

NSW Trends in Domestic & Family Violence – Quarterly Report

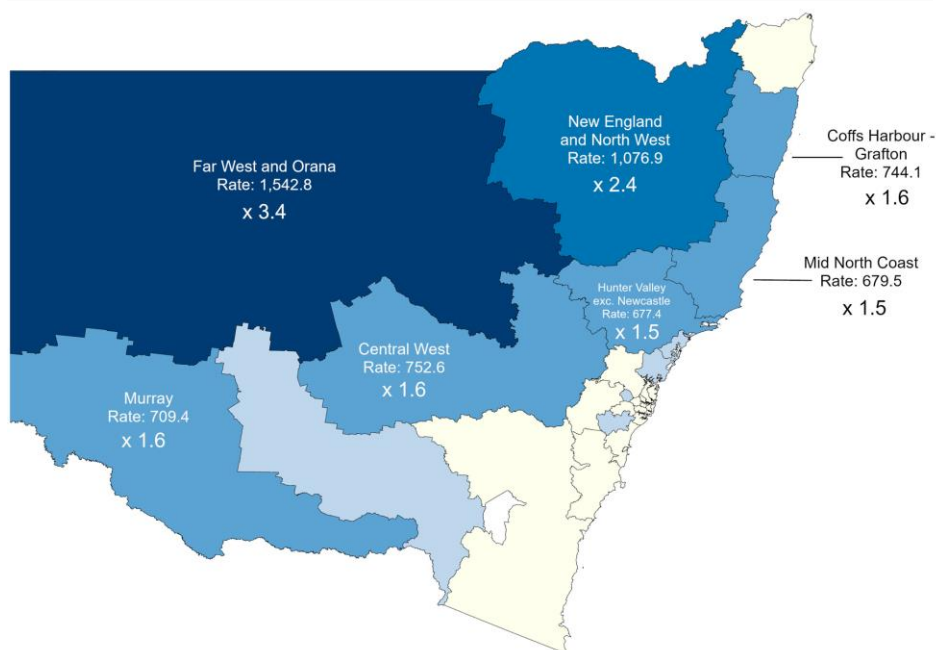
Data to June 2025

Quarterly update on domestic and family violence recorded by the NSW Police Force. Includes trends in recorded domestic violence (DV) related criminal incidents, police enforcement and victim characteristics.

Key Insights

- 14 adult women were victims of a DV murder in the 12 months to June 2025. This is one less than in the previous year (12 months to June 2024). Of the 14, ten involved an intimate partner and four involved a family member ([Murder Victim Dashboard](#)).
- 11 children were a victim of DV murder in the 12 months to June 2025. This is the highest number recorded in the ten years from July 2015 to June 2025. All 11 DV child murders involved a family member.
- In NSW as a whole, Regional NSW and Greater Sydney, DV assaults recorded by NSW Police were stable in the two years to June 2025, but significantly up over ten years.
- The Far West and Orana region had the highest rate of DV assault in the 12 months to June 2025 (1,542.8 per 100,000 population), over three times higher than the average rate for NSW.

DV assault in NSW – Rate map July 2024 - June 2025



Ratio to NSW average

- Equal to or less than NSW ave.
- Up to 50% higher than NSW ave.
- 50% and higher but < double NSW ave.
- Between 2 and 3 times NSW ave.
- > 3 times NSW ave.

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Recorded DFV Trends - incidents and victims

**DV assault incidents
12 months to June 2025**

38,169
Current

STABLE
2 year trend

↑ 3.0%
10 year trend (annual average)

Figure 1. Two and ten year trends in key DV related incidents

	Jul 2015 - Jun 2016	Jul 2016 - Jun 2017	Jul 2017 - Jun 2018	Jul 2018 - Jun 2019	Jul 2019 - Jun 2020	Jul 2020 - Jun 2021	Jul 2021 - Jun 2022	Jul 2022 - Jun 2023	Jul 2023 - Jun 2024	Jul 2024 - Jun 2025	2 year trend	10 year trend (annual average)
DV murder	27	31	26	35	32	29	24	28	32	33	stable	stable
Total DV assault	29,302	28,752	28,720	30,565	31,883	32,944	31,971	35,081	37,590	38,169	stable	3.0%
DV grievous bodily harm	384	370	368	367	373	398	366	363	363	322	stable	stable
DV actual bodily harm	7,325	7,569	7,503	8,097	8,349	8,763	8,797	9,494	9,625	9,835	stable	3.3%
DV common assault	21,587	20,807	20,842	22,096	23,151	23,772	22,796	25,208	27,590	27,988	stable	2.9%
Coercive control	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	297	n.c.	n.c.
DV intimidation, stalking & harassment	13,209	13,420	13,869	15,305	16,979	19,067	19,932	21,600	23,331	24,520	stable	7.1%
DV breach AVO	13,862	14,064	14,267	15,872	18,361	19,507	20,757	22,079	24,106	25,267	4.8%	6.9%
DV non-criminal episode	78,851	80,436	79,687	82,860	88,717	86,929	82,408	81,092	88,976	89,050	stable	1.4%

