

QUESTION ON NOTICE

No. 01

Asked 1 July 2026

JUSTICE, INTEGRITY, COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE ESTIMATES 2026
ASKED MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE AND VICTIM SUPPORT AND MINISTER
FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON L GERBER)

QUESTION:

Will the Minister inform the committee of some of the findings of the Queensland Audit Office's report 'Rehabilitating and reintegrating prisoners' and outline how the Crisafulli Government is addressing the state of the corrective services system that developed over the past decade.

ANSWER:

The Queensland Audit Office's report, 'Rehabilitating and reintegrating prisoners' (Report 1: 2026–27) provides a damning assessment of Queensland Corrective Services (QCS) following a decade of mismanagement under the former Palaszczuk and Miles Labor governments.

The Auditor-General found that since 2015, under the former Labor government, Queensland's prisoner population increased by 54 per cent, yet Labor failed to deliver the infrastructure, rehabilitation capacity and system-wide planning needed to meet that demand.

The report found that over this time the former Labor government did not effectively plan for or facilitate the rehabilitation and reintegration of prisoners because it had not developed an effective delivery model to implement rehabilitation and reintegration strategies. The case management framework examined in this audit took three years to roll out between 2020 and 2023, and by the end of Labor's term, had only been implemented across nine of Queensland's 20 correctional centres.

The consequences of Labor's decade of underinvestment are evident throughout the report, which outlines extensive waitlists for rehabilitation programs, average wait times for programs increasing and reoffending rates rising.

These findings reflect systemic issues that developed over many years and were inherited by the Crisafulli Government when it came to office in November 2024. The Crisafulli Government has accepted all five of the Auditor-General's recommendations in full and has already commenced implementation.

The Crisafulli Government got on with the job and fast tracked the Lockyer Valley Correctional Centre, opening the first new high security correctional centre in Queensland in more than a decade, delivering more than 1,600 beds and increasing QCS' capacity to safely manage the growing prisoner population.

In fact, since coming to government, the Crisafulli Government has already delivered more than 2,000 beds across the system, with another 1,400 beds in the pipeline. This investment means the Crisafulli Government is set to deliver more than 3,400 additional beds right across the system to increase capacity and keep Queenslanders safe.

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ASKED MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE AND VICTIM SUPPORT AND MINISTER
FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON L GERBER)

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise what action the Crisafulli Government is taking to strengthen security, increase frontline staffing, improve safety at correctional centres and reduce the risk of absconds, and is the Minister aware of any alternative approaches?

ANSWER:

The Crisafulli Government is restoring safety where Queenslanders live by strengthening security, increasing frontline staffing, improving safety and reducing the risk of absconds across Queensland's correctional system. Our government inherited a correctional system under enormous pressure after a decade of the former Palaszczuk and Miles Labor governments allowing prisoner numbers to significantly outpace the delivery of secure prison capacity.

When the Crisafulli Government came to office, six high security correctional centres were operating above 150 per cent capacity, with two operating above 160 per cent capacity.

These conditions placed frontline officers under increased pressure, undermined effective rehabilitation, and weakened the safe and secure operation of Queensland's correctional system. The Crisafulli Government is taking a fundamentally different approach with a record \$2.28 billion in the 2026-27 Budget to ensure more frontline officers, additional prison capacity and stronger physical and operational security.

Strengthen Security

The Crisafulli Government is strengthening the security of Queensland's low security correctional centres, after a decade of decline under Labor saw low-security facilities lack the physical security infrastructure to keep Queenslanders safe. In fact, under the former Labor government, just one low security centre in Queensland had security fencing.

The Crisafulli Government's Budget delivers \$50 million, as part of a total \$79.8 million investment, to strengthen security across Queensland's low security correctional centres, including 3.6-metre anti-climb, razor-wire fencing at Palen Creek, Lotus Glen, Numinbah and Townsville Men's Correctional Centres.

These new secure fences will provide an additional layer of protection by deterring absconds, reducing opportunities for contraband to enter correctional centres and creating safer working environments for our frontline corrective services officers.

Increase Frontline Staffing

More than 1,600 corrective services officers have joined the frontline across QCS since we came into Government, providing additional operational capability across correctional centres and Community Corrections. This stands in direct contrast to the former Palaszczuk and Miles Labor governments, which allowed the prisoner population to grow without delivering the prison capacity, workforce planning and operational support required to safely manage that growth.

Labor failed to fund the officers required to safely operate low custody facilities. Within weeks of coming to government, the Crisafulli Government funded the 94 officers needed to safely bring low custody beds online in these facilities.

Improve Safety

The Crisafulli Government is backing our officers with the practical equipment, technology, training and support they need to perform their jobs safely and that commitment is reflected in our record \$2.28 billion investment in Queensland Corrective Services in the 2026-27 Budget.

The Crisafulli Government is delivering the safety resources our officers need with work underway to deliver body scanners at Southern Queensland Correctional Centre and Townsville Women's Correctional Centre, in addition to the body scanners brought forward at Lockyer Valley Correctional Centre (LVCC). We have delivered new ballistic vests for officers working to secure the outside of correctional facilities. We fast tracked the LVCC with more than 1,600 additional beds in the system and new technology onsite to reduce unnecessary administrative tasks so officers can spend more time focused on safety, security and rehabilitation, and we continue to strengthen officer safety training through conflict management, de-escalation techniques, psychological first aid and resilience training.

We have also improved officer safety by bolstering the frontline with more than 1,600 new corrective services officers joining Queensland Corrective Services since we came to government.

Further, the Crisafulli Government is investing in the capacity needed for our officers to be able to do their jobs safely. First, we fast-tracked the operational commissioning and opening of LVCC in September 2025, delivering more than 1,600 high-security beds and the first new high-security correctional centre in Queensland in more than a decade. The business case for the LVCC was first funded by the former Newman Government in 2014, but the former Labor government failed to take any action on the project until 2019, when they announced it would be complete by 2023 at a cost of \$618 million. By June 2022, the cost had blown out to \$861 million and the completion date had been delayed to 2024; and by February 2024, the cost had increased to \$885.3 million, a \$267.3 million increase on the original announced cost.

Despite having a decade to deliver the project, the former Labor government left office without delivery of the completed centre, with critical systems and infrastructure incomplete. The former Labor government's record was one of delays, cost blowouts and broken promises.

The Crisafulli Government got on with the job. In fact, since coming to government, the Crisafulli Government has already delivered more than 2,000 beds across the system. In our Budget, the Crisafulli Government is committed to delivering a further 1,400 beds across the system.

Reduce Absconds

There have been no escapes from high security correctional centres and absconds from low security correctional centres have declined under the Crisafulli Government. In 2025–26, the number of absconds almost halved compared with 2024–25. Any abscond from a low security correctional facility is serious and prisoner who absconds is automatically returned to high security and charged. The reduction in absconds stands in contrast to the former Labor government's record.

