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The statistics in this publication relate to police strength, crime (offences reported or detected and court actions), custodial corrections (prisons), community corrections (probation, parole, community service orders and fine option orders) and children under orders. Police and community corrections statistics have been extracted from relevant annual reports. Courts, custodial corrections and children under orders statistics are compiled from information provided by the Queensland Justice Department, the Queensland Corrective Services Commission and the Queensland Department of Family Services and Aboriginal and Islander Affairs, respectively.

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SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Police strength and crime statistics

At 30 June 1991 there were 5,895 sworn-in police officers, an increase of 6.7 per cent on the previous year and a 21.0 per cent increase since 1986. Total police strength, which includes probationaries and recruits, has increased by 7.1 per cent since 1990 and 22.5 per cent since 1986.

A new tertiary-based recruit training program was introduced in 1990. This pre-service program, the first of its kind in Australia, replaces the previous system of cadet entry.

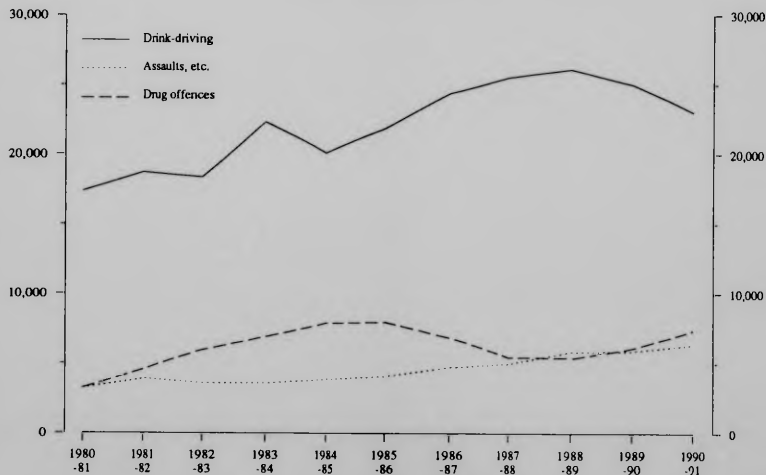
There were significant increases in *breaking and entering* (25.5 per cent), *malicious damage* (16.9 per cent) and *other stealing* (16.5 per cent) offences reported to police over the previous year. In contrast, however, reported homicides decreased by 31.5 per cent which reversed the trend of the previous 4 years. Significant decreases were recorded in all categories of *homicide* with falls in *murder* 17 per cent, *attempted murder* 31 per cent and *manslaughter* 35 per cent.

Magistrates Courts

There were 195,108 appearances in Magistrates Courts during 1990-91, involving 263,938 charges. This represented decreases of 8.5 per cent and 5.5 per cent, respectively, from the corresponding figures for the previous year. A major contributing factor was the sharp drop in the number of company prosecutions (approximately 7,500) which were processed during 1990-91. Responsibility for these prosecutions passed from the Corporate Affairs Commission to the Australian Securities Commission (ASC) on 1 January 1991. Between January and June 1991 the ASC did not pursue company prosecutions for non-lodgement of company returns.

Other decreases recorded were for *drink-driving* and *drunkenness* offences. Appearances for *drink-driving* fell for the second year in a row to 23,015 which is the lowest number recorded since 1985-86 when there were 21,871 appearances. Driving and traffic-related offences, which include *drink-driving*, accounted for 71.7 per cent of all convictions, a marginal decrease of 0.4 per cent from 1989-90. The majority of punishments imposed by Magistrates Courts in 1990-91 (75 per cent) were *fined and/or ordered to pay money* and a further 15 per cent had their licence disqualified, either with or without a fine.

DIAGRAM 1 - MAGISTRATES COURTS: APPEARANCES FOR SELECTED OFFENCES, QUEENSLAND



In December 1982 the legal blood alcohol content limit for driving offences was lowered from 80 to 50 milligrams of alcohol per 100 millilitres of blood. Appearances for this offence declined initially in 1982-83 but then rose sharply in 1983-84.

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Magistrates Courts - continued

In spite of the overall decrease in appearances for 1990-91 increases were recorded for *assaults and drug offences*. While the figures for *assaults* continued the upward trend of the last 8 years, appearances for *drug offences* fluctuated. The figure of 7,380 appearances in 1990-91 is still 7.5 per cent below the figure for 1985-86.

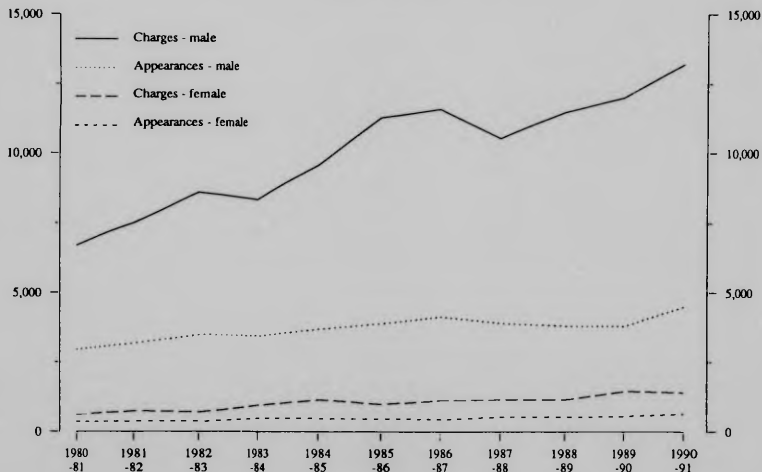
Children's Courts

During 1990-91 there were 5,844 appearances in the Children's Courts, for both offences and child welfare applications, involving 4,048 children. This represents increases over the previous year of 12.5 per cent and 9.6 per cent, respectively.

Appearances for offences increased by 17.9 per cent to 5,153 in 1990-91. The proportion of all appearances for offences which resulted in the offence being proven decreased marginally from 94.8 per cent in 1989-90 to 94.3 per cent in 1990-91. Of these 18.1 per cent resulted in a conviction. The category of *theft, breaking and entering* accounted for 58.6 per cent of all offences in 1990-91 with the next highest category being *driving, traffic, etc.* which had 11.1 per cent.

During 1990-91, 31.5 per cent of all appearances for offences were by children who had 5 or more prior proven offences. Children who had 5 or more proven offences which were similar to the offence with which they were charged comprised 11.7 per cent of all appearances for offences.

DIAGRAM 2 - CHILDREN'S COURTS APPEARANCES (FOR OFFENCES) AND CHARGES BY SEX, QUEENSLAND



While the proportion of children with prior proven offences fluctuated little during the last 5 years there has been a change in the ratio of similar proven offences to proven offences. In 1985-86, of the children who had 1 to 4 prior proven offences, 73.3 per cent of these were similar proven offences. In 1990-91 this proportion had risen to 85.3 per cent.

The number of appearances for child welfare applications was 691 in 1990-91, 16.2 per cent lower than the previous year. There were 648 applications for care and protection, a decrease of 15.5 per cent from the figure for the previous year, while applications for care and control orders fell by 25.9 per cent thus continuing the downward trend of the last 10 years.

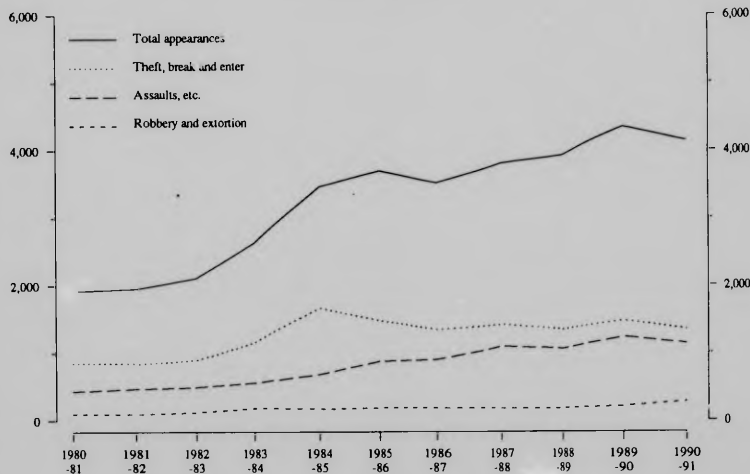
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Higher Courts

The 1990-91 figures show that 70.5 per cent of the total appearances before higher courts in Queensland resulted in a guilty verdict. The most common punishment in these courts is still imprisonment (40.2 per cent in 1990-91), which can be directly attributed to the types of offences with which these courts deal, but there is an increasing trend towards the use of community service orders as a means of punishment. In 1990-91 the figure was 27.8 per cent, 4.3 per cent higher than in 1989-90 and 14.3 per cent higher than in 1985-86. Over 60 per cent of these orders were given in the categories of *assault and theft, breaking and entering*.

Females accounted for 11.8 per cent of all appearances in 1990-91 decreasing from 12.1 per cent in 1985-86. While the proportion of females has stayed fairly constant there have been changes in the types of offences. While 45.9 per cent of appearances by females in 1985-86 were for *theft, breaking and entering* this offence category accounted for only 28.9 per cent in 1990-91, a decrease of 17.0 per cent. During the same period the proportion of *fraud and misappropriation offences* decreased by 4.2 per cent from 23.9 per cent to 19.7 per cent. From 1985-86 to 1990-91 the incidence of appearances by females for *drug offences, assaults and robbery and extortion* have increased by 8.2 per cent, 4.2 per cent and 1.8 per cent, respectively, while *property offences* remain relatively unchanged.

DIAGRAM 3 - HIGHER COURTS: APPEARANCES FOR SELECTED OFFENCES, QUEENSLAND



Corrective Services

At 30 June 1991 there were 1,989 convicted prisoners on hand in Queensland correctional centres. A further 197 persons were held on remand or were otherwise detained (e.g. at the Queen's Pleasure), representing 9.0 per cent of the prison population at 30 June. During the year a total of 5,266 convicted prisoners were admitted, representing an increase of 13.7 per cent over the 1985-86 figure and an increase of 8.3 per cent over the 1989-90 figure. A total of 5,506 convicted prisoners were discharged during 1990-91.

Of the 5,266 convicted prisoners admitted during 1990-91, 6.7 per cent were females and of these 54 per cent were in the 25 to 39 year age group. Overall, 63 per cent of prisoners admitted were aged under 30 and 54.1 per cent had one or more previous imprisonments.

SECTION 1. POLICE STRENGTH AND CRIME STATISTICS

TABLE 1 - POLICE: STRENGTH AND CLASSIFICATION, QUEENSLAND, AT 30 JUNE

Classification	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991
Commissioned Officers (a)	153	160	161	164	156	203
Senior Sergeants	186	187	215	228	231	221
Sergeants: 1st and 2nd class	1,083	1,121	1,149	1,173	1,182	1,162
Sergeants 3rd Class/Constables	3,290	3,453	3,408	3,502	3,794	4,153
Technical and scientific officers	160	151	152	152	161	156
Total sworn-in officers	4,872	5,072	5,085	5,219	5,524	5,895
Sworn-in officers per 100,000 population (b)	186	190	185	184	190	p 198
Recruits	—	—	—	—	—	398
Probationaries	95	119	46	167	264	9
Cadets in training (c)	178	190	191	187	94	—
Total police strength	5,145	5,381	5,322	5,573	5,882	6,302

(a) Including Superintendents and Inspectors.

(b) Estimated resident population at 30 June.

(c) Final intake February 1990.

