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## SECTION 1 : ALL COURTS

### SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

<b>Overview</b>	In all courts in Western Australia in 1992-93 there were 111,580 charges heard resulting in 107,518 convictions against 35,581 individuals. Compared to 1991-92 the number of charges for 1992-93 was down 9.6 per cent, convictions were down 11.1 per cent and individuals convicted were down 14.6 per cent.
<b>Males</b>	For males the number of charges (91,812) dropped between 1991-92 and 1992-93 by 9.1 per cent, convictions (88,433) decreased 10.6 per cent and individuals convicted (29,070) decreased 14.3 per cent.
<b>Females</b>	For females the percentage decreases from 1991-92 to 1992-93 were greater: charges (19,693) were down 11.9 per cent; convictions (19,017) were down 13.3 per cent and individuals convicted (6,472) were down 15.8 per cent.
<b>Convictions</b>	<p>There were 38,367 convictions for the offence group <i>breaking and entering, fraud etc</i> which accounted for 35.7 per cent of all convictions. Convictions in the offence group <i>motor vehicle and traffic offences</i> accounted for 22.7 per cent of convictions and <i>offences against good order</i> accounted for a further 20.1 per cent. Convictions for these three groups accounted for 78.5 per cent of all convictions.</p> <p>The offence groups <i>robbery and extortion</i> and <i>other offences</i> were the only groups to record an increase in the number of convictions for 1992-93 compared with 1991-92. Convictions for <i>robbery and extortion</i> increased to 619 in 1992-93 an increase of 88.7 per cent and convictions for <i>other offences</i> increased to 1,643 an increase of 47.8 per cent.</p> <p>The largest decrease in the number of convictions was for the offence group <i>offences against good order</i> which recorded 21,640 convictions in 1992-93, a decrease of 5,347 convictions or 19.8 per cent.</p>
<b>Penalties</b>	<p>The total number of penalties imposed in 1992-93 was 133,537 including 24,146 occasions where 2 or more penalties were imposed for the one conviction. Fines accounted for 43.6 per cent of penalties followed by loss or suspension of motor driver's licence (MDL) (12.7 per cent) and imprisonment or detention (12.2 per cent).</p> <p>The offence group <i>breaking and entering, fraud etc</i> accounted for 8,683 penalties of imprisonment or detention or 53.2 per cent of all that type of penalty. There were 38,367 convictions in this offence group.</p> <p>The offence groups most likely to attract a penalty of imprisonment or detention were <i>robbery and extortion</i> and <i>offences against the person</i>. There were 619 convictions for <i>robbery and extortion</i> resulting in 378 penalties of imprisonment or detention, and for <i>offences against the person</i> there were 6,219 convictions resulting in 2,006 penalties of imprisonment or detention.</p>
<b>Aboriginal persons</b>	<p>In 1992-93 charges against Aboriginal persons were down 5.1 per cent, convictions were down 6.2 per cent and individuals convicted were down 9.4 per cent.</p> <p>There were larger decreases for Aboriginal females than for males. Charges against Aboriginal females were down 12.2 per cent, convictions were down 12.9 per cent and individuals convicted were down 16.6 per cent.</p> <p>For Aboriginal males, charges were down 3.3 per cent, convictions were down 4.5 per cent and individuals convicted were down 6.9 per cent.</p> <p>Aboriginal persons accounted for 25.7 per cent of all charges, 17.8 per cent of individuals charged and 18.0 per cent of individuals convicted. These proportions show a slight increase on 1991-92. The increase may be due to a smaller proportion of persons being classified as race unknown.</p>
<b>Distinct persons</b>	The number of distinct persons convicted in all courts in 1992-93 was 48,466 a drop of 16.2 per cent on 1991-92. Distinct persons aged under 20 recorded the highest number of convictions for any age group accounting for 28.2 per cent of distinct persons convicted compared to 31.2 per cent in 1991-92. Distinct persons in this age group recorded 13,645 convictions in 1992-93, a decrease of 24.3 per cent compared to 1991-92.

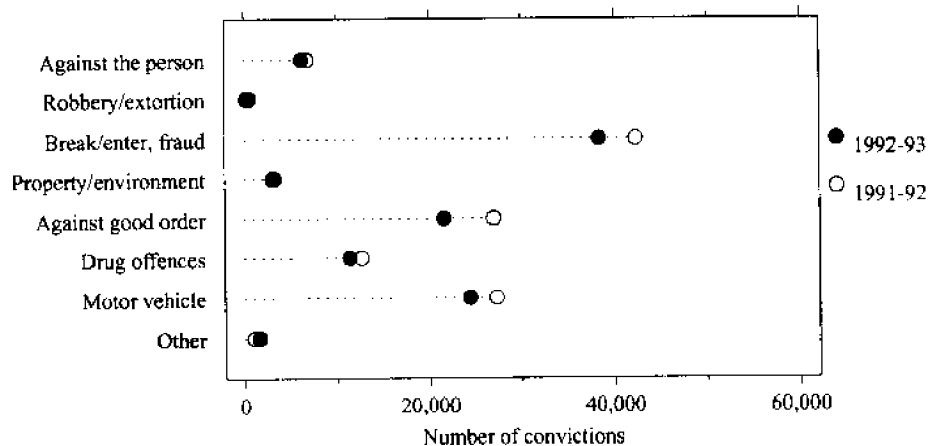
## SECTION I - SUMMARY OF ALL COURTS

TABLE 1 - SUMMARY COUNTS BY ABORIGINALITY AND SEX, 1991-92, 1992-93

Summary of counts	1991-92			1992-93		
	Males	Females	Total (a)	Males	Females	Total (a)
NON-ABORIGINAL						
Charges	70,115	14,085	84,200	62,462	12,080	74,542
Distinct persons charged	35,582	6,304	41,886	30,798	5,509	36,307
Individuals charged	27,187	5,389	32,576	23,758	4,772	28,530
Convictions	68,606	13,769	82,375	59,855	11,583	71,438
Distinct persons convicted	34,931	6,225	41,156	29,604	5,309	34,913
Individuals convicted	26,752	5,324	32,076	22,986	4,625	27,611
ABORIGINAL						
Charges	24,267	5,975	30,242	23,467	5,245	28,712
Distinct persons charged	10,233	3,368	13,601	9,165	2,670	11,835
Individuals charged	5,287	1,860	7,147	4,974	1,568	6,542
Convictions	23,921	5,895	29,816	22,841	5,133	27,974
Distinct persons convicted	10,072	3,328	13,400	8,883	2,609	11,492
Individuals convicted	5,218	1,840	7,058	4,860	1,535	6,395
UNKNOWN						
Charges	6,641	2,304	8,945	5,883	2,368	8,251
Distinct persons charged	2,635	648	3,283	1,666	405	2,071
Individuals charged	2,017	534	2,551	1,263	317	1,580
Convictions	6,392	2,282	8,674	5,737	2,301	8,038
Distinct persons convicted	2,580	638	3,218	1,622	399	2,021
Individuals convicted	1,965	527	2,492	1,224	312	1,536
TOTAL						
Charges	101,023	22,364	123,465	91,812	19,693	111,580
Distinct persons charged	48,450	10,320	58,821	41,629	8,584	50,256
Individuals charged	34,491	7,783	42,323	29,995	6,657	36,694
Convictions	98,919	21,946	120,938	88,433	19,017	107,518
Distinct persons convicted	47,583	10,191	57,822	40,109	8,317	48,466
Individuals convicted	33,935	7,691	41,672	29,070	6,472	35,581

See Explanatory Notes. (a) Includes corporate bodies.

ALL COURTS  
TOTAL CONVICTIONS BY OFFENCE GROUP  
1991-92, 1992-93  
(Reference Table 2)



## SECTION 1 — SUMMARY OF ALL COURTS

TABLE 2 — CHARGES AND CONVICTIONS (a) BY OFFENCE GROUP, AND LEVEL OF COURT, 1992 — 93

Offence group	Level of court							
	Higher		Petty		Children's		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
CHARGES								
Offences against the person	2,025	28	4,165	58	1,026	14	7,216	100
Robbery and extortion	296	46	3	0	338	53	637	100
Breaking and entering, fraud etc	2,428	6	24,313	61	12,966	33	39,707	100
Property and environment offences	72	2	2,022	62	1,167	36	3,261	100
Offences against good order	484	2	17,966	80	4,068	18	22,518	100
Drug offences	488	4	10,255	88	977	8	11,720	100
Motor vehicle and traffic offences	1	0	20,168	81	4,645	19	24,814	100
Other offences	136	8	983	58	577	34	1,696	100
Offence unknown	11	100	—	—	—	—	11	100
<b>Western Australian Total</b>	<b>5,941</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>79,875</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>25,764</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>111,580</b>	<b>100</b>
CONVICTIONS								
Offences against the person	1,613	26	3,580	58	1,026	16	6,219	100
Robbery and extortion	278	45	3	0	338	55	619	100
Breaking and entering, fraud etc	2,218	6	23,183	60	12,966	34	38,367	100
Property and environment offences	59	2	1,885	61	1,167	38	3,111	100
Offences against good order	456	2	17,116	79	4,068	19	21,640	100
Drug offences	456	4	10,043	88	977	9	11,476	100
Motor vehicle and traffic offences	1	0	19,786	81	4,645	19	24,432	100
Other offences	113	7	953	58	577	35	1,643	100
Offence unknown	11	100	—	—	—	—	11	100
<b>Western Australian Total</b>	<b>5,205</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>76,549</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>25,764</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>107,518</b>	<b>100</b>

See Explanatory Notes. (a) It is possible to be convicted for an offence other than the one charged. Includes corporate bodies.

TABLE 3 — APPEARANCES (a) BY OUTCOME (b), OFFENCE GROUP, AND LEVEL OF COURT, 1992 — 93

Offence group	Level of court							
	Higher		Petty		Children's		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
CHARGES								
Offences against the person	819	18	3,215	69	600	13	4,634	100
Robbery and extortion	158	51	2	1	150	48	310	100
Breaking and entering, fraud etc	660	6	8,181	69	3,075	26	11,916	100
Property and environment offences	48	3	1,184	75	338	22	1,570	100
Offences against good order	269	3	8,673	85	1,238	12	10,180	100
Drug offences	343	5	5,988	88	475	7	6,806	100
Motor vehicle and traffic offences	—	—	12,964	90	1,513	10	14,477	100
Other offences	20	6	264	74	74	21	358	100
Offence unknown	5	100	—	—	—	—	5	100
<b>Western Australian Total</b>	<b>2,322</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>40,471</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>7,463</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>50,256</b>	<b>100</b>
CONVICTIONS								
Offences against the person	595	15	2,845	70	600	15	4,040	100
Robbery and extortion	149	50	2	1	150	50	301	100
Breaking and entering, fraud etc	576	5	7,812	68	3,075	27	11,463	100
Property and environment offences	40	3	1,115	75	338	23	1,493	100
Offences against good order	245	3	8,301	85	1,238	13	9,784	100
Drug offences	322	5	5,895	88	475	7	6,692	100
Motor vehicle and traffic offences	—	—	12,836	89	1,513	11	14,349	100
Other offences	14	4	251	74	74	22	339	100
Offence unknown	5	100	—	—	—	—	5	100
<b>Western Australian Total</b>	<b>1,946</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>39,057</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>7,463</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>48,466</b>	<b>100</b>

See Explanatory Notes. (a) The most serious matter for each appearance is tabulated. (b) It is possible to be convicted for an offence other than the one charged. Includes corporate bodies.



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TABLE 4 — CONVICTIONS: PENALTIES IMPOSED BY LEVEL OF COURT, OFFENCE GROUP  
AND PENALTY TYPE, 1992 — 93

Offence group	Penalty type							Other
	Imprison- ment or deten- tion	Suspended sentence or CRO	CSO	Prob- ation	Good behaviour bond (a)	Loss or suspended MDL	Fine	
HIGHER COURTS								
Offences against the person	1,218	1	98	213	22	7	139	35
Robbery and extortion	248	—	17	27	2	—	1	2
Breaking and entering, fraud etc	1,341	48	407	576	71	11	231	55
Property and environment offences	22	—	14	29	2	—	6	9
Offences against good order	272	—	58	98	5	—	64	18
Drug offences	232	—	61	81	4	—	136	8
Motor vehicle and traffic offences	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Other offences	88	—	—	8	—	—	17	—
Offence unknown	5	—	—	3	1	—	2	1
Western Australian Total	3,426	49	655	1,036	107	18	596	128
COURTS OF PETTY SESSIONS								
Offences against the person	570	—	193	363	419	120	2,130	65
Robbery and extortion	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
Breaking and entering, fraud etc	4,389	1,204	4,174	5,546	4,814	262	9,060	402
Property and environment offences	115	1	83	130	91	7	1,467	54
Offences against good order	1,485	21	382	768	474	102	13,882	484
Drug offences	302	—	178	322	57	—	9,182	137
Motor vehicle and traffic offences	709	1	207	337	3	14,568	18,645	91
Other offences	316	4	4	1	170	—	459	7
Western Australian Total	7,888	1,231	5,221	7,467	6,029	15,059	54,825	1,240
CHILDREN'S COURTS								
Offences against the person	218	173	156	271	110	10	56	96
Robbery and extortion	128	113	32	73	2	10	2	2
Breaking and entering, fraud etc	2,953	2,968	2,437	3,195	847	673	323	810
Property and environment offences	145	184	258	273	104	3	100	134
Offences against good order	631	682	544	627	438	45	538	699
Drug offences	34	65	163	113	120	1	259	236
Motor vehicle and traffic offences	893	674	660	475	307	1,129	1,499	293
Other offences	20	3	119	54	65	—	24	293
Western Australian Total	5,022	4,862	4,369	5,081	1,993	1,871	2,801	2,563

See Explanatory Notes. (a) Includes parental good behaviour bond. Includes corporate bodies.

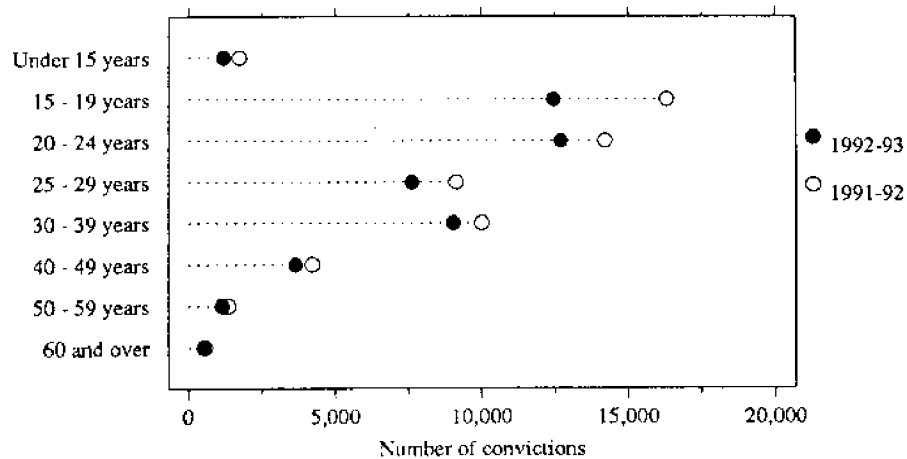
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TABLE 5 — APPEARANCES BY OUTCOME, AGE, AND LEVEL OF COURT, 1992 — 93

Age group	Level of court							
	Higher		Petty		Children's		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
CHARGES								
Under 15	2	0	—	—	1,193	100	1,195	100
15	—	—	—	—	1,153	100	1,153	100
16	2	0	1	0	1,645	100	1,648	100
17	5	0	2	0	2,503	100	2,510	100
18	67	2	3,103	80	728	19	3,898	100
19	155	5	3,179	93	81	2	3,415	100
20 — 24	618	5	12,439	95	49	0	13,106	100
25 — 29	449	6	7,491	94	9	0	7,949	100
30 — 39	561	6	8,943	94	9	0	9,513	100
40 — 49	287	7	3,601	92	5	0	3,893	100
50 — 59	104	8	1,147	92	—	—	1,251	100
60 and over	44	8	516	92	—	—	560	100
Not stated	28	23	6	5	88	72	122	100
Other (a)	—	—	43	100	—	—	43	100
Western Australian Total	2,322	5	40,471	81	7,463	15	50,256	100
CONVICTIONS								
Under 15	2	0	—	—	1,193	100	1,195	100
15	—	—	—	—	1,153	100	1,153	100
16	1	0	1	0	1,645	100	1,647	100
17	3	0	2	0	2,503	100	2,508	100
18	63	2	3,037	79	728	19	3,828	100
19	144	4	3,089	93	81	2	3,314	100
20 — 24	553	4	12,091	95	49	0	12,693	100
25 — 29	381	5	7,229	95	9	0	7,619	100
30 — 39	447	5	8,575	95	9	0	9,031	100
40 — 49	223	6	3,428	94	5	0	3,656	100
50 — 59	75	6	1,080	94	—	—	1,155	100
60 and over	33	6	479	94	—	—	512	100
Not stated	21	18	6	5	88	77	115	100
Other (a)	—	—	40	100	—	—	40	100
Western Australian Total	1,946	4	39,057	81	7,463	15	48,466	100

See Explanatory Notes. (a) Corporate bodies.

