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VICTORIA POLICE

Crime Statistics 2009/2010

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1 Executive summary

1.1 Statewide crime statistics 2009/2010

Overall crime

In 2009/2010, there was a decline in overall crime of 6.4%, as a rate per 100,000 population. The 2009/10 crime rate per 100,000 is 6,665.6, the lowest since the implementation of LEAP in March 1993. The number of offences recorded in 2009/2010 decreased by 4.4%. Since 2000/2001, overall crime has decreased by 29.9%, as a rate per 100,000 population. The number of recorded offences has decreased by 19.3% over the same period.

The single year clearance rate for 2009/10 is 46.3% (up 0.2 percentage points from the clearance rate recorded in 2008/09). It is the highest single year clearance recorded since the implementation of LEAP.

Victoria Police processed a total of 170,614 alleged offenders in 2009/2010, an increase of 0.9% compared with the 169,064 processed in 2008/2009. The number of total victims of crime decreased by 2.3%, from 204,698 in 2008/09 to 200,022 in 2009/10.

Crime against the person

In terms of a rate per 100,000 population, crime against the person has increased by 0.7%. In 2009/2010 there were 45,385 offences of crime against the person recorded. This is an increase of 2.9% compared with 2008/2009. In 2009/2010, total crime against the person offences not arising from family incidents as a rate per 100,000 population decreased by 1.0% compared to 2008/2009 and have decreased by 0.6% since 2000/2001. Offences of sex (non-rape), robbery and assault account for 95.2% of offences in this category.

During 2009/2010 the rate of assaults per 100,000 population has increased by 1.7%. The rate of assaults not arising from family incidents has decreased by 0.3% and the rate of assaults arising from family incidents has increased by 7.9%. Expressed as offences recorded compared to 2008/09, total assaults have increased by 3.8%. Assault offences arising from family incidents increased by 10.2% and not arising from family incidents increased by 1.8%.

There were 5,125 sex (non-rape) offences recorded in 2009/2010, an increase of 2.4% on the 5,007 offences recorded in 2008/2009. As a rate per 100,000 population, sex (non-rape) has risen by 0.2%. There were 1,540 rape offences recorded in 2009/2010, a decrease of 1.3% on the 1,561 offences recorded in 2008/2009. As a rate per 100,000 population, rape has declined by 3.4%.

Robbery offences have decreased by 6.9% to 3,108 in 2009/2010, whereas the rate per 100,000 population has decreased by 8.8%. Almost all alleged offenders of robberies (89.3%) were males however male offenders have decreased by 6.4%. Male victims of robberies have decreased by 7.4%. Female victims decreased by 11.9% since 2008/2009.

There has been a 19.3% decrease in robberies recorded where a knife was involved (makes up 55.6% of all weapons used/threatened/displayed during robberies) and a 16.4% increase in robberies recorded where a handgun was involved (7.7% of all weapons). Robberies occurring at street/lane/footpath locations have decreased by 10.7% and make up 48.9% of all robberies. Public transport locations have decreased by 4.3% and retail locations have increased by 2.7%.

Victims of assault offences in 2009/2010 were mainly male (57.1%). There were 1,125 adult victims aged over 60, a 2.7% increase since 2008/2009. Victims aged under 18 years decreased by 1.3% and victims aged 18-59 increased by 3.6%.

Family Incidents

During 2009/2010, there were 35,720 incidents where police submitted family incident reports. This is 5.4% higher than the 33,896 reports submitted in 2008/2009.

Crime against property

In 2009/2010 there were 260,514 offences against property, a decrease of 6.9% compared with 2008/2009. Crime against property has decreased as a rate per 100,000 population by 8.9%, from 5,202.1 to 4,739.7.

There were 3,034 offences of arson recorded during 2009/2010, a decrease of 12.4% from the 3,464 arsons recorded in 2008/2009.

In 2009/2010, there were 52,346 offences of property damage recorded by Victoria Police, a decrease of 3.3% compared to 2008/2009. Property damage offences not arising from family incidents decreased by 3.6% and arising from family incidents increased by 2.2%. Property damage offences arising from family incidents make up 4.7% of all property damage offences.

The number of aggravated burglaries recorded during 2009/2010 increased by 13.0% to 2,166, from 1,916 in 2008/2009. In 2009/2010 there was a 17.6% increase in offenders processed for these offences.

The number of residential burglaries recorded decreased 2.4% from 28,029 in 2008/2009 to 27,343 in 2009/2010.

The number of theft of motor vehicle offences recorded in 2009/2010 (15,078) is 5.7% lower than the 15,982 recorded in 2008/2009. As a rate per 100,000 population, theft of motor vehicles has decreased by 7.6%. Operation Vehicle Watch was introduced in March 2002 and the number of theft of motor vehicle offences has more than halved since 2001/2002, with a decrease of 60.0%.

The number of theft from motor vehicle (TFMV) offences recorded in 2009/2010 (45,435) was 4.3% lower than that recorded in 2008/2009.