DIAGRAM 4 - POLICE STRENGTH, QUEENSLAND, AT 30 JUNE

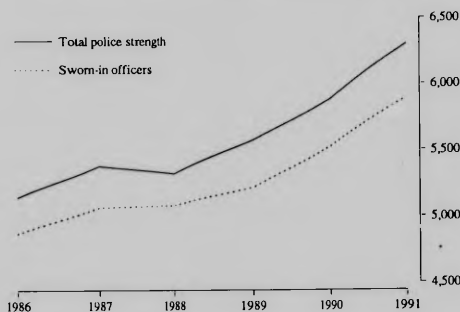


TABLE 2 - OFFENCES REPORTED TO OR DETECTED BY POLICE, BY POLICE REGION, QUEENSLAND, 1990-91

Offences	Police region								Total	Percentage cleared
	North Metropolitan	South Metropolitan	South-Eastern	Southern	North Coast	Central	Northern	Far Northern		
Offences reported to police (a)										
Homicides	27	18	47	21	23	21	13	26	196	97
Assaults	2,362	1,142	2,081	1,338	972	1,027	1,219	1,411	11,552	70
Sexual assaults and offences, etc.	524	413	504	579	397	282	343	440	3,482	76
Robbery, kidnapping and extortion	563	264	394	136	70	57	74	131	1,689	36
Fraud and false pretences	3,725	1,248	2,518	1,117	1,257	884	680	926	12,355	69
Unlawful use of motor vehicle	4,297	2,860	4,384	1,491	982	612	718	741	16,085	21
Breaking, entering, stealing, etc.	34,853	20,929	32,298	12,329	15,253	10,968	10,449	10,214	147,293	19
Malicious damage	7,092	4,430	6,563	3,292	2,647	1,930	1,927	1,665	29,546	19
Other	755	377	607	485	280	271	339	393	3,507	65
Total	54,198	31,681	49,396	20,788	21,881	16,052	15,762	15,947	225,705	26
Offences detected by police (b)										
Drug offences	2,010	1,380	2,735	1,610	2,120	1,313	1,016	1,626	13,810	..
Driving offences	5,447	3,358	5,055	3,167	3,375	3,218	2,262	2,910	28,792	..
Other	3,252	1,363	1,736	2,655	1,196	1,657	1,426	2,246	15,531	..
Total	10,709	6,101	9,526	7,432	6,691	6,188	4,704	6,782	58,133	..
All offences reported to or detected by police	64,907	37,782	58,922	28,220	28,572	22,240	20,466	22,729	283,838	..

(a) See Explanatory Notes, paragraph 6.

(b) See Explanatory Notes, paragraph 7.

TABLE 3 - OFFENCES REPORTED TO OR DETECTED BY POLICE, QUEENSLAND

Particulars	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91
OFFENCES REPORTED TO POLICE (a)						
Homicide						
Reported	244	220	254	261	286	196
Cleared	241	208	249	257	279	191
Serious assault						
Reported	2,541	2,764	3,455	3,986	4,923	5,267
Cleared	1,964	2,240	2,897	3,090	3,469	3,875
Minor assault						
Reported	3,384	4,173	4,392	4,903	5,425	6,285
Cleared	2,451	3,116	3,372	3,729	3,795	4,157
Rape and attempted rape						
Reported	159	189	288	366	328	372
Cleared	131	180	264	338	282	319
Other sexual offences						
Reported	2,000	2,363	3,857	3,067	3,007	3,110
Cleared	1,599	1,913	3,366	2,498	2,322	2,314
Robbery						
Reported	521	649	703	791	1,089	1,319
Cleared	186	230	288	294	314	366
Fraud and false pretences						
Reported	17,482	15,924	25,425	(b) 15,799	12,595	12,355
Cleared	11,118	10,201	16,134	11,573	8,703	8,557
Kidnapping and extortion						
Reported	131	192	257	342	372	370
Cleared	99	164	209	291	287	236
Unlawful use of motor vehicle						
Reported	9,441	10,109	10,068	11,602	14,239	16,085
Cleared	2,537	2,884	2,733	3,249	3,014	3,204
Other stealing						
Reported	55,569	61,730	64,358	65,852	74,347	86,618
Cleared	17,661	20,390	21,319	20,964	19,449	19,833
Breaking and entering						
Reported	31,771	35,510	34,282	38,314	48,330	60,675
Cleared	6,965	7,475	7,145	7,098	7,716	7,909
Malicious damage						
Reported	16,189	16,840	17,065	19,377	25,264	29,546
Cleared	4,029	4,942	5,024	5,397	5,956	5,518
Other offences						
Reported	2,079	2,123	2,361	2,722	3,414	3,507
Cleared	1,643	1,722	1,957	2,075	2,514	2,297
Total						
Reported	141,392	152,786	166,765	167,382	193,619	225,705
Cleared	36	36	39	36	30	26
OFFENCES DETECTED BY POLICE (c)						
Receiving and unlawful possession		1,963	2,207	2,310	1,953	2,137
Drug offences		11,544	9,450	9,879	10,622	13,810
Good order offences		11,317	12,046	12,941	12,231	11,145
Drink driving		27,092	28,185	29,166	28,033	25,055
Other driving, etc. offences	n.a.	4,372	3,691	3,778	3,710	3,737
Liquor offences		1,545	1,327	1,361	1,249	1,200
Other		1,993	1,619	1,792	r 1,242	1,049
Total		59,826	58,525	61,227	r 59,040	58,133

(a) See Explanatory Notes, paragraph 6. (b) Not comparable with previous years due to changes in reporting policy of banks on credit card fraud. (c) See Explanatory Notes, paragraph 7.

SECTION 2. COURTS

TABLE 4 - MAGISTRATES COURTS: TOTAL APPEARANCES AND APPEARANCES RESULTING IN SUMMARY CONVICTIONS BY OFFENCE WITH MOST SERIOUS OUTCOME, QUEENSLAND

<i>Offence</i>	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91
APPEARANCES						
Homicide, etc.	220	179	167	219	173	185
Assault, etc.	4,104	4,750	5,006	5,856	5,909	6,365
Robbery and extortion	186	186	178	247	249	303
Fraud and misappropriation	1,770	2,007	2,682	2,538	2,500	2,386
Theft, breaking and entering, etc.	9,193	10,455	9,986	10,683	10,634	11,648
Property damage	1,741	1,933	1,991	2,304	2,379	2,328
Driving, traffic, etc.	100,485	110,327	110,033	120,457	128,066	117,420
Other offences	54,677	51,773	50,261	55,339	63,392	54,473
Total	172,376	181,610	180,304	197,643	213,302	195,108
SUMMARY CONVICTIONS						
Homicide, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..
Assault, etc.	2,127	2,568	2,842	3,488	3,633	3,862
Robbery and extortion	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fraud and misappropriation	1,281	1,566	2,215	1,959	1,935	1,777
Theft, breaking and entering, etc.	7,246	8,388	7,849	8,338	8,367	8,922
Property damage	1,445	1,606	1,663	1,920	1,976	1,927
Driving, traffic, etc.	90,334	97,879	97,996	110,989	119,136	108,344
Other offences	23,195	21,133	19,156	23,867	30,254	26,373
Total	125,628	133,140	131,721	150,561	165,301	151,205

TABLE 5 - MAGISTRATES COURTS: CHARGES HEARD AND CHARGES RESULTING IN SUMMARY CONVICTIONS BY OFFENCE WITH MOST SERIOUS OUTCOME, QUEENSLAND

<i>Offence</i>	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91
CHARGES						
Homicide, etc.	247	227	188	285	217	239
Assault, etc.	7,713	9,173	10,372	12,054	12,249	12,506
Robbery and extortion	288	266	247	371	364	476
Fraud and misappropriation	13,211	13,345	15,493	14,415	13,460	12,501
Theft, breaking and entering, etc.	18,868	21,512	20,763	23,601	21,781	24,700
Property damage	2,974	3,363	3,658	4,276	4,200	4,481
Driving, traffic, etc.	119,203	128,884	128,214	139,886	147,546	138,196
Other offences	66,089	63,280	61,378	70,433	79,608	70,839
Total	228,593	240,250	240,313	265,321	279,425	263,938
SUMMARY CONVICTIONS						
Homicide, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..
Assault, etc.	3,920	4,550	5,168	6,231	6,325	6,761
Robbery and extortion	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fraud and misappropriation	6,957	8,240	9,938	7,753	7,748	6,865
Theft, breaking and entering, etc.	13,303	14,579	13,962	14,370	14,051	14,985
Property damage	2,232	2,538	2,714	2,984	3,134	3,175
Driving, traffic, etc.	107,858	115,041	114,721	129,050	136,933	127,268
Other offences	32,683	30,161	28,256	34,942	42,012	38,493
Total	166,953	175,129	174,779	195,330	210,203	197,502

TABLE 7 — MAGISTRATES COURTS APPEARANCES: OFFENCE WITH MOST SERIOUS OUTCOME BY STATISTICAL DIVISION OF APPEARANCE, QUEENSLAND, 1990-91

Offence	Brisbane	Moreton	Wide Bay- Burnett	Darling Downs	South- West	Fitzroy	Central- West	Mackay	Northern	Far North	North- West	Queensland		
	Persons											M	F	P
<i>Homicide, etc.</i>	96	28	6	3	4	7	1	10	6	22	2	169	16	185
<i>Assault, etc.</i>	2,404	654	338	399	176	386	49	212	433	1,022	292	5,643	722	6,365
Major assault	775	254	134	147	69	136	20	77	141	419	152	2,093	234	2,327
Minor assault	1,326	311	152	183	96	194	20	105	222	496	111	2,754	462	3,216
Rape	54	18	8	14	3	9	—	3	9	22	2	142	—	142
Other sexual offences	198	53	32	47	3	30	7	20	39	30	9	461	7	468
Other violation of persons	51	18	12	8	5	17	2	7	19	55	18	193	19	212
<i>Robbery and extortion</i>	198	55	1	8	—	7	—	6	10	17	1	285	18	303
<i>Fraud and misappropriation</i>	1,142	334	117	138	16	105	9	64	181	223	57	1,718	668	2,386
Embezzlement	180	50	14	21	2	15	1	10	12	10	4	222	97	319
False pretences	563	182	74	80	10	67	6	35	94	108	30	905	339	1,244
Fraud and forgery	399	102	29	37	4	28	2	19	75	105	23	591	232	823
<i>Theft, breaking and entering, etc.</i>	5,566	1,630	612	595	129	628	50	336	752	1,042	308	8,802	2,846	11,648
Unlawful use of motor vehicle	638	171	59	47	27	43	7	39	62	134	45	1,183	89	1,272
Other stealing	3,497	1,033	365	359	47	388	27	214	477	539	113	4,570	2,489	7,059
Receiving and unlawful possession	422	123	39	48	10	39	3	20	41	89	17	724	127	851
Burglary and housebreaking	358	129	66	52	24	71	2	33	66	126	52	916	63	979
Other breaking and entering	651	174	83	89	21	87	11	30	106	154	81	1,409	78	1,487
<i>Property damage</i>	779	305	140	142	73	178	13	98	176	326	98	2,108	220	2,328
Arson	42	15	8	1	2	2	—	2	6	4	—	73	9	82
Other property damage	737	290	132	141	71	176	13	96	170	322	98	2,035	211	2,246
<i>Driving, traffic, etc.</i>	61,798	20,719	4,465	5,659	837	5,853	378	2,962	6,587	6,654	1,508	98,243	19,177	117,420
Drink driving, etc.	9,306	4,292	1,297	1,153	290	1,516	133	924	1,512	2,183	409	20,000	3,015	23,015
Dangerous/negligent driving	2,424	663	233	357	58	105	20	120	190	408	45	3,698	925	4,623
Licence offences	4,503	1,377	669	481	132	404	42	238	592	730	164	8,352	980	9,332
State Transport/Main Roads Act offences	5,607	3,019	648	1,121	198	774	109	499	861	840	201	12,690	1,187	13,877
Other traffic offences	22,558	5,765	1,571	2,345	148	2,476	72	1,033	2,527	2,193	243	34,953	5,978	40,931
Other driving offences	17,400	5,603	47	202	11	578	2	148	905	300	46	18,550	7,092	25,642
<i>Other offences</i>	23,111	5,746	2,276	2,542	820	3,368	280	1,539	4,571	7,499	2,721	47,245	7,228	54,473
Drug offences	2,977	1,314	474	275	36	359	28	365	523	927	102	6,190	1,190	7,380
Drunkenness	5,773	2,086	919	1,222	194	2,060	84	729	2,447	4,167	2,093	19,413	2,361	21,774
Other	14,361	2,346	883	1,045	590	949	168	445	1,601	2,405	526	21,642	3,677	25,319
Total	95,094	29,471	7,955	9,486	2,055	10,532	780	5,227	12,716	16,805	4,987	164,213	30,895	195,108