The Crisafulli Government will continue to back our hardworking QCS officers and deliver the workforce, infrastructure, security and operational capacity needed to restore safety where Queenslanders live.

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ASKED MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE AND VICTIM SUPPORT AND MINISTER
FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON L GERBER)

QUESTION:

Will the Minister outline the Crisafulli Government's investment in Queensland Corrective Services, including how the Government is addressing the capacity issues that developed over the past decade, and is the Minister aware of any alternative approaches?

ANSWER:

The Crisafulli Government is fixing Labor's failures by delivering the biggest expansion of prison capacity in Queensland in years. Since the Crisafulli Government was elected in November 2024, more than 2,000 additional beds have been delivered, including 1,624 beds through the fast-tracked opening of Lockyer Valley Correctional Centre, Queensland's first new high-security correctional centre in more than a decade. The Crisafulli Government is also delivering a further 1,400 additional beds across the correctional system, including 400 beds at Townsville Correctional Centre, 400 beds at Arthur Gorrie Correctional Centre, and a further 600 beds across Queensland.

The 2026-27 Budget includes a \$363.9 million capital program focused on expanding, upgrading and securing Queensland's correctional infrastructure. This investment means safer correctional centres, safer working environments for frontline officers, improved prisoner management, reduced pressure on overcrowded facilities and better conditions for rehabilitation and reintegration to occur.

The Crisafulli Government is backing Queensland Corrective Services (QCS) with consecutive record budgets. QCS received \$2.256 billion in 2025-26 and \$2.28 billion in the 2026-27 Budget to strengthen community safety, securely manage prisoners and support the frontline officers who protect Queenslanders every day. The Crisafulli Government is delivering the capacity, infrastructure and long-term plan needed to fix Labor's failures, while continuing to strengthen laws, put victims first and restore safety where Queenslanders live.

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ASKED MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE AND VICTIM SUPPORT AND MINISTER
FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON L GERBER)

QUESTION:

Will the Minister provide an update on how the Crisafulli Government is supporting the operations of the Parole Board Queensland and what is being done to ensure the rights of victims are prioritised, and is the Minister aware of any alternative approaches?

ANSWER:

The Crisafulli Government is delivering major reforms to Queensland's parole system to put victims first and strengthen community safety, after significant failures under the former Palaszczuk and Miles Labor governments caused dangerous prisoners to be released into the community on parole.

The Parole Board Queensland (the Board) was severely mismanaged under Labor's two failed former Corrective Services Ministers, which resulted in decisions that let killers walk free, and a President referred to the Crime and Corruption Commission.

Despite three reviews, Labor failed to fix the parole system, oversaw a critical backlog of parole applications that put community safety at risk and left the Board operating at reduced capacity.

Queenslanders deserve a parole system that puts community safety and the rights of victims first and that's why the Crisafulli Government has taken decisive action to restore stability, integrity and accountability to the Board.

Restoring leadership

Within the first few months of coming into government, the Crisafulli Government acted to restore confidence in the Board by appointing Michael Woodford as the new President in February 2025, after the Board had been operating without a permanent President for seven months.

The appointment provided stability, integrity and accountability to the Parole Board and increased the Board's governance, efficiency and compliance with statutory decision-making timeframes.

Backing the Board with the resources it needs

The former Labor Government put the rights of offenders before victims, and the Board was not given the power to do its job properly and make decisions that keep our community safe.

Under Labor, the full Board was required to review decisions that returned prisoners to custody, but they could not do the same when a single member made the decision to leave the prisoner in the community.

The Crisafulli Government strengthened laws to ensure all parole suspension decisions are reviewed by a full Board within two days to ensure the Board has the power it needs to do its job properly and keep Queenslanders safe.

Independent review and decisive reform

The Crisafulli Government commissioned an Independent Review of the Board to examine the systemic failures that developed under the former Labor government and identify reforms to improve the rights, participation and treatment of victims within the parole process.

The review found victims were not supported or appropriately considered during the parole process and highlighted the need for improved decision-making and stronger engagement with victims in the parole process.

The Crisafulli Government supported, or supported in principle, 31 of the review's 46 recommendations, where community safety and the rights of victims were prioritised, including:

- Legislative changes to ensure community safety is the paramount consideration when deciding if an offender should be granted parole.
- Victim submissions must be considered by the Board during all stages of a parole application and the time to provide a response is extended.
- Victims are to be notified when parole is granted and information sharing between a victim and the Parole Board is improved.
- Parole Board decisions can be published if they are in the public interest
- Improved transparency and governance of the Parole Board.

Where recommendations do not prioritise community safety and the rights of victims, they were not supported.

The Government is also expanding restricted prisoner laws to apply to all prisoners serving a life sentence, meaning dangerous offenders who commit the most heinous crimes, including murder, could remain behind bars for up to 10 more years.

Under the former Labor governments framework, the Board was only allowed to apply restricted prisoner laws to child killers and murderers who kill more than one person.

This reform ensures dangerous prisoners are not released into the community on parole and the Board is empowered to deliver decisions in line with community expectations that also make Queensland safer.

The Crisafulli Government is delivering critical reforms that make Queensland safer, restore confidence in the parole system and ensure the rights of victims are put first.

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ASKED MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE AND VICTIM SUPPORT AND MINISTER
FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON L GERBER)

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise how Queensland Corrective Services is effectively holding prisoners to account, while supporting our local regional communities across Queensland, including during natural disasters?

ANSWER:

The Crisafulli Government is making Queensland safer and ensuring prisoners receive the rehabilitation they need to help reintegrate them back into the community and reduce reoffending.

Through closely supervised community service work, prisoners in low security facilities and work camps are put to work undertaking practical tasks that benefit regional and rural Queensland.

This is a clear and practical form of accountability. Prisoners are required to contribute their time and labour, develop discipline and work habits, and make a tangible contribution to the communities affected by crime.

It also delivers a better outcome for Queenslanders. Communities receive valuable assistance, prisoners are held to account through meaningful work, and offenders develop practical skills and personal responsibility that can support rehabilitation, reduce reoffending and prevent further victims.

Each year, prisoners deliver millions of dollars' worth of supervised labour to regional Queensland communities. This provides practical support to local councils, community organisations, farmers and emergency services, while ensuring prisoners make reparation through work rather than sitting idle in custody.

Unlike the former Palaszczuk and Miles Labor government, which failed to deliver the correctional capacity and infrastructure Queensland needed, the Crisafulli Government is strengthening low-security facilities and ensuring prisoners are managed with the right supervision, security, discipline and accountability.