ALL COURTS  
DISTINCT PERSONS CONVICTED BY AGE GROUP  
1991-92, 1992-93  
(Reference Table 5)



## SECTION 1 — SUMMARY OF ALL COURTS

TABLE 6 — CHARGES BY ABORIGINALITY, OFFENCE GROUP, SEX, AND LEVEL OF COURT, 1992 — 93

Offence group	Level of court							
	Higher		Petty		Children's		Total	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
NON-ABORIGINAL								
Offences against the person	1,179	44	2,193	249	326	68	3,698	361
Robbery and extortion	194	4	2	1	175	1	371	6
Breaking and entering, fraud etc	1,166	269	13,381	5,498	5,222	564	19,769	6,331
Property and environment offences	42	7	1,193	107	498	41	1,733	155
Offences against good order	297	29	9,097	1,323	1,422	214	10,816	1,566
Drug offences	301	45	8,079	1,552	632	71	9,012	1,668
Motor vehicle and traffic offences	1	—	14,442	1,764	2,128	132	16,571	1,896
Other offences	51	—	362	30	72	66	485	96
Offence unknown	7	1	—	—	—	—	7	1
<b>Western Australian Total</b>	<b>3,238</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>48,749</b>	<b>10,524</b>	<b>10,475</b>	<b>1,157</b>	<b>62,462</b>	<b>12,080</b>
ABORIGINAL								
Offences against the person	314	41	1,416	303	374	97	2,104	441
Robbery and extortion	58	—	—	—	120	9	178	9
Breaking and entering, fraud etc	223	16	2,380	752	4,567	694	7,170	1,462
Property and environment offences	10	2	550	169	387	54	947	225
Offences against good order	86	12	5,586	1,763	1,444	404	7,116	2,179
Drug offences	9	2	513	107	98	13	620	122
Motor vehicle and traffic offences	—	—	3,423	487	1,264	118	4,687	605
Other offences	1	—	350	115	293	86	644	201
Offence unknown	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
<b>Western Australian Total</b>	<b>702</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>14,218</b>	<b>3,696</b>	<b>8,547</b>	<b>1,475</b>	<b>23,467</b>	<b>5,245</b>
UNKNOWN								
Offences against the person	443	4	4	—	108	53	555	57
Robbery and extortion	37	3	—	—	24	9	61	12
Breaking and entering, fraud etc	513	241	1,089	1,212	1,530	389	3,132	1,842
Property and environment offences	8	3	2	1	172	15	182	19
Offences against good order	54	6	48	84	456	128	558	218
Drug offences	109	22	2	2	133	30	244	54
Motor vehicle and traffic offences	—	—	52	—	898	105	950	105
Other offences	32	52	112	5	56	4	200	61
Offence unknown	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
<b>Western Australian Total</b>	<b>1,197</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>1,309</b>	<b>1,304</b>	<b>3,377</b>	<b>733</b>	<b>5,883</b>	<b>2,368</b>
TOTAL								
Offences against the person	1,936	89	3,613	552	808	218	6,357	859
Robbery and extortion	289	7	2	1	319	19	610	27
Breaking and entering, fraud etc	1,902	526	16,850	7,462	11,319	1,647	30,071	9,635
Property and environment offences	60	12	1,745	277	1,057	110	2,862	399
Offences against good order	437	47	14,731	3,170	3,322	746	18,490	3,963
Drug offences	419	69	8,594	1,661	863	114	9,876	1,844
Motor vehicle and traffic offences	1	—	17,917	2,251	4,290	355	22,208	2,606
Other offences	84	52	824	150	421	156	1,329	358
Offence unknown	9	2	—	—	—	—	9	2
<b>Western Australian Total</b>	<b>5,137</b>	<b>804</b>	<b>64,276</b>	<b>15,524</b>	<b>22,399</b>	<b>3,365</b>	<b>91,812</b>	<b>19,693</b>

See Explanatory Notes. Excludes corporate bodies.

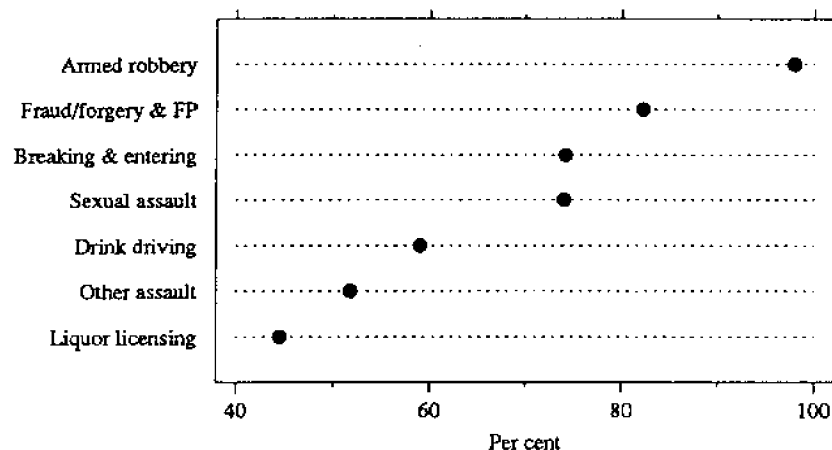
## SECTION 1 — SUMMARY OF ALL COURTS

TABLE 7 — CHARGES AND CONVICTIONS BY ABORIGINALITY, OFFENCE GROUP, AND LEVEL OF COURT, 1992 — 93

Offence group (a)	Non-Aboriginal		Aboriginal		Unknown		Total	
	Charges	Convictions	Charges	Convictions	Charges	Convictions	Charges	Convictions
<b>HIGHER COURTS</b>								
Offences against the person	1,223	910	355	305	447	399	2,025	1,614
Robbery and extortion	198	184	58	57	40	37	296	278
Breaking and entering, fraud etc	1,435	1,279	239	222	754	717	2,428	2,218
Property and environment offences	49	38	12	10	11	11	72	59
Offences against good order	326	306	98	94	60	56	484	456
Drug offences	346	321	11	10	131	125	488	456
Motor vehicle and traffic offences	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
Other offences	51	48	1	—	84	65	136	113
Offence unknown	8	7	2	2	1	1	11	10
<b>Western Australian Total</b>	<b>3,637</b>	<b>3,094</b>	<b>776</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>1,528</b>	<b>1,411</b>	<b>5,941</b>	<b>5,205</b>
<b>COURTS OF PETTY SESSIONS</b>								
Offences against the person	2,442	2,009	1,719	1,568	4	3	4,165	3,580
Robbery and extortion	3	3	—	—	—	—	3	3
Breaking and entering, fraud etc	18,879	17,960	3,132	2,991	2,301	2,231	24,312	23,182
Property and environment offences	1,300	1,198	719	684	3	3	2,022	1,885
Offences against good order	10,420	9,825	7,349	7,120	132	113	17,901	17,058
Drug offences	9,631	9,434	620	606	4	3	10,255	10,043
Motor vehicle and traffic offences	16,206	15,909	3,910	3,826	52	51	20,168	19,786
Other offences	392	374	465	457	117	113	974	944
<b>Western Australian Total</b>	<b>59,273</b>	<b>56,712</b>	<b>17,914</b>	<b>17,252</b>	<b>2,613</b>	<b>2,517</b>	<b>79,800</b>	<b>76,481</b>
<b>CHILDREN'S COURTS</b>								
Offences against the person	394	394	471	471	161	161	1,026	1,026
Robbery and extortion	176	176	129	129	33	33	338	338
Breaking and entering, fraud etc	5,786	5,786	5,261	5,261	1,919	1,919	12,966	12,966
Property and environment offences	539	539	441	441	187	187	1,167	1,167
Offences against good order	1,636	1,636	1,848	1,848	584	584	4,068	4,068
Drug offences	703	703	111	111	163	163	977	977
Motor vehicle and traffic offences	2,260	2,260	1,382	1,382	1,003	1,003	4,645	4,645
Other offences	138	138	379	379	60	60	577	577
<b>Western Australian Total</b>	<b>11,632</b>	<b>11,632</b>	<b>10,022</b>	<b>10,022</b>	<b>4,110</b>	<b>4,110</b>	<b>25,764</b>	<b>25,764</b>

See Explanatory Notes. (a) Based on the charged offence. It is possible to be convicted for an offence other than the one originally charged. Later comparable tables, that deal with convictions only, are based on convicted offence type. Excludes corporate bodies.

ALL COURTS  
PERCENTAGE OF CONVICTIONS FOR SELECTED OFFENCE CLASSES  
OCCURRING IN THE PERTH STATISTICAL DIVISION, 1992-93  
(Reference Table 8)



## SECTION 1 — SUMMARY OF ALL COURTS

TABLE 8 — CONVICTIONS FOR SELECTED OFFENCE CLASSES BY STATISTICAL DIVISION AND AGE, 1992 — 93

Statistical division	Age group									Total (a)
	under 20	20 - 24	25 - 29	30 - 34	35 - 39	40 - 49	50 - 59	60 and over	Not stated	
ASSAULT OCCASIONING ACTUAL BODILY HARM										
Perth	272	184	117	67	35	51	10	7	1	744
South West	12	17	10	5	1	4	—	1	—	50
Lower Great Southern	5	14	6	4	5	1	—	—	—	35
Upper Great Southern	—	4	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	7
Midlands	6	21	5	2	3	5	—	1	—	43
South Eastern	23	26	30	18	11	15	2	2	2	129
Central	21	44	35	33	12	16	5	2	1	169
Pilbara	14	29	24	16	15	5	1	—	1	105
Kimberley	13	43	35	29	21	16	5	3	2	167
Western Australian Total	366	382	264	175	103	113	23	16	7	1,449
OTHER ASSAULT (EXCLUDING GRIEVOUS BODILY HARM)										
Perth	670	371	201	139	112	118	19	22	—	1,652
South West	45	40	33	17	12	15	5	—	—	167
Lower Great Southern	16	19	20	13	6	3	—	—	—	77
Upper Great Southern	4	9	4	2	3	—	2	1	—	25
Midlands	20	21	13	7	8	3	2	—	—	74
South Eastern	73	52	55	49	23	26	10	1	2	291
Central	100	100	69	46	27	12	9	1	3	367
Pilbara	34	54	63	40	20	10	4	2	—	227
Kimberley	45	93	66	44	31	21	3	2	—	305
Western Australian Total	1,007	759	524	357	242	208	54	29	5	3,185
SEXUAL ASSAULT ACCORDING TO STATE OR TERRITORY LAW										
Perth	88	21	34	45	96	187	55	75	2	603
South West	15	11	4	11	12	4	—	—	—	57
Lower Great Southern	3	10	53	—	3	1	5	—	—	75
South Eastern	1	3	2	3	2	5	—	2	—	18
Central	9	—	—	1	3	2	—	—	1	16
Pilbara	2	1	4	1	2	1	2	—	—	13
Kimberley	3	12	6	5	—	3	1	2	—	32
Western Australian Total	121	58	103	66	118	203	63	79	3	814
SEXUAL OFFENCES (CONSENT PROSCRIBED)										
Perth	9	5	7	2	24	91	42	32	—	212
South West	—	3	—	—	—	6	—	—	—	9
Lower Great Southern	—	—	3	2	—	2	—	—	—	7
South Eastern	—	1	—	22	—	—	—	5	—	28
Central	—	1	—	—	—	5	1	—	—	7
Pilbara	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	3
Kimberley	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
Western Australian Total	14	10	10	26	24	104	44	37	—	269
ARMED ROBBERY										
Perth	52	121	34	17	5	6	—	—	2	237
Lower Great Southern	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
South Eastern	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
Central	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2
Western Australian Total	53	123	34	19	5	6	—	—	2	242

See footnotes at end of table.

## SECTION 1 — SUMMARY OF ALL COURTS

TABLE 8 — CONVICTIONS FOR SELECTED OFFENCE CLASSES BY STATISTICAL DIVISION AND AGE, 1992 — 93—*continued*

Statistical division	Age group									Total (a)
	under 20	20 - 24	25 - 29	30 - 34	35 - 39	40 - 49	50 - 59	60 and over	Not stated	
BREAKING AND ENTERING										
Perth	5,252	730	290	165	65	42	4	2	15	6,565
South West	269	127	8	28	1	3	3	1	1	441
Lower Great Southern	93	42	14	30	—	1	1	—	—	181
Upper Great Southern	25	7	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	36
Midlands	99	37	4	2	1	—	—	—	—	143
South Eastern	374	54	25	13	29	2	1	—	20	518
Central	417	62	19	7	2	2	—	—	1	510
Pilbara	147	53	6	8	4	—	—	—	—	218
Kimberley	131	59	30	10	2	1	—	—	1	234
Western Australian Total	6,807	1,171	400	263	104	51	9	3	38	8,846
FRAUD, FORGERY AND FALSE PRETENCES										
Perth	750	2,355	1,927	1,639	849	1,606	614	250	13	10,004
South West	38	77	65	84	54	96	43	—	34	491
Lower Great Southern	4	47	79	97	3	32	—	—	—	262
Upper Great Southern	4	10	7	11	1	—	—	—	—	33
Midlands	5	12	68	22	4	22	63	1	—	197
South Eastern	6	88	63	23	76	123	1	—	—	380
Central	17	44	98	117	115	90	18	5	—	504
Pilbara	16	41	34	30	34	1	24	—	—	180
Kimberley	6	32	6	33	17	26	—	—	—	120
Western Australian Total	846	2,706	2,347	2,056	1,153	1,996	763	256	47	12,171
RECEIVING										
Perth	382	301	249	99	110	55	9	4	—	1,209
South West	27	23	5	2	1	—	—	—	—	58
Lower Great Southern	3	10	4	4	4	—	—	—	—	25
Upper Great Southern	1	2	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	5
Midlands	3	5	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	11
South Eastern	39	15	11	11	10	1	—	—	1	88
Central	27	19	11	—	1	8	—	—	—	66
Pilbara	7	9	4	2	—	—	—	—	—	22
Kimberley	8	3	7	2	—	3	1	—	—	24
Western Australian Total	497	387	292	123	126	67	11	4	1	1,508
THEFT OR ILLEGAL USE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE										
Perth	2,999	202	47	34	10	4	2	1	1	3,300
South West	56	23	6	1	3	1	—	—	—	90
Lower Great Southern	33	19	4	2	1	1	—	—	—	60
Upper Great Southern	10	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	12
Midlands	31	18	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	52
South Eastern	180	40	17	22	4	1	2	—	4	270
Central	184	60	12	3	1	—	—	—	—	260
Pilbara	70	17	9	2	2	1	—	—	—	101
Kimberley	39	23	19	3	3	3	—	—	—	90
Western Australian Total	3,602	403	115	70	24	11	4	1	5	4,235
OTHER THEFT										
Perth	3,335	1,573	957	678	448	585	250	226	24	8,076
South West	195	150	43	26	18	23	33	18	—	506
Lower Great Southern	73	52	28	17	3	7	4	4	—	188
Upper Great Southern	34	3	4	9	—	8	1	—	—	59
Midlands	67	31	18	9	18	1	4	—	—	148
South Eastern	234	67	50	43	39	28	3	—	1	465
Central	209	116	57	22	18	8	5	3	1	439
Pilbara	90	45	19	28	10	12	1	2	—	207
Kimberley	102	78	54	38	23	15	5	2	3	320
Western Australian Total	4,339	2,115	1,230	870	577	687	306	255	29	10,408

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## SECTION 1 — SUMMARY OF ALL COURTS

TABLE 8 — CONVICTIONS FOR SELECTED OFFENCE CLASSES BY STATISTICAL DIVISION AND AGE, 1992 — 93—continued

Statistical division	Age group									Total (a)
	under 20	20 - 24	25 - 29	30 - 34	35 - 39	40 - 49	50 - 59	60 and over	Not stated	
PROPERTY DAMAGE (OTHER THAN ARSON)										
Perth	858	328	156	95	71	52	12	4	1	1,577
South West	95	50	20	12	9	9	1	—	1	197
Lower Great Southern	56	30	17	5	2	1	2	—	—	113
Upper Great Southern	15	10	9	3	—	1	—	—	—	38
Midlands	29	34	12	7	6	—	—	—	—	88
South Eastern	126	59	41	28	12	9	7	1	4	287
Central	160	78	35	30	11	5	1	—	4	324
Pilbara	50	49	19	13	3	5	1	—	—	140
Kimberley	45	68	41	23	14	4	1	—	—	196
Western Australian Total	1,434	706	350	216	128	86	25	5	10	2,960
BREACH OF OTHER PROBATION, PAROLE ETC ORDERS										
Perth	1,564	808	309	270	223	161	100	14	2	3,451
South West	60	109	22	10	26	12	1	1	—	241
Lower Great Southern	20	21	18	14	7	5	—	—	—	85
Upper Great Southern	9	5	5	2	2	1	—	—	—	24
Midlands	19	34	15	1	4	4	—	—	—	77
South Eastern	140	73	65	44	58	38	14	3	1	436
Central	146	94	60	33	20	8	4	1	1	367
Pilbara	63	106	89	50	18	35	6	1	1	369
Kimberley	109	130	95	59	40	29	8	6	1	477
Western Australian Total	2,130	1,380	678	483	398	293	133	26	6	5,527
RESIST / HINDER POLICE										
Perth	1,000	802	505	267	170	123	18	7	2	2,894
South West	64	89	40	25	17	8	3	—	1	247
Lower Great Southern	21	48	20	18	6	1	—	—	—	114
Upper Great Southern	6	8	6	1	3	1	—	—	—	25
Midlands	26	48	26	13	3	3	—	1	—	120
South Eastern	76	86	73	43	30	22	7	2	2	341
Central	106	96	57	28	15	12	2	—	1	317
Pilbara	36	86	43	22	46	9	5	—	—	247
Kimberley	31	83	48	27	19	8	2	—	—	218
Western Australian Total	1,366	1,346	818	444	309	187	37	10	6	4,523
LIQUOR LICENSING										
Perth	152	217	72	58	73	88	22	6	1	727
South West	19	23	8	7	3	5	3	—	—	76
Lower Great Southern	14	13	13	2	2	1	—	—	—	46
Upper Great Southern	2	—	4	3	—	3	1	—	—	13
Midlands	4	13	5	2	—	1	1	—	—	27
South Eastern	21	30	23	32	36	31	13	1	—	188
Central	37	47	30	26	13	25	9	5	1	193
Pilbara	27	33	44	27	15	22	8	2	—	178
Kimberley	20	29	26	45	25	21	9	6	—	181
Western Australian Total	296	405	225	202	167	197	66	20	2	1,629
TRESPASSING AND VAGRANCY										
Perth	446	128	58	27	20	19	10	3	—	711
South West	29	15	14	11	5	2	—	—	—	76
Lower Great Southern	28	11	3	2	2	2	1	—	—	49
Upper Great Southern	8	7	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	22
Midlands	9	10	2	1	1	1	—	—	—	24
South Eastern	51	21	7	14	2	1	1	1	3	101
Central	63	22	9	8	8	5	5	—	1	121
Pilbara	22	11	5	4	2	1	—	—	—	45
Kimberley	14	15	12	3	7	1	—	—	—	52
Western Australian Total	670	240	117	70	47	32	17	4	4	1,201

See footnotes at end of table.