TABLE 8 - CHILDREN'S COURTS: SUMMARY, QUEENSLAND

Particulars	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91
APPEARANCES						
<i>Applications for care and control</i>	205	198	116	67	58	43
Likely to fall into a life of vice or crime	17	11	—	—	—	—
Exposed to moral danger	3	1	—	—	—	—
Uncontrollable	185	186	116	67	58	43
<i>Applications for care and protection</i>	757	709	582	720	767	648
Neglected and other unfit guardianship	731	691	568	708	739	632
Likely to fall into a life of vice or crime	3	—	—	—	—	—
Other	23	18	14	12	28	16
<i>Outcome of application:</i>	962	907	698	787	825	691
Order refused or revoked	178	214	210	199	237	223
Committed into care and control	74	40	34	14	16	7
Ordered into care and protection	507	483	317	449	431	386
Placed under supervision	45	34	8	6	5	4
Placed under protective supervision	156	135	129	119	136	71
Other	2	1	—	—	—	—
<i>Offences (most serious offence charged)</i>	4,383	4,592	4,448	4,364	4,371	5,153
Homicide, assault, etc.	241	270	305	292	273	379
Robbery and extortion	35	8	18	20	49	80
Fraud and misappropriation	28	36	65	53	50	56
Theft, breaking and entering, etc.	2,511	2,664	2,479	2,485	2,521	3,019
Unlawful use of motor vehicle	470	568	449	527	490	536
Burglary and breaking and entering	1,217	1,193	1,070	1,109	1,213	1,366
Other stealing, etc.	824	903	960	849	818	1,117
Property damage	133	206	211	257	258	225
Driving, traffic, etc.	878	777	700	595	571	571
Unlicensed driving	482	504	321	265	251	283
Other driving, traffic, etc.	396	383	379	330	320	288
Other offences	557	631	670	662	649	823
<i>Outcome (most serious offence charged)</i>	4,383	4,592	4,448	4,364	4,371	5,153
Discharged or withdrawn	99	127	119	68	119	176
Committed for sentence or trial	101	57	51	44	109	120
Offence proven - unconvicted	3,296	3,517	3,571	3,488	3,173	3,979
Offence proven - convicted	887	891	707	764	970	878
CHARGES HEARD						
<i>Offences</i>	12,282	12,729	11,717	12,642	13,465	14,615
Homicide, assault, etc.	461	523	588	523	586	752
Robbery and extortion	40	10	40	23	62	87
Fraud and misappropriation	340	357	339	396	509	361
Theft, breaking and entering, etc.	7,968	8,143	7,333	7,945	8,291	9,269
Unlawful use of motor vehicle	1,423	1,714	978	1,462	1,502	1,450
Burglary and breaking and entering	3,872	3,623	3,387	3,428	4,016	4,403
Other stealing, etc.	2,673	2,806	2,968	3,055	2,773	3,416
Property damage	813	1,061	771	1,317	1,474	1,150
Driving, traffic, etc.	1,670	1,547	1,444	1,267	1,291	1,352
Unlicensed driving	769	688	641	548	589	617
Other driving, traffic, etc.	901	859	803	719	702	735
Other offences	990	1,088	1,202	1,171	1,252	1,644
<i>Outcomes</i>	12,282	12,729	11,717	12,642	13,465	14,615
Discharged or withdrawn	251	298	326	289	342	361
Committed for sentence or trial	288	222	162	141	333	323
Offence proven - unconvicted	9,276	9,756	9,429	10,010	9,046	10,394
Offence proven - convicted	2,467	2,453	1,800	2,202	3,744	3,537
CHILDREN (a)						
Males	3,048	3,179	2,780	2,949	2,863	3,214
Females	806	739	667	775	829	834
Total	3,854	3,918	3,447	3,724	3,692	4,048

(a) A child who appears on several charges at one time or on several occasions in the year is counted once only in this section.

TABLE 9 — CHILDREN'S COURTS APPEARANCES (OFFENCES) (a) : MOST SERIOUS OFFENCE CHARGED BY OUTCOME, QUEENSLAND, 1990-91

Offence	Proven offences											Total		
	Unconvicted						Convicted							
	Total appear- ances	Discharged or withdrawn	Committed for sentence or trial discharged	Admon- ished and or trial discharged	Committed into care	Placed under supervision	Ordered into custody	Committed into care	Placed under supervision	Fined and/or restitution	Other	M.	F.	P.
<i>Homicide, etc.</i>	6	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Assault, etc.</i>	373	28	20	194	21	59	—	25	3	23	—	257	68	325
Major assault	143	12	8	64	13	30	—	13	1	2	—	95	28	123
Minor assault	196	12	2	124	4	22	—	10	2	20	—	142	40	182
Rape	6	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other sexual offences	16	2	6	2	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	8	—	8
Other violation of persons	12	—	—	4	2	3	—	2	—	1	—	12	—	12
<i>Robbery and extortion</i>	80	3	29	1	17	20	—	9	1	—	—	42	6	48
<i>Fraud and misappropriation</i>	56	2	—	39	1	10	—	2	—	2	—	32	22	54
Embezzlement	12	—	—	10	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	6	6	12
False pretences	27	2	—	18	—	4	—	1	—	2	—	15	10	25
Fraud and forgery	17	—	—	11	1	4	—	1	—	—	—	11	6	17
<i>Theft, breaking and entering, etc.</i>	3,019	94	54	1,409	347	701	3	312	58	36	5	2,579	292	2,871
Unlawful use of motor vehicle	536	5	15	209	69	136	—	74	16	10	2	473	43	516
Other stealing	852	25	7	551	42	154	1	44	15	12	1	680	140	820
Receiving and unlawful possession	257	27	4	126	22	65	—	9	1	2	1	201	25	226
Burglary and housebreaking	477	4	5	161	82	129	1	78	12	5	—	431	37	468
Other breaking and entering	897	33	23	362	132	217	1	107	14	7	1	794	47	841
<i>Property damage</i>	225	8	8	107	20	46	1	24	6	5	—	184	25	209
Arson	8	1	5	—	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	2
Other property damage	217	7	3	107	19	45	1	24	6	5	—	182	25	207
<i>Driving, traffic, etc.</i>	117	12	1	301	3	11	—	3	4	229	7	516	42	558
Drink driving, etc.	571	1	—	36	1	8	—	2	3	65	1	103	13	116
Dangerous/negligent driving	40	1	1	18	2	1	—	1	—	15	1	33	5	38
Licence offences	284	6	—	172	—	2	—	—	1	100	3	257	21	278
State Transport / Main Roads Act offences	105	3	—	57	—	—	—	—	—	43	2	101	1	102
Other driving, traffic, etc.	25	1	—	18	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	22	2	24
<i>Other offences</i>	823	28	3	610	12	46	—	13	6	105	—	634	158	792
Drug offences	147	2	2	88	4	34	—	5	5	7	—	131	12	143
Drunkenness	187	2	—	175	1	4	—	—	—	5	—	152	33	185
Other	489	24	1	347	7	8	—	8	1	93	—	351	113	464
Total	5,153	176	120	2,661	421	893	4	388	78	400	12	4,244	613	4,857

(a) For criminal matters only.

TABLE 10 — CHILDREN'S COURTS APPEARANCES (OFFENCES) (a) : MOST SERIOUS OFFENCE CHARGED BY AGE, QUEENSLAND, 1990-91

Offence	Age at date of appearance (years)																		
	Under 12		12		13		14		15		16		17		18 and over		Total		
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
Homicide, etc.	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	1
Assault, etc.	3	—	6	—	12	7	42	20	82	21	146	21	11	2	—	—	—	302	71
Major assault	1	—	4	—	8	2	19	8	26	11	50	8	6	—	—	—	—	114	29
Minor assault	2	—	2	—	2	5	19	12	46	10	80	13	3	2	—	—	—	154	42
Rape	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—
Other sexual offences	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	6	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	16	—
Other violation of persons	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	8	—	2	—	—	—	—	12	—
Robbery and extortion	—	—	—	—	2	1	16	5	19	3	31	1	2	—	—	—	—	70	10
Fraud and misappropriation	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	1	7	3	17	18	3	1	—	—	—	33	23
Embezzlement	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	5	—	1	—	—	—	6	6
False pretences	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	4	1	7	10	3	—	—	—	—	16	11
Fraud and forgery	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	3	2	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	11	6
Theft, breaking and entering, etc.	69	4	127	6	255	39	575	76	743	96	888	87	47	6	1	—	—	2,705	314
Unlawful use of motor vehicle	2	—	10	—	27	3	80	9	142	19	219	15	9	1	—	—	—	489	47
Other stealing	20	—	53	2	85	16	159	39	180	50	195	37	12	4	—	—	—	704	148
Receiving and unlawful possession	9	—	12	—	16	6	58	11	56	6	71	7	4	1	—	—	—	226	31
Burglary and housebreaking	16	3	18	1	44	6	97	5	124	11	135	12	5	—	—	—	—	439	38
Other breaking and entering	22	1	34	3	83	8	181	12	241	10	268	16	17	—	1	—	—	847	50
Property damage	7	—	6	—	16	3	28	2	46	8	87	14	8	—	—	—	—	198	27
Arson	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	2	1	2	—	—	—	—	7	1
Other property damage	7	—	6	—	15	3	26	2	46	8	85	13	6	—	—	—	—	191	26
Driving, traffic, etc.	—	—	2	—	3	2	24	4	117	13	299	20	81	5	1	—	—	527	44
Drink driving, etc.	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	15	2	84	8	2	1	—	—	—	104	13
Dangerous/negligent driving	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	5	2	23	2	5	—	—	—	—	35	5
Licence offences	—	—	1	—	—	1	16	2	73	8	120	8	50	4	1	—	—	261	23
State Transport / Main Roads Act offences	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	19	—	64	1	18	—	—	—	—	104	1
Other driving, traffic, etc.	—	—	—	—	1	—	3	—	5	1	8	1	6	—	—	—	—	23	2
Other offences	6	—	4	—	12	5	63	24	199	54	345	74	28	8	1	—	—	658	165
Drug offences	—	—	—	—	1	—	7	—	41	1	80	11	6	—	—	—	—	135	12
Drunkenness	—	—	—	—	2	2	10	3	50	12	85	17	5	—	1	—	—	153	34
Other	6	—	4	—	9	3	46	21	108	41	180	46	17	8	—	—	—	370	119
Total	85	4	145	6	300	57	755	133	1,213	198	1,817	235	180	22	3	—	—	4,498	655

(a) For criminal matters only.

