

ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

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Portfolio: Police, Fire & Emergency Services **Agency:** NT Police, Fire & Emergency Services

Subject: Assaults on Police resulting in conviction and charge

QUESTION

How many assaults on Police were there last financial year and this financial year to date? How many of those assaults proceeded to, or resulted in a charge? How many of those charged resulted in a conviction, and how many of those convictions saw the perpetrator serve actual prison time, and what was the average length of prison time served for an assault on Police?

ANSWER

Financial year of the offence	2019-20	2020-21 YTD
How many assaults on Police were there last financial year and this financial year to date? (As per answer to 3.1: this is the number of such offences recorded in PROMIS.)	189	88
How many of those assaults proceeded to, or resulted in a charge? Number of charges that proceeded to court (to date).	268	133
How many of those charged resulted in a conviction? This is the number of charges resulting in a conviction being recorded (to date).	121	21
Not all persons found guilty have a conviction recorded. This is the total number of charges resulting in a finding of guilt (to date).	140	27
How many of those convictions saw the perpetrator serve actual prison time? This is the number of charges resulting in a custodial (imprisonment or youth detention) order that was not fully suspended (to date), regardless of whether a conviction was recorded.	103	21
What was the average length of prison time served for an assault on Police? This is the average sentence length, in days, recorded in IJIS for the offences that received a custodial order (to date). The averages are of the sentence lengths recorded against the specified offences, but the NT practices global sentencing.	95.9	72.1