



Youth justice supervision history: 2014–15

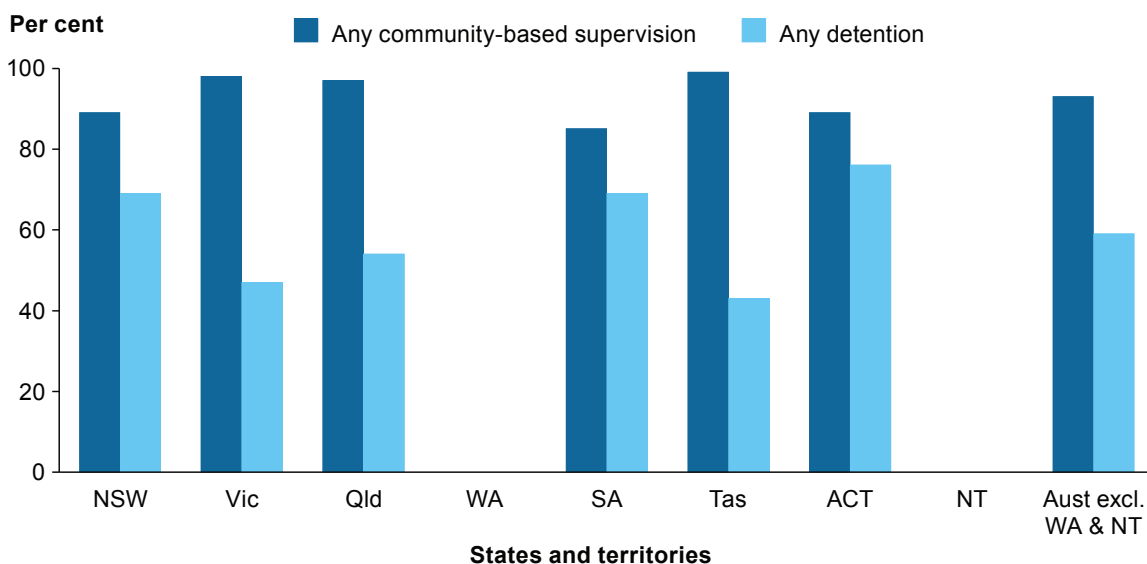
This fact sheet summarises the supervision histories (all available information on prior youth justice supervision) of young people under youth justice supervision during 2014–15. (Western Australia and the Northern Territory are not included in this fact sheet as data for these jurisdictions were not available; see Box 1).

Types of supervision

At some point during their supervision history, more than 9 in 10 (93%) young people supervised during 2014–15 had experienced community-based supervision—either during 2014–15 or in a previous year. Almost 6 in 10 (59%) had spent time in detention during their supervision history.

Just over one-half (52%) of all young people under supervision in 2014–15 had experienced both community-based supervision and detention at some time during their supervision history (tables S2 and S35). About 41% had experienced only community-based supervision, and 7% only detention.

The proportion of young people under supervision in 2014–15 who experienced community-based supervision at some point during their supervision history ranged from 85% of young people supervised in South Australia to 99% in Tasmania. The proportion of young people who had experienced detention ranged from 43% of those under supervision in Tasmania to 76% in the Australian Capital Territory (Figure 1).



Notes:

1. Western Australia and the Northern Territory did not supply standard data for inclusion in the Juvenile Justice National Minimum Data Set for 2014–15; therefore, data for these jurisdictions are not included in this figure.
2. Supervision history was not available for all young people under supervision (see <<http://www.aihw.gov.au/youth-justice/data-quality/>> for further details).

Sources: Tables S2 and S35.