TABLE 11 - HIGHER COURTS: TOTAL APPEARANCES AND APPEARANCES RESULTING IN CONVICTION BY MOST SERIOUS OFFENCE CHARGED, QUEENSLAND

Offence	Appearances						Convictions					
	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91
<i>Homicide, etc.</i>	155	147	120	139	172	128	71	76	65	74	78	58
Murder	39	39	26	36	46	36	21	17	16	24	18	16
Attempted murder	25	12	27	26	24	26	10	4	7	6	5	6
Manslaughter	22	30	24	23	35	15	15	15	16	17	16	6
Other related offences	69	66	—	54	67	51	25	40	—	27	39	30
<i>Assault, etc.</i>	879	903	1,094	1,062	1,231	1,133	606	639	740	730	833	732
Major assault	370	380	405	448	571	530	241	254	271	320	406	351
Minor assault	64	58	72	65	80	80	44	39	54	50	59	56
Rape	77	93	142	106	117	114	46	51	75	53	55	54
Other sexual offences	306	327	421	380	395	344	229	269	304	260	260	224
Other violation of persons	62	45	54	63	68	65	46	26	36	47	53	47
<i>Robbery and extortion</i>	192	184	178	186	211	281	154	143	131	140	152	208
Robbery	184	179	168	174	203	271	148	141	125	130	147	204
Extortion	8	5	10	12	8	10	6	2	6	10	5	4
<i>Fraud and misappropriation</i>	474	371	358	367	387	360	329	281	259	267	271	255
Embezzlement	136	121	97	98	87	92	100	86	71	70	65	63
Fraud and forgery	338	250	261	269	300	268	229	195	188	197	206	192
<i>Theft, breaking and entering, etc.</i>	1,478	1,340	1,414	1,339	1,470	1,340	989	1,037	1,091	977	1,043	976
Unlawful use of motor vehicle	214	237	177	184	248	176	142	189	124	137	173	117
Other stealing	539	400	410	408	426	394	288	268	272	271	228	234
Receiving and unlawful possession	182	156	190	191	135	91	123	124	149	134	92	63
Burglary and housebreaking	294	310	400	332	349	358	231	258	333	261	285	288
Other breaking and entering	249	237	237	224	312	321	205	198	213	174	265	274
<i>Property damage</i>	215	241	210	215	226	177	141	160	142	150	149	117
Arson	74	108	76	76	85	72	54	67	59	51	59	51
Other property damage	141	133	134	139	141	105	87	93	83	99	90	66
<i>Driving, traffic, etc.</i>	40	28	53	61	62	23	25	23	40	49	44	16
Dangerous/negligent driving	39	28	53	61	62	23	25	23	40	49	44	16
Other driving, traffic, etc.	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Other offences</i>	268	309	384	554	584	696	223	260	327	449	462	554
Drugs, possession and use of	29	63	52	58	67	62	25	53	46	47	53	50
Drugs, trafficking	126	132	107	125	177	205	109	113	92	105	148	170
Drugs, other	7	15	54	57	51	69	6	12	46	50	42	59
Enforcement of order	98	77	143	235	216	320	77	63	124	196	174	260
Other offences	8	22	28	79	73	40	6	19	19	51	45	15
Total	3,701	3,523	3,811	3,923	4,343	4,138	2,538	2,619	2,795	2,836	3,032	2,916

TABLE 12 — HIGHER COURTS APPEARANCES: MOST SERIOUS OFFENCE CHARGED BY AGE, QUEENSLAND, 1990-91

Offence	Age at date of appearance (years)																								Total		
	Under 18		18		19		20		21-24		25-29		30-39		40-49		50-59		60 and over		Not stated						
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F					
<i>Homicide, etc.</i>	2	1	1	—	8	1	4	1	18	4	22	—	16	5	18	1	9	2	1	—	—	—	9	5	108	20	128
Murder	2	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	4	2	7	—	7	—	5	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	4	30	6	36
Attempted murder	—	1	1	—	3	—	—	—	2	—	3	—	4	1	3	—	6	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	23	3	26
Manslaughter	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	3	—	1	3	4	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	12	3	15
Other related offences	—	—	—	—	4	1	3	1	10	2	9	—	4	1	6	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	6	1	43	8	51
<i>Assault, etc.</i>	41	2	36	3	39	3	48	6	157	16	149	19	231	21	132	6	58	1	43	1	113	8	1,047	86	1,133		
Major assault	20	1	23	2	20	3	29	5	81	13	67	15	93	12	48	5	19	—	7	1	63	3	470	60	530		
Minor assault	—	1	3	1	4	—	6	1	17	2	10	2	12	5	6	—	3	1	—	—	4	2	65	15	80		
Rape	3	—	2	—	5	—	1	—	20	—	22	—	26	—	12	—	5	—	6	—	12	—	114	—	114		
Other sexual offences	18	—	5	—	8	—	8	—	29	—	40	2	89	2	63	—	28	—	30	—	21	1	339	5	344		
Other violation of persons	—	—	3	—	2	—	4	—	10	1	10	—	11	2	3	1	3	—	—	—	13	2	59	6	65		
<i>Robbery and extortion</i>	42	3	19	2	27	—	20	1	48	4	27	5	27	6	9	—	2	—	1	—	37	1	259	22	281		
Robbery	42	3	19	2	27	—	20	1	47	4	26	5	26	5	7	—	—	—	1	—	35	1	250	21	271		
Extortion and blackmail	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	1	2	—	2	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	9	1	10
<i>Fraud and misappropriation</i>	2	1	2	6	5	4	9	—	37	18	23	17	63	24	42	7	20	2	3	1	58	16	264	96	360		
Embezzlement	1	—	—	4	2	1	6	—	10	4	7	3	14	12	3	2	—	—	—	—	9	2	63	29	92		
False pretences	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	—	19	8	14	8	38	8	17	2	11	2	2	—	32	9	137	41	178		
Fraud and forgery	—	—	1	—	2	2	2	—	8	6	2	6	11	4	13	2	7	—	1	1	17	5	64	26	96		
<i>Theft, breaking and entering, etc.</i>	114	17	140	9	115	7	116	8	211	21	145	20	140	27	59	9	18	3	6	1	135	19	1,199	141	1,340		
Unlawful use of motor vehicle	15	3	19	—	9	2	9	1	33	4	22	2	23	2	6	1	3	—	1	—	17	4	157	19	176		
Other stealing	24	5	26	—	22	2	31	4	50	10	48	14	49	13	36	6	7	3	5	1	28	10	326	68	394		
Receiving and unlawful possession	3	2	5	1	6	—	2	1	11	2	11	1	17	5	4	2	4	—	—	—	12	2	75	16	91		
Burglary and housebreaking	26	5	45	4	41	2	38	1	69	4	34	2	29	3	9	—	3	—	—	—	41	2	335	23	358		
Other breaking and entering	46	2	45	4	37	1	36	1	48	1	30	1	22	4	4	—	4	—	—	—	37	1	306	15	321		
<i>Property damage</i>	9	—	12	—	16	1	11	—	40	3	26	3	18	2	11	1	7	1	—	—	14	2	164	13	177		
Arson	2	—	7	—	8	—	4	—	15	2	9	1	8	—	5	—	2	1	—	—	8	—	68	4	72		
Other property damage	7	—	5	—	8	1	7	—	25	1	17	2	10	2	6	1	5	—	—	—	6	2	96	9	105		
<i>Driving, traffic, etc.</i>	—	—	1	—	3	—	4	—	1	—	3	—	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	3	1	22	1	23
Dangerous/negligent driving	—	—	1	—	3	—	4	—	1	—	5	—	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	3	1	22	1	23
Other driving, traffic, etc.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Other offences</i>	8	—	18	1	37	7	39	4	89	18	92	30	132	20	49	9	17	—	2	—	104	20	587	130	696		
Drugs, possession and use of	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	2	12	2	23	2	4	1	—	—	—	—	6	2	53	9	62		
Drugs, trafficking	2	—	4	—	4	1	6	2	14	5	32	18	62	12	17	4	4	—	—	—	14	4	159	46	205		
Drugs, other	1	—	—	—	2	2	1	—	7	—	12	3	15	—	11	—	5	—	1	—	6	3	61	8	69		
Enforcement of order	4	—	14	1	29	3	29	2	58	10	33	6	28	5	11	2	5	—	—	—	71	9	282	38	320		
Other offences	1	—	—	—	2	1	3	—	2	1	3	1	4	1	6	2	3	—	1	—	7	2	32	8	40		
Total	218	24	229	21	250	23	251	20	601	84	489	94	630	105	321	33	131	9	57	3	473	72	3,650	488	4,138		

