193.9	149.9
	Number	867	880	41	42	116	115

Note: Length of Stay for Remand to Sentenced Custody is from the date of reception on remand to date of discharge after serving sentence.

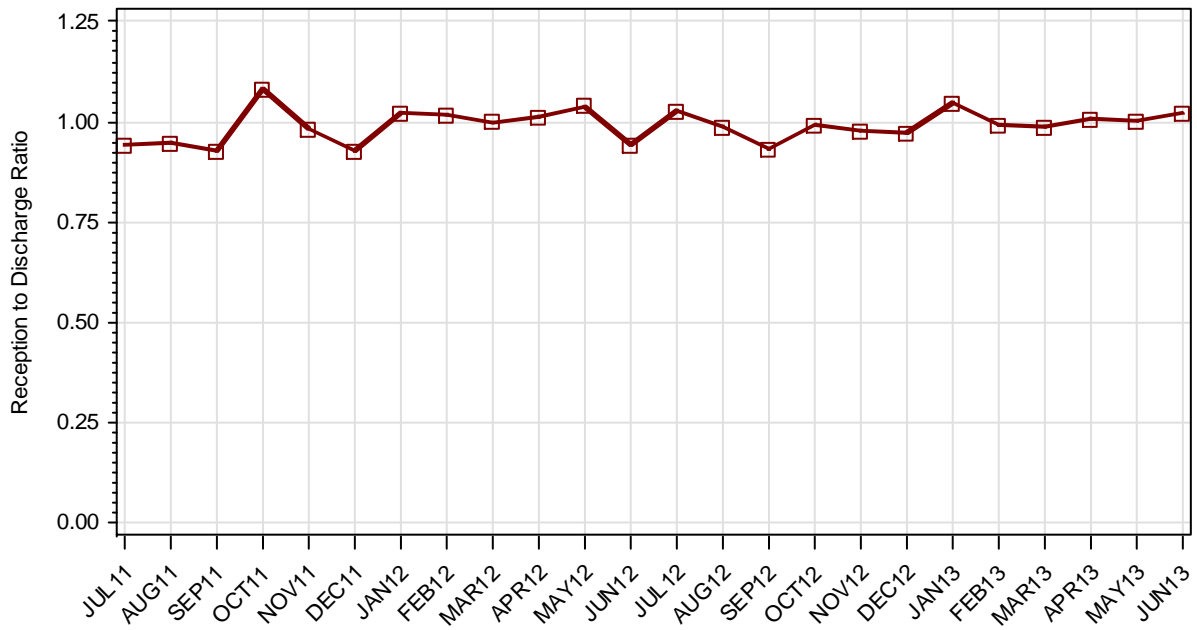
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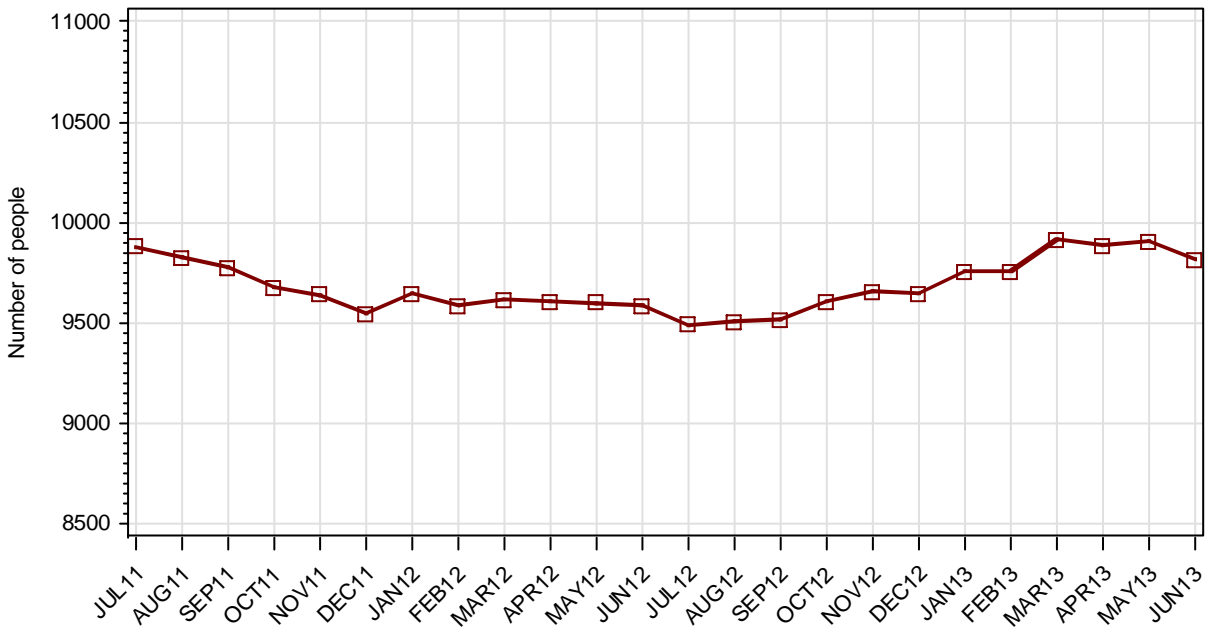
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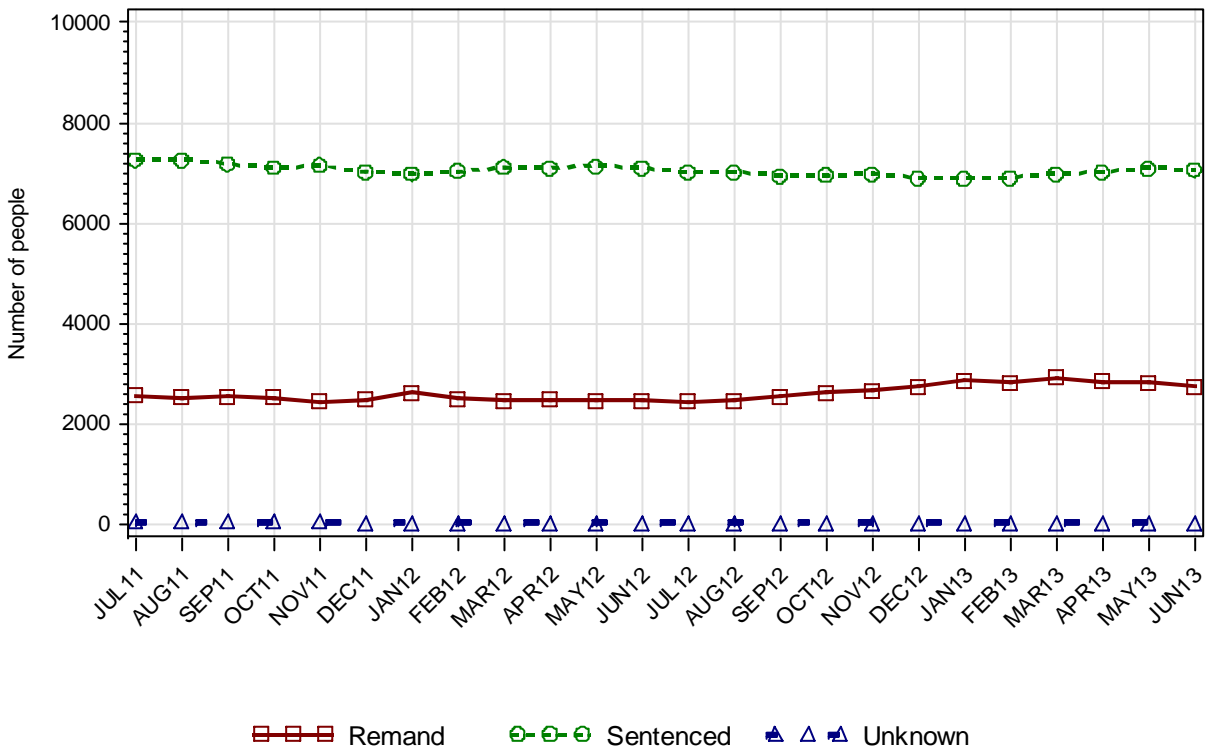