## SECTION 1 — SUMMARY OF ALL COURTS

TABLE 8 — CONVICTIONS FOR SELECTED OFFENCE CLASSES BY STATISTICAL DIVISION AND AGE, 1992 — 93—continued

Statistical division	Age group									Total (a)
	under 20	20 - 24	25 - 29	30 - 34	35 - 39	40 - 49	50 - 59	60 and over	Not stated	
POSSESSION AND/OR USE OF CANNABIS (ALL FORMS)										
Perth	550	882	500	360	212	120	16	3	—	2,643
South West	123	144	79	48	32	12	1	—	—	439
Lower Great Southern	50	78	44	17	15	7	—	—	—	211
Upper Great Southern	12	8	4	4	2	6	—	—	—	36
Midlands	44	80	31	29	21	10	—	—	—	215
South Eastern	49	140	93	67	22	13	—	—	—	384
Central	44	94	62	42	19	9	—	—	—	270
Pilbara	43	74	56	22	18	12	2	—	—	227
Kimberley	17	26	20	12	4	5	—	—	—	84
Western Australian Total	932	1,526	889	601	345	194	19	3	—	4,509
POSSESSION AND/OR USE OF OTHER DRUGS										
Perth	395	277	164	99	53	57	4	—	2	1,051
South West	48	32	7	7	3	4	—	—	1	102
Lower Great Southern	9	11	7	2	—	1	—	—	—	30
Upper Great Southern	4	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	7
Midlands	7	12	7	6	3	2	1	—	—	38
South Eastern	34	33	13	10	5	1	—	—	—	96
Central	74	93	13	8	2	1	—	—	—	191
Pilbara	5	6	4	4	5	—	1	—	—	25
Kimberley	1	1	1	—	2	1	—	—	—	6
Western Australian Total	577	467	216	136	74	67	6	—	3	1,546
DEAL AND TRAFFIC IN CANNABIS, ALL FORMS										
Perth	35	104	77	69	37	35	5	1	—	363
South West	5	18	11	10	2	1	—	—	—	47
Lower Great Southern	3	4	1	2	3	—	2	—	—	15
Upper Great Southern	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Midlands	—	1	2	3	—	1	—	—	—	7
South Eastern	2	9	6	2	1	3	—	—	—	23
Central	3	14	6	6	8	5	—	—	—	42
Pilbara	5	4	3	5	—	—	—	—	—	17
Kimberley	—	9	2	2	1	1	—	—	—	15
Western Australian Total	54	163	108	99	52	46	7	1	—	530
DEAL AND TRAFFIC IN OTHER DRUGS										
Perth	58	82	36	29	16	17	7	—	—	245
South West	7	3	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	14
Lower Great Southern	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
South Eastern	2	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	6
Central	10	7	—	2	—	3	—	—	—	22
Pilbara	—	4	1	1	1	—	—	—	1	8
Kimberley	—	3	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	4
Western Australian Total	77	101	40	36	17	21	7	—	1	300
MANUFACTURE/GROW CANNABIS (ALL FORMS)										
Perth	110	261	227	178	93	89	21	5	—	984
South West	26	47	36	20	13	9	1	—	—	152
Lower Great Southern	10	20	10	2	3	2	1	—	—	48
Upper Great Southern	2	3	6	3	1	1	—	—	—	16
Midlands	5	10	8	10	7	8	1	—	—	49
South Eastern	5	12	12	11	5	1	—	1	—	47
Central	11	13	15	8	5	4	2	—	—	58
Pilbara	6	12	6	5	2	1	1	—	—	33
Kimberley	1	1	5	9	3	4	1	—	—	24
Western Australian Total	176	379	325	246	132	119	28	6	—	1,411

See footnotes at end of table.



## SECTION 1 — SUMMARY OF ALL COURTS

TABLE 8 — CONVICTIONS FOR SELECTED OFFENCE CLASSES BY STATISTICAL DIVISION AND AGE, 1992 — 93—continued

Statistical division	Age group									Total (a)
	under 20	20 - 24	25 - 29	30 - 34	35 - 39	40 - 49	50 - 59	60 and over	Not stated	
DRINK DRIVING OFFENCES										
Perth	959	1,607	1,134	834	633	687	197	45	2	6,098
South West	157	227	137	97	61	77	16	8	1	781
Lower Great Southern	59	95	42	42	19	19	3	3	—	282
Upper Great Southern	11	30	17	16	8	11	3	3	—	99
Midlands	38	94	58	37	26	29	17	4	—	303
South Eastern	70	149	148	120	57	91	19	3	6	663
Central	90	189	121	92	66	59	11	7	1	636
Pilbara	59	182	181	122	82	70	29	6	1	732
Kimberley	58	193	163	97	84	91	29	6	—	721
Western Australian Total	1,501	2,766	2,001	1,457	1,036	1,134	324	85	11	10,315
DANGEROUS AND RECKLESS DRIVING										
Perth	731	266	80	33	16	20	5	1	3	1,155
South West	62	52	8	6	4	1	—	—	—	133
Lower Great Southern	20	16	4	2	—	2	—	—	—	44
Upper Great Southern	4	6	5	1	2	1	—	1	—	20
Midlands	22	25	6	1	—	—	—	—	—	54
South Eastern	57	28	14	9	5	4	—	1	5	123
Central	39	25	8	7	4	1	—	—	—	84
Pilbara	22	25	12	1	2	—	—	—	—	62
Kimberley	15	20	22	4	2	2	—	—	—	65
Western Australian Total	972	463	159	64	35	31	5	3	8	1,740
DRIVING WHILE LICENCE SUSPENDED OR CANCELLED										
Perth	173	463	251	164	99	89	17	5	—	1,261
South West	20	56	16	16	19	12	2	—	—	141
Lower Great Southern	7	9	9	4	3	—	1	—	—	33
Upper Great Southern	—	1	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	4
Midlands	4	26	9	10	8	5	4	—	—	66
South Eastern	10	28	36	25	19	25	5	—	—	148
Central	13	23	16	16	8	2	4	2	—	84
Pilbara	7	28	31	16	13	10	2	—	—	107
Kimberley	1	14	10	13	4	5	—	1	—	48
Western Australian Total	235	648	380	264	173	149	35	8	—	1,892
DRIVING WITHOUT A LICENCE (EXCLUDING SUSPENDED/CANCELLED)										
Perth	1,731	721	472	332	169	152	36	4	2	3,619
South West	143	88	52	29	34	20	4	—	—	370
Lower Great Southern	46	39	23	17	6	9	1	—	—	141
Upper Great Southern	13	14	7	7	5	8	—	2	—	56
Midlands	48	55	31	12	12	5	—	2	—	165
South Eastern	169	83	84	67	28	24	7	—	4	466
Central	128	100	58	40	26	19	5	1	—	377
Pilbara	85	107	92	44	26	20	14	2	2	392
Kimberley	58	131	106	60	50	46	15	2	—	468
Western Australian Total	2,421	1,338	925	608	356	303	82	13	8	6,054
TRAFFIC OFFENCES (EXCLUDING PARKING)										
Perth	827	416	229	154	81	92	28	4	11	1,842
South West	108	52	26	16	13	14	1	2	1	233
Lower Great Southern	37	11	15	3	2	—	—	—	—	68
Upper Great Southern	19	10	5	2	1	1	—	—	—	38
Midlands	34	24	13	6	9	3	2	—	1	92
South Eastern	80	26	19	13	7	16	1	2	5	169
Central	65	20	8	13	6	5	2	1	1	121
Pilbara	32	28	18	9	10	6	—	—	—	103
Kimberley	9	10	20	5	2	9	—	2	—	57
Western Australian Total	1,211	597	353	221	131	146	34	11	19	2,723

See Explanatory Notes. (a) Includes corporate bodies.

## SECTION 1 — SUMMARY OF ALL COURTS

TABLE 9 — PENALTIES IMPOSED BY OFFENCE CLASS AND PENALTY TYPE, 1992 — 93

Offence class	Total convictions	Penalties								Two or more penalties (b)
		Imprisonment or detention	Suspended sentence or CRO	CSO	Probation	Good behaviour bond (a)	Loss or suspended MDL	Fine	Other	
Offences against the person —										
111 Murder	14	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
112 Attempted murder	18	13	—	—	5	—	1	—	—	1
114 Manslaughter (excluding death by driving)	15	11	4	—	1	—	4	—	—	5
115 Driving causing death	28	7	1	5	6	1	25	14	—	25
121 Assault occasioning grievous bodily harm	129	60	7	13	17	5	33	34	1	39
122 Assault occasioning actual bodily harm	1,449	349	33	125	237	139	67	618	33	149
129 Other assault	3,185	548	99	233	382	382	7	1,551	121	135
136 Sexual assault according to State or Territory law	814	603	17	41	113	19	—	55	18	48
137 Sexual offences (consent proscribed)	269	210	4	13	36	—	—	21	14	29
139 Other sexual offences	96	65	—	5	19	2	—	7	2	4
191 Kidnapping and abduction	118	80	9	8	20	1	—	5	3	7
192 Illtreatment of children	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
193 Hijacking of & other acts endangering life (aircraft etc)	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	0
199 Other offences against the person	82	46	—	4	11	2	—	18	4	3
Total	6,219	2,006	174	447	847	551	137	2,325	196	445
Robbery and extortion —										
211 Armed robbery	242	222	1	12	17	1	—	—	2	12
212 Other robbery	369	149	112	36	82	4	10	3	2	29
221 Blackmail and extortion	8	7	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	1
Total	619	378	113	49	100	5	10	3	4	42
Breaking and entering, fraud etc										
311 Breaking and entering	8,846	2,599	1,354	1,758	2,537	349	67	756	354	899
321 Fraud, forgery and false pretences	12,171	2,649	1,248	2,781	3,295	4,124	38	3,245	49	3,726
322 Misappropriation	824	150	—	286	420	30	—	191	22	275
323 Counterfeiting	30	—	5	8	1	18	—	9	—	7
331 Receiving	1,508	255	23	284	295	130	5	655	46	181
332 Unlawful possession of stolen goods	254	36	—	17	27	6	—	173	6	11
339 Handling of stolen goods, other	91	15	14	16	11	15	—	7	13	0
351 Theft or illegal use of a motor vehicle	4,235	1,430	953	605	986	110	742	348	103	973
399 Other theft	10,408	1,549	623	1,263	1,745	950	94	4,230	674	714
Total	38,367	8,683	4,220	7,018	9,317	5,732	946	9,614	1,267	6,786
Property and environment offences —										
411 Arson	90	17	5	17	51	4	—	3	14	18
419 Other property damage	2,960	265	134	338	380	191	10	1,559	182	98
421 Pollution	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	0
423 Flora and fauna	60	—	46	—	1	2	—	10	1	0
Total	3,111	282	185	355	432	197	10	1,573	197	116
Offences against good order —										
511 Offences against Government security and operations	42	2	—	1	6	2	—	25	6	0
524 Contempt of court, other	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	0
525 Pervert the course of justice, including perjury	128	68	—	30	42	1	—	14	2	28
526 Breach of community service order	306	44	23	45	39	14	—	142	9	10
527 Breach of other probation, parole etc orders	5,527	1,353	367	271	634	130	17	2,660	305	207
528 Escape from custody	396	181	28	20	31	11	3	121	16	15
533 Resist / hinder police	4,523	295	135	213	248	200	116	3,385	161	208

See footnotes at end of table.

## SECTION 1 — SUMMARY OF ALL COURTS

TABLE 9 — PENALTIES IMPOSED BY OFFENCE CLASS AND PENALTY TYPE, 1992 — 93—continued

Offence class	Total convictions	Penalties							Two or more penalties (b)	
		Imprisonment or detention	Suspended sentence or CRO	CSO	Probation	Good behaviour bond (a)	Loss or suspended MDL	Fine		
Offences against good order —										
534 Conspiracy (offence type not specified)	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	0
549 Other offences against justice procedures	534	10	4	47	44	49	1	399	22	41
551 Possession and/or use of firearms	656	17	—	11	16	26	—	566	43	23
558 Possession and/or use of other weapons	356	27	10	22	30	21	—	236	23	13
559 Possession, use and handling weapons, other	4	—	—	—	—	1	—	3	—	0
571 Child pornography	5	3	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	0
572 Censorship	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	0
591 Liquor licensing	1,629	33	1	18	7	42	—	1,476	53	1
592 Betting and gambling	48	—	—	—	—	—	—	46	2	0
593 Trespassing and vagrancy	1,201	117	75	108	121	103	3	577	127	30
595 Prostitution	42	—	—	—	—	1	—	41	—	0
596 Drunkenness	2	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	1
599 Other offences against good order	6,232	237	60	196	273	316	7	4,784	432	72
Total	21,640	2,388	703	984	1,493	917	147	14,484	1,201	649
Drug offences —										
613 Possess and/or use opium	66	5	—	2	4	2	—	54	1	2
614 Possess and/or use cocaine	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	0
617 Possess and/or use cannabis, all forms	4,509	43	5	85	105	41	—	4,148	116	34
618 Possess and/or use other drugs	1,546	221	39	63	84	41	1	1,018	99	20
643 Import/export opium and its derivatives	19	19	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
645 Import/export other narcotics	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	0
647 Import/export cannabis, all forms	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	0
648 Import/export other drugs	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	—	0
653 Deal and traffic in opium and its derivatives	38	31	—	2	4	—	—	3	1	3
654 Deal and traffic in cocaine and its derivatives	8	7	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	0
655 Deal and traffic in other narcotics	8	8	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	2
657 Deal and traffic in cannabis, all forms	530	52	1	66	82	6	—	370	9	54
658 Deal and traffic in other drugs	300	104	1	51	61	6	—	101	20	41
663 Manufacture/grow opium and its derivatives	18	11	—	3	5	—	—	1	—	2
667 Manufacture/grow cannabis, all forms	1,411	36	—	35	52	10	—	1,293	8	23
668 Manufacture/grow other drugs	135	4	3	12	8	11	—	83	15	1
699 Other drug offences	2,876	27	16	83	110	61	—	2,494	112	27
Total	11,476	568	65	402	516	181	1	9,577	381	210
Motor vehicle and traffic offences —										
711 Drink driving offences	10,315	177	13	148	124	64	9,853	9,814	27	9,860
724 Dangerous and reckless driving	1,740	259	140	112	130	28	1,034	1,082	22	1,054
725 Negligent driving	66	5	3	3	1	9	20	28	16	19
732 Driving while licence suspended or cancelled	1,892	187	—	37	65	1	1,744	1,628	63	1,808
733 Driving without a licence (excluding Group 732)	6,054	804	417	358	381	113	2,554	4,025	94	2,610
739 Other driving offences	727	10	10	45	15	28	38	603	30	52
749 Traffic offences (excluding parking)	2,723	155	85	120	86	45	445	2,177	84	470
751 Registration offences (including Third Party insurance)	750	5	5	26	9	16	7	665	30	13
752 Roadworthiness	144	—	1	14	1	6	2	107	16	3

See footnotes at end of table.

