Sensitive: Law Enforcement

TAB A

GIPA 2019 2822 - STRIP SEARCHES

Question 1

...

Custody episodes involving a strip search

Financial Year	# Custody episodes
2016-17	9,469
2017-18	9,381
2018-19	6,827

Question 2

Children (aged 10-17) strip searched in custody

Financial Year	# Custody episodes
2016-17	214
2017-18	260
2018-19	172

Question 3

SST is unable to provide data for this question as this information is not captured in fixed fields and thus cannot be extracted without manually investigating each custody episode.

Question 4

Custody episodes involving a strip search by ATSI status

Financial Year	ATSI Status	# Custody episodes
2016-17	ATSI	2,141
	Non-ATSI	7,017
	Unknown	311
	Total	9,469
2017-18	ATSI	2,081
	Non-ATSI	6,994
	Total	9,381
	Unknown	306
2018-19	ATSI	1,583
	Non-ATSI	5,040
	Unknown	204
	Total	6,827

Sensitive: Law Enforcement

Question 5

ATSI people strip searched in custody by age

Age	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
12	2	1	
13	1	3	3
14	11	11	6
15	18	10	12
16	20	31	18
17	24	27	23
18	42	32	40
19	59	62	50
20	50	51	40
21	61	56	47
22	57	64	50
23	68	58	56
24	71	80	59
25	88	80	59
26	74	90	43
27	80	84	57
28	92	77	39
29	76	92	58
30	85	80	58
31	78	53	69
32	75	72	53
33	88	71	59
34	66	65	54
35	60	75	43
36	60	74	52
37	76	58	49
38	64	57	46
39	49	69	45
40	50	45	33
41	46	52	34
42	44	36	40
43	43	40	38
44	46	33	28
45	42	27	22
46	56	38	23
47	46	45	22
48	30	44	27
49	31	19	26
50	17	20	18
51	19	18	10
52	8	7	5

•

Sensitive: Law Enforcement

Total	2,141	2,081	1,583
Unknown	33	26	22
73			2
67		1	
66	1		3
64	1		2
63		1	5
62	2		
61	2	2	1
60		2	1
59	2	5	2
58	5	3	3
57	5	4	5
56	4	1	4
55	5	6	5
54	3	14	7
53	5	9	7

Question 6

Strip searches resulting in charges

Body of Law	Section Part Description	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Drug Misuse and Trafficking Act 1985	s25 or s25A	213	243	280
	s29	0	0	0
	s10	1,035	1,371	1,247
	cannabis only*	143	157	156
	no other offence^	93	115	103
Weapons Prohibition Act 1998	s7	18	21	27

* searches resulting in a drug possession charge for <u>cannabis</u> only (excludes charges for multiple drug types). Some charges may also have other non-drug possession offences.

^searches resulting in a drug possession charge for <u>cannabis</u> only, and the charge <u>does not</u> include any other non-drug possession offence.

Note, charges have been identified by looking at the event with the strip search and all charges related to the event. This may include charges that did not result from the strip search, but from another incident in the same event.

Question 7

SST is unable to provide data for this question as it is not possible to ascertain whether the charge arose from the custody strip search or from the arrest which resulted in the custody episode without manually investigating each custody episode.

Sources:

Custody data: NSWPF Custody Management System extracted via EDW on 10/07/19 Field data: NSWPF Computerised Operational Policing System extracted via EDW on 11/07/19

Sensitive: Law Enforcement

Government Information Public Access Act (2009) Document has been released by InfoLink, PoliceLink Command, NSW Police Force