TABLE 13 — HIGHER COURTS CHARGES HEARD: OFFENCE BY OUTCOME, QUEENSLAND, 1990-91

Offence	Unconvicted						Convicted												Total				
	No true bill, etc.		Convicted, not punished				Community service		Placed on probation		Fined and/or ordered to pay money		Good behaviour bond		Children's Services order								
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	P		
<i>Homicide, etc.</i>	38	5	35	7	—	—	44	7	10	—	—	—	7	3	5	1	1	—	67	11	140	23	163
Murder	9	1	9	—	—	—	14	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	15	4	33	6	39
Attempted murder	18	2	10	—	—	—	10	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	1	38	3	41
Manslaughter	1	—	7	2	—	—	10	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	1	18	3	21
Other related offences	10	2	9	4	—	—	10	1	10	—	—	—	7	3	5	1	—	—	32	5	51	11	62
<i>Assault, etc.</i>	720	39	335	11	—	—	925	20	275	28	203	20	76	6	100	7	25	4	1,604	85	2,659	135	2,794
Major assault	169	21	110	8	—	—	185	10	129	17	44	9	37	4	29	6	7	2	431	48	710	77	787
Minor assault	72	6	39	2	—	—	70	3	43	9	30	10	8	—	17	—	—	2	168	24	279	32	311
Rape	75	—	37	—	—	—	69	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	71	—	183	—	183	
Other sexual offences	348	9	134	1	—	—	503	7	83	—	106	—	27	—	48	1	17	—	785	8	1,267	18	1,285
Other violation of persons	56	3	15	—	—	—	98	—	19	2	23	1	3	2	6	—	—	—	149	5	220	8	228
<i>Robbery and extortion</i>	96	11	23	2	—	—	203	5	30	2	14	6	4	1	2	4	27	1	280	19	399	32	431
Robbery	89	11	20	2	—	—	197	5	30	1	14	6	4	1	2	4	27	1	274	18	383	31	414
Extortion and blackmail	7	—	3	—	—	—	6	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	1	16	1	17
<i>Fraud and misappropriation</i>	941	268	113	29	—	—	974	194	204	154	134	126	47	30	149	112	2	—	1,510	616	2,564	913	3,477
Embezzlement	169	58	41	5	—	—	147	15	53	17	13	3	5	1	3	5	—	—	221	41	431	104	535
False pretences	409	163	26	12	—	—	562	72	91	132	62	89	19	22	51	20	2	—	787	335	1,222	510	1,732
Fraud and forgery	363	47	46	12	—	—	265	107	60	5	59	34	23	7	95	87	—	—	502	240	911	299	1,210
<i>Theft, breaking and entering, etc.</i>	1,140	78	134	22	5	—	2,076	81	837	49	856	76	66	24	57	56	140	17	4,037	303	5,311	403	5,714
Unlawful use of motor vehicle	216	18	18	3	—	—	592	2	103	6	108	11	11	1	6	4	32	3	852	27	1,086	48	1,134
Other stealing	336	30	67	11	4	—	292	70	273	24	213	29	35	22	33	36	20	6	870	187	1,273	228	1,501
Receiving and unlawful possession	106	14	16	5	—	—	107	8	86	8	60	10	6	—	10	12	3	2	272	40	394	59	453
Burglary and housebreaking	339	9	17	2	—	—	590	1	166	6	200	6	6	1	7	3	23	4	992	21	1,348	32	1,380
Other breaking and entering	143	7	16	1	1	—	495	—	209	5	275	20	8	—	1	62	2	1,051	28	1,210	36	1,246	
<i>Property damage</i>	113	7	35	4	—	—	213	1	123	4	60	3	47	2	12	1	4	1	459	12	607	23	630
Arson	25	1	8	—	—	—	45	1	12	1	8	1	21	—	1	—	1	—	88	3	121	4	125
Other property damage	88	6	27	4	—	—	168	—	111	3	52	2	26	2	11	1	3	1	371	9	486	19	505
<i>Driving, traffic, etc.</i>	9	1	5	1	—	—	20	—	8	1	7	—	11	1	1	—	—	—	47	2	61	4	65
Dangerous/negligent driving	9	1	5	1	—	—	20	—	8	1	7	—	11	1	1	—	—	—	47	2	61	4	65
Other driving, traffic, etc.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Other offences</i>	260	56	96	14	4	1	581	80	234	57	76	27	95	12	38	8	2	—	1,030	185	1,386	255	1,641
Drugs, possession and use of	37	19	5	3	—	—	89	10	54	7	13	6	19	1	7	1	1	—	183	25	225	47	272
Drugs, trafficking	128	21	18	5	—	—	252	51	81	35	22	10	13	1	7	—	—	—	375	97	521	123	644
Drugs, other	28	8	6	1	1	—	58	7	36	1	2	5	1	15	1	—	—	—	116	11	150	20	170
Enforcement of order	31	3	46	4	3	1	174	12	62	13	30	10	45	2	20	6	—	—	334	44	411	51	462
Other offences	36	5	21	1	—	—	8	—	1	—	6	—	3	7	4	1	—	—	22	8	79	14	93
Total	3,317	465	776	90	9	1	5,036	388	1,721	295	1,350	258	353	79	364	189	201	23	9,034	1,233	13,127	1,788	14,915

SECTION 3. CORRECTIVE SERVICES

TABLE 14 — PRISONERS IN CONFINEMENT, QUEENSLAND, 1990-91

Particulars	In prison at beginning of year			Admitted during year (a)			Discharged or died during year (a)			In prison at end of year		
	M.	F.	P.	M.	F.	P.	M.	F.	P.	M.	F.	P.
<i>Under sentence</i>	2,125	104	2,229	4,914	352	5,266	5,109	397	5,506	1,930	59	1,989
<i>From lower courts</i>	776	34	810	3,947	267	4,214	3,978	289	4,267	745	12	757
Remand	99	6	105	195	10	205	198	13	211	96	3	99
In lieu of fine	98	4	102	1,831	64	1,895	1,850	68	1,918	79	—	79
Direct	579	24	603	1,921	193	2,114	1,930	208	2,138	570	9	579
<i>From higher courts</i>	1,349	70	1,419	910	79	989	1,109	104	1,213	1,150	45	1,195
Remand	498	25	523	163	7	170	231	15	246	430	17	447
In lieu of fine	4	—	4	9	—	9	9	—	9	4	—	4
Direct	847	45	892	738	72	810	869	89	958	716	28	744
<i>Other</i>	—	—	—	57	6	63	22	4	26	35	2	37
Remand	—	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	1	—	—	—
In lieu of fine	—	—	—	3	2	5	2	2	4	1	—	1
Direct	—	—	—	53	4	57	19	2	21	34	2	36
<i>Not under sentence</i>	241	11	252	2,194	121	2,315	2,263	107	2,370	172	25	197
On remand	187	11	198	2,059	99	2,158	2,080	85	2,165	166	25	191
Other detainees	54	—	54	135	22	157	183	22	205	6	—	6
Total	2,366	115	2,481	7,108	473	7,581	7,372	504	7,876	2,102	84	2,186

(a) A prisoner has been counted once for each time he/she was admitted or discharged. No information is available as to distinct persons involved.

TABLE 15 — CONVICTED PRISONERS IN CONFINEMENT, QUEENSLAND

Convicted prisoners	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91
In prison at beginning of year	1,787	1,965	2,152	2,181	2,190	2,229
Admitted during year (a)	4,633	5,116	4,748	4,633	4,863	5,266
Discharged or died during year (a)	4,455	4,929	4,719	4,624	4,823	5,506
<i>In prison at end of year</i>	<i>1,965</i>	<i>2,152</i>	<i>2,181</i>	<i>2,190</i>	<i>2,229</i>	<i>1,989</i>
Males	1,896	2,068	2,080	2,084	2,126	1,930
Females	69	84	101	106	104	59
Prisoners per 100,000 estimated resident population (b)	75	80	79	77	77	67

(a) A prisoner has been counted once for each time he/she was admitted or discharged. No information is available as to distinct persons involved.

(b) At 30 June.

TABLE 16 — CONVICTED PRISONERS ADMITTED (a) DURING YEAR: OFFENCE BY SENTENCE, QUEENSLAND, 1990-91

Offence (b)	Under 1 month		1 month and under 6 months		6 months and under 1 year		1 year and under 5 years		5 years and under 10 years		10 years and over		Life and habitual criminal		Indefinite		Total		
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	P.
Homicide, etc.	—	—	2	—	—	—	8	1	9	2	3	1	15	4	1	—	38	8	46
Murder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	11	3	1	—	12	4	16
Attempted murder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	3	—	—	—	5	1	6
Manslaughter	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	6	1	3	—	1	1	—	—	11	3	14
Other related offences	—	—	2	—	—	—	7	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	10
Assault, etc.	89	7	182	9	64	5	175	4	57	—	9	—	1	—	—	—	577	25	602
Major assault	27	—	97	6	40	4	75	2	7	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	248	12	260
Minor assault	58	7	73	3	11	1	8	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	151	11	162
Rape	—	—	—	—	2	—	15	—	29	—	4	—	1	—	—	—	51	—	51
Other related offences	4	—	12	—	11	—	77	2	20	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	127	2	129
Robbery and extortion	—	—	1	2	6	—	65	1	42	1	5	—	1	—	—	—	120	4	124
Fraud and misappropriation	51	4	56	10	33	12	59	22	6	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	205	49	254
Embezzlement	2	—	2	1	1	1	8	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	4	18
False pretences	30	2	44	6	22	9	30	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	126	30	156
Fraud and forgery	19	2	10	3	10	2	21	8	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	65	15	80
Theft, breaking and entering, etc.	146	20	421	30	240	7	266	3	17	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	1,093	60	1,153
Unlawful use of motor vehicle	29	—	118	5	70	2	93	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	312	7	319
Other stealing	70	18	110	20	35	3	34	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	251	44	295
Receiving and unlawful possession	16	1	28	2	14	2	9	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	68	5	73
Burglary and housebreaking	16	1	81	1	58	—	95	—	11	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	264	2	266
Other breaking and entering	15	—	84	2	63	—	35	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	198	2	200
Property damage	66	5	71	5	23	—	25	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	190	11	201
Arson	—	—	1	—	4	—	15	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	24	1	25
Other property damage	66	5	70	5	19	—	10	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	166	10	176
Driving, traffic, etc.	728	47	769	31	127	1	43	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,667	79	1,746
Drunk driving, etc.	196	9	406	21	29	1	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	638	31	669
Dangerous/negligent driving	19	—	15	—	9	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	50	—	50
Licence offences	150	5	226	7	81	—	29	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	486	12	498
Other driving, traffic, etc.	363	33	122	3	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	493	36	529
Other offences	372	49	399	39	100	10	131	15	19	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	1,024	116	1,140
Drugs, possession and use of	79	10	68	11	8	1	24	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	180	26	206
Drugs, trafficking	6	—	30	4	17	5	46	6	7	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	108	16	124
Drugs, other	42	3	34	—	1	—	8	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	87	4	91
Enforcement of order	150	24	218	20	62	3	52	4	8	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	491	52	543
Other offences	95	12	49	4	12	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	158	18	176
Total	1,452	132	1,901	126	593	35	772	47	155	7	23	1	17	4	1	—	4,914	352	5,266

(a) A prisoner has been counted once for each time he/she was admitted. No information is available as to distinct persons involved. (b) Prisoners who served or who are serving concurrent or cumulative sentences are shown once only against the most serious offence (determined by duration of sentence).

TABLE 17 - CONVICTED PRISONERS ADMITTED (a) DURING YEAR: SENTENCE BY AGE, QUEENSLAND, 1990-91

Sentence	Age at date of admission (years)																				Total		
	Under 18		18		19		20		21-24		25-29		30-39		40-49		50-59		60 and over				
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	P.
Under 1 week	2	2	16	2	30	—	22	4	72	9	49	8	55	5	26	—	9	1	5	—	286	31	317
1 week and under 1 month	9	—	66	2	82	4	80	6	301	34	232	20	249	22	103	10	32	2	12	1	1,166	101	1,267
1 month and under 6 months	21	2	77	1	116	—	111	9	465	20	409	37	464	42	176	13	50	2	12	—	1,901	126	2,027
6 months and under 1 year	9	1	49	1	54	1	36	2	146	5	106	11	118	12	53	1	16	1	6	—	593	35	628
1 year and under 2 years	4	—	16	—	36	—	26	—	88	5	71	5	86	10	31	3	14	1	2	—	374	24	398
2 years and under 5 years	—	—	13	1	25	—	22	—	76	2	68	9	112	4	56	6	18	1	8	—	398	23	421
5 years and under 10 years	1	—	5	—	13	—	5	1	29	—	24	1	47	4	21	1	8	—	2	—	155	7	162
10 years and over	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	5	1	8	—	5	—	2	—	2	—	—	—	23	1	24
Life	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	1	2	5	1	4	—	3	1	1	—	—	—	17	4	21
Indefinite	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
Habitual criminal	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	46	5	243	7	356	5	305	22	1,183	78	973	92	1,140	99	471	35	150	8	47	1	4,914	352	5,266

(a) A prisoner has been counted once for each time he/she was admitted. No information is available as to distinct persons involved.

TABLE 18 - PROBATION, PAROLE AND COMMUNITY SERVICE: ORDERS MADE AND TERMINATED, QUEENSLAND, 1990-91

Particulars	Number of orders (a)	Orders made during year	Orders terminated during year	Number of orders (b)
Probation	5,720	4,970	3,588	7,102
Prison/probation	753	377	339	791
Parole	984	812	612	1,184
Community service	2,338	4,959	4,473	2,824
Fine option	1,511	5,382	4,611	2,282
Home detention				
Post prison	70	542	496	116
Court sentence	—	—	—	—
Orders supervised				
Probation	310	248	270	288
Parole	124	76	95	105
CSO	—	1	—	1
Leave of absence (release to work)	22	144	97	69
Community corrections				
Leave of absence programs	2	15	6	11
Transfers to centres	—	14	4	10
Total	11,834	17,540	14,591	14,783

(a) At 1 July. (b) At 30 June.

