

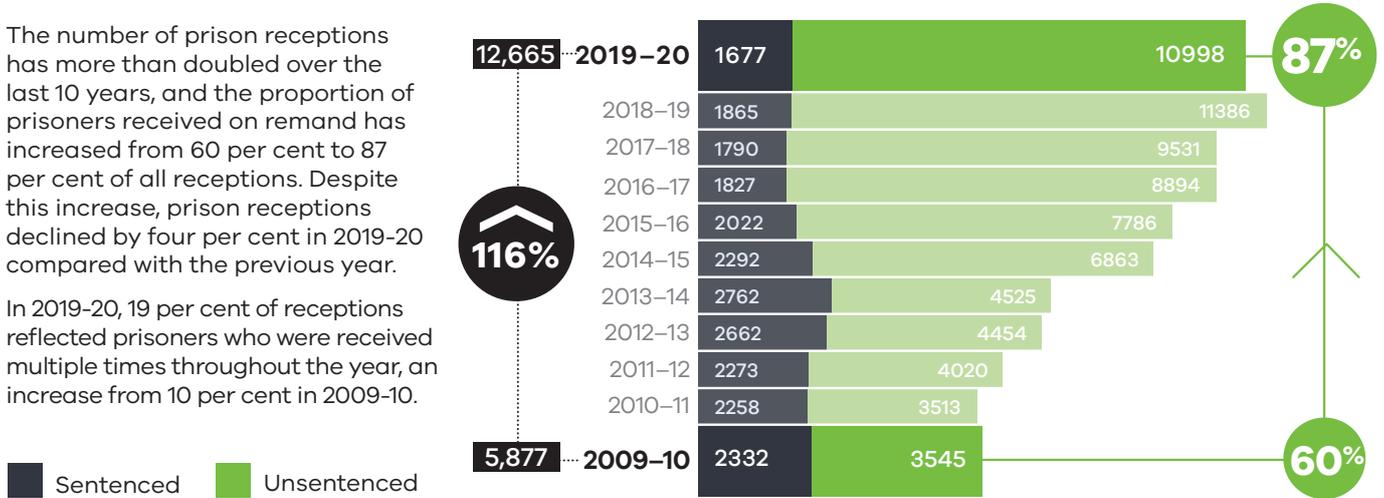
Prison Receptions

The number of prisoners received into custody each financial year

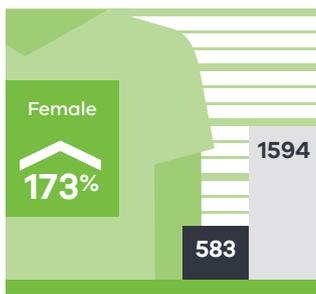
Figures relate to financial year (1 July to 30 June)

The number of prison receptions has more than doubled over the last 10 years, and the proportion of prisoners received on remand has increased from 60 per cent to 87 per cent of all receptions. Despite this increase, prison receptions declined by four per cent in 2019-20 compared with the previous year.

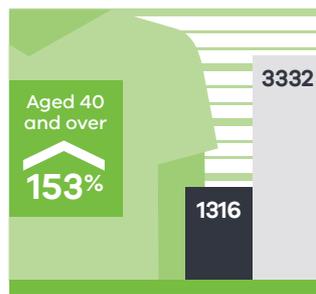
In 2019-20, 19 per cent of receptions reflected prisoners who were received multiple times throughout the year, an increase from 10 per cent in 2009-10.



Some prisoner cohorts now account for a greater proportion of prison receptions than 10 years ago



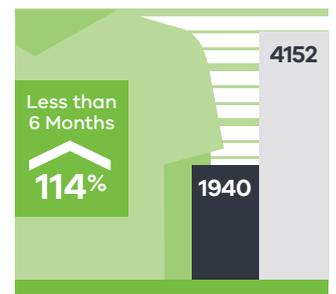
The number of female prison receptions nearly tripled over the last 10 years, increasing from 10 per cent to 13 per cent of all receptions (remaining stable between 13-14 per cent for the past five years). Ninety per cent of women received in 2019-20 were initially on remand.



The number of prisoners aged 40 years and over received into prison has more than doubled over the last 10 years, now representing 26 per cent of all receptions compared with 22 per cent in 2009-10. Prisoners aged under 25 have decreased from 23 to 18 per cent of all receptions.



In 2019-20, the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander prison receptions was four times that of 2009-10, increasing from seven per cent to 13 per cent of all receptions, and from 12 per cent to 18 per cent of receptions for women.



In 2019-20, 59 per cent of prisoners who became sentenced received a sentence less than six months, an increase from 45 per cent in 2009-10 (with a decrease in the proportion of prisoners who received a longer sentence).

Receptions for Assault, Property offences and Drug offences have increased (as a proportion of all receptions) over the last 10 years. Meanwhile, receptions for Homicide, Robbery and Extortion and Driving offences have decreased.