## SECTION 1 — SUMMARY OF ALL COURTS

TABLE 9 — PENALTIES IMPOSED BY OFFENCE CLASS AND PENALTY TYPE, 1992 — 93—continued

Offence class	Total convictions	Penalties								Two or more penalties (b)
		Imprisonment or detention	Suspended sentence or CRO	CSO	Probation	Good behaviour bond (a)	Loss or suspended MDL	Fine	Other	
Motor vehicle and traffic offences —										
791 Parking	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	0
799 Other motor vehicle, traffic and related offences	20	—	1	4	1	—	—	14	2	2
Total	24,432	1,602	675	867	813	310	15,697	20,144	384	15,891
Other offences										
812 Company legislation	78	50	—	—	—	—	—	28	—	0
821 Banking, financial institutions and insurance	29	—	—	—	1	—	—	28	—	0
831 Taxation and stamp duty (excluding excise)	139	—	—	—	—	68	—	71	—	0
832 Posts and telecommunications	132	—	1	4	—	84	—	42	2	1
833 Customs, excise etc	11	—	—	—	—	3	—	8	—	0
834 Immigration, passports etc	16	5	—	—	—	1	—	10	—	0
836 Air navigation, airports and aircraft operations	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	1	1
837 Health, mental health, quarantine, food standards, etc	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	0
838 Bankruptcy	19	3	3	—	—	4	—	15	—	3
839 Copyright and patents	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	12	—	0
842 Births, deaths, marriages etc	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	0
843 Education	18	—	—	—	4	1	—	—	13	0
844 Railways and other transport	51	4	2	11	12	6	—	10	7	1
845 Marine navigation, coastal, inland waterways etc	18	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	3	0
846 Energy — electricity, gas etc	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	0
847 Agriculture and stock, pasture protection, guano etc	10	—	1	1	—	—	—	5	3	0
848 Fisheries	16	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	2	0
849 Fires, bushfire control	16	7	—	—	8	—	—	1	—	0
852 Marketing boards etc, control	33	—	—	—	—	—	—	32	1	0
854 Secret commissions, trade practices etc	36	29	—	—	—	—	—	7	—	0
856 Explosives	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	0
857 Scaffolding, cranes, lifts, industrial safety	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
861 Dog control	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	—	0
889 Other offences, nec	922	312	—	105	38	68	—	134	265	0
891 Prison security	54	12	—	2	—	—	—	37	3	0
892 Contraband/drug related	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
893 Prison officials, offences against	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
Total	1,643	424	7	123	63	235	—	500	300	6
Offence unknown										
999 Offence unknown	11	5	—	—	3	1	—	2	1	1
Total	11	5	—	—	3	1	—	2	1	1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>107,518</b>	<b>16,336</b>	<b>6,142</b>	<b>10,245</b>	<b>13,584</b>	<b>8,129</b>	<b>16,948</b>	<b>58,222</b>	<b>3,931</b>	<b>24,146</b>

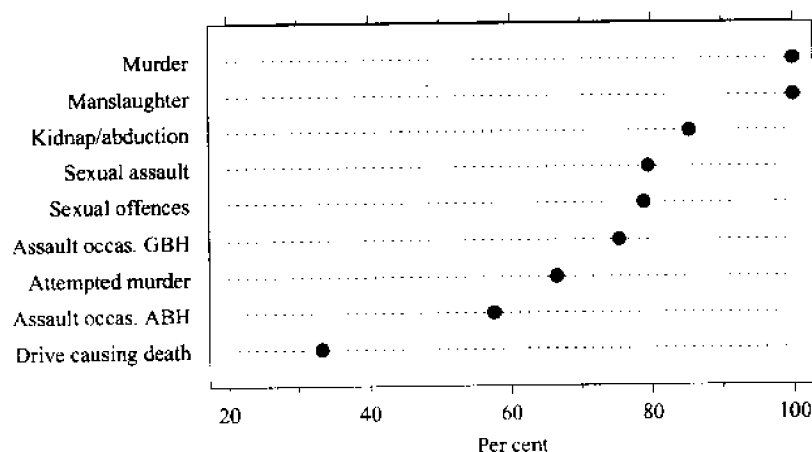
See Explanatory Notes. (a) Includes parental good behaviour bond. (b) For each offence type and group, this is the number of convictions that attracted more than one penalty.

## SECTION 2 : HIGHER COURTS

### SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

<b>Overview</b>	In the Supreme and District Courts of Western Australia in 1992-93 there were 5,941 charges heard resulting in 5,205 convictions against 1,832 individuals. Compared to 1991-92, charges were down 7.3 per cent, convictions were down 9.0 per cent and individuals convicted were down 12.0 per cent.
<b>Males</b>	In 1992-93, males recorded 5,137 charges, 13.1 per cent fewer than in 1991-92. Convictions (4,487) were down 15.4 per cent and individuals convicted (1,640) were down 12.4 per cent.
<b>Females</b>	For females the number of charges (804) increased 61.1 per cent from 1991-92. Convictions (718) were up 72.2 per cent and individuals convicted (192) decreased 8.6 per cent.  The increase in convictions for females was due to an increase of 83.2 per cent in the offence group <i>breaking and entering, fraud etc.</i> This offence group recorded 469 convictions for females in 1992-93.
<b>Convictions</b>	<i>Breaking and entering, fraud etc</i> (2,218 convictions) accounted for 42.6 per cent of convictions and <i>offences against the person</i> (1,613 convictions) accounted for 31.0 per cent of convictions. Convictions for <i>breaking and entering, fraud etc</i> for 1992-93 were down 24.8 per cent on the previous year. Convictions for <i>offences against the person</i> were down 1.5 per cent.  Within the offence group <i>breaking and entering fraud etc</i> the offence class breaking and entering decreased 54.1 per cent but still accounted for 37.1 per cent of all convictions in the group. The offence class fraud forgery and false pretences increased 8.8 per cent and accounted for 27.4 per cent of convictions in the offence group.  Within the offence group <i>offences against the person</i> there were 13 convictions for murder compared to 7 in 1991-92. The offence classes sexual assault according to State or Territory law, sexual offences (consent proscribed) and other sexual offences accounted for 67.2 per cent of convictions in this offence group. These offence classes recorded 12.9 per cent fewer convictions than the previous year.
<b>Penalties</b>	In Higher Courts in 1992-93 6,015 penalties were imposed, including 715 occasions where a conviction attracted more than 1 penalty. Imprisonment or detention was imposed for 57.0 per cent of convictions compared to 56.0 per cent in 1991-92. All convictions for murder and for manslaughter attracted a penalty of imprisonment or detention and 10 out of 15 convictions for attempted murder attracted a penalty of imprisonment or detention.
<b>Aboriginal persons</b>	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders accounted for 13.1 per cent of charges and 13.4 per cent of convictions in Higher Courts.
<b>Locality</b>	Of all charges for Higher Courts, 4,755 or 80.0 per cent were heard in Perth. Bunbury courts heard 414 charges (7.0 per cent) and Kalgoorlie 193 charges (3.2 per cent).

HIGHER COURTS  
IMPRISONMENT RATE BY OFFENCE CLASS FOR OFFENCES  
AGAINST THE PERSON, 1992-93  
(Reference Table 12)



## SECTION 2 — HIGHER COURTS

TABLE 10 — SUMMARY COUNTS BY ABORIGINALITY AND SEX, 1992 — 93

<i>Summary of counts</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Total</i>
NON-ABORIGINAL			
Charges	3,238	399	3,637
Distinct persons charged	1,320	129	1,449
Individuals charged	1,180	120	1,300
Convictions	2,744	350	3,094
Distinct persons convicted	1,078	99	1,177
Individuals convicted	995	94	1,089
ABORIGINAL			
Charges	702	74	776
Distinct persons charged	371	55	426
Individuals charged	340	53	393
Convictions	632	68	700
Distinct persons convicted	318	49	367
Individuals convicted	302	49	351
UNKNOWN			
Charges	1,197	331	1,528
Distinct persons charged	390	57	447
Individuals charged	377	54	431
Convictions	1,111	300	1,411
Distinct persons convicted	351	51	402
Individuals convicted	343	49	392
TOTAL			
Charges	5,137	804	5,941
Distinct persons charged	2,081	241	2,322
Individuals charged	1,897	227	2,124
Convictions	4,487	718	5,205
Distinct persons convicted	1,747	199	1,946
Individuals convicted	1,640	192	1,832

See Explanatory Notes.

TABLE 11 — CHARGES, APPEARANCES AND INDIVIDUALS BY COURT AND SEX, 1992 — 93

<i>Court</i>	<i>Charges</i>			<i>Distinct persons charged</i>			<i>Individuals charged (a)</i>		
	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Total</i>
Albany	184	7	191	64	4	68	59	4	63
Broome	52	7	59	29	5	34	26	5	31
Bunbury	354	60	414	103	11	114	92	11	103
Carnarvon	36	5	41	22	5	27	20	5	25
Derby	28	—	28	18	—	18	18	—	18
Esperance	14	—	14	6	—	6	6	—	6
Geraldton	96	29	125	56	7	63	55	6	61
Kalgoorlie	177	16	193	96	13	109	90	13	103
Karratha	32	1	33	24	1	25	24	1	25
Kununurra	36	2	38	23	2	25	23	2	25
Perth	4,082	673	4,755	1,608	190	1,798	1,461	179	1,640
Port Hedland	46	4	50	32	3	35	29	2	31
Western Australian Total	5,137	804	5,941	2,081	241	2,322	1,897	227	2,124

See Explanatory Notes. (a) An individual, who appeared at more than one court location, will be included in the counts for each of those court locations but only once in the total.

## SECTION 2 — HIGHER COURTS

TABLE 12 — PENALTIES IMPOSED BY OFFENCE CLASS AND PENALTY TYPE, 1992 — 93

Offence class	Total convictions	Penalties								Two or more penalties (b)
		Imprisonment or detention	Suspended sentence or CRO	CSO	Probation	Good behaviour bond (a)	Loss or suspended MDL	Fine	Other	
Offences against the person —										
111 Murder	13	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
112 Attempted murder	15	10	—	—	5	—	1	—	—	1
114 Manslaughter (excluding death by driving)	11	11	1	—	—	—	4	—	—	5
115 Driving causing death	3	1	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	2
121 Assault occasioning grievous bodily harm	69	52	—	6	9	2	—	3	—	3
122 Assault occasioning actual bodily harm	208	120	—	31	52	3	—	28	4	27
129 Other assault	63	43	—	3	5	—	—	12	—	0
136 Sexual assault according to State or Territory law	736	585	—	33	80	15	—	53	13	39
137 Sexual offences (consent proscribed)	261	206	—	12	34	—	—	21	13	25
139 Other sexual offences	87	65	—	5	13	1	—	7	—	4
191 Kidnapping and abduction	82	70	—	4	6	—	—	5	1	3
199 Other offences against the person	65	42	—	4	9	1	—	8	4	3
Total	1,613	1,218	1	98	213	22	7	139	35	112
Robbery and extortion —										
211 Armed robbery	222	204	—	11	17	1	—	—	2	12
212 Other robbery	48	37	—	5	9	1	—	1	—	5
221 Blackmail and extortion	8	7	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	1
Total	278	248	—	17	27	2	—	1	2	18
Breaking and entering, fraud etc —										
311 Breaking and entering	822	588	—	159	202	2	7	13	34	157
321 Fraud, forgery and false pretences	607	327	44	67	82	64	—	167	11	114
322 Misappropriation	241	64	—	92	174	—	—	2	2	93
323 Counterfeiting	4	—	4	4	—	4	—	—	—	4
331 Receiving	136	60	—	28	42	1	—	26	2	21
351 Theft or illegal use of a motor vehicle	28	25	—	1	3	—	1	—	—	2
399 Other theft	380	277	—	56	73	—	3	23	6	57
Total	2,218	1,341	48	407	576	71	11	231	55	448
Property and environment offences —										
411 Arson	41	14	—	10	23	1	—	3	9	16
419 Other property damage	18	8	—	4	6	1	—	3	—	4
Total	59	22	—	14	29	2	—	6	9	20
Offences against good order —										
511 Offences against Government security and operations	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	0
525 Pervert the course of justice, including perjury	123	67	—	30	41	1	—	11	2	28
526 Breach of community service order	17	6	—	4	6	—	—	4	1	4
527 Breach of other probation, parole etc orders	241	162	—	21	34	1	—	31	12	18
528 Escape from custody	9	4	—	—	1	2	—	2	—	0
549 Other offences against justice procedures	13	5	—	—	3	—	—	5	—	0
571 Child pornography	4	3	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	0
599 Other offences against good order	45	25	—	3	12	1	—	7	3	5
Total	456	272	—	58	98	5	—	64	18	55

See footnotes at end of table.

## SECTION 2 — HIGHER COURTS

TABLE 12 — PENALTIES IMPOSED BY OFFENCE CLASS AND PENALTY TYPE, 1992 — 93—continued

Offence class	Total convictions	Penalties							Two or more penalties (b)	
		Imprisonment or detention	Suspended sentence or CRO	CSO	Probation	Good behaviour bond (a)	Loss or suspended MDL	Fine		
Drug offences —										
617 Possess and/or use cannabis, all forms	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	0
618 Possess and/or use other drugs	3	1	—	1	1	—	—	1	—	1
643 Import/export opium and its derivatives	19	19	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
653 Deal and traffic in opium and its derivatives	38	31	—	2	4	—	—	3	1	3
654 Deal and traffic in cocaine and its derivatives	8	7	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	0
655 Deal and traffic in other narcotics	8	8	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	2
657 Deal and traffic in cannabis, all forms	145	38	—	27	30	1	—	72	1	22
658 Deal and traffic in other drugs	146	88	—	23	31	—	—	28	5	26
663 Manufacture/grow opium and its derivatives	17	11	—	3	5	—	—	—	—	2
667 Manufacture/grow cannabis, all forms	65	26	—	5	9	—	—	28	1	4
668 Manufacture/grow other drugs	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
699 Other drug offences	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
Total	456	232	—	61	81	4	—	136	8	61
Motor vehicle and traffic offences —										
724 Dangerous and reckless driving	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	0
Total	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	0
Other offences —										
812 Company legislation	54	50	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	0
821 Banking, financial institutions and insurance	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	0
834 Immigration, passports etc	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
837 Health, mental health, quarantine, food standards, etc	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	0
849 Fires, bushfire control	16	7	—	—	8	—	—	1	—	0
854 Secret commissions, trade practices etc	36	29	—	—	—	—	—	7	—	0
856 Explosives	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	0
Total	113	88	—	—	8	—	—	17	—	0
Offence unknown										
999 Offence unknown	11	5	—	—	3	1	—	2	1	1
Total	11	5	—	—	3	1	—	2	1	1
Western Australian Total	5,205	3,426	49	655	1,036	107	18	596	128	715

See Explanatory Notes. (a) Includes parental good behaviour bond. (b) For each offence type and group, this is the number of convictions that attracted more than one penalty.



## SECTION 2 — HIGHER COURTS

TABLE 13 — CONVICTIONS BY SEX, OFFENCE GROUP AND AGE, 1992 — 93

Offence group	Age group									Total
	Under 20	20 - 24	25 - 29	30 - 34	35 - 39	40 - 49	50 - 59	60 and over	Not stated	
MALES										
Offences against the person	109	176	240	183	181	387	126	127	10	1,539
Robbery and extortion	50	137	46	25	6	6	—	—	2	272
Breaking and entering, fraud etc	237	600	290	168	59	121	206	10	58	1,749
Property and environment offences	9	20	4	4	5	3	2	1	—	48
Offences against good order	63	165	79	27	25	34	16	5	—	414
Drug offences	8	85	92	77	53	56	15	3	3	392
Motor vehicle and traffic offences	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Other offences	—	8	2	3	4	35	10	—	—	62
Unknown offences	4	1	2	1	1	1	—	—	—	10
Total	481	1,192	755	488	334	643	375	146	73	4,487
FEMALES										
Offences against the person	18	24	4	12	11	3	1	—	1	74
Robbery and extortion	—	3	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	6
Breaking and entering, fraud etc	25	84	141	111	5	96	7	—	—	469
Property and environment offences	1	4	1	3	1	1	—	—	—	11
Offences against good order	5	10	12	9	4	2	—	—	—	42
Drug offences	2	11	10	13	18	7	—	2	1	64
Other offences	—	—	1	—	—	50	—	—	—	51
Unknown offences	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Total	51	137	171	149	39	159	8	2	2	718
TOTAL										
Offences against the person	127	200	244	195	192	390	127	127	11	1,613
Robbery and extortion	50	140	48	26	6	6	—	—	2	278
Breaking and entering, fraud etc	262	684	431	279	64	217	213	10	58	2,218
Property and environment offences	10	24	5	7	6	4	2	1	—	59
Offences against good order	68	175	91	36	29	36	16	5	—	456
Drug offences	10	96	102	90	71	63	15	5	4	456
Motor vehicle and traffic offences	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Other offences	—	8	3	3	4	85	10	—	—	113
Unknown offences	4	2	2	1	1	1	—	—	—	11
Total	532	1,329	926	637	373	802	383	148	75	5,205

See Explanatory Notes.