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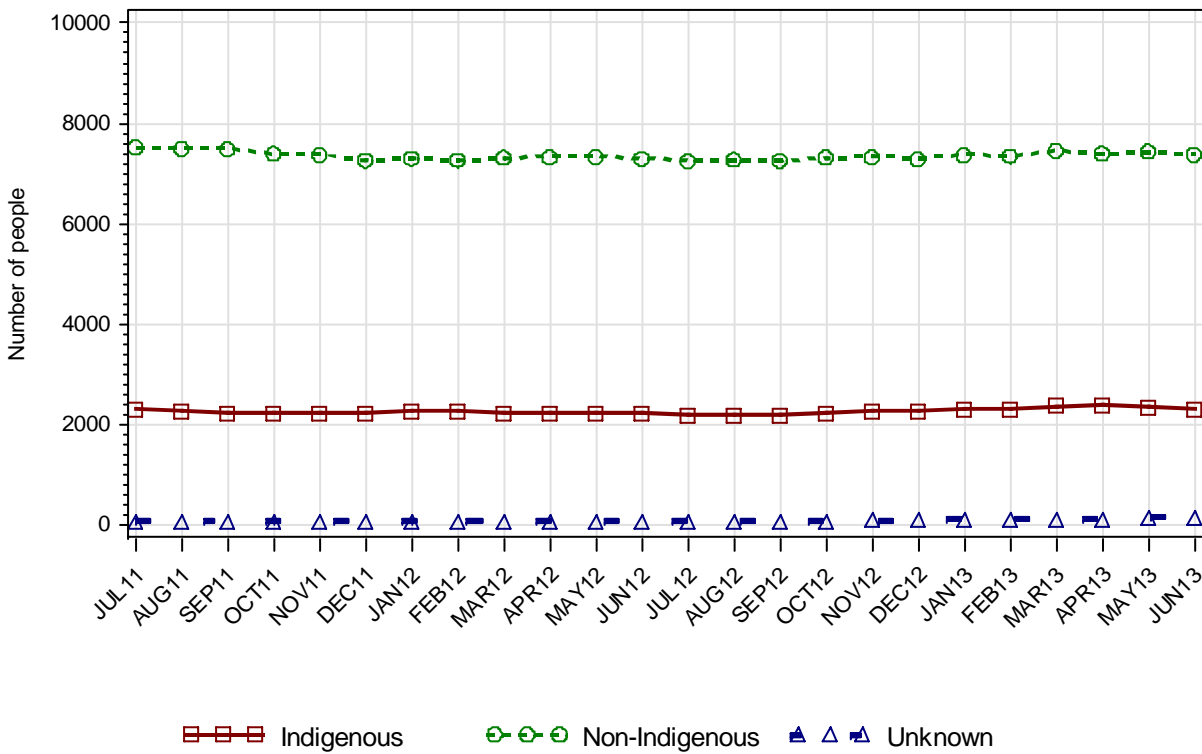
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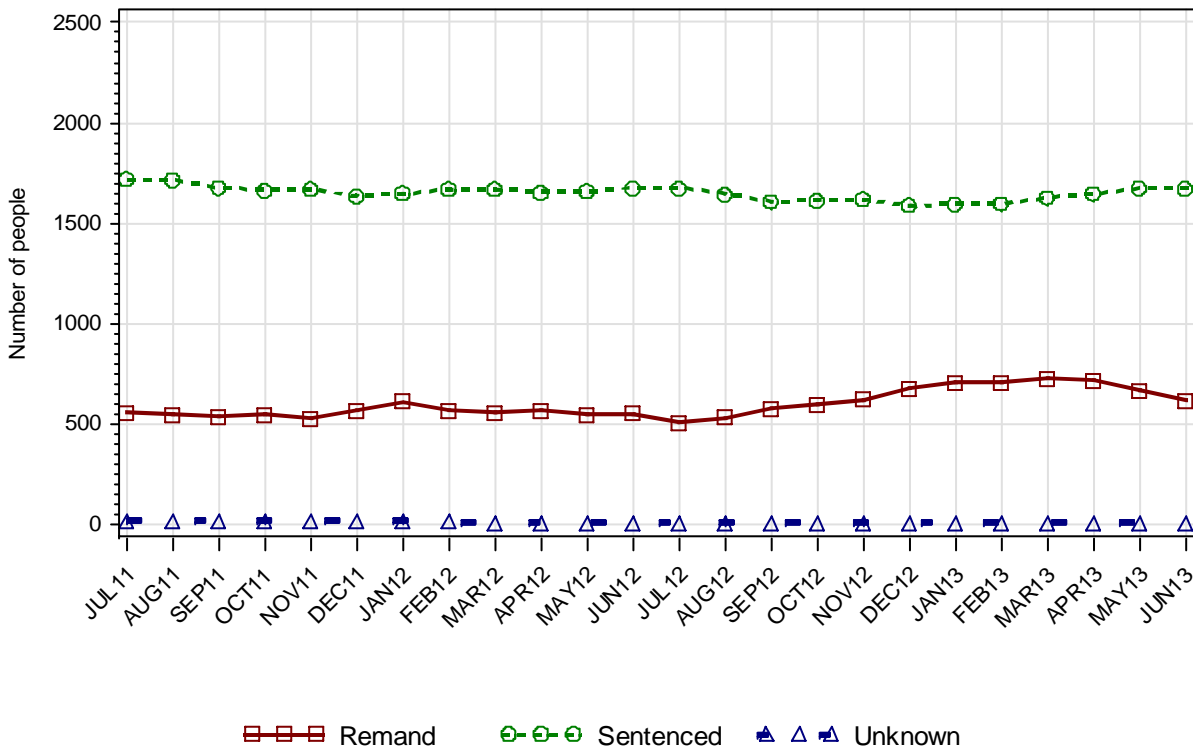
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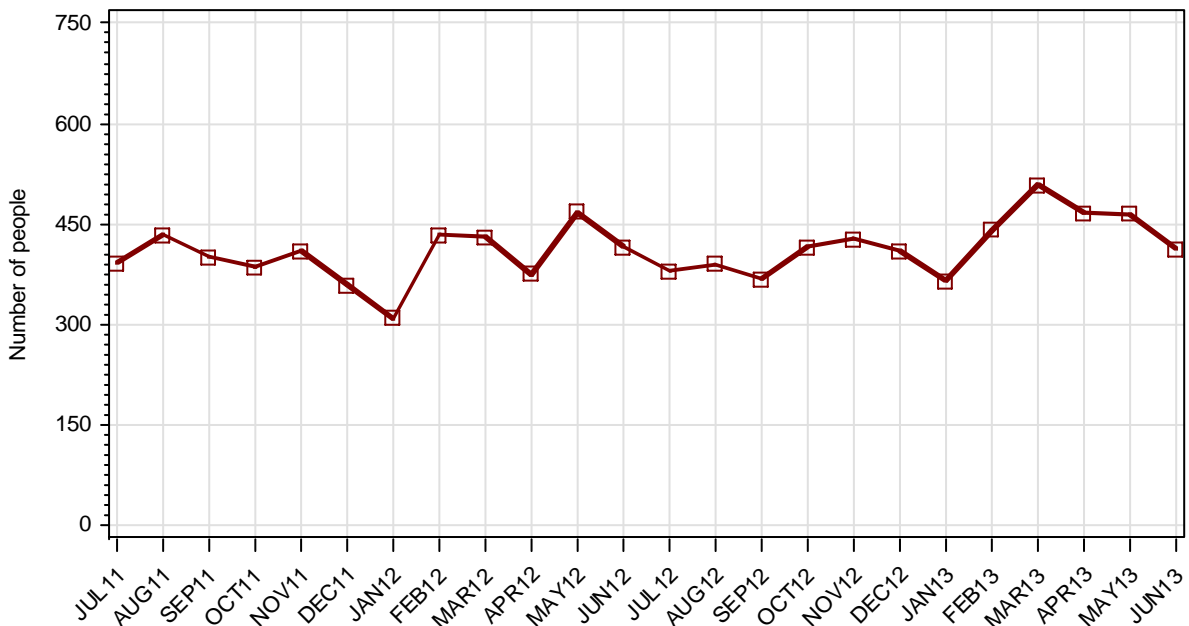
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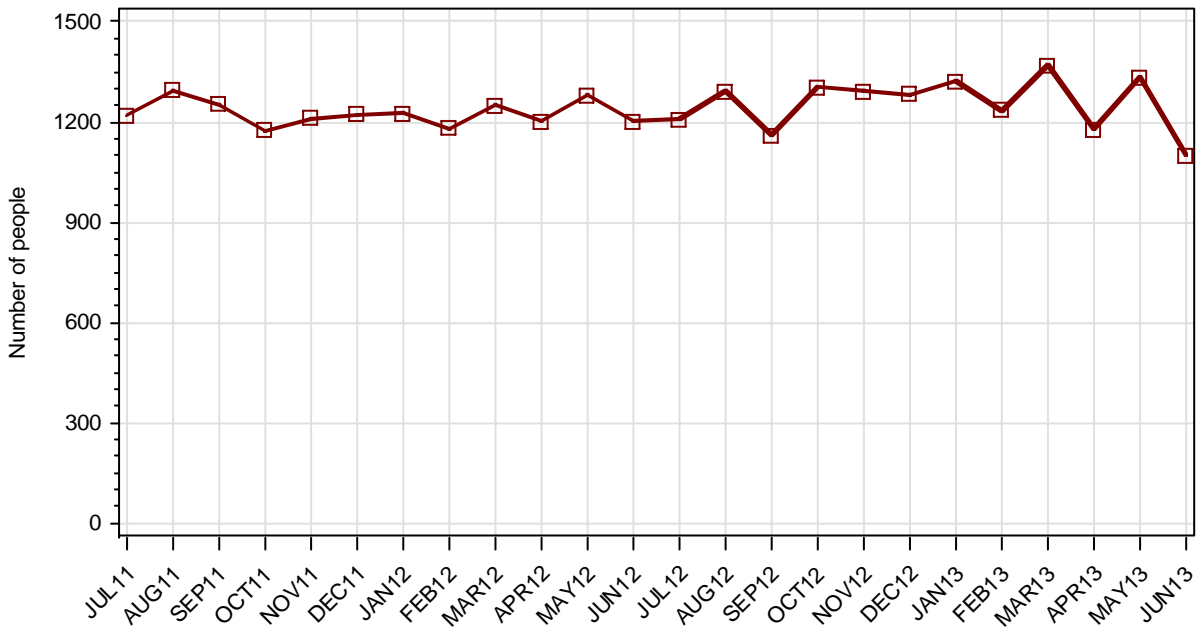
		Remand		Sentenced		Unknown		Total	
		MAR13	JUN13	MAR13	JUN13	MAR13	JUN13	MAR13	JUN13
Total Male	Count	2679	2524	6518	6615	17	0	9214	9139
	Avg Age	33.2	33.5	36.2	36.2	33.4	n/a	35.3	35.5
Total Female	Count	240	220	461	455	3	0	704	675
	Avg Age	33.8	34.3	37.1	37.5	41.3	n/a	36.0	36.5
Indigenous Male	Count	636	546	1510	1545	6	0	2152	2091
	Avg Age	29.9	30.2	31.8	31.7	31.3	n/a	31.2	31.3
Indigenous Female	Count	90	72	118	126	0	0	208	198
	Avg Age	32.4	33.5	33.4	33.1	n/a	n/a	32.9	33.3
Total	Count	2919	2744	6979	7070	20	0	9918	9814
	Avg Age	33.2	33.5	36.3	36.3	34.6	n/a	35.4	35.5