Queensland Corrective Services' work camps and low security prisoners also provide important assistance during natural disasters and severe weather events.

During recent events, including the Queensland monsoon trough and Cyclone Koji, prisoners were put to work supporting preparation and recovery efforts across the State.

This included filling thousands of sandbags, assisting State Emergency Service operations, supporting clean-up and recovery activities, helping flood-affected farmers and regional councils, and restoring community spaces following severe weather.

In Central Queensland, prisoners assisted with recovery operations in Clermont, including cleaning a public space of significant historical importance, supporting local livestock removal and assisting flood-affected farmers.

Low security prisoners at Capricornia Correctional Centre also supplied 700 sandbags to Livingstone Shire Council.

In North Queensland, low security prisoners in Townsville worked alongside the State Emergency Service to fill almost 2,000 sandbags for community protection.

At Maryborough Correctional Centre, prisoners fill approximately 5,000 sandbags each year for Fraser Coast Regional Council and the local State Emergency Service.

The Work Camp Program benefits the community by providing labour in areas that are under-resourced, while teaching prisoners valuable life and employment skills to help them become productive members of society when they are reintegrated back into the community. Ultimately, this helps to stop the cycle of reoffending and make Queensland safer.

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JUSTICE, INTEGRITY, COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE ESTIMATES 2026
ASKED MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE AND VICTIM SUPPORT AND MINISTER
FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON L GERBER)

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise how the Crisafulli Government is backing frontline youth detention staff and improving safety, structure and discipline in youth detention centres, and is the Minister aware of any alternative approaches?

ANSWER:

The Crisafulli Government is restoring safety where Queenslanders live by backing our hardworking frontline youth detention staff and restoring structure, discipline, accountability and effective rehabilitation across Queensland's youth detention system. After a decade of decline under the former Palaszczuk Miles Labor government, where they weakened youth crime laws, failed to deliver sufficient detention capacity and allowed the revolving door of repeat offending to continue, the Crisafulli Government is taking a fundamentally different approach.

The 2026–27 State Budget provides:

- \$95.8 million over three years, \$32.3 million ongoing and 129 full-time equivalent positions to expand the Woodford Youth Detention Centre by 32 beds, increasing capacity from 80 to 112 beds;
- \$51.2 million and 198 full-time equivalent positions over two years to extend operations at the Wacol Youth Remand Centre until 31 December 2027; and
- \$4.7 million over four years, \$1.2 million ongoing and five full-time equivalent positions to manage capacity across Queensland's youth detention centre system.

This is in addition to Circuit Breaker Sentencing, a new court-ordered intensive rehabilitation program to drive down crime. Courts will be able to order youth offenders to the program, as an alternative to detention, for up to six months. This will increase capacity across the detention system.

The Crisafulli Government is delivering the additional capacity and workforce needed to support safe, stable and secure youth detention operations to reduce reoffending and restore safety to the community.

The Crisafulli Government inherited an ageing youth detention asset base after a decade in which the former Labor government failed to undertake the long-term planning and investment required to keep pace with demand.

The Department of Youth Justice and Victim Support is now proactively managing maintenance, renewal and future investment through a planned and coordinated infrastructure program.

Recent infrastructure improvements supporting staff and youth safety include:

- upgraded teaching facilities at Cleveland Youth Detention Centre, including a dedicated teaching room for 10 to 13-year-olds and virtual reality capability to support safe, lower-risk immersive learning;
- X-ray body scanners at Wacol Youth Remand Centre to improve contraband detection, strengthen staff safety and support safer and less intrusive searches, with further rollout planned across youth detention centres during 2026 and 2027; and
- a medical X-ray machine at West Moreton Youth Detention Centre, reducing the need to escort young people to Brisbane Youth Detention Centre or external hospitals for diagnostic imaging.

Workforce

Significant recruitment and training activities have continued to strengthen staffing levels and build a confident, capable and professional youth detention workforce.

Queensland now has more youth detention staff than ever before across all youth detention centres, including Wacol Youth Remand Centre, with 1136.14 paid FTE compared to 900.90 paid FTE in June 2024, under the former Labor government.

I acknowledge and thank our hardworking youth detention staff who suit up, show up and perform difficult and demanding work every day to keep Queenslanders safe.

Detention with a purpose

The Crisafulli Government has implemented Detention with Purpose, replacing Labor's directionless approach with a clear framework based on discipline, accountability and rehabilitation with education now compulsory and violence against staff not tolerated.

This is in stark contrast to the former Labor government who left a long list of failures in our detention centres and neglected rehabilitation and put workers at risk by failing to adequately staff the facility for years.

The Crisafulli Government is restoring safety, increasing capacity, backing our frontline workforce, and restoring consequences for actions.

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ASKED MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE AND VICTIM SUPPORT AND MINISTER
FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON L GERBER)

QUESTION:

Will the Minister outline how the Crisafulli Government is addressing youth detention centre and remand capacity, and is the Minister aware of any alternative approaches?

ANSWER:

The Crisafulli Government is restoring safety where Queenslanders live by delivering the youth detention capacity needed to hold serious youth offenders to account.

The Crisafulli Government inherited youth detention centres operating above safe capacity since 2018 and didn't deliver the Wacol Youth Remand Centre, despite promising the facility would be complete in 2024. The Crisafulli Government acted immediately to get Wacol operational which increased detention capacity by 25%.

The capacity pressures created over ten years of the former Labor government cannot be resolved overnight but, the Crisafulli Government is doing the work to bring more capacity online.

The Crisafulli Government's 2026–27 State Budget provides \$166.5 million over four years and \$33.5 million ongoing to strengthen frontline youth justice services and system capacity. This includes \$95.8 million over three years and \$32.3 million ongoing to expand the Woodford Youth Detention Centre by a further 32 beds, increasing its capacity from 80 beds to 112 beds.

The previous Labor Government promised the Woodford Youth Detention Centre would be completed in 2026 for \$627.61 million however, incoming government briefs revealed the project budget had blown out by more than \$350 million and would not be operational until the end of 2027.

The 2026-27 Budget also provides \$51.2 million and 198 full-time equivalent positions over two years to extend operations at the Wacol Youth Remand Centre until 31 December 2027. Extending Wacol ensures critical remand capacity remains available while the Woodford expansion is delivered and provides greater stability across the youth detention system.

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FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON L GERBER)

QUESTION:

Will the Minister outline how the Crisafulli Government is supporting victims of crime, and is the Minister aware of any alternative approaches?

ANSWER:

The Crisafulli Government is delivering safety where you live with strong laws and more support than ever before for victims of crime, after crime skyrocketed under Labor's decade of decline which saw a 193% increase in the number of victims of crime.