TABLE 14 — APPEARANCES ON CONVICTION BY MOST SERIOUS MATTER, AGE AND PENALTY TYPE, 1992 — 93

Age group	Penalties								Two or more penalties (b)
	Imprison- ment or deten- tion	Suspended sentence or CRO	CSO	Prob- ation	Good behaviour bond (a)	Loss or suspended MDL	Fine	Other	
Under 20 years	103	—	69	99	—	1	9	12	74
20 — 24	287	1	138	174	7	4	65	31	133
25 — 29	192	—	76	106	3	2	67	21	77
30 — 34	147	—	29	59	12	—	46	12	34
35 — 39	90	—	31	38	5	—	35	2	23
40 — 49	139	—	17	25	5	3	49	6	20
50 — 59	37	2	4	10	5	—	23	2	7
60 and over	13	—	—	6	3	—	11	1	1
Not stated	12	1	3	6	1	—	3	—	4
<b>Western Australian Total</b>	<b>1,020</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>367</b>	<b>523</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>373</b>

See Explanatory Notes. (a) Includes parental good behaviour bond. (b) For each age group, this is the number of appearances that attracted more than one penalty.

## SECTION 3 : COURTS OF PETTY SESSIONS

### SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

<b>Convictions</b>	In Western Australia in 1992-93 there were 79,875 charges heard in Courts of Petty Sessions resulting in 76,549 convictions against 29,653 individuals. Total charges were down 6,785 (7.8 per cent), convictions were down 8,271 (9.8 per cent) and the number of individuals convicted was down 3,823 (11.4 per cent).
<b>Males</b>	For total males there were decreases of 6.5 per cent for charges, 8.5 per cent for convictions and 11.2 per cent for individuals convicted. For non-Aboriginal males charges were down 8.1 per cent, convictions were down 10.2 per cent and individuals convicted were down 12.4 per cent. For Aboriginal males charges were down 0.7 per cent, convictions 2.7 per cent, and individuals convicted 3.1 per cent.
<b>Females</b>	Females recorded larger decreases than did males. For total females there were decreases of 13.0 per cent for charges, 14.7 per cent for convictions and 12.2 per cent for individuals convicted. For non-Aboriginal females charges were down 15.0 per cent, convictions were down 16.9 per cent and individuals convicted were down 11.7 per cent. For Aboriginal females charges were down 12.6 per cent, convictions 13.7 per cent, and individuals convicted 14.1 per cent.
<b>Offences</b>	<p>In 1992-93 the offence group <i>offences against good order</i> had the largest decrease in convictions from 1991-92, down 19.0 per cent to 17,116 convictions.</p> <p>The number of convictions for <i>offences against the person</i> was down by 13.8 per cent to 3,580. Within this group, the number of convictions for <i>other assault</i> was down from 2,939 to 2,502 and for <i>sexual assault according to state or territory law</i> the decrease was from 46 to 5. There were 22 convictions for <i>driving causing death</i> an increase of 10 on 1991-92.</p> <p>There were 23,183 convictions for <i>breaking and entering, fraud etc</i> a decrease of 6.5 per cent. Within this group <i>other theft</i> was down by 18.7 per cent to 6,872. However convictions for <i>receiving</i> were up 24.6 per cent to 1,114.</p> <p>Convictions for <i>motor vehicle and traffic offences</i> dropped 6.0 per cent to 19,786. Within this group <i>drink driving offences</i> decreased 9.4 per cent to 9,831.</p> <p>There were 953 convictions for <i>other offences</i> in 1992-93, an increase of 47.3 per cent. This was attributable to the offence class <i>other offences nec</i> which recorded 429 convictions in 1992-93, an increase of more than 840 per cent on 1991-92. The most common offence in this class was 'possession of petrol on community land'.</p>
<b>Penalties</b>	<p>Fines accounted for 55.4 per cent of penalties, followed by loss or suspension of a motor vehicle driving licence, which accounted for 15.2 per cent.</p> <p>The total number of penalties in 1992-93 was down 9.2 per cent which was in line with the 9.8 per cent drop in convictions. There was a 10.2 per cent increase in the imposition of good behaviour bonds and smaller increases for the penalties of suspended sentence or CRO and probation, all other types of penalties recorded decreases.</p> <p>The increase in good behaviour bonds in 1992-93 was due to a 15.1 per cent increase in the imposition of this penalty for <i>fraud, forgery and false pretences</i> despite a decrease in the number of convictions of 0.5 per cent. This offence class had a 24.0 per cent drop in the penalty of imprisonment and a 20.5 per cent decrease in the number of instances where two or more penalties were imposed.</p>
<b>Age</b>	<p>The distribution of convictions by age was similar to 1991-92. The 20 to 24 year age group had the largest number of convictions, accounting for 30.8 per cent of total convictions, a slight increase on their 1991-92 figure of 29.9 per cent. The 25 to 29 year age group accounted for 19.1 per cent of convictions, a decrease on their 1991-92 figure of 20.1 per cent.</p> <p>Females in the age group 50 to 59 were the only age group to record an increase in their number of convictions from 1991-92. They increased 14.8 per cent to record 566 convictions in 1992-93.</p>
<b>Location</b>	Most Statistical Divisions showed a decrease in the number of charges compared to 1991-92. In South Eastern the number of charges decreased by 1,477 or 20.9 per cent and in Upper Great Southern they decreased by 208 or 24.6 per cent. Two Statistical Divisions, Lower Great Southern and Central recorded small increases in the number of charges of 225 (11.6 per cent) and 322 (5.6 per cent) respectively.

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TABLE 15 — SUMMARY COUNTS BY ABORIGINALITY AND SEX, 1992 — 93

<i>Summary of counts</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Total (a)</i>
NON-ABORIGINAL			
Charges	48,749	10,524	59,273
Distinct persons charged	26,078	4,968	31,046
Individuals charged	20,646	4,374	25,020
Convictions	46,636	10,076	56,712
Distinct persons convicted	25,126	4,799	29,925
Individuals convicted	20,059	4,254	24,313
ABORIGINAL			
Charges	14,218	3,696	17,914
Distinct persons charged	6,976	2,183	9,159
Individuals charged	3,891	1,304	5,195
Convictions	13,662	3,590	17,252
Distinct persons convicted	6,746	2,128	8,874
Individuals convicted	3,815	1,275	5,090
UNKNOWN			
Charges	1,309	1,304	2,613
Distinct persons charged	142	81	223
Individuals charged	136	80	216
Convictions	1,249	1,268	2,517
Distinct persons convicted	137	81	218
Individuals convicted	131	80	211
TOTAL			
Charges	64,276	15,524	79,875
Distinct persons charged	33,196	7,232	40,471
Individuals charged	24,673	5,758	30,473
Convictions	61,547	14,934	76,549
Distinct persons convicted	32,009	7,008	39,057
Individuals convicted	24,005	5,609	29,653

See Explanatory Notes. (a) Includes corporate bodies.

TABLE 16 — APPEARANCES ON CONVICTION BY MOST SERIOUS MATTER, AGE AND PENALTY TYPE, 1992 — 93

<i>Age group</i>	<i>Penalties</i>								<i>Two or more penalties (b)</i>
	<i>Imprisonment or detention</i>	<i>Suspended sentence or CRO</i>	<i>CSO</i>	<i>Probation</i>	<i>Good behaviour bond (a)</i>	<i>Loss or suspended MDI</i>	<i>Fine</i>	<i>Other</i>	
Under 20 years	348	1	340	491	236	1,488	4,774	216	1,748
20 — 24	679	2	367	532	376	3,717	10,209	228	3,996
25 — 29	367	7	179	259	286	2,407	6,173	118	2,539
30 — 34	235	8	119	179	208	1,694	4,382	83	1,776
35 — 39	135	6	100	116	177	1,175	2,958	65	1,240
40 — 49	100	10	73	96	198	1,236	2,916	103	1,286
50 — 59	31	4	16	19	96	364	869	66	378
60 and over	7	—	5	7	69	95	307	88	99
Not stated	—	—	—	1	1	—	4	—	—
Other (c)	—	—	—	—	—	—	40	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,902</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>1,199</b>	<b>1,700</b>	<b>1,647</b>	<b>12,176</b>	<b>32,632</b>	<b>967</b>	<b>13,062</b>

See Explanatory Notes. (a) Includes parental good behaviour bond. (b) For each offence type and group, this is the number of appearances that attracted more than one penalty. (c) Corporate bodies.

## SECTION 3 — COURTS OF PETTY SESSIONS

TABLE 17 — CHARGES, APPEARANCES AND INDIVIDUALS BY STATISTICAL DIVISION, COURT AND SEX, 1992 — 93

Statistical division and court	Charges			Distinct persons charged			Individuals charged (a)		
	Males	Females	Total (b)	Males	Females	Total (b)	Males	Females	Total (b)
Perth —									
Armadale	2,233	430	2,675	1,211	250	1,464	1,064	226	1,293
Fremantle	4,813	1,099	5,921	2,798	571	3,373	2,441	534	2,979
Midland	2,536	685	3,222	1,469	339	1,809	1,297	313	1,611
Perth	27,908	7,794	35,736	13,042	2,954	16,020	10,615	2,591	13,230
Rockingham	1,430	307	1,738	805	160	966	697	150	848
Total	38,920	10,315	49,292	19,325	4,274	23,632	15,248	3,687	18,968
South West —									
Augusta	17	1	18	14	1	15	12	1	13
Boyup Brook	44	12	56	31	5	36	29	4	33
Bridgetown	110	8	118	72	8	80	63	7	70
Brunswick Junction	21	8	29	13	5	18	11	5	16
Bunbury	1,344	352	1,699	649	117	767	556	107	664
Busselton	413	49	462	247	29	276	226	27	253
Collie	343	83	427	186	30	217	149	27	177
Donnybrook	130	28	158	84	19	103	79	18	97
Dwellingup	14	1	15	12	1	13	11	1	12
Harvey	137	27	164	88	12	100	75	12	87
Mandurah	874	115	989	459	76	535	408	71	479
Manjimup	185	23	214	95	15	112	89	14	104
Margaret River	265	29	295	159	21	181	150	21	172
Nannup	12	4	16	9	3	12	9	3	12
Pemberton	44	7	51	29	5	34	26	5	31
Pinjarra	92	16	111	61	9	71	52	9	62
Waroona	62	8	70	37	7	44	33	7	40
Yarloop	24	5	29	18	4	22	18	4	22
Total	4,131	776	4,921	2,263	367	2,636	1,915	335	2,255
Lower Great Southern —									
Albany	1,161	174	1,335	595	81	676	463	75	538
Cranbrook	8	1	9	6	1	7	6	1	7
Denmark	139	17	157	70	12	83	55	12	68
Gnowangerup	22	24	46	20	3	23	19	3	22
Katanning	310	95	405	159	28	187	111	26	137
Kojonup	77	9	86	49	6	55	37	6	43
Mount Barker	73	8	81	45	5	50	36	5	41
Ongerup	37	1	38	23	1	24	21	1	22
Tambellup	6	1	7	6	1	7	6	1	7
Total	1,833	330	2,164	973	138	1,112	718	130	849
Upper Great Southern —									
Boddington	24	3	27	18	3	21	14	3	17
Brookton	14	1	15	11	1	12	10	1	11
Corrigin	13	2	15	9	2	11	9	2	11
Dumbleyung	11	—	11	8	—	8	7	—	7
Kondinin	36	11	47	27	6	33	27	5	32
Kulin	12	5	17	7	2	9	7	2	9
Lake Grace	6	3	9	4	1	5	4	1	5
Narrogin	299	53	352	176	35	211	150	32	182
Pingelly	37	4	41	22	4	26	20	4	24
Wagin	67	12	79	40	7	47	37	6	43
Wickepin	4	5	9	3	3	6	3	1	4
Williams	14	1	15	10	1	11	10	1	11
Total	537	100	637	335	65	400	289	57	346

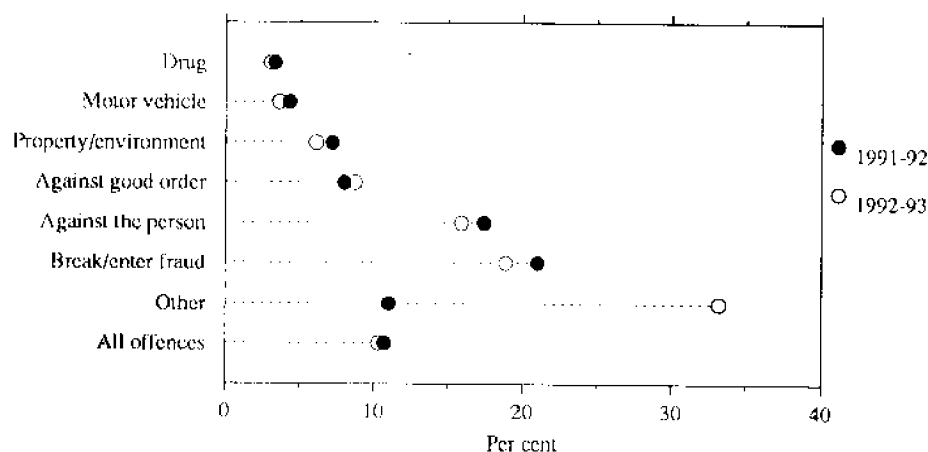
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TABLE 17 — CHARGES, APPEARANCES AND INDIVIDUALS BY STATISTICAL DIVISION, COURT AND SEX, 1992 — 93—continued

Statistical division and court	Charges			Distinct persons charged			Individuals charged (a)		
	Males	Females	Total (b)	Males	Females	Total (b)	Males	Females	Total (b)
<b>Midlands —</b>									
Bencubbin	16	2	18	11	1	12	11	1	12
Beverley	31	8	39	19	3	22	19	3	22
Bruce Rock	22	5	27	17	3	20	17	3	20
Cunderdin	39	2	41	20	1	21	20	1	21
Dalwallinu	33	2	35	16	1	17	15	1	16
Dowerin	6	—	6	5	—	5	5	—	5
Gingin	60	1	61	33	1	34	33	1	34
Goomalling	47	3	50	27	2	29	22	2	24
Jurien Bay	60	4	64	35	3	38	33	3	36
Kellerberrin	132	10	142	71	8	79	52	8	60
Koorda	3	—	3	3	—	3	3	—	3
Lancelin	60	7	67	38	7	45	37	7	44
Merredin	227	36	263	129	16	145	105	13	118
Moora	89	13	102	47	8	55	39	7	46
Mukinbudin	6	—	6	5	—	5	5	—	5
New Norcia	14	1	15	9	1	10	9	1	10
Northam	729	87	816	315	58	373	287	53	340
Quairading	99	17	116	65	6	71	63	6	69
Southern Cross	95	24	120	67	13	81	64	12	77
Toodyay	59	3	62	34	3	37	33	3	36
Trayning	17	1	18	12	1	13	10	1	11
Wongan Hills	45	4	49	32	3	35	27	3	30
Wundowie	31	6	37	21	5	26	19	5	24
Wyalkatchem	21	8	29	13	2	15	11	2	13
York	76	9	85	38	6	44	34	6	40
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,017</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>2,271</b>	<b>1,082</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>1,235</b>	<b>933</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>1,076</b>
<b>South Eastern —</b>									
Coolgardie	86	13	99	51	11	62	45	10	55
Esperance	257	39	296	140	19	159	125	18	143
Eucla	346	47	393	202	34	236	200	34	234
Kalgoorlie	2,474	618	3,092	1,287	306	1,593	948	221	1,169
Kambalda	191	20	211	125	13	138	112	13	125
Laverton	640	206	846	299	131	430	177	60	237
Leinster	45	2	47	32	2	34	32	2	34
Leonora	247	61	309	159	43	203	93	25	119
Lombadina	7	—	7	6	—	6	6	—	6
Menzies	25	15	40	23	9	32	18	5	23
Norseman	170	34	205	96	20	117	86	19	106
Ravensthorpe	43	3	46	27	3	30	24	3	27
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,531</b>	<b>1,058</b>	<b>5,591</b>	<b>2,447</b>	<b>591</b>	<b>3,040</b>	<b>1,758</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>2,148</b>

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COURTS OF PETTY SESSIONS  
IMPRISONMENT RATE BY OFFENCE GROUP BY YEAR  
1991-92, 1992-93  
(Reference Table 18)