Figure 2. DV assault incidents in 12 months (numbers and rate per 100,000 population)

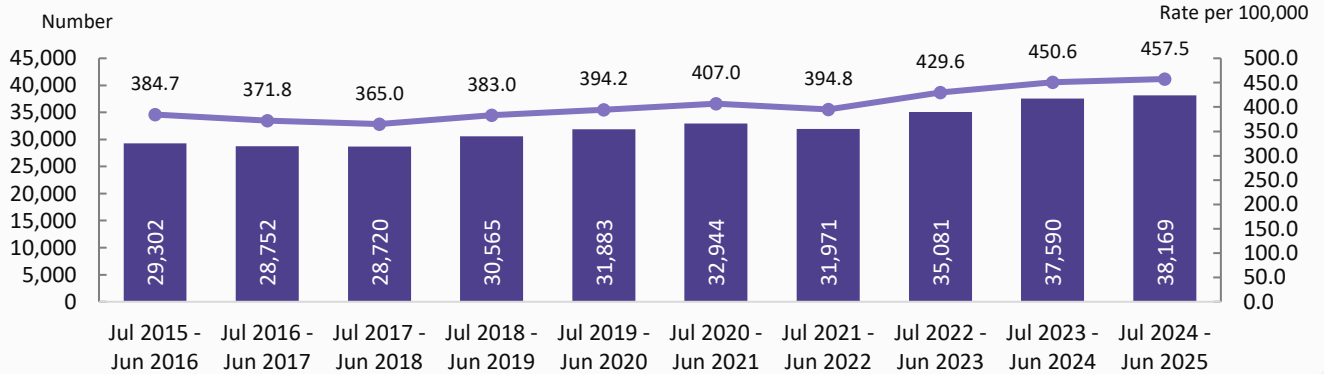
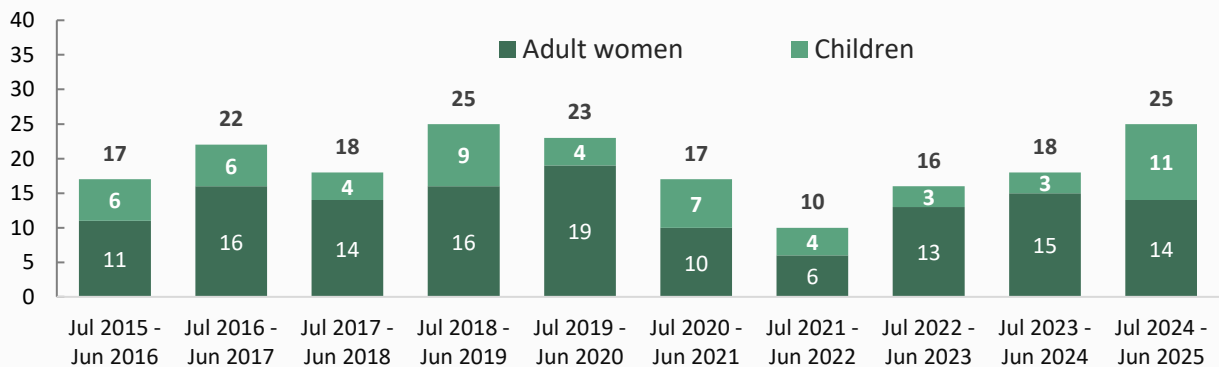


Figure 3. DV murder victims: adult women and children only



'Domestic Violence' includes incidents flagged by the NSW Police Force as domestic violence related, based on relationship between victim and offender including current and ex intimate partner, family member and other domestic relationships such as household members, carers and ex partner of current partner. 'n.c.': not calculated

What are the regional trends for DV assault?