2.1.6 ADULTS IN CUSTODY: NUMBER WHOSE LEGAL STATUS CHANGED DURING MONTH FROM REMAND TO SENTENCED

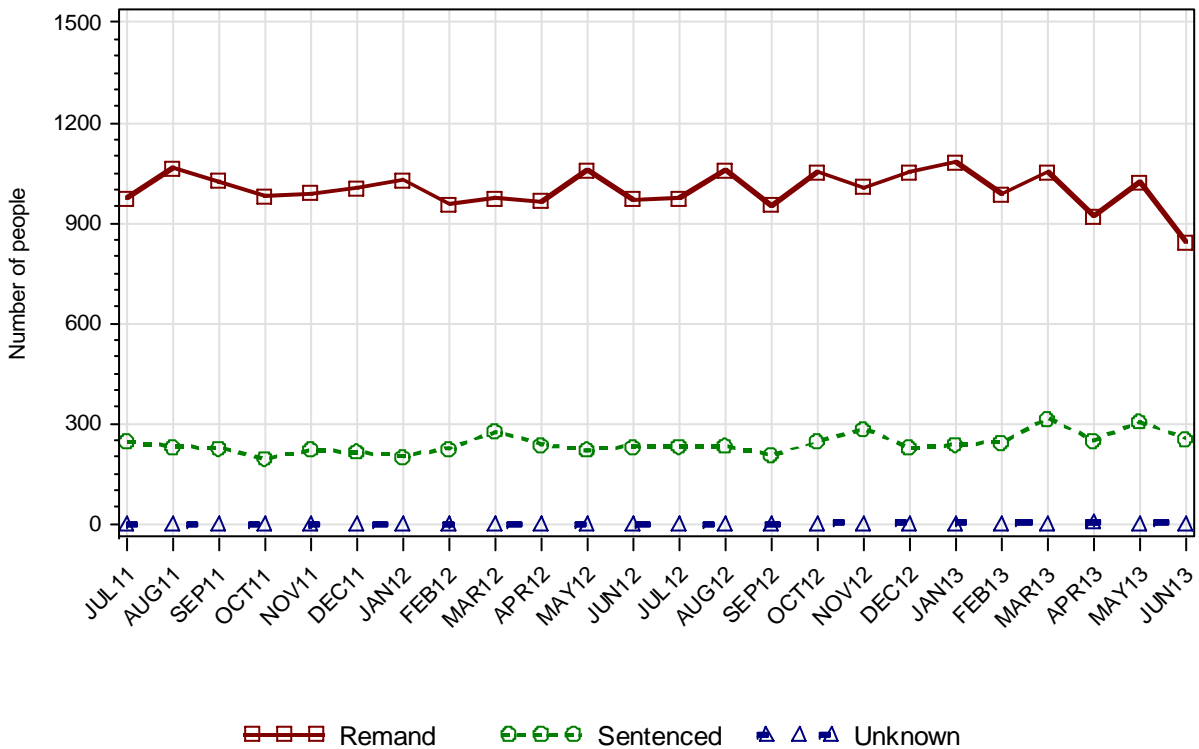


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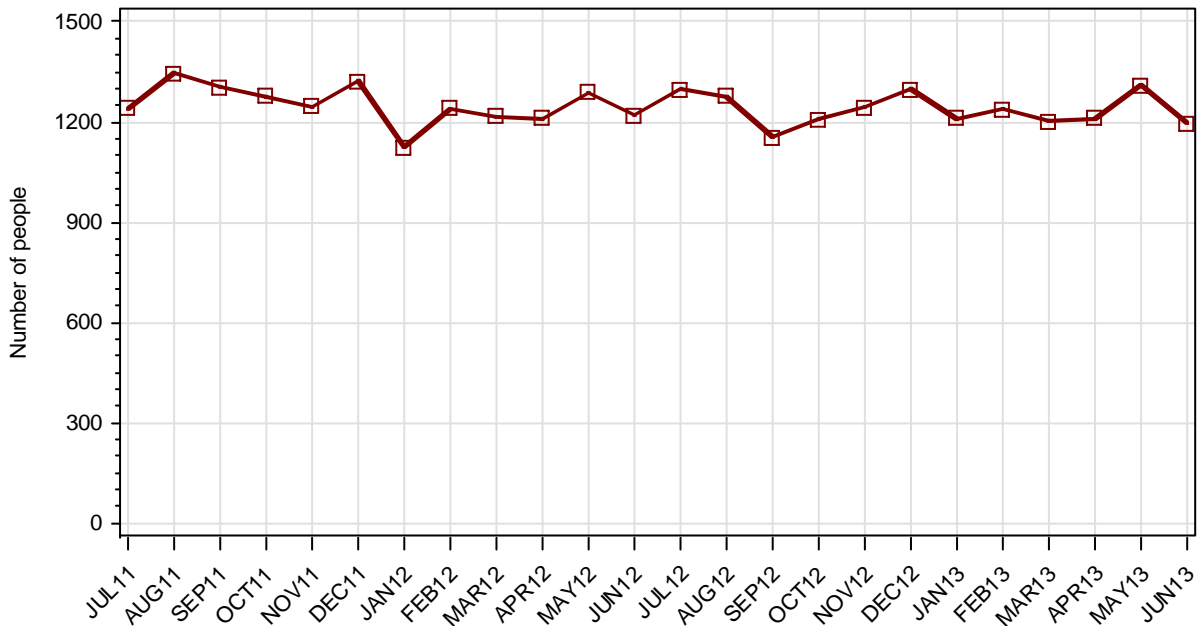