The Crisafulli Government is delivering a new, nation leading Victim Advocate Service, the most significant reform to victim support in decades. The Crisafulli Government has committed \$50 million across five years, with \$10 million ongoing to establish the service which will be operational by the end of the year.

For too long victims were forced to navigate a fragmented system, repeatedly retelling their trauma while trying to work out where to go for help. The Victim Advocate Service will be a one-stop-shop for victims of crime providing tailored support, information, advocacy, referrals and justice process support.

The Crisafulli Government has developed the Victims Advocate Service following extensive consultation with more than 600 victims, victim support groups and stakeholders to address the current gaps and ensure the design meets the needs of victims.

The Crisafulli Government is also delivering strong laws and the largest investment in early intervention and rehabilitation in Queensland's history to drive down victim numbers with police data showing that across the last two financial years victims of crime have reduced by 9.6 per cent.

For too long under the former Palaszczuk and Miles Labor Governments, the rights of offenders came before the rights of victims. Weak laws, fewer consequences for crime and fragmented victim support created more victims and left Queenslanders feeling unsafe in their own homes and communities.

The Crisafulli Government will continue putting victims first and restoring consequences for actions so that we have fewer victims of crime.

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JUSTICE, INTEGRITY, COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE ESTIMATES 2026 ASKED MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE AND VICTIM SUPPORT AND MINISTER FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON L GERBER)

QUESTION:

Will the Minister outline the early intervention and rehabilitation programs the Crisafulli Government is investing in for youth, and is the Minister aware of any alternative approaches?

ANSWER:

The Crisafulli Government is restoring safety where Queenslanders live by delivering the largest investment in early intervention and rehabilitation in Queensland's history.

Early intervention

The Crisafulli Government is investing \$50 million to deliver new, community-led early intervention under the Kickstarter program to stop crime before it starts and make Queensland safer. Kickstarter provides at-risk youth with the education, support, and guidance they need to get back on the right track. 63 new early intervention programs across Queensland have already been delivered, with another funding round opening in the coming months.

The Crisafulli Government is also investing \$65 million over five years and \$15 million ongoing each year through Proven Initiatives.

Proven Initiatives supports the continuation and scaling up of effective early intervention programs that are proven to reduce youth offending, increase education or employment, and foster community engagement and positive participation. Everything Suarve is the first provider to receive funding under the program, with nearly \$3 million to deliver their successful Big Brother program for up to 75 youth aged 14-17 years, across Brisbane, Logan and the Gold Coast.

Unlike the former Labor government's approach of funding programs without sufficient evidence about whether they were reducing offending, Proven Initiatives invests in programs with demonstrated results and requires a clear focus on outcomes.

The Crisafulli Government is also delivering the \$50 million Regional Reset program to support for at-risk youth aged 8 to 17 showing early signs of disengagement, antisocial or criminal behaviour.

As part of the program, youths will take part in a one to three week 'reset camp' to help reset their offending behaviours in a structured, disciplined environment so they can turn their lives around and make better choices.

The program reconnects young people with education and training, develops employment and practical life skills and provides access to counselling, volunteering, cultural activities and sport. Regional Reset also works with families and communities to address the circumstances that place a young person at risk of offending. As at 30 June 2026, more than 400 youth are in the Regional Reset program across Queensland and had participated in almost 40 camps.

Education disengagement is a key driver of youth crime, which is why the Crisafulli Government is investing \$50 million over five years and \$10 million ongoing each year to establish four Crime Prevention Schools. These schools will re-engage students in years 7 to 12 who have fallen out of mainstream schooling and are assessed as being at risk of entering a life of crime.

These schools are about intervening early, restoring routine and expectations and ensuring disengagement from mainstream education does not become a pathway into offending.

Rehabilitation

The Crisafulli Government is delivering a record investment in post-detention rehabilitation through the \$225 million Staying on Track program, which provides up to 12 months of rehabilitation for youths exiting detention, including at least six months' intensive support to reintegrate them into the community and stop them falling back into the cycle of crime. Youth offenders are partnered with a mentor and receive tailored, high-intensity support to transition back into the community and reduce the risk of re-offending. The program uses a network of mentors, family support, and community engagement to help youth strengthen life skills, build positive relationships, and reduce reoffending, laying the foundation for long term change. Since it's implementation, there has been almost 3,000 visits inside a youth detention centre by a staying on track mentor.

This is in stark contrast to the former Labor Government who only provided 72 hours of support to a small number of youth offenders leaving detention. This approach led to 94 per cent of youth offenders reoffending within 12 months.

Our government is investing \$40 million to deliver two new Youth Justice Schools for high-risk youth offenders on youth justice orders to get them back on track and divert them from crime. Ohana for Youth will deliver the schools in Logan and Cairns, which will provide highly specialised behavioural reform with individual case management, mentoring, family support and parental coaching to help re-engage youth with education, employment and the community. Students will study a project-based curriculum with specialist teachers and extracurricular activities, with intensive supervision for up to 12 hours a day, 5 days a week. The schools are expected to take

referrals and commence enrolments in the second half of this year, subject to national accreditation approvals.

The Crisafulli Government is also investing \$80 million over four years for Circuit Breaker Sentencing, a new court-ordered intensive rehabilitation program to drive down crime. Circuit Breaker Sentencing will be the last stop before detention for youth offenders, for up to six-months and delivered in remote locations, away from populated areas. Youth will participate in structured activities including 'hands-on' learning, for example in agricultural activities or livestock management, where they can gain practical knowledge, and the skills needed to help get them back on track.

Every participant will wear an electronic monitoring device to ensure strict compliance and the safety and security of the site and the community. Under the former Labor government's weak crime approach, youth offenders cycled through a broken system with no real intervention, the Crisafulli Government is giving courts the tools they need to deal with serious youth offenders to restore safety where you live

The Crisafulli Government is delivering strong laws, more police and effective early intervention and rehabilitation to make Queensland safer.

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QUESTION:

Will the Minister provide an update on how the Crisafulli Government's Making Queensland Safer laws are restoring consequences for serious repeat offenders, and is the Minister aware of any alternative approaches?

ANSWER:

The Crisafulli Government is restoring safety where Queenslanders live by delivering our Making Queensland Safer Plan: restoring consequences for actions, putting the rights of victims ahead of the rights of offenders, and rebuilding a youth justice system that Labor spent a decade weakening. For too long, serious repeat youth offenders had no real consequences for their actions. Under the former Labor Government, Queenslanders paid the price as repeat offenders cycled through a revolving door while victims were left to bear the consequences.

Our government is delivering the strong laws Queenslanders voted for. We are ensuring serious youth crime attracts serious consequences and we are giving courts the powers they need to impose sentences that properly reflect the seriousness of offending, its impact on victims and community expectations.