Figure 4. DV assault: Greater Sydney, Regional NSW, NSW and Regional SA4s

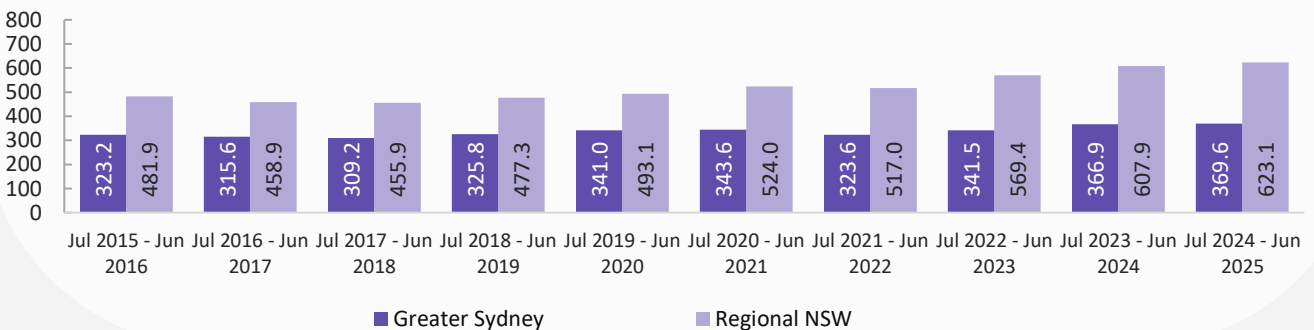
Region	Two year trends	Ten year trends (annual average % change)	Ratio to NSW	Number (12 months to Jun 2025)	Rate per 100,000 (12 months to Jun 2025)
Greater Sydney	Stable	2.4	0.8	20,146	369.6
Regional NSW	Stable	3.7	1.4	18,019	623.1
NSW	Stable	3.0	1.0	38,169	457.5
Greater Sydney					
Baulkham Hills & Hawkesbury	Stable	3.0	0.4	468	167.1
Blacktown	10.9	2.2	1.3	2,469	573.5
Central Coast	Stable	2.1	1.2	1,983	563.5
City & Inner South	Stable	2.6	1.0	1,591	446.7
Eastern Suburbs	-8.1	Stable	0.5	658	240.9
Inner South West	Stable	1.6	0.9	2,433	390.2
Inner West	Stable	2.6	0.5	787	250.0
North Sydney & Hornsby	Stable	4.0	0.3	655	149.8
Northern Beaches	15.7	Stable	0.3	383	143.0
Outer South West	Stable	2.5	1.1	1,540	494.6
Outer West & Blue Mountains	Stable	Stable	1.0	1,591	466.3
Parramatta	Stable	2.6	0.9	2,122	412.1
Ryde	Stable	4.3	0.4	388	183.8
South West	Stable	4.0	1.0	2,407	479.4
Sutherland	21.6	3.6	0.6	671	286.2
Regional NSW					
Capital Region	Stable	2.8	0.9	962	395.7
Central West	13.3	4.0	1.6	1,617	752.6
Coffs Harbour - Grafton	Stable	4.8	1.6	1,109	744.1
Far West & Orana	-9.8	4.1	3.4	1,819	1542.8
Hunter Valley excl. Newcastle	-1.5	4.3	1.5	2,067	677.4
Illawarra	12.4	Stable	0.8	1,127	350.2
Mid North Coast	Stable	5.0	1.5	1,592	679.5
Murray	Stable	7.0	1.6	894	709.4
New England & North West	Stable	5.4	2.4	2,039	1076.9
Newcastle & Lake Macquarie	13.1	3.3	1.1	1,972	490.7
Richmond - Tweed	Stable	3.1	0.9	1,113	427.3
Riverina	Stable	Stable	1.4	1,077	651.8
Southern Highlands & Shoalhaven	Stable	2.1	0.8	631	387.7

Note, red –significant increase, green- significant decrease, black – at least twice as high as the NSW rate, yellow – at least half the NSW rate

For data on DV assault by LGA click [here](#)

Rate per 100,000

DV assault rate: Greater Sydney and Regional NSW



How do NSW Police respond to domestic and family violence?

