

Estimates Committee 2010

Questions Taken On Notice

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Subject Percentage of defendants who had a monetary order in 2009-10
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From: Ms Jodeen Carney to Hon Delia Lawrie
Justice and Attorney-General

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Answer:

Answered 10/08/2010

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Answer: Department of Justice

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Response:

Latest ABS Statistics indicate that the Northern Territory courts handed down the highest proportion of actual imprisonment sentences by far in Australia in all levels of courts.

In 2008-09, a total of 6,279 defendants received a monetary order as their principle penalty representing 63% of all defendants who were proven guilty.

Between 1 July 2009 to 31 March 2010, 4,649 defendants received a monetary order as their principle penalty representing 63% of all defendants who were proven guilty during this period.