SECTION 4. CHILDREN UNDER ORDERS

TABLE 19 - CHILDREN UNDER ORDERS: REASON FOR ORDER, TYPE OF ORDER AND TYPE OF PLACEMENT, QUEENSLAND, AT 30 JUNE

Particulars	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991
Reason for order						
Care and protection	3,830	3,530	3,481	3,360	3,163	3,027
Offence	931	1,018	945	986	1,066	1,130
Total	4,761	4,548	4,426	4,346	4,229	4,157
Type of order						
Detention at the Queen's Pleasure	5	4	5	10	10	9
Care and control	732	739	660	637	679	637
Care and protection	3,115	2,920	2,854	2,791	2,694	2,659
Supervision	552	549	503	510	487	544
Protective supervision	357	336	404	398	359	308
Total	4,761	4,548	4,426	4,346	4,229	4,157
Type of placement						
Residential care establishments (a)	603	545	479	433	409	362
At home or with relatives	1,949	1,873	1,723	1,741	1,719	1,697
Other (b)	2,209	2,130	2,224	2,172	2,101	2,098
Total	4,761	4,548	4,426	4,346	4,229	4,157

(a) Establishments mainly for the care and supervision of children. Including children in juvenile corrective institutions (92 at 30 June 1991).

(b) Including foster care, in employment, in other establishments, living independently, etc.

TABLE 20 - CHILDREN UNDER ORDERS (a): TYPE OF ORDER BY SEX AND CURRENT ADDRESS IN STATISTICAL DIVISIONS AND STATISTICAL DISTRICTS, QUEENSLAND, AT 30 JUNE 1991

Statistical division and statistical district	Care and control		Care and protection		Supervision		Protective supervision		Total orders (b)		Persons
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	
Statistical division											
Brisbane	199	24	482	500	197	20	59	73	937	618	1,555
Moreton	47	7	198	142	57	8	8	8	312	165	477
Wide Bay-Burnett	20	3	111	118	26	5	3	13	165	139	304
Darling Downs	64	4	76	106	25	4	10	12	181	126	307
South-West	13	3	28	30	9	3	2	4	52	40	92
Fitzroy	28	4	74	75	27	3	11	11	140	93	233
Central-West	—	—	7	3	2	—	—	1	9	4	13
Mackay	13	9	38	35	27	1	—	7	78	47	125
Northern	38	4	95	108	26	5	14	18	173	135	308
Far North	68	7	78	104	58	2	4	—	208	113	321
North-West	31	6	52	58	11	1	5	8	99	73	172
Other (c)	38	7	61	80	20	7	18	19	137	113	250
Queensland	559	78	1,300	1,359	485	59	139	169	2,491	1,666	4,157
Statistical district											
Gold Coast - Tweed (d)	20	4	47	53	21	5	3	3	91	65	156
Sunshine Coast	7	4	21	25	19	3	1	—	44	32	76
Bundaberg	6	—	25	34	3	1	1	2	35	37	72
Rockhampton	9	—	34	37	10	1	6	2	59	40	99
Gladstone	8	1	11	9	9	1	—	4	28	15	43
Mackay	9	8	28	25	24	1	—	1	61	35	96
Townsville	32	3	69	72	20	3	10	11	131	89	220
Caïms	21	3	28	42	19	1	—	—	68	46	114

(a) A child who is on more than one type of order is counted once only in this table, against the most serious order. Including 70 males and 13 females who are 18 years of age or older. (b) Including 8 males and 1 female held at Queen's Pleasure, who are excluded elsewhere in the table. (c) Including children whose current address is overseas, interstate or unstatist. (d) Excluding the Tweed portion which is in New South Wales.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains statistics on police strength, crime (offences reported or detected and court actions), custodial corrections (prisons), community corrections (probation, parole, community service orders and fine option orders) and children under orders.

Source

2. Police, community corrections and children under orders statistics contained in this publication have been extracted by the ABS from annual reports, or from data supplied by the relevant department. Magistrates and higher courts, custodial corrections and Children's Courts statistics have been compiled by the ABS from data supplied by the administering departments, namely Justice, Corrective Services Commission and Family Services and Aboriginal and Islander Affairs, respectively.

Offence classification

3. A detailed offence classification developed by the Queensland Police Department is used for the crime statistical series. Magistrates, Children's and higher courts collections as well as the custodial corrections collection use the Queensland Offence Classification as detailed in Appendix A. The community corrections series uses the *Australian National Classification of Offences* (1234.0).

Police strength and crime statistics

4. *Police regions.* The boundaries for these regions are defined in the *Annual Report* of the Queensland Police Department and are not compatible with Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC) units.

5. *Crime statistics* are compiled by the Queensland Police Department from criminal offence reports and briefs furnished by police and are presented using the criteria approved by the Australian Police Commissioners for the compilation of *Australian Selected Crime Statistics*. Offences for which no court briefs are completed, e.g. minor traffic breaches or offences for which data quality cannot be assured, e.g. drunkenness, are excluded. Crimes reported to the Commonwealth Police (mainly fraud, forgery, etc.) are also excluded.

6. Since 1988-89 offences reported to police are recorded in the *Annual Report* of the Queensland Police Department as the Major Crimes Index, a grouping of offences resulting from recommendations by Commissioner Fitzgerald from *The Commission of Inquiry into Possible Illegal Activities and Associated Police Misconduct*. It includes offences against persons and property and excludes victimless offences. Table 3 includes historical data relating to this category. A direct comparison between the number of offences previously reported as *general crime* and now included in this category cannot be made.

7. *Offences detected by police* are classified as Other (Suppressible) Crime in the *Annual Report* of the Queensland Police Department. These are victimless offences and include offences such as drink driving, prostitution and gaming offences.

8. *Counting rules.* For the crime statistics series there are three basic counting rules. For offences against the person (i.e. homicide, assault, robbery and sexual offences) one offence is counted for each victim within each offence category. If there are a series of similar offences committed against a person at the same time and place, one offence is recorded, however, if there are a number of identifiable occurrences over time, several offences are recorded. For offences against property one offence is recorded per victim per distinct act. For all other offences one offence is recorded for each distinct occurrence.

9. *Offences cleared.* A reported offence may be defined as cleared in two ways.

- (i) By charge - when at least one person is arrested and charged or an information (i.e. sufficient evidence has been gathered for police to go before a magistrate or justice of the peace to have a warrant issued) has been laid against at least one person. The laying of an information may have been made with a view to the issue of a warrant, summons or other process for the purpose of bringing the offender before a court.
- (ii) Otherwise - the identity of the offender has been established and police have sufficient evidence to support a charge being laid, but for a variety of reasons they are unable to make an arrest and lay charges or where the complainant has withdrawn the complaint in writing.

Offences originally reported in a previous period and satisfactorily resolved during this year are included in the *number cleared* figure. No clear up rates are given in relation to offences detected by police as it is thought that the number of such offences committed cannot be accurately determined.

10. *Driving, traffic, etc. offences.* In September 1986, a caution notice system for traffic offenders was introduced. Provision has been made to allow any one offender to receive up to two caution notices without penalty. Any third or subsequent caution notice may result in a traffic offence notice being issued. This may attract a penalty.

11. *Reduce Impaired Driving (RID)* campaigns were introduced by the Police Department in 1986-87 for the detection of drink drivers. This campaign was replaced with *Random Breath Testing (RBT)* which formally commenced on 1 January 1989.

EXPLANATORY NOTES — *continued***Magistrates Courts**

12. *Jurisdiction.* Magistrates Courts have the power to deal with all non-indictable or simple offences and those indictable offences which are authorised to be so dealt with under the provisions of the Queensland Criminal Code. For more serious offences, e.g. homicide, rape, robbery, extortion and arson, the purpose of the Magistrates Court proceeding is to determine if there is sufficient evidence to commit the accused person for sentence or trial in a higher court.

13. *Scope.* These statistics refer to criminal cases finalised before Magistrates Courts. Civil cases are excluded, as well as petitions, remands (including remands to other States) and applications. Also excluded are cases involving traffic and metered parking breaches in respect of which penalties are paid without court appearances.

14. *Appearances.* Defendants appearing on more than one charge on the same day are counted once only and are classified to the offence with the most serious outcome. A summary conviction is a more serious outcome than a committal to a higher court for trial or sentence. Within summary convictions, the most serious outcome is that for which the greatest penalty is imposed. The order of severity of penalties imposed is:

- imprisonment,
- community service order or fine option order,
- probation order,
- fine,
- order to pay restitution, compensation or restoration,
- bond of good behaviour or recognizance,
- disqualification of driver's licence and
- Children's Services order.

If two or more outcomes attract the same penalty then the offence for which legislation provides the greatest maximum penalty is considered the offence with the most serious outcome.

15. *Charges heard.* Defendants appearing on more than one charge are counted once for each charge and classified accordingly.

16. *Bail estreated* is an outcome for appearances before the Magistrates Courts, occurring when a defendant fails to appear after being remanded and forfeits bail.

17. *Bond of good behaviour or recognizance.* Offenders convicted of an offence and placed on a good behaviour bond or their own recognizance must keep the peace and be of good behaviour for a specified period or be liable to forfeit the amount of the bond.

Children's Courts

18. *Jurisdiction.* Children's Courts have jurisdiction in dealing with children under or apparently under the age of 17 years. The courts may deal with children charged with any offences other than those for which the child would be liable for life imprisonment if an adult. In these cases the child is committed to the Supreme Court.

19. *Scope.* These statistics refer to final appearances for offences and child welfare applications before the Children's Courts.

20. *Appearances.* Defendants appearing on more than one charge on the same day are counted once only and are classified to the most serious offence charged in the following manner:

- child welfare applications take precedence over criminal charges and
- where an offender appears on more than one criminal charge, the most serious offence charged is that for which legislation provides the greatest maximum penalty.

The order of severity of penalties imposed is:

- committed into care and control,
- ordered into care and protection,
- placed under supervision,
- placed under protective supervision,
- parents ordered into a recognizance,
- imprisoned and
- fined and/or ordered to make restitution.

21. *Charges heard.* Defendants appearing on more than one charge are counted once for each charge, be it offence or child welfare application, and classified accordingly.

22. *Proven offences.* A proven offence in Children's Courts is one where the commission of the offence has been established but where such proof may or may not result in conviction.

Higher Courts

23. *Jurisdiction.* Higher courts have unlimited jurisdiction to handle criminal matters in Queensland.

24. *Scope.* These statistics refer to cases finalised before Supreme, Circuit and District Courts. Civil cases are excluded, as well as applications, petitions and remands.

25. *Appearances.* Defendants appearing on more than one charge on the same day are counted once and classified to the most serious offence charged (Tables 11 and 12).

EXPLANATORY NOTES — continued

Higher Courts — continued

26. *Charges heard.* Defendants appearing on more than one charge are counted once for each charge and classified accordingly.

27. *No true bill, etc.* When the Attorney-General decides not to proceed with a prosecution a *no true bill* is filed and no further court action takes place. Also included in this outcome are cases where a *nolle prosequi* has been entered. This means that during the conduct of a trial the Crown has decided not to proceed any further with the case.

