

Introduction

Corrective Services NSW (CSNSW) manages the largest prison system in Australia. In 2021/22* there were on average 12,491 inmates in full-time custody each day. CSNSW is responsible for ensuring that both sentenced and remand inmates (ie those in custody awaiting trial) are supervised and managed in a secure, safe and humane manner. It also provides programs designed to reduce reoffending and appropriate services to support the well-being of inmates and their families.

CSNSW Correctional Facilities

- Thirty-four correctional centres in total
- Two transitional centres for female inmates (Bolwara at Emu Plains, and Parramatta)
- Fourteen 24-hour police/court complexes
- Three correctional centres (Parklea, Junee and Clarence) are privately operated
- Two correctional centres (Dillwynia, and Silverwater Women's) accommodate female inmates only.

Key Facts and Figures 2021/22

- **13,092 unsentenced offenders were remanded into a correctional centre.**
- **11,521 sentenced offenders commenced full-time custody.**
- **6.6% of the daily average inmates in full-time custody were female and 93.4% were male.**
- **27.1% of the daily average male inmates and 37.0% of daily average female inmates in full-time custody were of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent.**

* All statistics for 2021/22 unless otherwise specified

Percentage of population by length of sentence

| Length of sentence | Number* | % |
|---------------------------|---------|-------|
| Remand (unsentenced) | 4,698 | 38.1% |
| Less than two years | 2,628 | 21.4% |
| 2 to 5 years | 1,740 | 14.1% |
| 5 to 20 years | 2,656 | 21.5% |
| More than 20 years | 499 | 4.0% |
| Life or Forensic Patients | 122 | 1.0% |

* as at 30 June 2021

Daily cost of custody services per inmate*

The cost per inmate per day was \$286.89, which is significantly lower than the national average of \$294.90.

Rates of assaults in custody

Rates for incidents of serious prisoner-on-officer assault was 0.01 per 100 inmates. The serious prisoner-on-prisoner assault rate has decreased from the previous year at 0.27 to 0.26 per 100 inmates.

Rates of apparent unnatural deaths in custody

There were two Aboriginal deaths from unnatural causes in custody. The overall rate of apparent unnatural deaths in custody remains at 0.07 per 100 inmates.

Rates of escapes from custody

In 2021-22 there were four escapes from correctional centres, mostly from minimum security prisons.

All four escapees were recaptured.

Secure transport of inmates

CSNSW ensures that inmates are transported securely and safely between correctional centres and 24-hour court cell complexes and to courthouses, medical facilities and other approved locations.

In 2021/22 CSNSW was responsible for more than 315,000 individual inmate movements.

Rehabilitation programs to reduce reoffending

CSNSW uses 30 evidence-based approved rehabilitation programs aimed at addressing the behaviours associated with offending. Evidence-based assessment methods are used to identify and target offenders with the highest risk of reoffending.

Further information about offender programs is available in Fact Sheet 6.

Education and vocational training for inmates

CSNSW provides education and vocational training to inmates, through its Adult Education and Vocational Training Institute (AEVTI). The training is provided by AEVTI staff and external providers.

Work experience for inmates

Corrective Services Industries (CSI) provides real work experience and training to inmates. This enhances their skills and opportunities to gain post-release employment, while at the same time keeping inmates occupied during their term of imprisonment. It also provides inmates with a small income for the purchase of items sold under the 'Buy-ups' scheme.

Further information about CSI is available in Fact Sheet 7.

Prison visitors

CSNSW welcomes family and friends who wish to visit inmates in custody. Visits help maintain strong family relationships and make it easier for inmates to readjust to life in the community when they are released.

Further information about visiting an inmate is available in Fact Sheet 8.

Healthcare for inmates

CSNSW has a duty of care to ensure all inmates have access to appropriate healthcare during their time in custody. The Justice Health and Forensic Mental Health Network is a key CSNSW partner which provides best practice healthcare to inmates. This includes primary care and clinical assessments, mental health and psychiatric services, dental services, optometry, drug and alcohol related services and sexual health services.



Every offender receives a full health assessment when entering the prison system.

Locations of correctional centres

| Correctional Centre | Security Classification |
|--|-------------------------|
| Bathurst | Max / Med / Min |
| Broken Hill | Med / Min |
| Cessnock | Minimum |
| Clarence Correctional Centre (privately operated by Serco) | Max / Min |
| Compulsory Drug Treatment Correctional Centre (located at Parklea) | Medium |
| Cooma | Med / Min |
| Dawn De Loas (Located on the Silverwater Complex) | Minimum |
| Dillwynia (Located on the Frances Greenway Complex, Windsor) | Medium |
| Emu Plains | Minimum |
| Glen Innes | Minimum |
| Goulburn | Max / Min |
| High Risk Management (located at Goulburn) | Maximum |
| Hunter (located on the Cessnock Complex) | Maximum |
| John Morony (located on the Frances Greenway Complex, Windsor) | Medium |
| Junee (privately operated by GEO) | Med / Min |
| Kirkconnell | Minimum |
| Lithgow | Maximum |
| Long Bay Hospital (located on the Long Bay Complex, Matraville) | Maximum |
| Metropolitan Special Programs Centre (located on the Long Bay Complex, Matraville) | Max / Med / Min |
| Macquarie (located on the Wellington Complex) | Maximum |
| Mannus | Minimum |
| Mary Wade (located at Lidcombe) | Minimum |
| Metropolitan Remand and Reception Centre (located on the Silverwater Complex) | Maximum |
| Mid North Coast (located at Kempsey) | Max / Med / Min |
| Oberon | Minimum |
| Outer Metropolitan Multi-Purpose Centre (located on the Frances Greenway Complex, Windsor) | Minimum |
| Parklea (privately operated by Broadspectrum) | Maximum |
| Shortland (located on the Cessnock Complex) | Maximum |
| Silverwater Women's | Maximum |
| South Coast (located at Nowra) | Max / Med / Min |
| Special Purpose Centre (located on the Long Bay Complex at Matraville) | Maximum |
| St Heliers (located at Muswellbrook) | Minimum |
| Tamworth | Med / Min |
| Wellington | Max / Min |