

# Attachment A: Answers to question 1 - 3 and 5 - 6

The following information relates to persons warned, charged or convicted under s93X of the *Crimes Act 1900* between 9 April 2012 and 15 April 2015

## Question 1 Persons arrested (charged)

Between 9 April 2012 and 15 September 2015, 48 people have been charged – issued with a Court Attendance Notice (CAN) - for consorting under s93X of the *Crimes Act 1900*.

Table 1 Number of persons charged for consorting from 9 April 2012 to 15 September 2015 (inclusive), by event reported year

Legal Action Year	Persons charged
2012 (9 April onwards)	9
2013	6
2014	2
2015 (up to 15 September)	32
<b>Total persons charged*</b>	<b>48</b>

Data source: COPS via EDW, current at 15 September 2015 and Gangs Squad data holdings

\* The above table sums to 49, not 48, as indicated in the total. This is because one person was charged separately in different years. Where a person has been charged more than once in the same year, they have only been counted once for that year. In total the 48 people charged had 55 CANs issued against them for consorting.

## Question 2 Persons convicted

Of the 48 people charged, 33 so far\* have received a finalised court result.

Of these, 23 have had a conviction recorded, including 2 that are now appealing.

Table 2 Number of persons with a finalised court result for consorting from 9 April 2012 to 15 September 2015 (inclusive), by event reported month and court result

Conviction Proved (including those under appeal)	2012	2013	2014	2015
Number of persons	1	1	1	20

\* as at 15 September 2015

Data source: COPS via EDW, current at 15 September 2015 and Gangs Squad data holdings

### Question 3 Persons warned

In June 2013, amendments were made to the NSW Police Force Computerised Operational Policing System (COPS) to increase the accuracy of consorting recording.

For all incidents recorded prior this date (i.e. between 9 April 2012 and 23 June 2013), there is an undercount for the number of 'persons warned', due to the way the data was recorded and can be extracted for those dates.

There will also be some variation between these statistics, and those previously supplied to Parliament (due to the evolving count methods used across periods), and also those expected to be published in the NSW Ombudsman's two year review of the consorting legislation. In regards to the latter, the Ombudsman's project team read individual COPS event narratives for all potential consorting warnings, and as a result will be able to produce statistics that are less affected by any changes in recording or reporting procedures across time.

Table 3 Number of persons warned for consorting from 9 April 2012 to 15 September 2015 (inclusive), by event reported year

Event Reported Year*	Persons Warned (Unique by year)
2012 (9 April onwards)^	280
2013^	650
2014	843
2015 (up to 15 September)	842
<b>Total unique persons warned</b>	<b>2,412</b>

^ Persons warned recorded for 2012 and the first half of 2013 are understated.

Data source: COPS via EDW, current at 26 September 2015

### Question 5 Five oldest persons warned, charged or convicted

In the table below, where a person was warned for consorting on multiple occasions, the date (month and year) of their first warning has been provided.

The five oldest persons were aged 62, 64, 68, 69 and 73.

Table 4 Five oldest persons to be warned, arrested or convicted for consorting from 9 April 2012 to 15 September 2015 (inclusive), by event reported date

Age	Month and Year
73	September 2015
69	September 2015
68	September 2012
64	November 2014
62	February 2013
62	December 2014
62	December 2013
62	February 2015
62	February 2015
62	July 2015



## Question 6 Five youngest persons warned, charged or convicted

In the table below, where a person was warned for consorting on multiple occasions, the date (month and year) of their first warning has been provided.

The five youngest persons were aged 13, 14 and 15.

Table 5 Five youngest persons to be warned, arrested or convicted for consorting from 9 April 2012 to 15 September 2015 (inclusive), by event reported date

Age	Month and Year
13	June 2013
14	June 2013
14	December 2012
14	January 2014
15	December 2012
15	October 2012
15	December 2012
15	September 2012
15	January 2013
15	November 2012
15	June 2013
15	March 2014
15	September 2013