Figure 5. Total DV assault incidents and % of incidents with a legal action by police commenced within 30 days

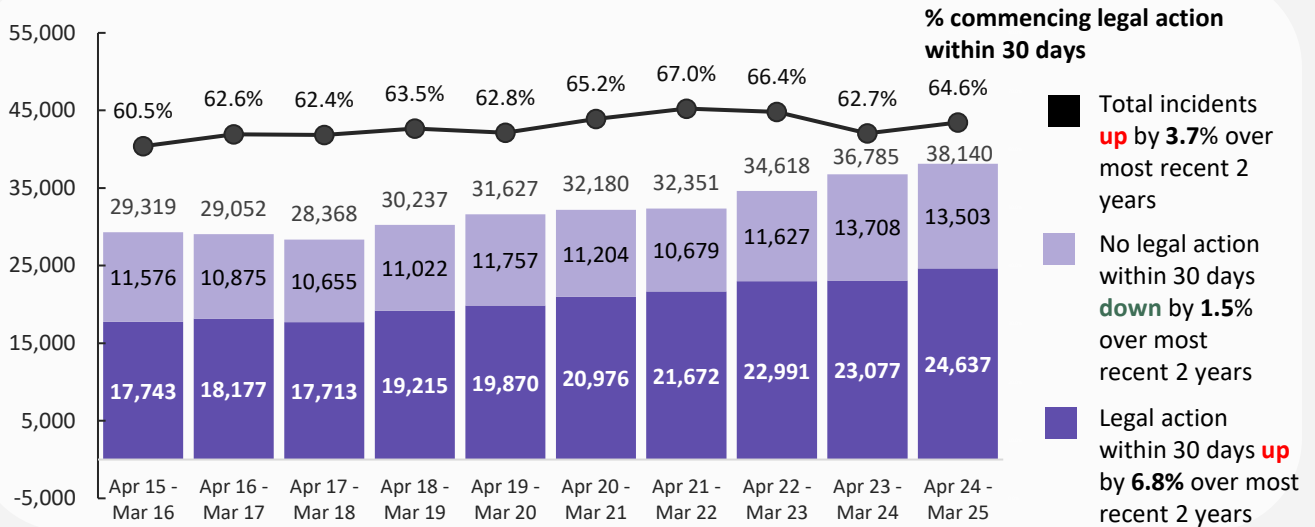


Figure 6. ADVO compliance checks by the NSW Police Force

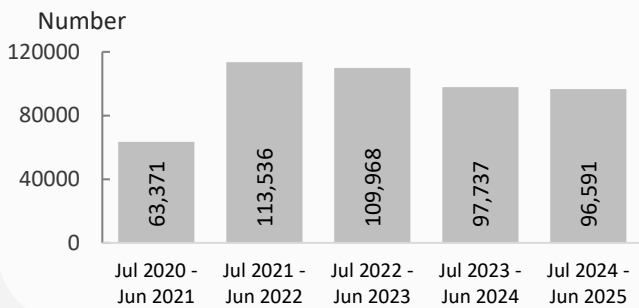


Figure 7. Number of ADVOs commenced

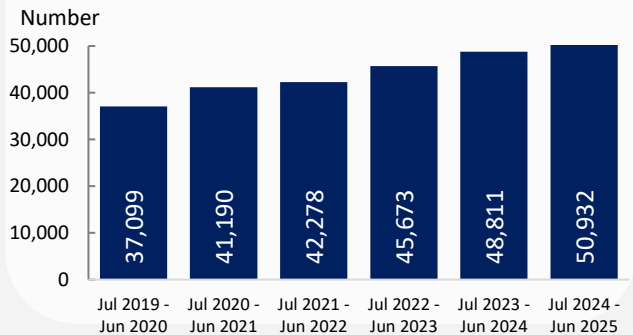
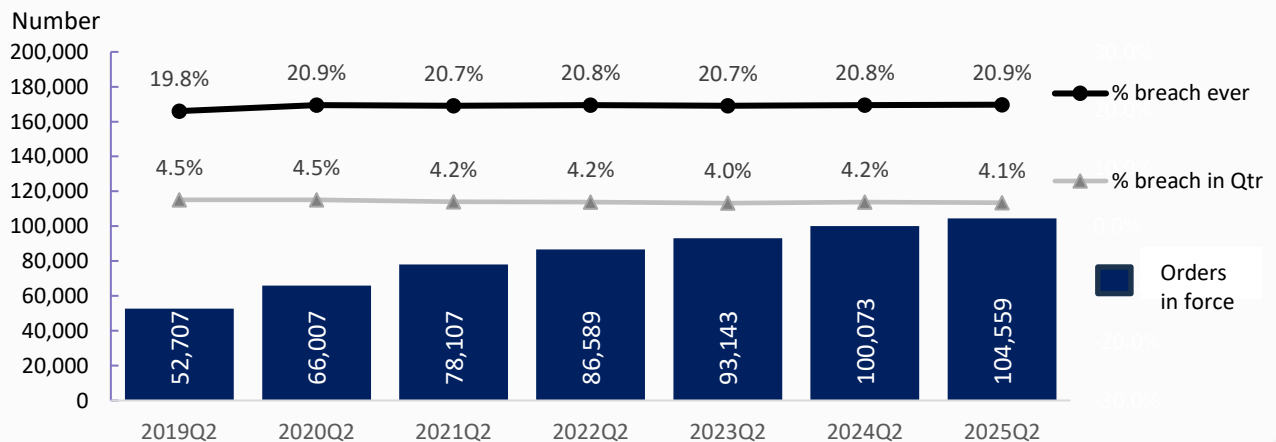


