

Question on Notice
No. 961
Asked on 23 August 2023

MR N DAMETTO ASKED MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES (HON M RYAN)—

QUESTION:

With reference to Queensland juvenile offenders— Will the Minister advise (reported separately by year) (a) how many juvenile offenders were charged with the offence of unlawful use of a motor vehicle for the past ten years and (b) how many of those offenders charged had a prior conviction recorded and/or were sentenced to a period of detention?

ANSWER:

I am advised by the Queensland Police Service (QPS) that:

- (a) the number of juvenile offenders charged with the offence of unlawful use of a motor vehicle for the past ten calendar years is as follows:

In 2013, there were 1,333 juveniles charged with unlawful use of motor vehicle offences.

In 2014, there were 1,184 juveniles charged with unlawful use of motor vehicle offences.

In 2015, there were 1,108 juveniles charged with unlawful use of motor vehicle offences.

In 2016, there were 1,227 juveniles charged with unlawful use of motor vehicle offences.

In 2017, there were 1,468 juveniles charged with unlawful use of motor vehicle offences.

In 2018, there were 1,627 juveniles charged with unlawful use of motor vehicle offences.

In 2019, there were 1,502 juveniles charged with unlawful use of motor vehicle offences.

In 2020, there were 1,812 juveniles charged with unlawful use of motor vehicle offences.

In 2021, there were 1,952 juveniles charged with unlawful use of motor vehicle offences.

In 2022, there were 2,163 juveniles charged with unlawful use of motor vehicle offences.

Notes:

1. This data is preliminary and may be subject to change.
2. Data relates to sections 408A and 398.12 of the *Criminal Code*.
3. Juveniles refer to persons aged between 10 and 17 years as at the date of charge.
4. Persons charged represents a unique offender count. A person with multiple charges will be counted once in the breakdown.

- (b) I am further advised that conviction and sentencing data is held and most accurately reported by other Queensland Government departments. As such, I suggest that the member direct this portion of the question to the relevant Ministers.