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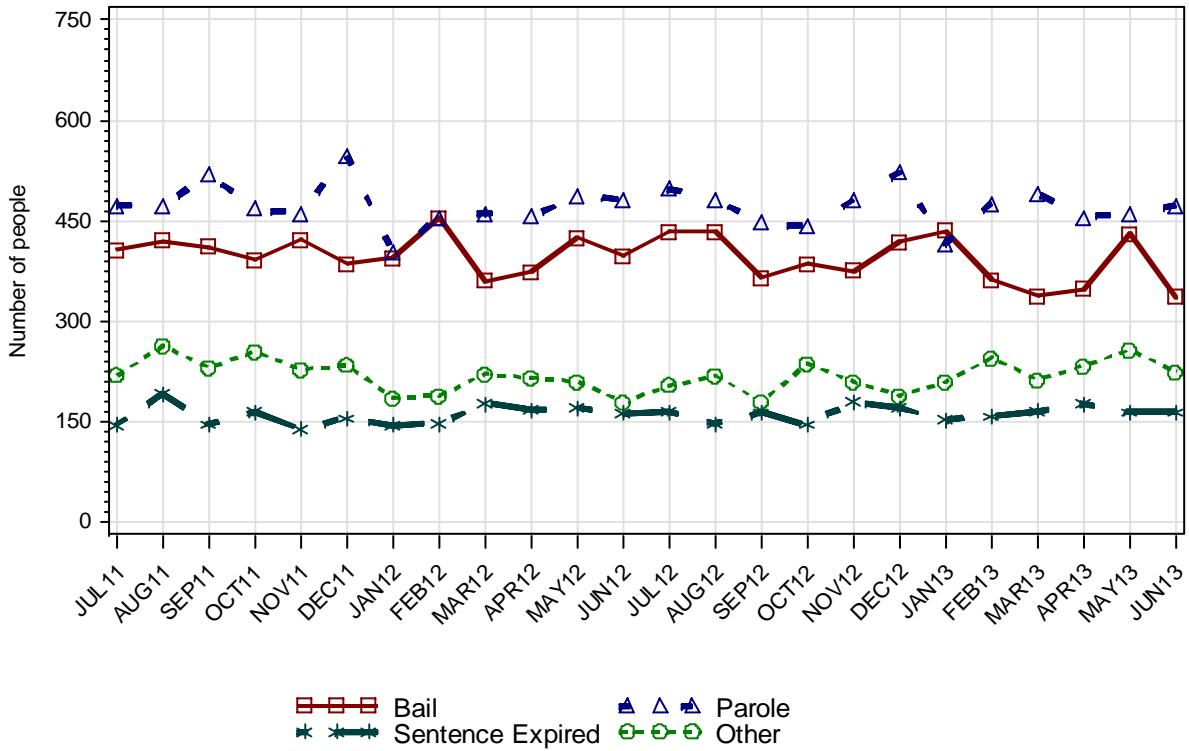


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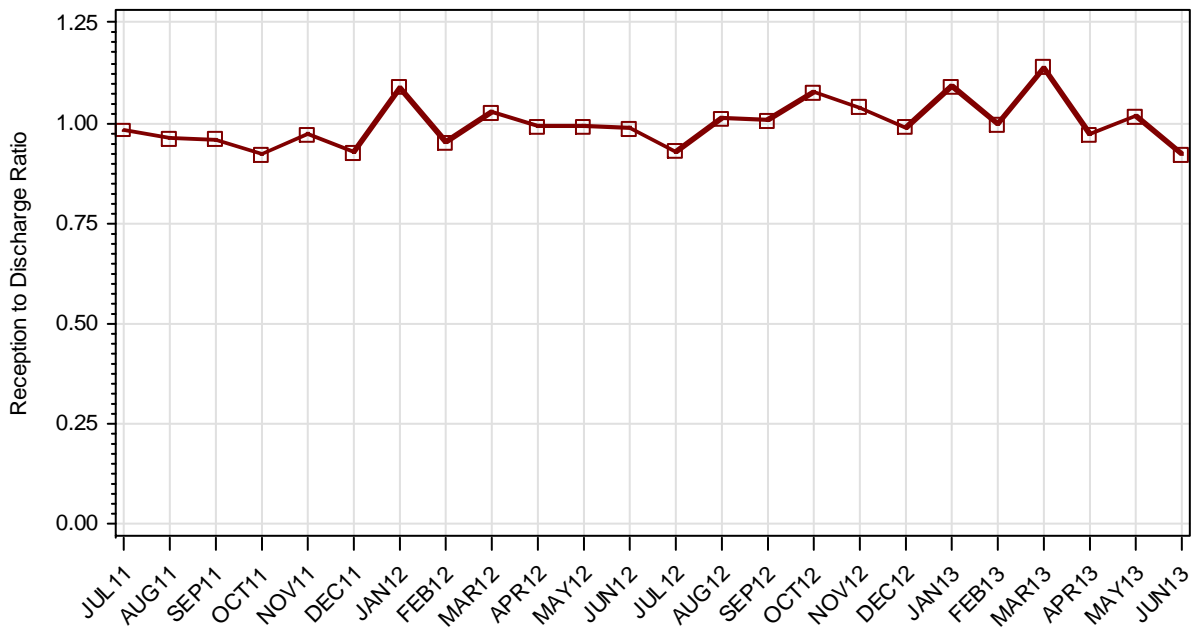
		Remand Custody Only		Sentenced Custody Only		Remand to Sentenced Custody	
		MAR13	JUN13	MAR13	JUN13	MAR13	JUN13
Total Male	Avg Days	42.2	44.4	242.2	205.2	488.0	478.8
	Number	1307	1267	713	688	1176	1295
Total Female	Avg Days	31.3	35.1	195.5	149.6	299.6	263.7
	Number	257	246	74	89	126	131
Indigenous Male	Avg Days	36.4	46.5	206.0	171.7	408.7	367.6
	Number	359	339	194	170	327	419
Indigenous Female	Avg Days	35.5	32.8	183.8	102.1	183.1	171.2
	Number	112	97	27	37	54	42
Total	Avg Days	40.5	42.9	237.8	198.8	469.8	459.1
	Number	1564	1513	787	777	1302	1426

Note: length of Stay for Remand to Sentenced Custody is from the date of reception on remand to date of discharge after serving sentence.

2.3.3 ADULTS BY DISCHARGE TYPE



2.3.4 RATIO OF ADULT RECEPTIONS TO DISCHARGES



Part 3 DATA TABLES

Juvenile	1.In Custody										Remand to Sent
	Total	Legal Status			Indigenous			Indigenous Legal Status			
		Court Bail Refused	Police Bail Refused	Sent	Yes	No	Unk	Court Bail Refused	Police Bail Refused	Sent	
JUL11	379	199	4	176	179	192	8	94	0	85	44
AUG11	358	170	8	180	173	175	10	83	2	88	48
SEP11	327	151	6	170	150	168	9	67	3	80	48
OCT11	365	164	9	192	178	179	8	85	3	90	53
NOV11	358	178	10	170	175	171	12	87	5	83	34
DEC11	323	157	8	158	156	161	6	73	4	79	46
JAN12	335	180	10	145	177	154	4	102	2	73	29
FEB12	342	186	9	147	176	161	5	101	5	70	43
MAR12	342	184	12	146	186	154	2	103	8	75	39
APR12	345	199	7	139	179	163	3	113	2	64	36
MAY12	357	169	7	181	194	161	2	104	4	86	63
JUN12	339	156	6	177	176	159	4	86	4	86	46
JUL12	347	163	9	175	172	169	6	88	3	81	48
AUG12	346	147	6	193	178	164	4	86	3	89	48
SEP12	320	131	5	184	155	162	3	72	2	81	37
OCT12	319	116	12	191	159	157	3	63	5	91	39
NOV12	310	138	9	163	158	149	3	75	5	78	29
DEC12	301	154	2	145	153	143	5	84	0	69	37
JAN13	318	161	6	151	167	144	7	83	3	81	40
FEB13	313	155	11	147	170	139	4	86	5	79	30
MAR13	310	145	8	157	169	136	5	77	4	88	50
APR13	311	148	3	160	157	151	3	71	2	84	33
MAY13	313	161	6	146	154	155	4	77	2	75	39
JUN13	322	172	6	144	159	156	7	86	3	70	32