## SECTION 3 — COURTS OF PETTY SESSIONS

TABLE 17 — CHARGES, APPEARANCES AND INDIVIDUALS BY STATISTICAL DIVISION, COURT AND SEX, 1992 — 93—continued

Statistical division and court	Charges			Distinct persons charged			Individuals charged (a)		
	Males	Females	Total (b)	Males	Females	Total (b)	Males	Females	Total (b)
Central —									
Camamah	6	—	6	4	—	4	4	—	4
Camarvon	942	156	1,098	503	109	612	367	87	454
Cue	107	5	112	74	4	78	55	4	59
Dongara	39	5	44	33	4	37	30	4	34
Encabba	19	1	20	10	1	11	10	1	11
Exmouth	74	8	82	57	7	64	52	7	59
Gascoyne Junction	3	2	5	2	1	3	2	1	3
Geraldton	1,835	393	2,228	832	229	1,061	664	184	848
Kalbarri	48	6	54	25	5	30	18	3	21
Meekatharra	274	106	380	182	77	259	139	51	190
Mingenew	20	2	22	12	2	14	12	2	14
Morawa	43	2	45	18	1	19	16	1	17
Mount Magnet	107	29	136	62	13	75	53	12	65
Mullewa	137	26	163	83	22	105	65	21	86
Northampton	29	20	49	19	11	30	19	10	29
Perenjori	6	2	8	5	1	6	5	1	6
Shark Bay	47	6	53	13	3	16	12	3	15
Three Springs	25	3	28	15	3	18	13	3	16
Warburton	598	142	740	146	34	180	89	22	111
Wiluna	527	266	793	316	177	493	124	61	185
Yalgoo	16	—	16	10	—	10	9	—	9
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,902</i>	<i>1,180</i>	<i>6,082</i>	<i>2,421</i>	<i>704</i>	<i>3,125</i>	<i>1,669</i>	<i>460</i>	<i>2,129</i>
Pilbara —									
Dampier	17	—	17	17	—	17	17	—	17
Karratha	516	84	600	334	50	384	272	45	317
Marble Bar	131	43	174	86	29	115	53	17	70
Newman	471	130	601	267	71	338	204	54	258
Nullagine	94	60	154	71	48	119	38	19	57
Onslow	126	10	136	84	8	92	62	8	70
Pannawonica	12	—	12	6	—	6	6	—	6
Paraburdoo	68	6	74	50	6	56	45	6	51
Port Hedland	1,272	291	1,563	653	135	788	535	114	649
Roeboorne	498	96	594	258	56	314	192	42	234
Shay Gap	5	3	8	5	2	7	5	2	7
Telfer	12	—	12	6	—	6	6	—	6
Tom Price	228	19	247	155	16	171	138	13	151
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,450</i>	<i>742</i>	<i>4,192</i>	<i>1,992</i>	<i>421</i>	<i>2,413</i>	<i>1,503</i>	<i>308</i>	<i>1,811</i>
Kimberley —									
Broome	1,110	202	1,312	636	136	772	497	124	621
Derby	398	106	504	256	51	307	210	41	251
Fitzroy Crossing	458	92	550	273	46	319	211	39	250
Halls Creek	999	203	1,202	582	163	745	333	98	431
Koolan Island	1	—	1	1	—	1	1	—	1
Kununurra	783	121	904	473	88	561	348	66	414
Wyndham	206	46	252	137	36	173	106	27	133
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,955</i>	<i>770</i>	<i>4,725</i>	<i>2,358</i>	<i>520</i>	<i>2,878</i>	<i>1,589</i>	<i>382</i>	<i>1,971</i>
<b>Western Australian Total</b>	<b>64,276</b>	<b>15,524</b>	<b>79,875</b>	<b>33,196</b>	<b>7,232</b>	<b>40,471</b>	<b>24,673</b>	<b>5,758</b>	<b>30,473</b>

See Explanatory Notes. (a) An individual, who appeared at more than one court location, will be included in the counts for each of those court locations but only once in the total. (b) Includes corporate bodies.

## SECTION 3 — COURTS OF PETTY SESSIONS

TABLE 18 — PENALTIES IMPOSED BY OFFENCE CLASS AND PENALTY TYPE, 1992 — 93

Offence class	Total convictions	Penalties							Two or more penalties (b)	
		Imprisonment or detention	Suspended sentence or CRO	CSO	Probation	Good behaviour bond (a)	Loss or suspended MDL	Fine		
Offences against the person —										
115 Driving causing death	22	4	—	5	6	—	22	12	—	22
121 Assault occasioning grievous bodily harm	33	2	—	2	3	—	30	28	—	30
122 Assault occasioning actual bodily harm	1,001	199	—	54	103	97	65	580	9	106
129 Other assault	2,502	360	—	132	247	321	3	1,500	54	112
136 Sexual assault according to State or Territory law	5	1	—	—	2	1	—	—	1	0
191 Kidnapping and abduction	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	0
192 Illtreatment of children	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
193 Hijacking of & other acts endangering life (aircraft etc)	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	0
199 Other offences against the person	14	4	—	—	2	—	—	8	—	0
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,580</i>	<i>570</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>193</i>	<i>363</i>	<i>419</i>	<i>120</i>	<i>2,130</i>	<i>65</i>	<i>270</i>
Robbery and extortion —										
212 Other robbery	3	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	0
<i>Total</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>0</i>
Breaking and entering, fraud etc —										
311 Breaking and entering	2,207	759	3	427	671	92	33	642	8	425
321 Fraud, forgery and false pretences	11,228	2,250	1,197	2,639	3,158	3,961	38	3,062	26	3,612
322 Misappropriation	566	86	—	191	243	27	—	189	12	182
323 Counterfeiting	18	—	1	—	1	10	—	9	—	3
331 Receiving	1,114	172	—	188	210	76	3	611	13	157
332 Unlawful possession of stolen goods	248	36	—	16	26	6	—	170	5	11
339 Handling of stolen goods, other	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
351 Theft or illegal use of a motor vehicle	929	338	1	143	229	25	116	317	4	232
399 Other theft	6,872	747	2	570	1,008	617	72	4,060	334	534
<i>Total</i>	<i>23,183</i>	<i>4,389</i>	<i>1,204</i>	<i>4,174</i>	<i>5,546</i>	<i>4,814</i>	<i>262</i>	<i>9,060</i>	<i>402</i>	<i>5,156</i>
Property and environment offences —										
411 Arson	2	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	1
419 Other property damage	1,871	115	1	81	129	91	7	1,456	53	61
421 Pollution	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	0
423 Flora and fauna	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	1	0
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,885</i>	<i>115</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>83</i>	<i>130</i>	<i>91</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>1,467</i>	<i>54</i>	<i>62</i>

See footnotes at end of table.

## SECTION 3 — COURTS OF PETTY SESSIONS

TABLE 18 — PENALTIES IMPOSED BY OFFENCE CLASS AND PENALTY TYPE, 1992 — 93 — continued

Offence class	Total convictions	Penalties								Two or more penalties (b)
		Impris- onment or deten- tion	Suspend- ed sentence or CRO	CSO	Prob- ation	Good behav- iour bond (a)	Loss or suspend- ed MDL	Fine	Other	
Offences against good order —										
511 Offences against Government security and operations	35	2	—	—	6	2	—	20	5	0
524 Contempt of court, other	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	0
525 Pervert the course of justice, including perjury	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	0
526 Breach of community service order	173	21	—	17	11	9	—	118	—	3
527 Breach of other probation, parole etc orders	3,846	845	—	123	327	89	6	2,541	55	140
528 Escape from custody	284	152	—	12	14	—	1	114	1	10
533 Resist / hinder police	3,754	188	21	97	148	74	86	3,265	57	160
534 Conspiracy (offence type not specified)	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	0
549 Other offences against justice procedures	482	4	—	44	33	42	1	386	14	41
551 Possession and/or use of firearms	630	17	—	3	10	21	—	562	38	21
558 Possession and/or use of other weapons	283	16	—	13	19	10	—	228	8	11
559 Possession, use and handling weapons, other	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	0
571 Child pornography	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	0
572 Censorship	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	0
591 Liquor licensing	1,498	31	—	1	4	28	—	1,403	32	1
592 Betting and gambling	45	—	—	—	—	—	—	45	—	0
593 Trespassing and vagrancy	715	52	—	18	42	37	2	541	38	15
595 Prostitution	42	—	—	—	—	1	—	41	—	0
599 Other offences against good order	5,313	155	—	54	154	161	6	4,604	236	57
Total	17,116	1,485	21	382	768	474	102	13,882	484	459
Drug offences —										
613 Possess and/or use opium	66	5	—	2	4	2	—	54	1	2
614 Possess and/or use cocaine	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	0
617 Possess and/or use cannabis, all forms	4,344	40	—	50	96	22	—	4,091	78	33
618 Possess and/or use other drugs	1,200	199	—	16	44	4	—	932	16	11
643 Import/export opium and its derivatives	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
645 Import/export other narcotics	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	0
647 Import/export cannabis, all forms	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	0
648 Import/export other drugs	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	—	0
653 Deal and traffic in opium and its derivatives	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
654 Deal and traffic in cocaine and its derivatives	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
657 Deal and traffic in cannabis, all forms	372	14	—	39	52	3	—	295	1	32
658 Deal and traffic in other drugs	97	15	—	13	17	1	—	64	—	13
663 Manufacture/grow opium and its derivatives	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	0
667 Manufacture/grow cannabis, all forms	1,322	10	—	26	40	7	—	1,254	4	19
668 Manufacture/grow other drugs	73	1	—	1	5	—	—	67	—	1
699 Other drug offences	2,556	18	—	31	64	18	—	2,412	37	24
Total	10,043	302	—	178	322	57	—	9,182	137	135

See footnotes at end of table.



## SECTION 3 — COURTS OF PETTY SESSIONS

TABLE 18 — PENALTIES IMPOSED BY OFFENCE CLASS AND PENALTY TYPE, 1992 — 93 — continued

Offence class	Total convictions	Penalties							Two or more penalties (b)	
		Imprisonment or detention	Suspended sentence or CRO	CSO	Probation	Good behaviour bond (a)	Loss or suspended MDL	Fine		
<b>Motor vehicle and traffic offences —</b>										
711 Drink driving offences	9,831	163	—	80	104	1	9,648	9,521	14	9,655
724 Dangerous and reckless driving	1,069	58	—	10	33	—	832	976	1	832
732 Driving while licence suspended or cancelled	1,890	187	—	37	65	1	1,742	1,626	63	1,806
733 Driving without a licence (excluding Group 732)	4,136	277	1	64	111	1	2,015	3,725		2,020
739 Other driving offences	368	2	—	1	4		20	360	9	28
749 Traffic offences (excluding parking)	1,800	19	—	14	18		304	1,752	2	308
751 Registration offences (including Third Party insurance)	623	3	—	1	2		5	617	1	6
752 Roadworthiness	68	—	—	—	—		2	67	1	2
799 Other motor vehicle, traffic and related offences	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>19,786</b>	<b>709</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>14,568</b>	<b>18,645</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>14,657</b>
<b>Other offences —</b>										
812 Company legislation	24	—	—	—	—	—		24	—	0
821 Banking, financial institutions and insurance	27	—	—	—	1	—		26	—	0
831 Taxation and stamp duty (excluding excise)	139	—	—	—	—	68		71	—	0
832 Posts and telecommunications	132	—	1	4	—	84	—	42	2	1
833 Customs, excise etc	11	—	—	—	—	3	—	8	—	0
834 Immigration, passports etc	14	3	—	—	—	1	—	10	—	0
836 Air navigation, airports and aircraft operations	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	1	1
838 Bankruptcy	19	3	3	—	—	4	—	15	—	3
839 Copyright and patents	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	12	—	0
842 Births, deaths, marriages etc	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	0
844 Railways and other transport	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	0
845 Marine navigation, coastal, inland waterways etc	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	—	0
846 Energy — electricity, gas etc	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	0
847 Agriculture and stock, pasture protection, guano etc	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	0
848 Fisheries	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	13	—	0
852 Marketing boards etc, control	33	—	—	—	—	—	—	32	1	0
854 Secret commissions, trade practices etc	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
856 Explosives	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	—	0
857 Scaffolding, cranes, lifts, industrial safety	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
861 Dog control	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	—	0
889 Other offences, nec	429	296	—	—	—	10	—	121	2	0
891 Prison security	48	12	—	—	—	—	—	35	1	0
892 Contraband/drug related	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
893 Prison officials, offences against	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>953</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>76,549</b>	<b>7,888</b>	<b>1,231</b>	<b>5,221</b>	<b>7,467</b>	<b>6,029</b>	<b>15,059</b>	<b>54,825</b>	<b>1,240</b>	<b>20,744</b>

See Explanatory Notes. (a) Includes parental good behaviour bond. (b) For each offence type and group, this is the number of convictions that attracted more than one penalty.

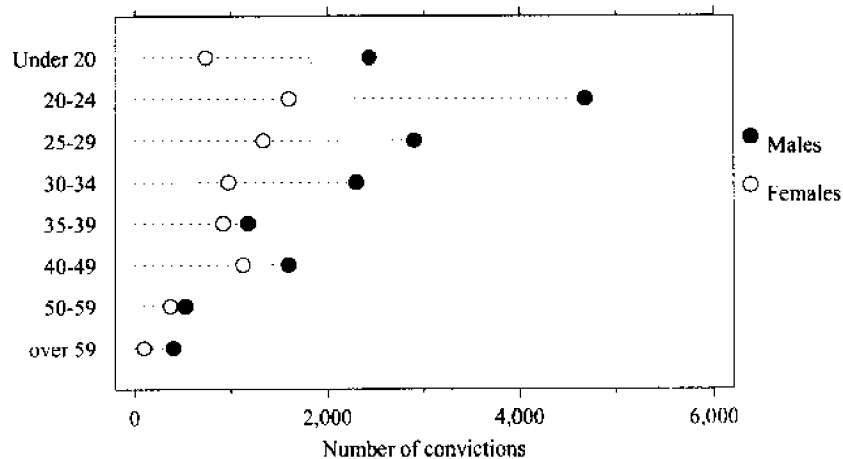
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TABLE 19 — CONVICTIONS BY SEX, OFFENCE GROUP AND AGE, 1992 — 93

Offence group	Age group								Not stated	Total (a)
	Under 20	20 - 24	25 - 29	30 - 34	35 - 39	40 - 49	50 - 59	60 and over		
MALES										
Offences against the person	452	944	642	424	266	261	59	37		3,085
Robbery and extortion	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Breaking and entering, fraud etc	2,438	4,675	2,897	2,301	1,173	1,601	530	409	2	16,026
Property and environment offences	348	610	289	176	104	72	19	5	—	1,623
Offences against good order	2,558	4,508	2,659	1,620	1,168	1,070	328	105	2	14,018
Drug offences	1,604	3,037	1,659	1,086	599	379	53	9	—	8,426
Motor vehicle and traffic offences	2,322	5,526	3,510	2,399	1,575	1,630	483	121	—	17,566
Other offences	223	170	94	43	62	194	13	2		801
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,946</b>	<b>19,471</b>	<b>11,750</b>	<b>8,049</b>	<b>4,947</b>	<b>5,207</b>	<b>1,485</b>	<b>688</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>61,547</b>
FEMALES										
Offences against the person	44	145	96	76	67	48	14	5	—	495
Robbery and extortion	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Breaking and entering, fraud etc	739	1,597	1,331	969	915	1,126	369	104	6	7,156
Property and environment offences	34	87	60	39	23	13	5	1	—	262
Offences against good order	278	996	548	442	420	190	146	17	3	3,040
Drug offences	191	569	327	266	143	115	6	—	—	1,617
Motor vehicle and traffic offences	292	668	473	325	226	205	23	8	—	2,220
Other offences	32	74	7	8	6	13	3	—	—	143
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,610</b>	<b>4,137</b>	<b>2,842</b>	<b>2,125</b>	<b>1,800</b>	<b>1,710</b>	<b>566</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>14,934</b>
TOTAL										
Offences against the person	496	1,089	738	500	333	309	73	42	—	3,580
Robbery and extortion	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
Breaking and entering, fraud etc	3,177	6,272	4,228	3,270	2,088	2,727	899	513	8	23,183
Property and environment offences	382	697	349	215	127	85	24	6	—	1,885
Offences against good order	2,836	5,504	3,207	2,062	1,588	1,260	474	122	5	17,116
Drug offences	1,795	3,606	1,986	1,352	742	494	59	9	—	10,043
Motor vehicle and traffic offences	2,614	6,194	3,983	2,724	1,801	1,835	506	129	—	19,786
Other offences	255	244	101	51	68	207	16	2	—	953
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,556</b>	<b>23,608</b>	<b>14,592</b>	<b>10,174</b>	<b>6,747</b>	<b>6,917</b>	<b>2,051</b>	<b>823</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>76,549</b>

See Explanatory Notes. (a) Includes corporate bodies.