Since coming into Government, we have introduced three tranches of the Making Queensland Safer laws. Adult Time, Adult Time now applies to 47 serious offences, including some of the most serious crimes in the Criminal Code involving violence, weapons, and sexual offending causing lasting harm to victims. Under Adult Crime, Adult Time, youth offenders who commit serious offences are subject to the same relevant mandatory minimum, maximum and mandatory penalties as adults.

The message is clear: when a youth offender commits a serious adult crime, they will face serious adult consequences. And we are already seeing encouraging signs that the Crisafulli Government is beginning to turn the tide on Labor's youth crime crisis.

From 30 June 2024 to 30 June 2026 proven Adult Crime, Adult Time offences have decreased by 39 per cent and police data shows that across the last two financial years victims of crime have reduced by 9.6 per cent.

And in the first 18 months of the Making Queensland Safer Laws, Serious Repeat Offenders have dropped 24% from November 2024 to June 2026.

The next phase of Our Government's Adult Crime, Adult Time reforms will further strengthen consequences for repeat offending while on bail and includes:

- A new offence for youth criminals who breach bail.
- The new offence will apply to *Adult Crime, Adult Time* crimes committed while on bail.
- The new offence will have a minimum mandatory sentence for these repeat offenders.

The Crisafulli Government has also strengthened youth bail monitoring. Courts can now impose electronic monitoring as a bail condition on youth offenders aged 10 to 17, including first-time offenders statewide. This gives authorities greater capacity to monitor compliance, respond to breaches and protect the community.

But strong laws alone are not enough. The Crisafulli Government is also delivering record investments in early intervention and rehabilitation to prevent offending, break the cycle of crime and reduce the number of victims of crime in this state. Our investment in Kickstarter, Proven Initiatives, Regional Reset, and Crime Prevention Schools will help to intervene before young people break the cycle of offending before more Queenslanders become victims.

For youth offenders already in the system, our government is delivering Circuit Breaker Sentencing, Detention with Purpose, Staying on Track, and Youth Justice Schools. These programs combine accountability, structure, education, mentoring, discipline and intensive rehabilitation to help youth offenders turn their lives around.

For ten years, the former Labor government weakened Queensland's youth justice laws and put the rights of offenders ahead of the rights of victims. The former Labor government made detention a last resort, even for youth offenders who repeatedly committed serious crimes; removed breach of bail as an offence; restricted courts from properly considering the full criminal histories of youth offenders when sentencing; closed the Childrens Court to victims, their families and the media, shutting victims out of a justice process directly connected to the harm they had suffered, watered down the principle that community safety must come first and allowing serious repeat offenders to cycle through the system.

The consequences of those decisions were devastating. During Labor's decade of decline, the number of victims of crime increased by 193 per cent. Car thefts surged, break-ins climbed, robberies increased and proven offences committed by youth rose by 98 per cent. Labor's weak laws created a generation of hardcore serious repeat offenders who believed there were few consequences for their actions.

The Crisafulli Government will continue strengthening youth crime laws and deliver effective early intervention and rehabilitation to restore safety where Queenslanders live.

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FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON L GERBER)

QUESTION:

Can the Minister advise the dollar amount of funding each of the Regional Reset and Staying on Track providers will receive under their contracts, reported separately for each provider for each of their sites?

ANSWER:

The Crisafulli Government is delivering the biggest investment in youth early intervention and rehabilitation in Queensland's history to break the cycle of crime, reduce reoffending and restore safety where Queenslanders live. Our Government is investing \$50 million over four years in Regional Reset to intervene before at-risk youth become entrenched in the youth justice system, and \$225 million over five years and \$50 million ongoing each year in Staying on Track to provide 12 months of intensive rehabilitation and reintegration support to young people leaving detention.

This is a fundamentally different approach from the former Palaszczuk and Miles Labor government's decade of decline. Under the former Labor government, youth offenders were leaving detention with as little as 72 hours of transition support, despite up to 96 per cent reoffending within 12 months. The former Labor government's alternative was short-term intervention, inadequate rehabilitation and a revolving door of repeat offending. The Crisafulli Government is delivering structured, statewide programs with defined service locations, clear contractual arrangements and a focus on measurable outcomes.

The full contractual funding allocations for Regional Reset providers and sites are available at the following link: [DYJVS - Contract Disclosure Report - Dataset - Open Data Portal | Queensland Government](#)

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ASKED MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE AND VICTIM SUPPORT AND MINISTER
FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON L GERBER)

QUESTION:

With reference to the Circuit Breaker Sentencing program, given Expressions of Interest (EOI) are due to close 23 July 2026 and program delivery is expected to commence in 2026, will the Minister advise whether EOI applicants will be invited to formally tender or whether providers will be selected directly from EOI applicants?

ANSWER:

The Crisafulli Government is delivering Circuit Breaker Sentencing as part of our comprehensive plan to restore safety where Queenslanders live, hold youth offenders accountable and provide intensive rehabilitation before they become further entrenched in the youth justice system.

Circuit Breaker Sentencing is a nation-leading, court-ordered alternative to detention. The Crisafulli Government is investing \$80 million over four years to establish Circuit Breaker. The program will remove youth offenders from the environments, peer groups and influences driving their offending and place them in a structured residential setting for up to six months. Youth offenders participating in Circuit Breaker will be required to engage in education, skills development, vocational training and intensive rehabilitation, supported by wraparound health and social services.

This is a fundamentally different approach from the former Palaszczuk and Miles Labor government's decade of decline. Under the former Labor government, youth offenders cycled between bail and detention without the sustained discipline, education and rehabilitation needed to change their behaviour. The result of Labor's failures was a revolving door of repeat offending, more serious repeat offenders and more Queenslanders becoming victims of crime.

With Circuit Breaker Sentencing, the Crisafulli Government is delivering the intervention Labor failed to provide. As Circuit Breaker Sentencing has never been done before in Queensland, significant preparatory work was undertaken by the Department of Youth Justice and Victim Support (DYJVS) to ensure the program delivers outcomes for Queenslanders.

Following this preparatory work, Expressions of Interest for the delivery of Circuit Breaker Sentencing services and the identification of suitable facilities opened on 25 June 2026 and close on 23 July 2026. This is an independent process being completed by DYJVS and is a matter for the Director-General. DYJVS will consider the responses received and determine the appropriate next steps.

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ASKED MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE AND VICTIM SUPPORT AND MINISTER
FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON L GERBER)

QUESTION:

Given the reason provided for the withdrawal of funding for MaraWay was their inability to deliver on “contracted requirements,” will the Minister advise the core contracted requirements for each of the Regional Reset providers?