Juvenile	2.Receptions							3.Discharges									Ratio Rec/ Dis
	Tot	Legal Status			Indigenous			Tot	Legal Status					Indigenous			
		Court Bail Ref	Police Bail Ref	Sent	Yes	No	Unk		Bail	Not Proven Non-Cust.	Other	Parole	Sent Exp	Yes	No	Unk	
JUL11	409	168	231	10	159	239	11	434	323	50	14	45	2	175	249	10	0.94
AUG11	426	152	258	16	169	246	11	450	346	40	11	43	10	177	263	10	0.95
SEP11	381	144	230	7	142	230	9	411	311	38	13	42	7	166	235	10	0.93
OCT11	484	198	268	18	207	271	6	448	351	43	12	34	8	179	262	7	1.08
NOV11	361	127	224	10	144	205	12	367	267	39	10	44	7	146	213	8	0.98
DEC11	420	121	284	15	190	218	12	453	329	50	14	51	9	208	227	18	0.93
JAN12	452	166	279	7	218	227	7	442	365	26	8	38	5	199	234	9	1.02
FEB12	391	114	261	16	166	215	10	385	307	34	4	36	4	167	209	9	1.02
MAR12	389	121	259	9	167	212	10	389	292	50	8	37	2	157	219	13	1.00
APR12	380	109	256	15	180	195	5	376	283	41	4	45	3	186	186	4	1.01
MAY12	346	110	212	24	160	179	7	333	252	36	9	30	6	144	181	8	1.04
JUN12	301	98	196	7	132	161	8	319	234	28	9	38	10	150	163	6	0.94
JUL12	323	95	211	17	142	174	7	314	212	34	12	50	6	147	162	5	1.03
AUG12	337	92	228	17	174	157	6	342	257	29	11	40	5	170	164	8	0.99
SEP12	292	91	190	11	130	150	12	313	219	36	11	43	4	150	150	13	0.93
OCT12	312	87	210	15	137	170	5	315	245	31	6	28	5	134	176	5	0.99
NOV12	389	131	248	10	177	197	15	398	292	42	14	44	6	178	205	15	0.98
DEC12	327	114	204	9	143	177	7	336	256	23	8	45	4	147	184	5	0.97
JAN13	356	136	209	11	147	199	10	340	269	25	9	33	4	135	197	8	1.05
FEB13	329	117	199	13	151	172	6	332	249	32	10	35	6	147	176	9	0.99
MAR13	347	117	213	17	145	191	11	352	258	36	6	46	6	147	195	10	0.99
APR13	315	100	199	16	124	183	8	313	243	29	7	31	3	136	167	10	1.01
MAY13	376	138	228	10	141	225	10	375	282	37	9	43	4	145	221	9	1.00
JUN13	357	121	221	15	148	196	13	349	270	32	6	33	8	143	196	10	1.02

Adult	1.In Custody										Remand to Sent
	Total	Legal Status			Indigenous			Indigenous Legal Status			
		Remand	Sent	Unknown	Yes	No	Unk	Remand	Sent	Unknown	
JUL11	9879	2566	7266	47	2290	7521	68	554	1720	16	391
AUG11	9828	2520	7261	47	2273	7495	60	542	1716	15	433
SEP11	9776	2545	7184	47	2231	7485	60	539	1677	15	400
OCT11	9675	2520	7112	43	2223	7395	57	548	1661	14	386
NOV11	9640	2441	7157	42	2207	7373	60	523	1669	15	410
DEC11	9542	2484	7023	35	2214	7266	62	568	1634	12	359
JAN12	9643	2618	6990	35	2275	7305	63	610	1650	15	309
FEB12	9584	2508	7042	34	2250	7271	63	568	1670	12	434
MAR12	9618	2473	7115	30	2232	7317	69	554	1669	9	430
APR12	9608	2480	7100	28	2225	7325	58	565	1651	9	375
MAY12	9599	2449	7127	23	2216	7334	49	548	1660	8	468
JUN12	9583	2455	7103	25	2230	7302	51	551	1673	6	416
JUL12	9491	2446	7019	26	2187	7248	56	509	1672	6	380
AUG12	9506	2469	7010	27	2180	7275	51	530	1642	8	390
SEP12	9513	2550	6938	25	2195	7262	56	579	1608	8	368
OCT12	9608	2622	6961	25	2217	7321	70	597	1611	9	416
NOV12	9657	2656	6982	19	2249	7322	86	621	1620	8	427
DEC12	9643	2731	6895	17	2271	7282	90	676	1589	6	409
JAN13	9755	2853	6883	19	2302	7364	89	702	1594	6	364
FEB13	9751	2831	6904	16	2308	7350	93	705	1598	5	441
MAR13	9918	2919	6979	20	2360	7455	103	726	1628	6	508
APR13	9885	2846	7017	22	2371	7399	115	718	1648	5	466
MAY13	9908	2815	7083	10	2339	7438	131	663	1674	2	465
JUN13	9814	2744	7070	0	2289	7380	145	618	1671	0	412