Figure 1: Young people under supervision during the year, by supervision history, states and territories, 2014–15

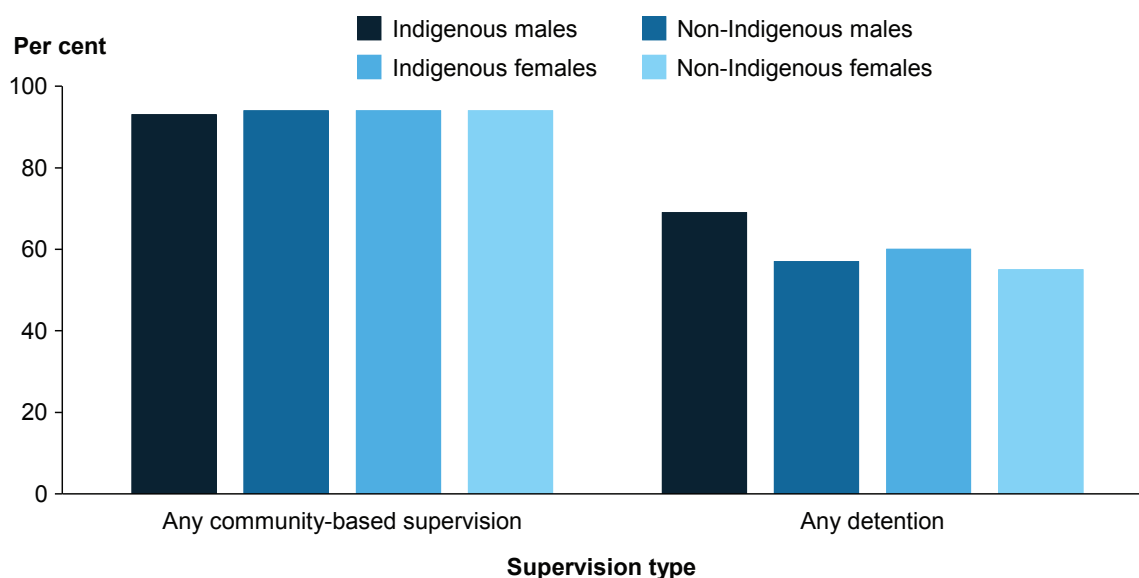
Sex

Similar proportions of males and females under supervision during 2014–15 experienced community-based supervision at some time during their supervision history (93% and 94%, respectively); however, males were more likely than females to have experienced detention (60% compared with 55%) (tables S2 and S35).

Indigenous young people

Indigenous young people under supervision were just as likely as non-Indigenous young people to have been under community-based supervision at some time during their supervision history (94% each) (tables S2 and S35). Similar proportions of Indigenous and non-Indigenous males (93% and 94%, respectively) and females (94% each) had been under community supervision at some time.

Indigenous young people under supervision in 2014–15 were more likely than non-Indigenous young people to have a history of detention (67% compared with 56%) (Figure 2). About 69% of Indigenous males under supervision had been in detention at some point, compared with 57% of non-Indigenous males. In addition, 60% of Indigenous females under supervision had been in detention, compared with 55% of non-Indigenous females.



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Figure 2: Young people under supervision during the year, by Indigenous status, sex, and supervision history, states and territories, 2014–15

Box 1: Youth justice supervision fact sheets

This is one of a series of fact sheets on youth justice supervision in 2014–15 published by the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW). These fact sheets can be downloaded free of charge from the AIHW website at <<http://www.aihw.gov.au/youth-justice/fact-sheets>>.

The fact sheets form part of the *Youth justice in Australia 2014–15* release, which also includes a bulletin, supplementary tables and web pages released in multiple stages throughout the year (see <<http://www.aihw.gov.au/publications/youth-justice>>).

Western Australia and the Northern Territory did not supply standard data for 2014–15 but non-standard data from these two jurisdictions are included where possible.

The supplementary data tables (those with a prefix of 'S') referred to in this fact sheet accompany the bulletin *Youth justice in Australia 2014–15* and can be downloaded from <<http://www.aihw.gov.au/publication-detail/?id=60129554714&tab=3>>.

For more information about young people under youth justice supervision, see <<http://www.aihw.gov.au/youth-justice>>.

Box 2: Technical note

Information in this fact sheet about young people under youth justice supervision is based on data from the Juvenile Justice National Minimum Data Set. This data set contains information about all young people supervised by state and territory youth justice agencies in Australia, both in the community and in detention.

Further technical and data quality information, including definitions of key terms in this fact sheet, is available from <<http://www.aihw.gov.au/youth-justice/data-quality>>.

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