ANSWER:

The Crisafulli Government is delivering the \$50 million Regional Reset program as part of our commitment to intervene earlier, break the cycle of youth crime and restore safety where Queenslanders live. Regional Reset supports at-risk young people aged 8 to 17 who are showing early signs of disengagement, anti-social or criminal behaviour to help make Queensland safer. It is designed to intervene before these young people become entrenched in the youth justice system by addressing the causes of their behaviour, promoting positive change and strengthening their connections with family, education, training and the community.

This stands in stark contrast to the former Palaszczuk and Miles Labor Government, which presided over a Youth Crime Crisis, failed to deliver effective early intervention and allowed a generation of serious repeat offenders to cycle through the system. After a decade of Labor’s weak laws, poor outcomes and failure to restore community safety, the Crisafulli Government is investing in targeted programs to deliver real results.

Just as we promised, early intervention providers are being held accountable to meet their contracted requirements, to respect Queenslanders’ money and turn youth away from crime. I am advised by the Department of Youth Justice and Victim Support that this provider wasn’t delivering on contracted requirements.

The Department of Youth Justice and Victim Support has acted to protect young people and ensure respect for taxpayer money.

All Regional Reset providers must deliver 1 to 3 week ‘reset’ camps in a location with appropriate facilities and ensure their program reduces reoffending, re-engages young people with education, employment and strengthens their community and family connections.

Each Regional Reset program is tailored to the unique needs of their local community as such, contractual requirements are not a one-size-fits-all and vary between providers.

After a decade in which the former Palaszczuk and Miles Labor Government failed to deliver effective early intervention and created a generation of serious repeat offenders, the Crisafulli Government is focused on programs that work. Our government will continue to measure performance, hold providers accountable and restore respect for Queenslanders' money while delivering the early intervention needed to prevent crime and reduce the number of victims.

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JUSTICE, INTEGRITY, COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE ESTIMATES 2026
ASKED MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE AND VICTIM SUPPORT AND MINISTER
FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON L GERBER)

QUESTION:

Can the Minister advise the number of separations that have occurred at the following facilities, for the years 2025 and 2026 (to date) reported separately by:

- a. The Brisbane Youth Detention Centre
- b. The Cleveland Youth Detention Centre, and
- c. The West Moreton Youth Detention Centre?

ANSWER:

The Crisafulli Government is restoring safety, structure and discipline across Queensland's youth detention system while backing the hardworking frontline staff responsible for safely managing offenders. When the Crisafulli Government came into Government, Youth Detention Centres (YDCs) were under resourced and over capacity with the Labor Government using separations in youth detention centres to cover up for chronic staff shortages.

In fact, The Queensland Ombudsman and Inspector of Detention Services published a scathing report into the previous Labor Governments use of separation in response to staffing shortages at the Cleveland Youth Detention Centre in August 2024.

The most serious findings included:

- Staff shortages had persisted for years, resulting in youth being locked in their rooms because there were not enough staff to supervise them.
- Some children were separated on consecutive days for more than 70 consecutive days.

The report concluded that the long-term solution was ensuring there are enough operational staff, so youth are not subject to separations due to staffing shortages. After a decade of Labor failing to properly staff frontline youth justice and detention centres, the Crisafulli Government is investing in the workforce needed to restore safety with the total number of staff increasing from 2,460 under Labor in 2024-2025 to 2,879 in 2026-2027, an overall growth of 17%. With staffing at Cleveland Youth Detention Centre increasing to the highest level in 5 years.

As a result, separations due to staff shortages has reduced by 37% under the Crisafulli Government.

The number of separations recorded at youth detention centres for 2025 are:

- 20,387 at the Brisbane Youth Detention Centre;
- 55,194 at the Cleveland Youth Detention Centre; and
- 1,834 at the West Moreton Youth Detention Centre.

The number of separations recorded at youth detention centres for 2026 are:

- 10,856 at the Brisbane Youth Detention Centre;
- 34,030 at the Cleveland Youth Detention Centre; and
- 1,137 at the West Moreton Youth Detention Centre.

With 73% of separation events lasting less than two hours in 2025-26.

The Crisafulli Government is also implementing Detention with Purpose in our youth detention centres to restore discipline, rehabilitation, compulsory education and to ensure there are clear consequences for youth who are violent towards staff. Under the Crisafulli Government the majority of separations now occur as a behaviour management tool to ensure there are consequences for actions. Separations can also occur if the youth is ill, at the youths request, for routine security purposes, for the protection of other youth or property and to restore order in the detention centre.

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ASKED MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE AND VICTIM SUPPORT AND MINISTER
FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON L GERBER)

QUESTION:

Can the Minister advise in respect of FTEs at each of the three Youth Detention Centres, in table format reported separately by facility, and as at the nearest reportable date:

- a. the total number of approved FTE
- b. the total number of substantively vacant positions; and
- c. the total number of FTEs currently on sick leave, WorkCover arrangements and/or on suspensions?

ANSWER:

The Crisafulli Government is backing Queensland's hardworking youth detention workforce with the staffing and resources needed to safely manage youth offenders and deliver effective rehabilitation. Our frontline youth detention staff play an important role in restoring safety where Queenslanders live. I acknowledge and thank our youth detention staff who work every day to keep the community, their colleagues, and youth in detention safe.

After a decade of the former Palaszczuk and Miles Labor government failing to deliver adequate capacity and left frontline staff to manage the consequences of weak laws and rising crime, the Crisafulli Government is rebuilding the workforce and restoring structure, discipline and safety across the youth detention system.

Significant recruitment under the Crisafulli Government has increased staffing across Queensland's youth detention centres. As at the pay period ending 26 June 2026, the three youth detention centres have 177.04 FTE above establishment.

The total number of approved FTE as at pay period ending 26 June 2026

Brisbane Youth Detention Centre 363.85, Cleveland Youth Detention Centre 294.6, West Moreton Youth Detention Centre 134. Total 792.45
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There are no substantively vacant positions at all three youth detention centres, as at pay period ending 26 June 2026.

The total number of FTEs currently on sick leave, WorkCover arrangements and/or on suspensions.

Brisbane Youth Detention Centre 62.58, Cleveland Youth Detention Centre 28.5, West Moreton Youth Detention Centre 27.18.

The Crisafulli Government is investing in the workforce needed to restore safety with the total number of staff increasing from 2,460 under Labor in 2024-2025 to 2,879 in 2026-2027, an overall growth of 17%.

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JUSTICE, INTEGRITY, COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE ESTIMATES 2026
ASKED MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE AND VICTIM SUPPORT AND MINISTER
FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON L GERBER)

QUESTION:

Can the Minister advise for the 2025/2026 and 2026/2027 financial years the spent maintenance budget and/or allocated maintenance budget for each of the following facilities, reported separately by facility and financial year:

- a. the Brisbane Youth Detention Centre
- b. the Cleveland Youth Detention Centre, and
- c. the West Moreton Youth Detention Centre?