Adult	2.Receptions							3.Discharges							Ratio Rec/ Dis	
	Tot	Legal Status			Indigenous			Tot	Legal Status				Indigenous			
		Remand	Sent	Unknown	Yes	No	Unk		Bail	Other	Parole	Sent Exp	Yes	No		Unk
JUL11	1222	975	247	0	322	878	22	1242	406	219	473	144	373	850	19	0.98
AUG11	1295	1065	230	0	347	928	20	1346	420	263	472	191	364	954	28	0.96
SEP11	1253	1026	227	0	314	925	14	1305	411	230	519	145	356	935	14	0.96
OCT11	1176	979	197	0	329	821	26	1277	391	254	468	164	337	911	29	0.92
NOV11	1212	989	223	0	328	864	20	1247	422	227	460	138	344	886	17	0.97
DEC11	1223	1006	216	1	374	829	20	1321	386	234	547	154	367	936	18	0.93
JAN12	1227	1027	200	0	380	817	30	1126	394	184	404	144	319	778	29	1.09
FEB12	1182	958	224	0	348	801	33	1241	454	188	453	146	373	835	33	0.95
MAR12	1251	973	277	1	344	869	38	1217	360	220	461	176	362	823	32	1.03
APR12	1201	965	236	0	353	833	15	1211	373	215	456	167	360	825	26	0.99
MAY12	1281	1059	222	0	350	910	21	1290	425	209	486	170	359	901	30	0.99
JUN12	1203	972	230	1	330	838	35	1219	398	178	481	162	316	870	33	0.99
JUL12	1208	975	233	0	330	849	29	1300	434	204	498	164	373	903	24	0.93
AUG12	1293	1059	234	0	353	915	25	1278	433	218	481	146	360	888	30	1.01
SEP12	1161	953	207	1	338	795	28	1154	364	179	448	163	323	808	23	1.01
OCT12	1303	1054	247	2	393	863	47	1208	386	236	441	145	371	804	33	1.08
NOV12	1293	1007	284	2	386	870	37	1244	375	209	481	179	354	869	21	1.04
DEC12	1284	1053	229	2	388	843	53	1298	418	188	522	170	366	883	49	0.99
JAN13	1323	1081	239	3	391	887	45	1211	435	209	415	152	360	805	46	1.09
FEB13	1235	988	244	3	369	831	35	1239	362	244	476	157	363	845	31	1.00
MAR13	1370	1051	314	5	402	925	43	1203	337	211	490	165	350	820	33	1.14
APR13	1178	921	250	7	356	779	43	1211	348	232	455	176	345	835	31	0.97
MAY13	1333	1022	306	5	383	900	50	1310	430	256	461	163	415	861	34	1.02
JUN13	1101	843	254	4	294	757	50	1195	336	223	473	163	344	815	36	0.92

Part 4 GLOSSARY

Adult

A person held in custody in a gazetted correctional centre managed by Corrective Services NSW (CSNSW). Persons may have been remanded in custody after being refused bail or sentenced to a custodial order for a proven offence.

The adult figures in this report include the small number of 16 and 17 year old males held in the Kariiong Juvenile Correctional Centre.

ANZSOC

The Australian Bureau of Statistics Australian and New Zealand Standard Offence Classification (ANZSOC) groups criminal offences into 16 broad divisions:

1. Homicide and related offences
2. Acts intended to cause injury
3. Sexual assault and related offences
4. Dangerous or negligent acts endangering persons
5. Abduction, harassment and other offences against the person
6. Robbery, extortion and related offences
7. Unlawful entry with intent/burglary, break and enter
8. Theft and related offences
9. Fraud, deception and related offences
10. Illicit drug offences
11. Prohibited and regulated weapons and explosives offences
12. Property damage and environmental pollution
13. Public order offences
14. Traffic and vehicle regulatory offences
15. Offences against justice procedures, government security and government operations
16. Miscellaneous offences

For further information see:

<http://www.abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs@.nsf/DetailsPage/1234.02011>

Note that shortened titles are used in this report.

Average length of stay

The length of stay is the duration of the custodial episode, from the date of reception to the date of discharge.

The average length of stay (in days) is presented for three types of custodial episodes:

Remand custody only - the person entered custody after being refused bail and was then discharged from custody without having been sentenced. Most commonly discharged after being granted bail, other reasons include criminal charges not proven, receiving a non-custodial penalty for a proven offence or being transferred interstate or from a juvenile to an adult prison or vice versa.

Sentenced custody only - persons who entered custody only after being sentenced to a custodial penalty by a court. These persons had either been granted bail, or bail had been dispensed with, pending finalisation of their charges.

Remand to sentenced custody - persons who had been remanded in custody prior to having a custodial sentence imposed by a court. The length of stay for these people is the entire time from reception on remand to discharge after serving the custodial sentence.

Note: Persons initially remanded in custody but then granted bail prior to having a custodial penalty imposed by a court are counted as two custodial episodes: one of remand custody only and one of sentenced custody only.

Bail

Under the provisions of the *Bail Act 1978*, police and courts may grant or refuse to grant bail to alleged offenders. The grant of bail takes into consideration the alleged offence and offender. Bail is granted at the offence level and so a person may be granted bail for one offence and refused bail for another offence.

Persons refused bail (and small numbers granted bail but unable to meet the bail conditions set by a court) are remanded into custody pending further court action.

Juvenile custody population data in this report disaggregates persons remanded into custody into those refused police bail and refused court bail. This is because all juveniles refused police bail are held in Juvenile Justice centres whereas not all adults refused police bail are held in gazetted correctional centres or 24 hour police cell complexes.

Control order

See Custodial sentence

Corrective Services NSW

Corrective Services NSW (CSNSW) is part of the NSW Department of Attorney General and Justice with responsibilities including the supervision of people remanded in custody pending the finalisation of criminal charges and offenders sentenced to a custodial order.

See <http://www.correctiveservices.nsw.gov.au/> for further information.

The Corporate Research, Evaluation and Statistics (CRES) section of CSNSW have provided the adult custody data for this report and advised on its interpretation.

Court bail refused

See Bail

Custodial episode

A custodial episode is the time between the reception into and discharge from custody. An individual may have multiple custodial episodes within the reporting period. A change in legal status between the reception and discharge date, for example changing from being bail refused to being sentenced to a custodial order, does not count as a new custodial episode.

Custodial sentence

Courts may impose a custodial sentence for a proven offence. For adults this is a term of imprisonment under the *Crimes (Sentencing Procedure) Act 1999*. For young people this is a control order of up to two years duration or a term of imprisonment to be served partly or wholly as a juvenile under the *Children (Criminal Proceedings) Act 1987*. A person may be given custodial sentences for multiple proven offences.

While the majority of persons held under sentence in a correctional centre are sentenced under the *Crimes (Sentencing Procedure) Act 1999*, offenders whose parole has been revoked by the State Parole Authority, persons sentenced under the *Commonwealth Crimes Act 1914*, those sentenced under the *Mental Health (Forensic Provision) Act 1990*, small numbers of persons held under immigration orders awaiting deportation following expiry of their sentence and persons sentenced under legislation in other states or territories are also managed by CSNSW.

Custody population

Persons held in custody in a JJNSW juvenile justice centre or a CSNSW gazetted correctional centre, whether remanded or sentenced. Custody population figures are counted as at midnight on the last day of the month or quarter as appropriate.

Discharge type

The type of reason why persons were discharged from custody:

Bail - courts granted the person bail pending the finalisation of their criminal charge(s).

Parole - the person was released to parole after serving the non-parole period of custodial sentence(s).

Sentence expired - the person was released after serving the entire period of all custodial sentence(s) imposed. This includes some persons who served both the non-parole and parole components of their sentence(s) in custody.

Not proven / non-custodial penalty - juvenile data only - the person was released after criminal charges were not proven or after the court imposed a non-custodial penalty for a proven offence, e.g. good behaviour bond.