Corrective services

28. On 15 December 1988 the Queensland Corrective Services Commission was established as a result of recommendations from the *Commission of Review into Corrective Services in Queensland* conducted by Mr J. Kennedy, CBE. This Commission assumed the functions and responsibilities of both the Queensland Prisons Department and the Queensland Probation and Parole Service. The Commission has two major areas of responsibility; custodial and community corrections.

Custodial corrections

29. *Scope.* Statistics in this section refer to convicted and sentenced prisoners held in custody during the current year. Prisoners are counted once for each time they are admitted or discharged. Summary details of remandees and other detainees are provided in Table 14.

30. Particulars recorded at the time of admission are updated in the light of any subsequent court appearance during the course of a prisoner's sentence. Data in respect of *offence* and *sentence* relate to the most serious offence (determined by duration of sentence) and total sentence imposed, respectively.

31. *Transfers* between prisons during one episode of custody are not counted as admissions or discharges.

32. A prison episode is not broken by the prisoner being *discharged to a court or to the police* if he is returned to prison custody on the same day.

33. *Escapees* are not considered to be in prison custody while still at large. They are included as discharges following escape and admissions on recapture.

34. Prisoners on *work release programs* and on *home detention* are regarded as being held in continuous custody.

35. *Remission* is a reduction in the length of sentence served. In Queensland, ordinary remission is one-third of the sentence for sentences 2 months and over. Prisoners can be granted additional remission or their (ordinary) remission can be reduced depending on their behaviour while in custody.

Community corrections

36. In December 1988, a set of *Community Corrections Boards* was set up to replace the Queensland Parole Board. There are six regional boards located around the State near the major correctional centres as well as the Queensland Board. Prisoners serving sentences of 5 years or less apply to the local regional board for parole, home detention and leave of absence. For those with longer sentences, the regional board prepares a report to the Queensland Board which can make a decision for all prisoners except those on life sentences; for these a recommendation is forwarded to the Governor in Council.

37. Statistics in this section are compiled by the Community Corrections Division within the Corrective Services Commission from case histories furnished by the respective community corrections officers. If an offender has been placed on more than one order during the year each order is counted and classified accordingly.

38. *Probation* orders are made by Queensland courts and are supervised by a Community Corrections Board. Included are probationers unofficially supervised by interstate probation services. The figures exclude probationers on interstate probation orders or Commonwealth recognizance supervised by a Community Corrections Board and juvenile supervision orders administered by the Department of Family Services and Aboriginal and Islander Affairs.

39. *Prison/probation* orders are made by Queensland courts and are supervised by a Community Corrections Board upon the offender's completion of a term of imprisonment.

40. *Parole* orders are granted by either the Queensland or a Regional Community Corrections Board and include life parolees who have been exempted from reporting to the Corrective Services Commission by a Community Corrections Board following application after 5 years. The figures exclude parolees on interstate orders and Commonwealth licences.

41. *Community service* orders are a sentencing option for adult offenders convicted of an offence punishable by a term of imprisonment.

42. In July 1984 the community service scheme was extended by the introduction of *fine option* orders which allow defendants, who can show to the satisfaction of the court that they are unable to pay a fine, the option of performing community service in lieu of serving a term of imprisonment in default of payment. Community service and fine option orders are made by Queensland courts and are supervised by a Community Corrections Board.

Children under orders

43. *Scope.* The statistics in this section refer to children who are subject to orders administered by the Department of Family Services and Aboriginal and Islander Affairs.

EXPLANATORY NOTES — *continued***Children under orders — *continued***

Children who are subject to more than one order are counted once only.

44. Children are placed under orders as a result of court appearances to determine whether the child requires care and protection and/or care and control.

45. *Type of order.* The courts have the option to place a child on a number of different orders. The type of order given depends on whether the child requires supervision, control or protection as well as any previous court history the child may have had. The following options are available to the courts.

- Care and control orders are issued when a child has been found guilty of an offence or has misbehaved. These orders are for a maximum of 2 years during which time guardianship of the child is taken over by the Department of Family Services.
- Supervision orders are issued after an application for care and control and usually after a child has offended on more than one occasion.
- Queen's Pleasure which is a special type of care and control order is for an indefinite period. Children detained at Queen's Pleasure are held in a secure environment.
- Care and protection orders are issued when parents are unable or unwilling to care for a child. These orders remain in force until the child reaches the age of 18 years.
- Protective supervision orders are issued as a means to protect a child from neglect, abuse, exploitation, etc. with the child being placed in an institution.

46. *Type of placement.* The courts have the power to order a child to be placed in a number of different environments, depending upon the child's circumstances. The types of placement available include:

- residential care establishments (including juvenile corrective institutions) which are mainly for the care and supervision of children,
- at home or with relatives and
- other which includes foster care, in employment and living independently.

Australian Standard Geographical Classification

47. The data are presented according to the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC), Edition 2.1 except for custodial corrections which uses Edition 9.

48. *Legal local government areas (LGAs)*, as defined under the *Local Government Act 1936* are spatial units which represent the geographical areas of incorporated local government councils, such as cities (C), towns (T) and shires (S).

49. *Statistical divisions*, which are groupings of the whole or part of LGAs, are designed to be relatively homogeneous regions characterised by identified social and economic units within the region. The Brisbane Statistical Division comprises the Cities of Brisbane, Ipswich, Logan and Redcliffe, the Shires of Pine Rivers and Redland and parts of the Shires of Albert, Beaudesert, Caboolture and Moreton.

50. *Statistical districts* have been defined around selected urban areas to provide comparable statistics over a period of time. These districts, which are intended to contain the anticipated urban spread for at least 20 years, are generally defined as having a population of 25,000 or more and experiencing urban growth beyond the LGA boundaries.

Data quality

51. *Police strength, crime statistics, community corrections and children under orders.* Data published in these sections have been extracted from the relevant annual reports or from data supplied by the relevant agencies. The ABS checks with these agencies to ensure that any definitions and/or classifications in this publication are correct. The compilation methods and quality control measures are under the control of the relevant agencies.

52. *Magistrates and higher courts.* Data are compiled by the ABS from information supplied by the Justice Department. Quality control measures are employed throughout the compilation process. Inclusion of all finalised cases is ensured by mark-in and follow-up procedures as well as a system to ensure all cases committed from Magistrates Courts to higher courts are recorded as an appearance in both collections. All statistical forms detailing appearances are manually checked for correctness and any queries are resolved with the relevant court staff. Data are subject to a detailed computer edit and aggregate output is checked for consistency and comparability.

53. *Custodial corrections.* The Corrective Services Commission supplies information to the ABS which then processes the data. A major reconciliation is conducted each 30 June to ensure completeness and accuracy of data. Details on prisoners admitted and discharged throughout the year as well as any amendments to sentences of serving prisoners are manually checked and any queries resolved with prison staff. Detailed computer edits and output editing are also used to maintain the quality of data.

EXPLANATORY NOTES — *continued***Data quality — *continued***

54. *Children's Courts*. Coded statistical forms are supplied to the ABS for this collection. The quality of the data contained in the forms is the responsibility of the Department of Family Services and Aboriginal and Islander Affairs, which compiles the forms from their own records.

Data are subjected to a detailed edit system and Family Services' staff resolve any queries. Detailed checks on the aggregate output are done by the ABS for consistency and comparability.

Related publications

55. Users may wish to refer to the following publication which is available on request:

Community Crime Prevention Attitudes, Queensland
(4506.3) — Latest issue: July 1987 (\$5.00)

56. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications and Products* (1101.0). A *Publications Advice* (1105.0) is issued on Tuesdays and Fridays which lists publications to be released in the next few days. These publications are available from any ABS Office.

Unpublished statistics

57. As well as the statistics included in this and related publications, the ABS may have other relevant unpublished data available. Inquiries should be made to the contact shown at the front of this publication.

58. For further information on these unpublished statistics contact Margie Gamble by telephoning Brisbane (07) 222 6050 or write to Information Services, Australian Bureau of Statistics, GPO Box 9817, Brisbane Q 4001.

Symbols and other usages

n.a.	not available
n.e.c.	not elsewhere classified
p	preliminary
r	figure or series revised since previous issue
--	not applicable
—	nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)
M.	males
F.	females
P.	persons

59. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between totals and the sums of the component items.

APPENDIX A

OFFENCE CLASSIFICATION AND ORDERS RELATING TO CHILDREN, QUEENSLAND

Classification of offences

1. *Homicide, etc.*
 - 111 Murder
 - 121 Attempted murder
 - 131 Manslaughter (excluding driving)
 - 141 Manslaughter (driving)
 - 142 Dangerous driving causing death
 - 151 Conspiracy to murder
2. *Assaults (including sexual offences), etc.*
 - 215 Assault occasioning grievous bodily harm (including permanent injury endangering life)
 - 216 Assault occasioning actual bodily harm (including malicious wounding)
 - 221 Common assault
 - 222 Aggravated assault
 - 223 Resisting arrest and other obstructions (under Criminal Code)
 - 224 Other resisting and obstructing (Police Act)
 - 229 Other minor assaults (including administering a drug to commit an offence)
 - 231 Sexual assault - rape
 - 239 Sexual assault - other (including indecent assault)
 - 241 Unlawful carnal knowledge
 - 242 Incest
 - 245 Indecently dealing with a child (under 16)
 - 249 Other sexual offences (consent prohibited)
 - 251 Wilful exposure (intent to insult) (Section 227(2) of the Criminal Code)
 - 259 Other sexual offences
 - 292 Ill-treatment of children
 - 293 Kidnapping and abduction
 - 294 Hijacking and other acts endangering life involving aircraft, marine vessels and other public transport
 - 295 Other (including abortion, threats of violence to persons, going armed to cause fear)
3. *Robbery and extortion*
 - 311 Robbery with major assault (Section 412 of the Criminal Code)
 - 312 Robbery with minor assault (Section 413 of the Criminal Code)
 - 313 Robbery, armed (Section 410 of the Criminal Code)
 - 314 Robbery, other and unspecified (Sections 409 and 414 of the Criminal Code)
 - 321 Extortion and blackmail
4. *Fraud and misappropriation*
 - 411 Embezzlement by employee
 - 412 Embezzlement by trustee, partner, etc.
 - 421 Currency offences (forgery and uttering)
 - 422 Valueless cheques (forgery and uttering)
 - 423 Bankcard and credit card (forgery and uttering)
 - 424 False pretences
 - 425 Forgery and uttering n.e.c.
 - 427 Evasion of fares
 - 428 Leaving a hotel, etc. without paying (Section 6 of the Regulatory Offences Act)
 - 429 Fraud n.e.c.
5. *Theft, breaking and entering, etc.*
 - 511 Unlawful possession or use of a motor vehicle (including boats, caravans and trailers)
 - 521 Pickpocketing and bag snatching
 - 532 Shoplifting
 - 533 Shoplifting (Section 5 of the Regulatory Offences Act)
 - 534 Stealing livestock (including branding, killing for gain)
 - 539 Other stealing (including theft of drugs)
 - 540 Unlawful possession or use of livestock
 - 542 Other unlawful possession or use of other property
 - 551 Receiving stolen property
 - 561 Burglary and housebreaking (breaking, entering and stealing) - dwelling
 - 562 Breaking and entering a dwelling with intent
 - 571 Breaking, entering and stealing - other building (non-dwelling)
 - 572 Breaking and entering other building (non-dwelling) with intent
 - 573 Possession of housebreaking implements
6. *Property damage*
 - 611 Arson
 - 621 Wilful damage or destruction
 - 622 Wounding or killing animals
 - 623 Wilful damage (Section 7 of the Regulatory Offences Act)
 - 629 Other
7. *Driving, traffic and related offences*
 - 711 Drink driving or drink driver (0.15 and over) in charge of a motor vehicle (including driving under the influence of drugs)
 - 712 Drink driving or drink driver (0.02 to < 0.15) in charge of a motor vehicle
 - 713 Failure to supply a breath test
 - 721 Dangerous driving
 - 722 Driving without due care and attention
 - 731 Driving under suspension
 - 732 Driving under disqualification
 - 733 Unlicensed driving
 - 739 Other licence offences
 - 791 Other traffic offences (excluding parking)
 - 792 Transport Act offences relating to driving and traffic
 - 793 Main Roads Act offences
 - 799 Other driving offences (including parking, local government, etc.)
- 8.9. *Other offences*
 - 814 Possession or use of drugs
 - 815 Importing and exporting of drugs
 - 816 Dealing and trafficking in drugs
 - 817 Manufacturing and growing drugs
 - 818 Other drug offences (including obtaining by fraudulent prescription and possession of drug utensils)
 - 821 Drunkenness
 - 822 Abusive or obscene or insulting language