ANSWER:

The Crisafulli government inherited an ageing youth detention asset base with a significant maintenance backlog after a decade of the former Palaszczuk and Miles Labor government failing to invest in the infrastructure needed to keep Queenslanders safe.

The Crisafulli Government is taking a fundamentally different approach by actively managing maintenance requirements and investing to ensure facilities remain safe, secure and fit for purpose. The Department of Youth Justice and Victim Support continues to assess and prioritise maintenance works according to operational need, safety, security and the condition of individual assets.

For the 2025–26 financial year, the maintenance allocation and actual expenditure were as follows:

- Brisbane Youth Detention Centre had an allocated budget of \$6,043,410 and actual expenditure of \$8,363,008;
- Cleveland Youth Detention Centre had an allocated budget of \$5,633,412 and actual expenditure of \$6,055,323;
- West Moreton Youth Detention Centre had an allocated budget of \$1,508,498 and actual expenditure of \$1,630,472;
- The total allocated maintenance budget for the three centres in 2025–26 was \$13,185,320, with total actual expenditure of \$16,048,803.

For the 2026–27 financial year, the allocated maintenance budgets are as follows:

- Brisbane Youth Detention Centre has an allocated budget of \$6,392,751;

- Cleveland Youth Detention Centre has an allocated budget of \$5,976,753;
- West Moreton Youth Detention Centre has an allocated budget of \$962,016.
- The total allocated maintenance budget for the three centres in 2026–27 is \$13,331,520.

The Crisafulli Government will continue to invest in the maintenance, renewal and expansion of Queensland's youth detention infrastructure. This includes delivering modern, fit-for-purpose capacity through the delivery and operation of the Wacol Youth Remand Centre and the expansion of the Woodford Youth Detention Centre, along with undertaking improvements across existing facilities.

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No. 17

Asked 1 July 2026

JUSTICE, INTEGRITY, COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE ESTIMATES 2026
ASKED MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE AND VICTIM SUPPORT AND MINISTER
FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON L GERBER)

QUESTION:

Can the Minister advise for the 2025/2026 financial year the number of occasions Queensland Corrective Services prisoners have been in the physical custody of the Queensland Police Service, for: 21 days, 20 days, 19 days, 18 days, 17 days, 16 days, 15 days, 14 days, 13 days, 12 days, 11 days, 10 days, 9 days, 8 days, 7 days, 6 days, 5 days, 4 days, and 3 days (listed separately, in table format, with a row assigned to each number of days, and a separate column for the number of occurrences)?

ANSWER:

As previously advised in response to Question on Notice No. 80 of 2026, information relating to the number of days an individual is held in a Queensland Police Service watchhouse is a matter for the Honourable Dan Purdie MP, Minister for Police and Emergency Services.

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No. 18

Asked 1 July 2026

JUSTICE, INTEGRITY, COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE ESTIMATES 2026
ASKED MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE AND VICTIM SUPPORT AND MINISTER
FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON L GERBER)

QUESTION:

Can the Minister advise as at 30 June 2026 (or closest reporting period) separately by correctional centre, in table format with a row assigned to each correctional facility and a column assigned for each of the below:

- a. the total number of prisoners
- b. the total built cell capacity
- c. the total built cell capacity utilisation rate
- d. the total built bed capacity
- e. the total built bed capacity utilisation rate
- f. number of single occupancy cells occupied by more than a single person, on the night of 30 June 2026.

(Noting with regard to the Lockyer Valley Correctional Centre, please include non-commissioned cells and beds in the provided figures)

ANSWER:

a. Total number of prisoners			
	30-Jun-24	30-Jun-25	30-Jun-26
Arthur Gorrie CC	1482	1519	1400
Borallon Training and CC	820	813	674
Brisbane CC	943	908	707
Brisbane Women's CC	308	311	345
Capricornia CC	1078	1211	1208
Capricornia CC - Low Custody	75	49	66
Helana Jones Centre	25	23	22
Lockyer Valley CC			1538
Lotus Glen CC	951	1050	1152
Lotus Glen CC - Low Custody	123	130	124
Maryborough CC	743	769	649
Numinbah CC	108	90	122

Palen Creek CC	197	192	202
Southern Queensland CC	349	346	438
Townsville CC (Male)	808	839	907
Townsville Women's CC	205	241	253
Townsville CC - Low Custody	74	70	44
Townsville Women's CC - Low Custody	42	55	47
Wolston CC	922	972	971
Woodford CC	1534	1598	1476
Male Work Camps	76	79	63
Female Work Camps	15	10	8

b. Built Cell Capacity			
	30-Jun-24	30-Jun-25	30-Jun-26
Arthur Gorrie CC	898	898	898
Borallon Training and CC	492	492	492
Brisbane CC	572	572	572
Brisbane Women's CC	258	258	258
Capricornia CC	754	754	754
Capricornia CC - Low Custody	96	96	96
Helana Jones Centre	26	26	26
Lockyer Valley CC			1164
Lotus Glen CC	714	714	714
Lotus Glen CC - Low Custody	124	148	148
Maryborough CC	500	500	500
Numinbah CC	119	151	151
Palen Creek CC	170	170	194
Southern Queensland CC	308	308	308
Townsville CC (Male)	513	513	513
Townsville Women's CC	158	158	158
Townsville CC - Low Custody	78	109	109
Townsville Women's CC - Low Custody	42	74	74
Wolston CC	600	600	600
Woodford CC	1008	1008	1008
Male Work Camps	136	136	136
Female Work Camps	21	21	21

c. Built Cell Capacity utilisation			
	30-Jun-24	30-Jun-25	30-Jun-26
Arthur Gorrie CC	165.0%	169.2%	155.9%
Borallon Training and CC	166.7%	165.2%	137.0%
Brisbane CC	164.9%	158.7%	123.6%
Brisbane Women's CC	119.4%	120.5%	133.7%
Capricornia CC	143.0%	160.6%	160.2%