**COURTS OF PETTY SESSIONS**  
**CONVICTIONS FOR BREAKING AND ENTERING, FRAUD ETC**  
**BY AGE AND SEX, 1992-93**  
 (Reference Table 19)

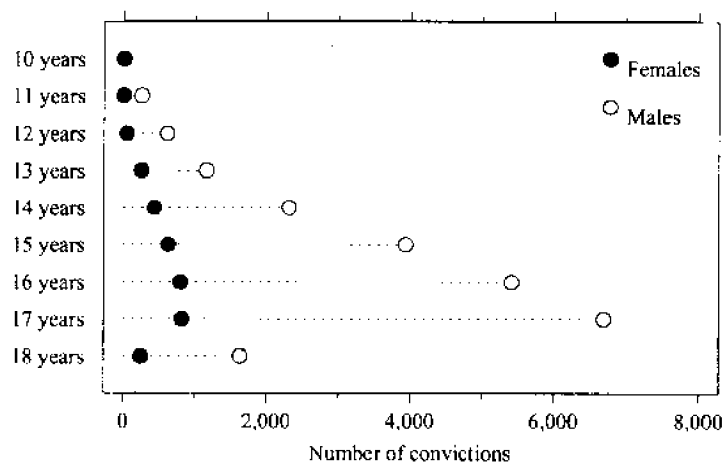


## SECTION 4 : CHILDREN'S COURTS

### SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

- Convictions** In the Children's Courts in 1992-93 there were 25,764 convictions recorded against 4,096 individuals. Compared with 1991-92, convictions were down 15.2 per cent and the number of individuals convicted was down 33.0 per cent.
- Convictions were down 20.5 per cent for non-Aboriginal males, 18.2 per cent for non-Aboriginal females, 6.6 per cent for Aboriginal males and 10.0 per cent for Aboriginal females. Individuals convicted were down 29.4 per cent for non-Aboriginal males, 30.1 per cent for non-Aboriginal females, 19.9 per cent for Aboriginal males and 28.0 per cent for Aboriginal females.
- Offences** The offence groups to record the most significant reductions in the number of convictions in 1992-93 were *breaking and entering, fraud etc* down 11.3 per cent, *motor vehicle and traffic offences* down 25.1 per cent and *offences against good order* down 25.2 per cent.
- For *offences against the person* there was a reduction in the number of convictions of 3.3 per cent. However, within this group murder convictions were down from 11 in 1991-92 to 1 in 1992-93. *Robbery and extortion* was one of only two groups to show an increase in convictions, increasing 219 per cent to record 338 convictions in 1992-93.
- Perth** The Perth Statistical Division recorded 19,711 convictions, a decrease of 8.4 per cent on 1991-92. Its share of the State's convictions increased from 70.8 per cent to 76.5 per cent. Outside Perth Statistical Division the busiest courts in terms of convictions were Kalgoorlie with 6.3 per cent of all convictions and Geraldton with 2.0 per cent.
- Age** In 1992-93 the number of convictions for most age groups declined from the previous year, except for 12 and 13 year olds and those aged over 18. Of these, the most significant increase was for the 12 year olds, whose number of convictions increased 63.3 per cent to 663.
- In Children's Courts in 1992-93, 29 per cent of convictions were against 17 year olds, the same proportion as in 1991-92. Proportions for other ages were also similar to the previous year.
- Penalties** The number of penalties imposed in 1992-93 declined by 10.8 per cent, compared with a decline in the number of convictions of 15.2 per cent. The imposition of 2 or more penalties for a conviction in 1992-93 increased by 68.7 per cent to 2,687 instances.
- The penalties most frequently imposed were probation (5,081 instances), imprisonment or detention (5,022 instances) and suspended sentence or CRO (4,862 instances). The number of penalties of imprisonment or detention declined by 2.2 per cent in 1992-93. In 1991-92 imprisonment or detention accounted for 16.0 per cent of all penalties and in 1992-93 this category accounted for 17.6 per cent of all penalties.

CHILDREN'S COURTS  
CONVICTIONS BY AGE AND SEX  
1992-93  
(Reference Table 24)



## SECTION 4 — CHILDREN'S COURTS

TABLE 20 — SUMMARY COUNTS (a) BY ABORIGINALITY AND SEX, 1992 — 93

<i>Summary of counts</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Total</i>
<b>NON-ABORIGINAL</b>			
Charges	10,475	1,157	11,632
Distinct persons charged	3,400	412	3,812
Individuals charged	1,932	278	2,210
Convictions	10,475	1,157	11,632
Distinct persons convicted	3,400	411	3,811
Individuals convicted	1,932	277	2,209
<b>ABORIGINAL</b>			
Charges	8,547	1,475	10,022
Distinct persons charged	1,818	432	2,250
Individuals charged	743	211	954
Convictions	8,547	1,475	10,022
Distinct persons convicted	1,819	432	2,251
Individuals convicted	743	211	954
<b>UNKNOWN</b>			
Charges	3,377	733	4,110
Distinct persons charged	1,134	267	1,401
Individuals charged	750	183	933
Convictions	3,377	733	4,110
Distinct persons convicted	1,134	267	1,401
Individuals convicted	750	183	933
<b>TOTAL</b>			
Charges	22,399	3,365	25,764
Distinct persons charged	6,352	1,111	7,463
Individuals charged	3,425	672	4,097
Convictions	22,399	3,365	25,764
Distinct persons convicted	6,353	1,110	7,463
Individuals convicted	3,425	671	4,096

See Explanatory Notes. (a) The data collected for Children's Courts excludes those charges for which the result was something other than conviction ie total charges equals total convictions.

TABLE 21 — APPEARANCES ON CONVICTION BY MOST SERIOUS MATTER, AGE AND PENALTY TYPE, 1992 — 93

<i>Age - years</i>	<i>Penalties</i>								<i>Two or more penalties (b)</i>
	<i>Imprisonment or detention</i>	<i>Suspended sentence or CRO</i>	<i>CSO</i>	<i>Probation</i>	<i>Good behaviour bond (a)</i>	<i>Loss or suspended MDL</i>	<i>Fine</i>	<i>Other</i>	
10	—	—	1	2	1	—	1	2	
11	2	3	7	14	6	1	—	28	1
12	5	16	42	28	17	2	2	53	4
13	22	32	96	66	16	8	4	81	9
14	51	64	196	107	61	16	23	149	17
15	66	102	343	157	156	34	81	257	43
16	132	141	322	183	278	80	312	279	82
17	143	95	405	233	460	295	893	321	341
18	25	6	104	69	89	56	364	85	70
Over 18	6	4	21	10	13	7	74	26	8
Not stated	—	—	14	6	14	12	35	20	13
<b>Total</b>	<b>452</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>1,551</b>	<b>875</b>	<b>1,111</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>1,789</b>	<b>1,301</b>	<b>588</b>

See Explanatory Notes. (a) Includes parental good behaviour bond. (b) For each offence type and group, this is the number of appearances that attracted more than one penalty.

## SECTION 4 — CHILDREN'S COURTS

TABLE 22 — CONVICTIONS, DISTINCT PERSONS AND INDIVIDUALS CONVICTED

BY STATISTICAL DIVISION, COURT AND SEX, 1992 — 93

Statistical division and court	Convictions			Distinct persons convicted			Individuals convicted (a)		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Perth —									
Armadale	589	72	661	264	37	301	198	35	233
Fremantle	1,219	119	1,338	454	56	510	299	51	350
Midland	703	76	779	314	49	363	241	41	282
Perth	14,333	2,287	16,620	3,116	599	3,715	1,725	365	2,090
Rockingham	277	36	313	144	17	161	115	16	131
Total	17,121	2,590	19,711	4,292	758	5,050	2,332	470	2,802
South West —									
Boyup Brook	3	—	3	1	—	1	1	—	1
Bridgetown	9	1	10	5	1	6	5	1	6
Bunbury	279	13	292	117	9	126	97	8	105
Busselton	85	11	96	35	9	44	28	8	36
Collie	137	26	163	58	6	64	34	5	39
Donnybrook	8	—	8	5	—	5	4	—	4
Harvey	59	3	62	19	3	22	10	2	12
Mandurah	205	17	222	84	11	95	66	11	77
Manjimup	93	7	100	35	4	39	26	4	30
Margaret River	14	1	15	11	1	12	11	1	12
Pinjarra	23	2	25	10	1	11	8	1	9
Waroona	10	—	10	7	—	7	7	—	7
Yarloop	2	—	2	2	—	2	2	—	2
Total	927	81	1,008	389	45	434	289	40	329
Lower Great Southern —									
Albany	281	30	311	128	14	142	91	12	103
Cranbrook	1	—	1	1	—	1	1	—	1
Gnowangerup	1	—	1	1	—	1	1	—	1
Katanning	61	14	75	26	10	36	24	10	34
Kojonup	3	—	3	2	—	2	2	—	2
Tambellup	12	5	17	10	3	13	8	3	11
Total	359	49	408	168	27	195	123	25	148
Upper Great Southern —									
Boddington	4	—	4	3	—	3	3	—	3
Brookton	2	—	2	2	—	2	2	—	2
Corrigin	3	—	3	2	—	2	1	—	1
Kondinin	—	1	1	—	1	1	—	1	1
Kulin	—	2	2	—	1	1	—	1	1
Lake Grace	1	—	1	1	—	1	1	—	1
Narrogin	67	16	83	28	4	32	26	3	29
Pingelly	9	1	10	5	1	6	5	1	6
Wagin	2	13	15	1	4	5	1	3	4
Total	88	33	121	42	11	53	39	8	47

See footnotes at end of table.

## SECTION 4 — CHILDREN'S COURTS

TABLE 22 — CONVICTIONS, DISTINCT PERSONS AND INDIVIDUALS CONVICTED

BY STATISTICAL DIVISION, COURT AND SEX, 1992 — 93—continued

Statistical division and court	Convictions			Distinct persons convicted			Individuals convicted (a)		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Midlands —									
Bencubbin	1	—	1	1	—	1	1	—	1
Beverley	2	—	2	1	—	1	1	—	1
Bruce Rock	19	—	19	6	—	6	4	—	4
Cunderdin	2	—	2	1	—	1	1	—	1
Dalwallinu	2	—	2	2	—	2	2	—	2
Gingin	16	6	22	12	2	14	11	2	13
Goomalling	9	—	9	5	—	5	5	—	5
Kellerberrin	11	—	11	7	—	7	7	—	7
Koorda	—	1	1	—	1	1	—	1	1
Lancelin	3	—	3	3	—	3	3	—	3
Merredin	16	—	16	13	—	13	13	—	13
Moora	79	14	93	30	8	38	17	6	23
Mukinbudin	1	—	1	1	—	1	1	—	1
Northam	54	1	55	20	1	21	19	1	20
Toodyay	2	—	2	2	—	2	2	—	2
Trayning	1	—	1	1	—	1	1	—	1
Wongan Hills	3	—	3	2	—	2	2	—	2
Wundowie	14	—	14	7	—	7	6	—	6
Wyalkatchem	6	—	6	3	—	3	3	—	3
York	14	2	16	9	2	11	9	2	11
Total	255	24	279	126	14	140	104	12	116
South Eastern									
Coolgardie	14	—	14	7	—	7	5	—	5
Esperance	28	2	30	15	2	17	15	2	17
Eucia	32	—	32	20	—	20	17	—	17
Kalgoorlie	1,389	229	1,618	372	93	465	182	44	226
Laverton	50	21	71	13	6	19	11	5	16
Leonora	155	3	158	72	3	75	21	2	23
Norseman	42	5	47	18	2	20	14	2	16
Total	1,710	260	1,970	517	106	623	242	51	293
Central —									
Carnamah	339	29	368	144	21	165	65	14	79
Cue	12	10	22	4	4	8	3	3	6
Dongara	6	1	7	5	1	6	5	1	6
Geraldton	410	99	509	179	44	223	122	30	152
Meekatharra	211	36	247	91	14	105	42	8	50
Morawa	3	—	3	2	—	2	2	—	2
Mount Magnet	5	—	5	3	—	3	3	—	3
Mullewa	57	18	75	25	10	35	18	6	24
Northampton	4	—	4	3	—	3	3	—	3
Shark Bay	2	1	3	1	1	2	1	1	2
Three Springs	4	—	4	2	—	2	2	—	2
Warburton	5	—	5	2	—	2	2	—	2
Wiluna	57	35	92	29	17	46	18	7	25
Total	1,115	229	1,344	490	112	602	272	67	339

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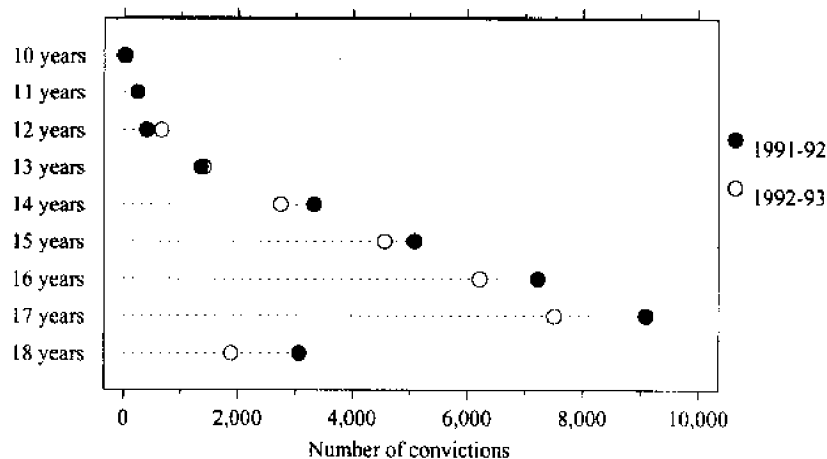
TABLE 22 — CONVICTIONS, DISTINCT PERSONS AND INDIVIDUALS CONVICTED

BY STATISTICAL DIVISION, COURT AND SEX, 1992 — 93—continued

Statistical division and court	Convictions			Distinct persons convicted			Individuals convicted (a)		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
<b>Pilbara —</b>									
Karratha	132	14	146	56	9	65	39	5	44
Marble Bar	4	—	4	2	—	2	2	—	2
Newman	23	4	27	16	1	17	11	1	12
Onslow	16	1	17	8	1	9	8	1	9
Port Hedland	166	44	210	76	12	88	59	10	69
Roebourne	142	11	153	51	3	54	37	2	39
<i>Total</i>	483	74	557	209	26	235	155	19	174
<b>Kimberley —</b>									
Broome	83	15	98	32	8	40	29	6	35
Derby	57	—	57	21	—	21	16	—	16
Fitzroy Crossing	3	—	3	1	—	1	1	—	1
Halls Creek	128	1	129	36	1	37	24	1	25
Kununurra	53	9	62	24	3	27	16	3	19
Wyndham	17	—	17	5	—	5	5	—	5
<i>Total</i>	341	25	366	119	12	131	87	10	97
<b>Western Australian Total</b>	<b>22,399</b>	<b>3,365</b>	<b>25,764</b>	<b>6,352</b>	<b>1,111</b>	<b>7,463</b>	<b>3,425</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>4,097</b>

See Explanatory Notes. (a) An individual, who appeared at more than one court location, will be included in the counts for each of those court locations but only once in the total.

CHILDREN'S COURTS  
TOTAL CONVICTIONS BY AGE AND YEAR  
1991-92, 1992-93  
(Reference Table 24)



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TABLE 23 — CONVICTIONS AND PENALTIES IMPOSED BY OFFENCE CLASS AND PENALTY TYPE, 1992 — 93

Offence class	Total convictions	Penalties							Dismissed	Two or more penalties (b)
		Imprisonment or detention	Suspended sentence or CRO	CSO	Probation	Good behaviour bond (a)	Loss or suspended MDL	Fine		
Offences against the person —										
111 Murder	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
112 Attempted murder	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
114 Manslaughter (excluding death by driving)	4	—	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	0
115 Driving causing death	3	2	1	—	—	1	1	—	—	1
121 Assault occasioning grievous bodily harm	27	6	7	5	5	3	3	3	1	6
122 Assault occasioning actual bodily harm	240	30	33	40	82	39	2	10	20	16
129 Other assault	620	145	99	98	130	61	4	39	67	23
136 Sexual assault according to State or Territory law	73	17	17	8	31	3	—	2	4	9
137 Sexual offences (consent proscribed)	8	4	4	1	2	—	—	—	1	4
139 Other sexual offences	9	—	—	—	6	1	—	—	2	0
191 Kidnapping and abduction	35	10	9	4	14	1	—	—	1	4
199 Other offences against the person	3	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	0
Total	1,026	218	173	156	271	110	10	56	96	63
Robbery and extortion —										
211 Armed robbery	20	18	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	0
212 Other robbery	318	110	112	31	73	2	10	2	2	24
Total	338	128	113	32	73	2	10	2	2	24
Breaking and entering, fraud etc —										
311 Breaking and entering	5,817	1,252	1,351	1,172	1,664	255	27	101	312	317
321 Fraud, forgery and false pretences	336	72	7	75	55	99	—	16	12	0
322 Misappropriation	17	—	—	3	3	3	—	—	8	0
323 Counterfeiting	8	—	—	4	—	4	—	—	—	0
331 Receiving	258	23	23	68	43	53	2	18	31	3
332 Unlawful possession of stolen goods	6	—	—	1	1	—	—	3	1	0
339 Handling of stolen goods, other	90	14	14	16	11	15	—	7	13	0
351 Theft or illegal use of a motor vehicle	3,278	1,067	952	461	754	85	625	31	99	739
399 Other theft	3,156	525	621	637	664	333	19	147	334	123
Total	12,966	2,953	2,968	2,437	3,195	847	673	323	810	1,182
Property and environment offences —										
411 Arson	47	3	5	5	27	3	—	—	5	1
419 Other property damage	1,071	142	133	253	245	99	3	100	129	33
423 Flora and fauna	49	—	46	—	1	2	—	—	—	0
Total	1,167	145	184	258	273	104	3	100	134	34
Offences against good order —										
511 Offences against Government security and operations	3	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	1	0
525 Pervert the course of justice, including perjury	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	0
526 Breach of community service order	116	17	23	24	22	5	—	20	8	3
527 Breach of other probation, parole etc orders	1,440	346	367	127	273	40	11	88	238	49
528 Escape from custody	103	25	28	8	16	9	2	5	15	5
533 Resist / hinder police	769	107	114	116	100	126	30	120	104	48
549 Other offences against justice procedures	39	1	4	3	8	7	—	8	8	0
551 Possession and/or use of firearms	26	—	—	8	6	5	—	4	5	2
558 Possession and/or use of other weapons	73	11	10	9	11	11	—	8	15	2

See footnotes at end of table.



