

ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

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Portfolio: Attorney-General and Minister for Justice

Agency: Department of the Attorney-General and Justice

Subject: People held in separate confinement

QUESTION:

Over the 2023-24 financial year reporting period, how many people were held in separate confinement or similar? What was the average amount of time that was spent in separate confinement? What was the longest period that someone was held in separate confinement?

ANSWER:

For the period 1 July to 31 March 2024:

| Question | Total for Darwin Correctional Centre and Alice Springs Correctional Centre |
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| How many people held in separate confinement ⁱ or similar? | 799 instances ⁱⁱ |
| Average amount of time spent in separate confinement? | 25.5 hours |
| Longest period someone held in separate confinement? | 6 days |

ⁱ Separate confinement means the separation of a prisoner away from other prisoners.

ⁱⁱ A prisoner may have more than one instance during the reporting period. The data provided relates to instances of separate confinement or similar, not unique individuals. Retrieving information by person is administratively burdensome and has not been provided for this reason.