Capricornia CC - Low Custody	78.1%	51.0%	68.8%
Helana Jones Centre	96.2%	88.5%	84.6%
Lockyer Valley CC			132.1%
Lotus Glen CC	133.2%	147.1%	161.3%
Lotus Glen CC - Low Custody	99.2%	87.8%	83.8%
Maryborough CC	148.6%	153.8%	129.8%
Numinbah CC	90.8%	59.6%	80.8%
Palen Creek CC	115.9%	112.9%	104.1%
Southern Queensland CC	113.3%	112.3%	142.2%
Townsville CC (Male)	157.5%	163.5%	176.8%
Townsville Women's CC	129.7%	152.5%	160.1%
Townsville CC - Low Custody	94.9%	64.2%	40.4%
Townsville Women's CC - Low Custody	100.0%	74.3%	63.5%
Wolston CC	153.7%	162.0%	161.8%
Woodford CC	152.2%	158.5%	146.4%
Male Work Camps	55.9%	58.1%	46.3%
Female Work Camps	71.4%	47.6%	38.1%

d. Built Bed Capacity			
	30-Jun-24	30-Jun-25	30-Jun-26
Arthur Gorrie CC	1002	1002	1002
Borallon Training and CC	736	736	736
Brisbane CC	977	1014	1014
Brisbane Women's CC	379	414	414
Capricornia CC	967	1199	1199
Capricornia CC - Low Custody	96	96	96
Helana Jones Centre	26	26	26
Lockyer Valley CC			1624
Lotus Glen CC	1077	1077	1077
Lotus Glen CC - Low Custody	124	148	148
Maryborough CC	824	824	824
Numinbah CC	119	151	151
Palen Creek CC	170	170	194
Southern Queensland CC	460	456	456
Townsville CC (Male)	839	839	839
Townsville Women's CC	286	286	286
Townsville CC - Low Custody	78	109	109
Townsville Women's CC - Low Custody	42	74	74
Wolston CC	1147	1147	1147
Woodford CC	1682	1722	1722
Male Work Camps	136	136	136
Female Work Camps	21	21	21

e. Built Bed Capacity Utilisation			
	30-Jun-24	30-Jun-25	30-Jun-26
Arthur Gorrie CC	147.9%	151.6%	139.7%
Borallon Training and CC	111.4%	110.5%	91.6%
Brisbane CC	96.5%	89.5%	69.7%
Brisbane Women's CC	81.3%	75.1%	83.3%
Capricornia CC	111.5%	101.0%	100.8%
Capricornia CC - Low Custody	78.1%	51.0%	68.8%
Helana Jones Centre	96.2%	88.5%	84.6%
Lockyer Valley CC			94.7%
Lotus Glen CC	88.3%	97.5%	107.0%
Lotus Glen CC - Low Custody	99.2%	87.8%	83.8%
Maryborough CC	90.2%	93.3%	78.8%
Numinbah CC	90.8%	59.6%	80.8%
Palen Creek CC	115.9%	112.9%	104.1%
Southern Queensland CC	75.9%	75.9%	96.1%
Townsville CC (Male)	96.3%	100.0%	108.1%
Townsville Women's CC	71.7%	84.3%	88.5%
Townsville CC - Low Custody	94.9%	64.2%	40.4%
Townsville Women's CC - Low Custody	100.0%	74.3%	63.5%
Wolston CC	80.4%	84.7%	84.7%
Woodford CC	91.2%	92.8%	85.7%
Male Work Camps	55.9%	58.1%	46.3%
Female Work Camps	71.4%	47.6%	38.1%

f. is unable to be answered as framed because a cell occupied by more than one person is not, by definition, a single-occupancy cell.

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JUSTICE, INTEGRITY, COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE ESTIMATES 2026
ASKED MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE AND VICTIM SUPPORT AND MINISTER
FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON L GERBER)

QUESTION:

In relation to data on the frequency and severity of youth offending post-detention, as referred to in Question on Notice No. 1177-2024, can the Minister provide updated figures for young people exiting detention in the 12-month period ending 30 June 2025:

a. Average number of offences per month when out of custody, compared with the 12-month period before starting custody, broken down by overall offending and serious offending, for:

- i. Each of Queensland's Youth Detention Centres
- ii. Young people who identify as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander compared with other detainees.

b. The total proportion of young people who had a new alleged offence in the 12 months following release from sentenced Youth Justice custody?

ANSWER:

The data requested at a. is unable to be produced on a comparable basis as framed, as it would not present a like-for-like comparison. While the question refers to youth exiting detention in the 12-month period ending 30 June 2025, it also requests offending in the 12-month period before those youth commenced custody. As individuals exited custody at varying times and had varying periods of detention, the commencement of custody spans from 2022 to 2025 and therefore the 12-month period before starting custody ranges from 2021 to 2024. Consequently, the requested data would draw on different observation periods and cohorts, making the comparison with Question on Notice No. 1177-2024 wrong.

The proportion of young people exiting detention in the 12-month period ending 30 June 2025 who had a new alleged offence following release from sentenced Youth Justice custody was 95 per cent, this compares to 96 per cent the previous year under the former Labor Government. This measure relates to a cohort of youth released from detention between 1 July 2024 and 30 June 2025 under the former Labor Government. Accordingly, the reported outcome reflects the operation of the former Labor Government's youth justice system.

QUESTION ON NOTICE

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Asked 1 July 2026

JUSTICE, INTEGRITY, COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE ESTIMATES 2026
ASKED MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE AND VICTIM SUPPORT AND MINISTER
FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON L GERBER)

QUESTION:

In relation to the Inspector of Detention Services' 2025 Palen Creek Correctional Centre Inspection Report, can the Minister advise, in table format, which recommendations have been implemented in full, partially implemented, accepted but not implemented, or not accepted, and in particular provide an update on the progress of recommendations 20, 21, 24 and 25?

ANSWER:

Queensland Corrective Services (QCS) strives for continuous improvements in service delivery, including the implementation of recommendations from the Inspector of Detention Services. After a decade of the former Palaszczuk and Miles Labor governments allowing infrastructure and operational pressures to build across the system, the Crisafulli Government is focused on practical delivery and continuous improvement.

The Inspector of Detention Services inspected Palen Creek Correctional Centre in June 2024 under the former Labor Government. The final report was published on 19 June 2025 and contained 27 recommendations. Of those recommendations, 23 identified QCS as the lead agency, two were jointly allocated to QCS and Queensland Health and two were allocated solely to Queensland Health.

Queensland Corrective Services provides the following implementation status:

Rec No.	Lead agency	Implementation Status
1	QCS	Fully implemented
2	QCS	Fully implemented
3	QCS	Fully implemented
4	QCS	Fully implemented
5	QCS	Fully implemented
6	QCS	Fully implemented
7	QCS	Fully implemented

8	QCS	Fully implemented
10	QCS	Fully implemented
11	QCS	Fully implemented
12	QCS	Fully implemented
13	QCS	Partially implemented
14	QCS	Fully implemented
15	QCS	Fully implemented
16	QCS	Fully implemented
18	QCS	Fully implemented
19	Metro South HHS/QCS	Fully implemented
20	Metro South HHS/QCS	Fully implemented
21	QCS	Fully implemented
22	QCS	Closed as not implemented
23	QCS	Fully implemented
24	QCS	Fully implemented
25	QCS	In progress
26	QCS	In progress
27	QCS	Fully implemented