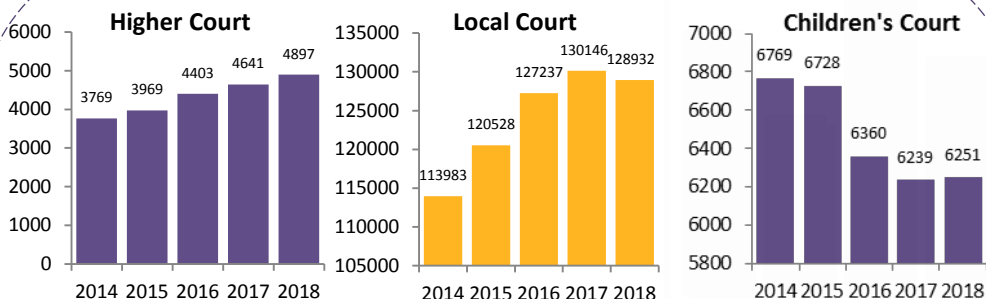


NSW CRIMINAL COURTS SNAPSHOT

Court workload

Court finalisations by jurisdiction



- ❖ In 2018, NSW criminal courts finalised 346,745 charges against 140,080 defendants. That is 15,559 more defendants than in 2014 (up 12.5%) but 946 fewer than in 2017 (down 0.7%).
- ❖ In 2018, 90.9% of defendants were found guilty of at least one charge.

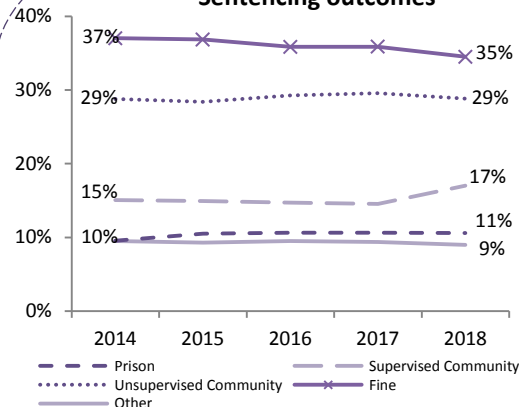
By offence type

Principal offence	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2 Year Trend	5 Year Trend
Homicide and related	140	128	121	144	134	Stable	Stable
Acts intended to cause injury	17,443	17,859	18,512	19,083	19,323	Stable	Up 10.8%
Sexual assault	859	937	1,117	1,188	1,316	Up 10.8%	Up 53.2%
Dangerous or negligent acts	3,127	2,972	2,939	2,955	2,959	Stable	Stable
Abduction/harassment	803	987	933	1,003	846	Stable	Stable
Robbery & extortion	790	790	715	692	692	Stable	Stable
Break and enter	2,153	2,231	2,212	2,366	2,274	Stable	Stable
Theft and related offences	6,818	7,230	7,879	7,712	7,728	Stable	Up 13.3%
Fraud and deception	2,639	2,885	3,452	3,556	3,382	Stable	Up 28.2%
Illicit drug offences	11,762	13,264	14,040	13,993	14,748	Stable	Up 25.4%
Weapons/explosives	1,975	2,214	2,442	2,493	2,626	Stable	Up 33.0%
Property damage	4,175	4,073	4,259	4,157	4,147	Stable	Stable
Public order offences	4,351	4,270	4,458	4,426	4,356	Stable	Stable
Traffic/vehicle offences	38,408	42,242	44,212	45,887	44,248	Stable	Up 15.2%
Against justice procedures	13,606	14,586	15,783	16,621	16,873	Stable	Up 24.0%
Total guilty defendants	110,702	118,120	124,619	127,695	127,088	Stable	Up 14.8%

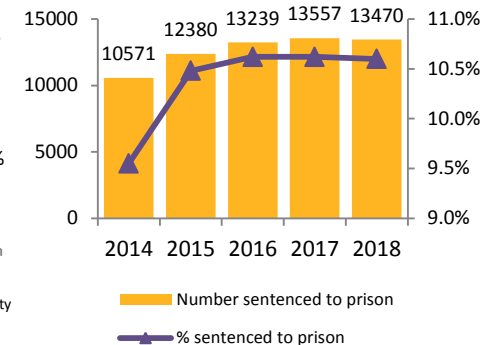
- ❖ Most of the growth since 2014 has come from the categories of:
 - Traffic and vehicle regulatory offences (an additional 5,840 persons convicted)
 - Offences against justice procedures (e.g. breaches of court orders) (an additional 3,267 persons convicted)
 - Illicit drug offences (an additional 2,986 persons convicted)
 - Acts intended to cause injury (an additional 1,880 persons convicted)

Sentencing

Sentencing outcomes



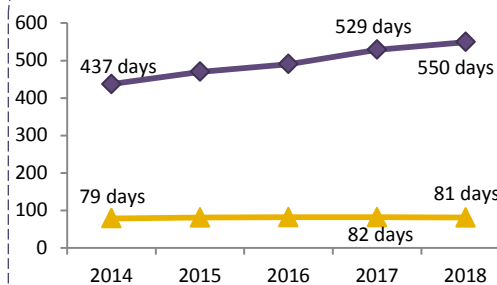
Number and % sentenced to prison



- ❖ The most common penalty imposed by the NSW Criminal Courts in 2018 was a fine (35% received this penalty), followed by an unsupervised order, such as bond (29%).
- ❖ The number of offenders sentenced to supervision in the community has increased 30% (up from 16,688 in 2014 to 21,621 in 2018).
- ❖ Between 2014 and 2018, the annual number of convicted offenders receiving a custodial penalty (prison or juvenile detention) rose from 10,571 to 13,470, an increase of 27 per cent.

Court delay

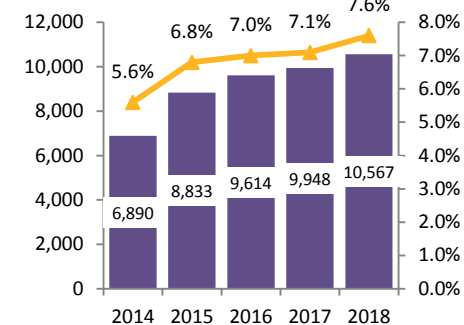
Median delay in the District and Local Courts - arrest to finalisation



- ❖ In the NSW District Court, median days from arrest to finalisation rose 26% from 437 days in 2014 to 550 days in 2018.
- ❖ In the NSW Local Court, the median days from arrest to finalisation rose 3% from 79 days in 2014 to 81 days in 2018.

Bail refusal rates

Number and % refused bail



- ❖ Since 2014 the proportion of defendants bail refused when they appeared in court increased 36%, from 5.6% in 2014 (or 6,890 defendants) to 7.6% in 2018 (10,567).