Figure 8. Number of ADVOs in force each quarter and % breached



What are the trends for domestic and family violence assault by victim type?

Figure 9. DV assault victim trends by victim age and gender

Victim type	Jul 2015 - Jun 2016	Jul 2016 - Jun 2017	Jul 2017 - Jun 2018	Jul 2018 - Jun 2019	Jul 2019 - Jun 2020	Jul 2020 - Jun 2021	Jul 2021 - Jun 2022	Jul 2022 - Jun 2023	Jul 2023 - Jun 2024	Jul 2024 - Jun 2025	2 year trend	10 year trend (annual average)
Total DV assault victims*	31,708	30,847	31,038	32,734	34,170	35,381	34,406	37,869	40,864	41,659	stable	3.1%
Adult female victims	19,956	19,320	19,174	20,277	20,930	21,717	20,565	22,451	23,764	24,140	stable	2.1%
Adult male victims	7,801	7,825	8,105	8,557	9,010	9,205	9,265	10,291	11,202	11,337	stable	4.2%
Child (0-17 years) victims	3,722	3,485	3,530	3,670	3,991	4,181	4,307	4,854	5,561	5,785	stable	5.0%

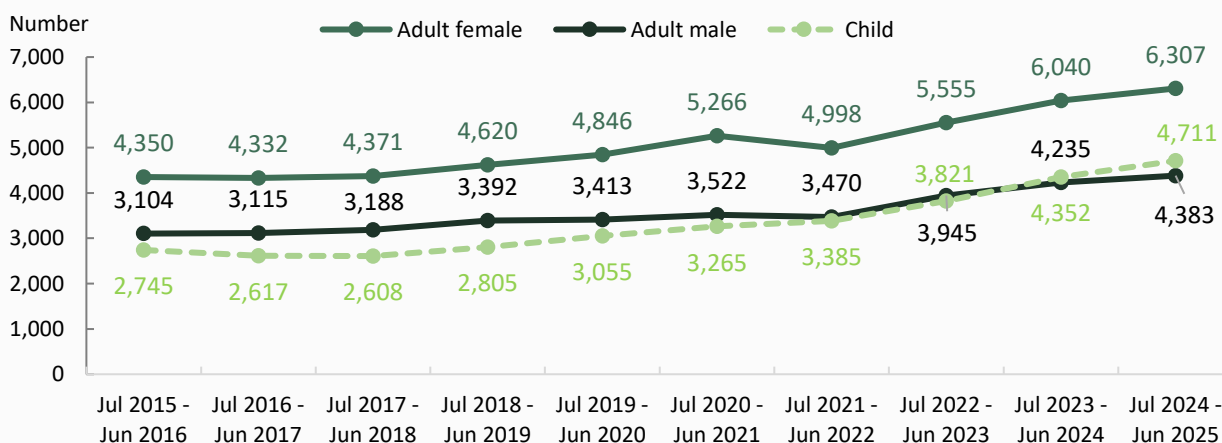
*Includes victims with missing/unknown age or gender

Figure 10. DV assault victim trends by victim relationship to perpetrator

Relationship type	Jul 2015 - Jun 2016	Jul 2016 - Jun 2017	Jul 2017 - Jun 2018	Jul 2018 - Jun 2019	Jul 2019 - Jun 2020	Jul 2020 - Jun 2021	Jul 2021 - Jun 2022	Jul 2022 - Jun 2023	Jul 2023 - Jun 2024	Jul 2024 - Jun 2025	2 year trend	10 year trend (annual average)
Total*	18,602	17,700	17,460	18,648	19,373	19,967	19,202	20,874	22,074	22,727	stable	2.3%
Intimate partner												
Female victim	15,060	14,301	13,995	14,880	15,297	15,714	14,821	16,014	16,795	17,195	stable	1.5%
Male victim	3,495	3,348	3,414	3,734	4,032	4,197	4,335	4,817	5,231	5,485	stable	5.1%
Family	10,332	10,178	10,284	10,963	11,447	12,212	12,004	13,480	14,809	15,649	stable	4.7%
Other	2,702	2,889	3,195	3,049	3,257	3,095	3,049	3,286	3,730	3,043	stable	1.3%