## SECTION 4 — CHILDREN'S COURTS

TABLE 23 — CONVICTIONS AND PENALTIES IMPOSED BY OFFENCE CLASS AND PENALTY TYPE, 1992 — 93—*continued*

Offence class	Total convictions	Penalties							Dismissed	Two or more penalties (b)
		Imprisonment or detention	Suspended sentence or CRO	CSO	Probation	Good behaviour bond (a)	Loss or suspended MDL	Fine		
Offences against good order —										
559 Possession, use and handling weapons, other	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	0
591 Liquor licensing	131	2	1	17	3	14	—	73	21	0
592 Betting and gambling	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	0
593 Trespassing and vagrancy	486	65	75	90	79	66	1	36	89	15
596 Drunkenness	2	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	1
599 Other offences against good order	874	57	60	139	107	154	1	173	193	10
Total	4,068	631	682	544	627	438	45	538	699	135
Drug offences —										
617 Possess and/or use cannabis, all forms	161	3	5	35	9	19	—	53	38	1
618 Possess and/or use other drugs	343	21	39	46	39	37	1	85	83	8
657 Deal and traffic in cannabis, all forms	13	—	1	—	—	2	—	3	7	0
658 Deal and traffic in other drugs	57	1	1	15	13	5	—	9	15	2
667 Manufacture/grow cannabis, all forms	24	—	—	4	3	3	—	11	3	0
668 Manufacture/grow other drugs	59	—	3	11	3	11	—	16	15	0
699 Other drug offences	320	9	16	52	46	43	—	82	75	3
Total	977	34	65	163	113	120	1	259	236	14
Motor vehicle and traffic offences										
711 Drink driving offences	484	14	13	68	20	63	205	293	13	205
724 Dangerous and reckless driving	670	201	140	102	96	28	202	106	21	222
725 Negligent driving	66	5	3	3	1	9	20	28	16	19
732 Driving while licence suspended or cancelled	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	2
733 Driving without a licence (excluding Group 732)	1,918	527	416	294	270	112	539	300	94	590
739 Other driving offences	359	8	10	44	11	28	18	243	21	24
749 Traffic offences (excluding parking)	923	136	85	106	68	45	141	425	82	162
751 Registration offences (including Third Party insurance)	127	2	5	25	7	16	2	48	29	7
752 Roadworthiness	76	—	1	14	1	6	—	40	15	1
791 Parking	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	0
799 Other motor vehicle, traffic and related offences	19	—	1	4	1	—	—	13	2	2
Total	4,645	893	674	660	475	307	1,129	1,499	293	1,234
Other offences —										
843 Education	18	—	—	—	4	1	—	—	13	0
844 Railways and other transport	49	4	2	11	12	6	—	8	7	1
845 Marine navigation, coastal, inland waterways etc	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	0
847 Agriculture and stock, pasture protection, guano etc	5	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	3	0
848 Fisheries	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	0
889 Other offences, nec	493	16	—	105	38	58	—	13	263	0
891 Prison security	6	—	—	2	—	—	—	2	2	0
Total	577	20	3	119	54	65	—	24	293	1
Grand Total	25,764	5,022	4,862	4,369	5,081	1,993	1,871	2,801	2,563	2,687

See Explanatory Notes. (a) Includes parental good behaviour bond. (b) For each offence type and group, this is the number of convictions that attracted more than one penalty.

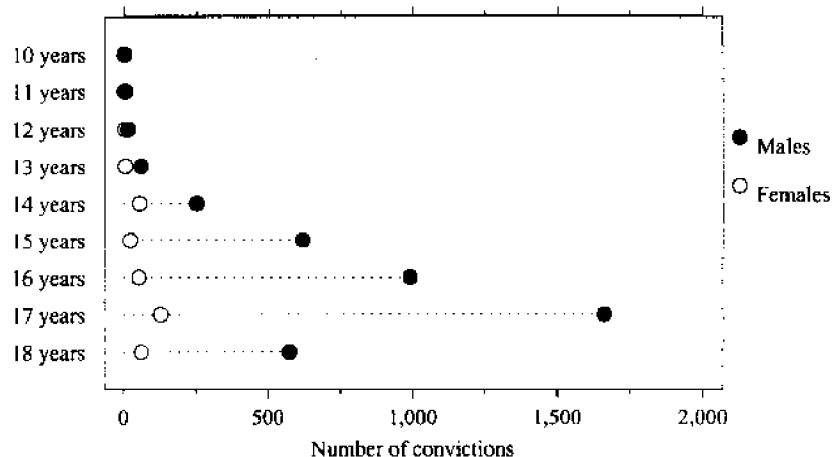
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TABLE 24 — CONVICTIONS BY SEX, OFFENCE GROUP AND AGE, 1992 — 93

Offence group	Age - years											Not stated	Total
	under 10	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	Over 18		
MALES													
Offences against the person	—	1	7	18	41	84	118	200	257	57	23	2	808
Robbery and extortion	—	—	2	6	9	39	37	73	119	34	—	—	319
Breaking and entering, fraud etc	—	6	181	474	801	1,444	2,179	2,728	2,831	567	73	35	11,319
Property and environment offences	—	—	30	36	104	123	209	237	255	36	18	9	1,057
Offences against good order	—	1	27	66	133	305	550	860	1,078	244	45	13	3,322
Drug offences	—	—	—	1	10	51	137	226	348	79	6	5	863
Motor vehicle and traffic offences	—	1	5	14	58	253	619	991	1,661	573	68	47	4,290
Other offences	—	—	—	1	3	12	88	98	140	43	36	—	421
Total	—	9	252	616	1,159	2,311	3,937	5,413	6,689	1,633	269	111	22,399
FEMALES													
Offences against the person	—	—	—	8	14	29	47	57	47	8	3	5	218
Robbery and extortion	—	—	—	—	7	2	3	4	2	1	—	—	19
Breaking and entering, fraud etc	—	—	1	22	157	242	380	379	318	113	15	20	1,647
Property and environment offences	—	—	—	5	17	10	22	26	26	1	2	1	110
Offences against good order	—	—	—	9	53	86	135	228	185	25	10	15	746
Drug offences	—	—	—	—	—	6	20	27	42	17	1	1	114
Motor vehicle and traffic offences	—	—	—	2	6	55	22	53	129	62	18	8	355
Other offences	—	—	—	1	1	1	4	29	70	20	30	—	156
Total	—	—	1	47	255	431	633	803	819	247	79	50	3,365
TOTAL													
Offences against the person	—	1	7	26	55	113	165	257	304	65	26	7	1,026
Robbery and extortion	—	—	2	6	16	41	40	77	121	35	—	—	338
Breaking and entering, fraud etc	—	6	182	496	958	1,686	2,559	3,107	3,149	680	88	55	12,966
Property and environment offences	—	—	30	41	121	133	231	263	281	37	20	10	1,167
Offences against good order	—	1	27	75	186	391	685	1,088	1,263	269	55	28	4,068
Drug offences	—	—	—	1	10	57	157	253	390	96	7	6	977
Motor vehicle and traffic offences	—	1	5	16	64	308	641	1,044	1,790	635	86	55	4,645
Other offences	—	—	—	2	4	13	92	127	210	63	66	—	577
Total	—	9	253	663	1,414	2,742	4,570	6,216	7,508	1,880	348	161	25,764

See Explanatory Notes.

CHILDREN'S COURTS  
CONVICTIONS FOR MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC OFFENCES  
BY SEX AND AGE, 1992-93  
(Reference Table 24)



## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### Introduction

The statistics contained in this publication relate to indictments finalised in the Supreme and District Courts of Western Australia during the twelve months ended 30 June 1993, and to complaints finalised in the Courts of Petty Sessions and Children's Courts of Western Australia, during the twelve months ended 30 June 1993.

2. It should be noted that a computerised collection and coding system was introduced for the processing of data for recent editions. As a result, the Australian National Classification of Offences (ANCO) code of each offence was automatically derived solely from the Act details which the offence contravened. This is in contrast to the statistics for previous years, where the ANCO code allocated to each offence was determined from the written description of that offence. Care should therefore be exercised when comparing the offence classifications for 1992-93 with those of previous years prior to 1991-92.

### Higher Courts

3. The Supreme Court of Western Australia is constituted under the *Supreme Court Act 1935* and exercises an original jurisdiction in both civil and criminal cases. It has exclusive jurisdiction in regard to certain cases, including serious indictable offences such as murder and treason. The Court is also vested with a wide range of appellate jurisdictions.

4. The District Court of Western Australia, constituted under the *District Court Act 1969*, is a court between the Supreme Court of Western Australia and the Courts of Petty Sessions.

5. The statistics for Higher Courts reported in this publication are derived from data supplied by the Ministry of Justice computing system.

### Courts of Petty Sessions

6. Established under the *Justices Act 1902*. In Western Australia, Courts of Petty Sessions deal with:

- (a) charges of simple offences against adult persons, e.g. traffic offences, disorderly behaviour
- (b) indictable offences triable summarily e.g. assault and theft
- (c) preliminary proceedings relating to indictable offences which are not triable summarily, or on which the defendant has an election and chooses to be dealt with on indictment, and
- (d) matters of an administrative and licensing nature.

7. The statistics for Courts of Petty Sessions are derived from administrative byproduct data on court proceedings supplied by the Western Australia Police Department.

### Children's Courts

8. For the purposes of this publication Children's Courts are those Courts established to hear and determine complaints of offences alleged to have been committed by persons under the age of eighteen years. A Children's Court may also exercise the powers of a Court of Petty Sessions under the Criminal Code, where a complaint of assaulting a child under the age of sixteen years is brought against a person who, at the time of the alleged offence, was of, or over the age of eighteen years.

9. Administration of the Children's Court was transferred from the Department of Corrective Services to the Crown Law Department on 1 December 1989, following the proclamation of the *Children's Court of Western Australia Act*. As a result of the proclamation of this Act a number of changes have occurred which will affect both the scope and coverage of Children's Court statistics.

10. The statistics for Children's Courts reported in this publication are derived from data supplied by the Department of Community Development.

### Scope

11. *Included* in the collection are complaints and indictments for which proceedings were commenced before or after 1 July 1992 and finalised during 1992-93.

12. *Excluded* are:

- (a) complaints and indictments for which proceedings were commenced and not finalised in 1992-93,
- (b) matters relating to the administration of criminal cases formerly dealt with by the court, e.g. conversion of fines to a community service order.
- (c) matters where the only outcome during 1992-93 was the issue of a bench warrant.
- (d) matters dealt with by the Children's Panel.

### Classification of Offences

13. Offences are classified according to the *Australian National Classification of Offences* (ANCO). This classification replaces the *Draft National Classification of Offences* (DANCO), and represents a break in series of Western Australian Court Statistics from 1 July 1987.

14. In the ANCO, acts of attempting, conspiring or inciting others to commit a crime, aiding in the commission of a crime, or participating as an accessory before the fact to a crime, are classified to the offence group to which the crime itself belongs. Separate groups are provided, however, for *Attempted murder* and *Conspiracy to murder*. Accessory after the fact is classified to Division 5 as an offence against good order.

15. The charge of rape was not used from 1 April 1986 following the *Acts Amendment (Sexual Assaults) Act No 74 of 1985*. The charge is now Aggravated sexual assault.

**Penalties**

16. The total number of penalties imposed may exceed the total number of charges for which convictions were recorded. This is because, once proven, an offence may attract more than one penalty

**Undercounting of Aboriginal Persons**

17. Statistics relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are no more than indicators of the incidence of charges involving Aboriginal persons. Many source documents do not state whether the person charged was Aboriginal or non-Aboriginal. The system of identification is based on observation by the person preparing records used for statistical compiling rather than through a process of self identification.

**Data Items collected**

18. More detailed statistics relating to the following data items are available upon request:

- Court of finalisation
- Date of finalisation
- Gender
- Aboriginality
- Age
- Type of offence
- Outcome
- Type of penalty
- Severity of penalty

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## GLOSSARY OF TERMS

**Appearance.** For the purposes of this publication, an Appearance is an appearance by an accused person in court, during which at least one complaint against that person is finalised.

**Complaint.** A complaint is a written charge preferred against a person in order to initiate court proceedings.

**Complaint finalised.** For statistical purposes a complaint is regarded as finalised when it is removed, with or without a court hearing, from the list of complaints awaiting hearing in a Court of Petty Sessions or Children's Court. Finalisation may occur:

(a) Prior to commencement of the court hearing or trial due to

- administrative or executive action (e.g. decline to prosecute, charges dropped), or
- other reasons (e.g. accused died).

(b) after commencement of court hearing or trial because

- there is a finding of guilty, and conviction and sentencing takes place, or
- the defendant is committed to a higher court for sentencing, or
- no conviction is recorded under certain circumstances, or
- the matter is an indictable offence and is committed to a higher court for hearing, or
- the matter is remitted to the Children's (Suspended Proceedings) Panel, or
- the matter relates to an offence by or against a minor and is remitted to the Children's Court, or
- the defendant is unfit to plead, or
- the case is not proceeded with, or
- the matter is not proven and the defendant is acquitted, or
- other reason (e.g. accused is of unsound mind, accused died).

**Conditional Release Order (CRO).** Offenders receiving this penalty are required to undertake unpaid work in the community for periods ranging from four to twelve weeks. Work is performed under strict supervision and failure to attend as required results in the penalty reverting to detention.

**Detention.** For statistical purposes included in the detention category are penalties recorded on source documents as:

- placed in a centre of strict security
- placed in the Longmore, Riverbank or Nyandi institutions.

**Distinct persons.** The number of distinct persons is compiled by summing one offence (the most serious) for each separate person appearing in court on a particular day. In effect, if an offender were to be involved in one court action early in a year and subsequently in a completely separate action later in the year the count would be two distinct persons.

**Indictment.** Indictment means a written charge preferred against an accused person in order to action a trial before some court other than justices exercising summary jurisdiction.

**Indictable Offence.** An indictable offence means an offence, a complaint of which is, unless otherwise expressly stated by the Criminal Code, triable by jury.

**Indictment Finalised.** For statistical purposes an indictment is regarded as finalised when it is removed, with or without a court hearing, from the list of indictments awaiting hearing in the Supreme or District Courts.

(a) Finalisation may occur prior to the commencement of a court hearing or trial because of:

- administrative or executive action (e.g. *nolle prosequi*, decline to prosecute, charges dropped) or
- other reason (e.g. accused died).

(b) Finalisation may occur after commencement of court hearing or trial because:

- the matter is proven. There is a finding of guilty and sentencing takes place, or
- the matter is not proven and the defendant is acquitted, or
- the defendant is committed from a lower court and is sentenced in the higher court, or
- the defendant is unfit to plead, or the case is not proceeded with, or
- other reason (e.g. accused is of unsound mind, accused died).

**Most serious offence.** For statistical purposes the most serious offence is the one attracting the most serious

penalty. In accordance with Australian standards for court statistics, the order of severity of penalties imposed in Western Australia is:

- Imprisonment / Detention juvenile institution
- Detention in a children's institution
- Conditional Release Order (CRO)
- Community Service Order (CSO)
- Probation
- Recognisance (bond)
- Loss or suspension of Motor Driver's Licence (MDL)
- Fine
- Compensation
- Placed under control or committed to care
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*Total charges.* The number of total charges is compiled by summing the counts of each offence for which a complaint is finalised during the year.





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