

ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

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Portfolio: Attorney-General & Justice

Agency: Department of the Attorney-General and Justice

Subject: Reoffending by COMMIT program participants

QUESTION:

How many persons involved in the COMMIT program, over the last three years have reoffended?

ANSWER:

The following information comes from an analysis of 108 individuals who began a COMMIT parole supervision order between October 2017 to October 2019; conducted by the Criminal Justice Research and Statistics Unit*.

- 41% of COMMIT parole participants reoffend within two years of commencing their supervision order (due to the relatively short period of time COMMIT parole has been operating, reoffending estimates could not be calculated out to three years).

*These analyses do not take into account any reductions in opportunity to offend (for instance, if an individual has had their community supervision order revoked and therefore spent much of the subsequent three year follow-up period in prison, their opportunity to offend is limited, compared to an individual who has not been revoked). Reoffending is based on apprehension data up to 11 December 2020, and excludes ANZSOC group 15 offences (offences against justice procedures, government security and government operations) which mostly relate to breach of supervision conditions.