Other - includes persons transferred to the NSW Drug Court, interstate or from a juvenile to an adult prison or vice versa and deceased persons. Includes adults released after criminal charges were not proven, after the court imposed a non-custodial penalty for a proven offence and where the specific nature of the court's final non-custodial disposal is unknown.

Discharges

Persons legally discharged from JJNSW or CSNSW custody in accordance with a court order (including any State Parole Authority order). For example - to parole, on expiry of a sentence or having been granted bail. Note that persons whose legal status changed from remand to sentenced or the reverse are not counted as discharges as they have not been discharged from custody.

Imprisonment

See Custodial sentence.

Indigenous status

Indigenous status as self-reported on reception into custody. Persons may identify as being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, neither Aboriginal nor Torres Strait Islander or may not provide this information. An inmate is recorded as indigenous if they have identified as such in the current or any previous custodial episode. Indigenous status is unknown for a small proportion of people.

Juvenile

A person held in custody in a juvenile justice centre. These centres are managed by Juvenile Justice NSW (JJNSW). A young person in juvenile custody may have been refused bail by police, refused bail by the court or sentenced to a custodial sentence.

All young persons refused bail by police must be taken to a juvenile justice centre to be held in custody pending their court appearance. Young persons refused police bail cannot be held in a police or court cell.

Note: a small number of 16 and 17 year old males are held in Kariong Juvenile Correctional Centre which is managed by CSNSW. As Kariong is a gazetted correctional centre, these young persons are counted in the adult figures in this report.

Juvenile Justice NSW

Juvenile Justice NSW (JJNSW) is part of the NSW Department of Attorney General and Justice with responsibilities including the supervision of young people remanded in custody pending the finalisation of criminal charges and young offenders sentenced to a control order/imprisonment.

See <http://www.djj.nsw.gov.au/> for further information.

The Research and Information Section of JJNSW have provided the juvenile data for this report and advised on its interpretation.

Legal status

The legal status of persons received into or held in custody:

Remand (Juvenile) - Juveniles refused bail (and small numbers granted bail but unable to meet conditions) are remanded into custody pending future court action.

Juvenile remand figures are disaggregated into:

- Police bail refused - Police have refused to grant bail to a juvenile. All juveniles refused bail by police are held in custody in a juvenile justice centre pending future court action.
- Court bail refused - the courts have refused to grant bail to a juvenile pending future court action.

Remand (Adult) - adults refused bail (and small numbers granted bail but unable to meet conditions) are remanded in custody pending future court action. Includes a small number of persons refused police bail and remanded in custody in a gazetted correctional centre. Includes persons on remand who are being managed as correctional patients under the *Mental Health (Forensic Provisions) Act 1990*.

Sentenced - the courts have imposed custodial sentence(s) for proven offence(s). This category includes persons returned to custody after breaching parole. Includes forensic patients as per the *Mental Health (Forensic Provisions) Act 1990* (ie persons found unfit to be tried and persons found not guilty due to mental illness). Persons on remand for one or more offences and sentenced for one or more offences have a legal status of sentenced.

Unknown - adults whose legal status was not recorded at the time of admission.

Legal status changed from remand to sentenced

Persons whose legal status changed from remand to sentenced upon the imposition of a custodial sentence by a court. This report shows the numbers of persons during each month who changed from being on remand to being sentenced.

Most serious offence

The most serious offence type for which each person is in custody. The offence type categories in this report are the sixteen ANZSOC Divisions, with shortened titles (See ANZSOC).

Most serious offence data is presented in a radar chart and a data table. The radar chart comprises multiple spokes, each one representing an offence type category. The numbers of persons in custody at the end of the current and previous quarter are plotted on the spoke representing their most serious offence type. The data points for each quarter are connected. A different type/colour of line is used for each quarter, making changes from quarter to quarter apparent. Note that offence types with no observations are plotted a short distance from the zero radius so that the numbers for every offence type can be observed.

The data table displays the number and proportion of persons in custody for each of the most serious offence types.

Most serious offence data is compiled by matching custody order records from JJNSW and CSNSW with sentencing and bail refused orders sourced from the JusticeLink system used by the NSW Children's, Local, District and Supreme Courts. Data is matched using JusticeLink Proceeding Number, a unique offence identifier which is available in the JJNSW data from January 2011 and CSNSW data for orders created from January 2012. CSNSW records without a valid proceeding number are matched against the court orders using police charge number if available and, failing that, on name, court date and Central Names Index (CNI) - a unique person identifier assigned by NSW Police. For this reason, reliable data on most serious offence is not available prior to 31 December 2012.

The data is presented separately for sentenced persons and persons on remand:

- The most serious offence for persons remanded in custody is the offence with the highest Median Sentence Ranking (MSR). The MSR is a ranking of ANZSOC codes and was developed by the Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research using data on sentences imposed in the NSW criminal courts. The MSR can be used to select the most serious offence when sentencing data is not available and to select most serious offence when multiple offences have the same custodial order duration. For further information see the Bureau's Crime and Justice Bulletin No.142 "Measuring Offence Seriousness":
[www.bocsar.nsw.gov.au/lawlink/bocsar/ll_bocsar.nsf/vwFiles/CJB142.pdf/\\$file/CJB142.pdf](http://www.bocsar.nsw.gov.au/lawlink/bocsar/ll_bocsar.nsf/vwFiles/CJB142.pdf/$file/CJB142.pdf)
- The most serious offence for sentenced persons is the offence with the longest custodial order. For persons with more than one offence type with the same custodial order duration, the offence with the highest Median Sentence Ranking is selected as the most serious offence.
- Persons sentenced to a custodial order after breaching a non-custodial penalty (eg a suspended sentence, Community Service Order or good behaviour bond) have a most serious offence type of *Justice procedure offence* rather than the type of offence for which the non-custodial penalty was originally imposed (eg robbery/extortion, drug offences).

Note: this differs from the definition of most serious offence used in CSNSW publications and the Australian Bureau of Statistics Prisoners in Australia publication series (*ABS cat.no.4517.0*)

Police bail refused

See Bail.

Receptions

Persons received into Juvenile Justice custody or a gazetted correctional centre. Gazetted correctional centres are managed by CSNSW. Persons received into CSNSW custody and managed only in CSNSW 24-hour police/court cell complexes are excluded.

Ratio of receptions to discharges

The ratio of receptions to discharges. A ratio greater than 1 means there were more receptions than discharges during the month; a ratio less than 1 means there more discharges than receptions during the month.

Remand

See Legal status.

Sentenced

See Legal status.

24 hour police/court cell complexes

In addition to gazetted correctional centres, CSNSW manage a number of police/court cell complexes. This report excludes persons received and then discharged from a CSNSW-managed 24 hour police/court cell complex without entering a gazetted correctional centre.