

Time served prison sentences in Victoria Factsheet

Prison population in Victoria



Between 30 June 2014 and 30 June 2019, Victoria's prison population increased from **6,113** to **8,102**.

That's **1,989** more prisoners on 30 June 2019 than on 30 June 2014.

People on remand



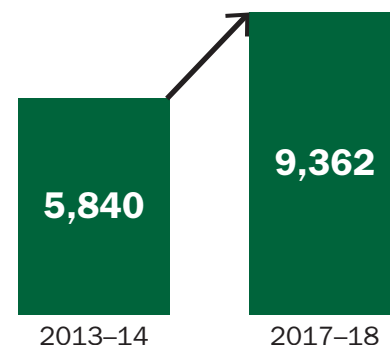
On 30 June 2014, **19%** of Victoria's prison population were unsentenced remandees. The other **81%** were sentenced prisoners.

By 30 June 2019, remandees made up **37%** of Victoria's prison population. Sentenced prisoners dropped to **63%**.

Number of prison sentences

In 2013–14, there were **5,840** prison sentences imposed in all adult courts in Victoria.

In 2017–18, this had increased to **9,362** prison sentences imposed in Victoria.

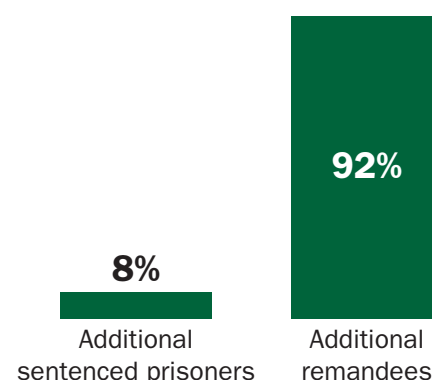


Additional prisoners

Between 30 June 2014 and 30 June 2019, there were **1,989** additional prisoners in Victoria.

92% of these additional prisoners were remandees. That's **1,834** more unsentenced prisoners.

Just **8%** of additional prisoners were sentenced prisoners. That's only **155** more sentenced prisoners.



People sentenced to prison after time on remand

In 2013–14, **5,840** prison sentences were imposed in Victoria. **53%** of people who received those prison sentences had spent some time on remand.



That increased to **67%** in 2017–18, when **9,362** prison sentences were imposed.



That is, the number of people sentenced to prison who had spent some time on remand **increased** from about **half** to **two-thirds**.

Number of time served prison sentences

20% of all prison sentences imposed in Victoria in 2017–18 were time served prison sentences.

That's **one in five** prison sentences.

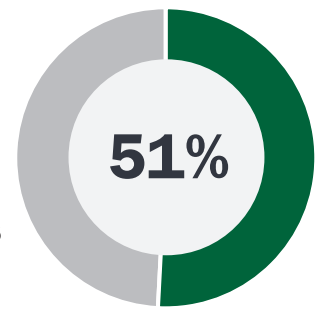
Six years earlier, time served prison sentences were just **5%** of all prison sentences.



Percentage of combined orders

51% of time served prison sentences imposed between 2012–13 and 2017–18 were combined orders. This means that offenders started a CCO as soon as they were released rather than just being set free without any supervision.

That's **half** of time served prison sentences.



Length of time served prison sentences

96% of time served prison sentences were less than six months. **4%** were six months or longer.



Courts imposing time served prison sentences

5% of time served prison sentences were imposed in the higher courts (the County and Supreme Courts). **95%** were imposed in the Magistrates' Court.



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