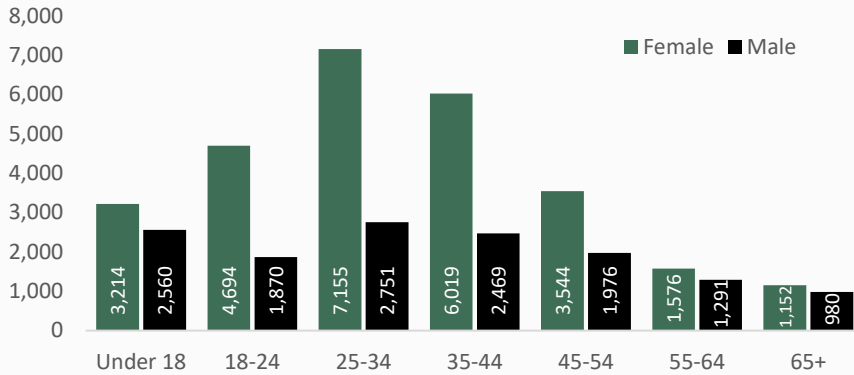
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Figure 11. DV assault victims of family violence



Who are the victims and offenders of domestic and family violence assault?

Figure 12. DV assault victims by victim age and gender: 12 months to June 2025



Summary*

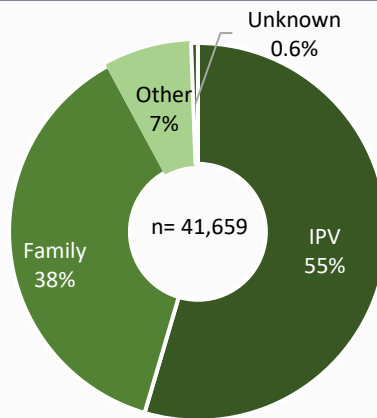
- 67% of victims were female
- 14% of victims were children
- 24% of victims were aged 25-34 yrs
- 56% of child victims were female
- 68% of adult victims were female

*Excludes 408 victims with missing age or gender

Figure 13. Relationship between offender and victim of DV assault: 12 months to June 2025

IPV accounts for over half of DV assault victims; **55%**

Family violence accounts for over one third of DV assault victims; **38%**

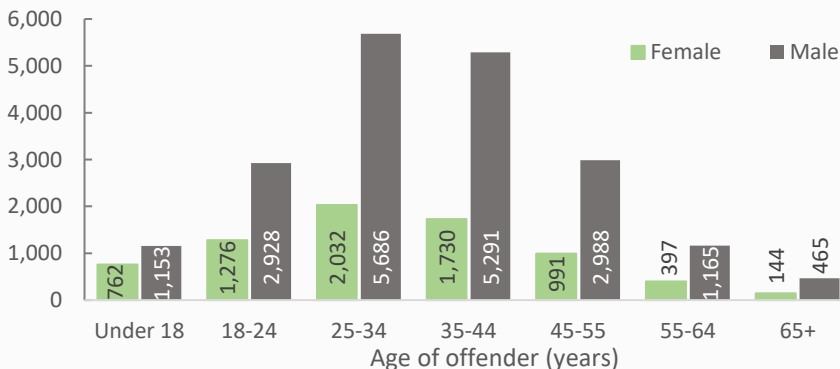


Intimate Partner Violence (IPV): current & ex spouse/partner, current & ex boy/girlfriend.

Family Violence: child, parent, sibling, other family member.

Other: carer, housemate, persons in authority, other (e.g. ex-partner of partner).

Figure 14. DV assault offenders[^]: 12 months to June 2025



Summary~

- 73% of offenders were male
- 93% of offenders were adult
- 29% of offenders were aged 25-34 yrs
- 60% of child offenders were male
- 74% of adult offenders were male

~Excludes 62 persons with missing age or gender

[^] The term 'offenders' refers to persons of interest (POI) legally proceeded against by police for a criminal incident rather than a proven offence. Where an individual is involved in multiple criminal incidents throughout the year they will appear as a POI multiple times.