APPENDIX A — *continued*

OFFENCE CLASSIFICATION AND ORDERS RELATING TO CHILDREN, QUEENSLAND

8.9. *Other offences — continued*

- 823 Indecent or offensive behaviour
- 824 Disorderly conduct
- 826 Defamation and libel
- 829 Other offensive behaviour offences (including censorship)
- 831 Prostitution and related offences
- 841 Trespassing
- 842 Insufficient lawful means
- 849 Other trespass/vagrancy related offences (including consorting)
- 851 Breach of maintenance orders
- 861 Unlawful possession of weapons (including going armed in public)
- 862 Unlicensed firearms
- 869 Other weapon offences
- 871 Pollution, etc. affecting health
- 872 Other environmental pollution (e.g. noise abatement)
- 873 Protection of animals, birds, flora and fauna
- 874 Other natural resources protection (e.g. Stock Routes Act)
- 879 Other environmental offences (e.g. littering)
- 881 Liquor Act (breach of licence)
- 889 Liquor Act (other)
- 891 Gambling — premises
- 892 Illegal bookmaking
- 899 Other gambling offences

- 911 Escape from custody
- 912 Breach of probation or recognizance
- 913 Breach of parole
- 914 Breach of community service order
- 915 Breach of domestic violence (Family Protection) Act
- 917 Other offences against justice procedures (including accessory after the fact, conspiracy — unspecified, pervert the course of justice, perjury and Bail Act)
- 918 Other offences against good order (including Mall Act)
- 921 Arbitration and conciliation
- 922 Workers' compensation
- 929 Other industrial offences
- 931 Prohibited imports (not drugs, flora or fauna)
- 939 Other customs, smuggling, etc. offences
- 950 Electoral offences
- 951 Parliamentary offences (including offences against government security)
- 991 Education and welfare offences
- 992 Other health offences (not drugs or environment)
- 994 Other local authority offences (not parking or environment)
- 995 Other transport offences (not driving or traffic)
- 999 Other (e.g. bigamy, invasion of privacy, copyright offences)

Orders relating to the care, protection and control of children

01. *Destitute or homeless*

- 011 Begging in a public place
- 012 Abandoned, loitering, insufficient lawful means, no set place of abode

02. *Exposed to moral danger*

- 021 Exposed to moral danger
- 022 Falling in with bad associates
- 023 Likely to fall into a life of vice or crime
- 024 In household where member convicted of incest
- 025 In betting shop, billiard room, bar or beer garden
- 026 Served with intoxicating liquor in premises mentioned in 025

03. *Unfit guardianship*

- 031 In custody of unfit person
- 032 Neglected child
- 033 Exposed to physical danger
- 034 Guardian guilty of endangering life
- 035 Living with unfit person
- 036 Deserted by parents, in care of another
- 037 Kept from school by guardian
- 038 In need of assistance due to poverty

04. *Absconding from custody*

- 041 Child in care not to leave State
- 042 Absconding child

05. *Breach of probation conditions*

- 051 Breach of supervision order

06. *Truancy*

- 061 Child regularly absents self from school

07. *Uncontrolled*

- 071 Uncontrollable child

08. *Criminal misconduct*

- 081 Falling into a life of vice or crime
- 082 Exposed to moral danger
- 083 Commits an offence when under 10 years

09. *Other orders*

- 091 Under school leaving age, unlawfully engages in street trading
- 092 Performs in public without a permit
- 099 Other

APPENDIX B**DATA ITEMS AVAILABLE****COURTS****All courts**

Court of appearance
 Month of appearance
 Offence (Queensland Offence Classification)
 Number of charges
 Outcome
 Punishment
 Sex
 Age

Higher courts only

Committal court
 Month and year of committal
 Prior court history
 Legal representation
 In company
 Plea

Children's Courts only

Complainant
 Defendant present in court
 Parent/guardian present in court
 Departmental and defence representation
 Birthplace
 Usual residence
 Occupational status (home, school, work)
 Religion
 Applications or offences
 Distinct children

CUSTODIAL CORRECTIONS

Admitting prison
 Sentencing court
 Date of reception
 Date of sentence
 Sex
 Age
 Marital status
 Birthplace
 Year of arrival in Australia
 Usual residence
 Usual occupation
 Educational attainment
 Number of previous imprisonments
 How admitted
 Offence (Queensland Offence Classification)
 Sentence (for most serious offence)
 Number of cumulative sentences
 Total sentence
 Approximate date of discharge (calculated at admission)
 Actual date of discharge
 Method of discharge

APPENDIX C

UNPUBLISHED TABLES

NOTE: Several tables are subject to confidentiality restrictions and will require authorisation by the controlling authority prior to being released. Please contact Margie Gamble on (07) 222 6050 with respect to your requirements in the first instance.

MAGISTRATES COURTS

Appearances

- 1 Offence by age group and sex
- 2 Detailed offence by outcome and sex
- 3 Detailed offence by age group and sex
- 4 Detailed offence by statistical division of appearance and sex
- 5 Company defendants: Detailed offence by outcome
- 6 Court by month by sex
- 7 Detailed offence by detailed outcome

Appearances resulting in

- 8 Imprisonment: Offence by outcome
- 9 Imprisonment: Offence by duration of sentence
- 10 Conviction: Type of disposal by sex
- 11 Probation orders: Offence by type of order and sex
- 12 Probation orders: Offence by duration of order and sex
- 13 Community service orders: Offence by type of disposal and sex
- 14 Community service orders: Offence by duration of order and sex
- 15 Commitments: Court by month by sex

Charges heard

- 16 Offence by statistical division of appearance
- 17 Detailed offence by outcome and sex
- 18 Detailed offence by statistical division of appearance
- 19 Company defendants: Detailed offence by outcome
- 20 Court by month by sex
- 21 Detailed offence by detailed outcome

Charges heard resulting in

- 22 A fine: Offence by outcome
- 23 Conviction: Detailed offence by type of disposal and sex
- 24 Probation orders: Offence by type of order and sex
- 25 Probation orders: Offence by duration of order and sex
- 26 Community service orders: Offence by type of disposal and sex
- 27 Community service orders: Offence by duration of order and sex
- 28 Commitments: Court by month by sex

CHILDREN'S COURTS

Appearances

- 1 Offences: Most serious offence charged by outcome by sex
- 2 Applications: Type of application by outcome by sex
- 3 Applications: Type of application by sex by age
- 4 Offences: Most serious offence charged by age by sex
- 5 Most serious outcome by age by sex
- 6 Place of usual residence by sex by most serious outcome
- 7 Type of application by sex by most serious outcome
- 8 Offence with most serious outcome by sex by outcome
- 9 Applications for care and protection orders, Brisbane Children's Court
- 10 Applications for care and control orders, Brisbane Children's Court
- 11 Applications for care and protection orders, total children's court
- 12 Applications for care and control orders, total children's court
- 13 Applications: Area offices by type of application by outcome
- 14 Area office by type of matter heard (most serious) by selected items
- 15 Offences: Area office by most serious offence charged by outcome
- 16 Offences: Area office by most serious offence charged by number of prior and similar proven offences
- 17 Type of application/offence by sex by age
- 18 Court by defence representation by departmental representation
- 19 Representation of children in court
- 20 Place of usual residence by sex by outcome for most serious application/offence charged
- 21 Applications: Type of application by sex by outcome
- 22 Offences: Most serious offence charged by sex by outcome

Charges heard

- 23 Offence by age by sex
- 24 Place of usual residence in statistical divisions by offence group by sex
- 25 Place of usual residence in statistical districts by offence group by sex
- 26 Offence by outcome by sex
- 27 Court by offence by outcome
- 28 Area office by offence by outcome
- 29 Place of usual residence by offence group by sex

APPENDIX C — *continued*UNPUBLISHED TABLES — *continued*CHILDREN'S COURTS — *continued*Charges heard — *continued*

- 30 Type of application by sex by outcome
- 31 Offence by sex by outcome
- 32 Offence by sex by age
- 33 Type of application by sex by age

Other

- 34 Distinct children: Area office by outcome of most serious offence/application heard
- 35 Distinct children: Place of usual residence by sex by age
- 36 Distinct children appearing more than once this year: Age by sex
- 37 Court by month by sex
- 38 Applications: Court by month by sex
- 39 Offences: Court by month by sex
- 40 Charges heard: Court by month by sex
- 41 Distinct children: Court by month by sex
- 42 Children dealt with by age and place of usual residence in statistical divisions by sex
- 43 Children dealt with by age and place of usual residence in statistical districts by sex

HIGHER COURTS

Appearances

- 1 Most serious offence charged by court of original jurisdiction and plea entered
- 2 Most serious offence charged by offence group and previous court history
- 3 Most serious offence charged by detailed offence and detailed outcome
- 4 Court by month of appearance
- 5 Offence by previous court history
- 6 Legal representation, previous court history and plea entered by sex
- 7 Legal representation, previous court history and plea entered by outcome for most serious offence
- 8 Most serious offence charged by major outcome of a period of imprisonment by sex
- 9 Most serious offence charged by major outcome of a period of community service or probation by sex

- 10 Most serious offence charged by detailed offence by outcome and sex
- 11 Most serious offence charged by detailed offence by duration of community service order and sex
- 12 Most serious offence charged by detailed offence by duration of probation order
- 13 Offence with most serious outcome

Charges heard

- 14 Detailed offence by detailed outcome

CUSTODIAL CORRECTIONS

Convicted prisoners admitted

- 1 Offence by occupation group
- 2 Detailed offence by number of previous imprisonments
- 3 Usual residence by occupation group
- 4 Detailed offence by sentence
- 5 Usual residence by sentence
- 6 Usual residence by sentencing court
- 7 Sentence by number of previous imprisonments
- 8 Court of original sentence by detailed offence and duration of sentence
- 9 Detailed offence by how admitted
- 10 Offence by month of admission
- 11 Offence by age

Convicted prisoners on hand at 30 June

- 12 Offence by occupation group
- 13 Detailed offence by sentence
- 14 Number of previous imprisonments by sentence imposed and duration of sentence
- 15 How admitted by duration of sentence imposed
- 16 Offence by age

Convicted prisoners discharged

- 15 To parole by detailed offence and sentence served
- 16 To parole by sentence imposed and duration of imprisonment
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