Drug offences

In 2009/2010 there were 14,583 drug offences recorded, a decrease of 2.5% compared with 2008/2009. There is a decrease of 2.9% for drugs (possess / use) this year and a decrease of 1.6% in the category of drugs (cultivate / manufacture / traffick).

Other offences

The number of offences recorded under the Behaviour in Public offence category in 2009/2010 (8,266) is 28.6% higher than the number recorded in 2008/2009. This increase is due to the introduction of the Safe Street Task-Force and the introduction of Penalty Infringement Notices (PINs) and Official Offender Warnings (OWRs) for offences "Behaves in a riotous indecent offensive or insulting manner" and "Uses profane indecent or obscene language or insulting words" on 1 July 2008. In addition, the Operations Response Unit (ORU) commenced in March 2010.

Overall nearly 70% (5,588) of Behaviour in Public offences were dealt with by either a PIN or OWR which is an increase of 67.6% compared to last financial year. During the same period, Behaviour in Public offences dealt by other means decreased by 13.4%.

Behaviour in public offences occurring at street/lane/footpath locations constitute 66.5% of all behaviour in public offences. Offences at these locations have increased by 34.3% since 2008/2009.

There have been 3,423 banning notices issued for public order offences as a result of the introduction of banning notices by Victoria Police on 31 December 2007 and 1,868 of those were issued during 2009/2010.

The number of persons taken into custody for reason being "drunk" in 2009/2010 was 20,522 (*source: Victoria Police Attendance Register*). This is a decrease of 4.8% compared with 2008/2009.

There were 8,975 infringement notices issued since 16 December 2009 under the new move on powers and the expansion of the use of infringement notices for offences related to public drunkenness and anti-social behaviour. These infringement notice statistics are independent to Behaviour in Public offences.

2 Total crime

2.1 Across Victoria

During 2009/2010, 366,367 offences were recorded as occurring in Victoria. The total number of offences recorded in 2009/2010 is 4.4% lower than in 2008/2009. Expressed as a rate of recorded offences per 100,000 population, there were 6,665.6 offences recorded in 2009/2010. This crime rate is 6.4% lower than the crime rate recorded during 2008/2009 and is the lowest rate per 100,000 population since the implementation of LEAP in March 1993.

Figure 1: Summary of offences recorded and cleared, 2008/2009 and 2009/2010

		Offences Recorded					Single Year Clearances			
		No.		% Change from	Rate per 100,000 Population*		% Change from	No. Rate (%)		Rate diff from
		2008/2009	2009/2010		2008/2009	2009/2010		2009/2010	2009/2010	
Crime against the person	Homicide	182	206	13.2	3.4	3.7	10.8	187	90.8	8.9
	Rape	1,561	1,540	-1.3	29.0	28.0	-3.4	1,214	78.8	3.6
	Sex (non rape)	5,007	5,125	2.4	93.0	93.2	0.2	3,904	76.2	1.2
	Robbery	3,338	3,108	-6.9	62.0	56.5	-8.8	1,491	48.0	0.7
	Assault	33,691	34,981	3.8	626.0	636.4	1.7	28,302	80.9	1.4
	Abduction / Kidnap	345	425	23.2	6.4	7.7	20.6	337	79.3	-2.7
	Sub-total	44,124	45,385	2.9	819.9	825.7	0.7	35,435	78.1	1.7
Crime against property	Arson	3,464	3,034	-12.4	64.4	55.2	-14.2	648	21.4	3.2
	Property damage	54,157	52,346	-3.3	1,006.3	952.4	-5.4	12,603	24.1	-0.1
	Burglary (aggravated)	1,916	2,166	13.0	35.6	39.4	10.7	1,081	49.9	0.0
	Burglary (residential)	28,029	27,343	-2.4	520.8	497.5	-4.5	3,838	14.0	0.2
	Burglary (other)	17,208	16,223	-5.7	319.7	295.2	-7.7	2,909	17.9	-1.6
	Deception	22,668	19,139	-15.6	421.2	348.2	-17.3	14,903	77.9	-0.7
	Handle stolen goods	7,350	5,848	-20.4	136.6	106.4	-22.1	5,755	98.4	-0.4
	Theft from motor vehicle	47,480	45,435	-4.3	882.2	826.6	-6.3	4,318	9.5	0.4
	Theft (shopsteal)	20,193	21,326	5.6	375.2	388.0	3.4	16,660	78.1	-1.2
	Theft of motor vehicle	15,982	15,078	-5.7	297.0	274.3	-7.6	3,166	21.0	-2.3
	Theft of bicycle	5,021	4,400	-12.4	93.3	80.1	-14.2	390	8.9	0.0
Theft (other)	56,501	48,176	-14.7	1,049.8	876.5	-16.5	10,711	22.2	-5.7	
Sub-total	279,969	260,514	-6.9	5,202.1	4,739.7	-8.9	76,982	29.6	-1.6	
Drug offences	Drug (cult., manuf., traff.)	4,458	4,388	-1.6	82.8	79.8	-3.6	4,329	98.7	0.0
	Drug (possess, use)	10,498	10,195	-2.9	195.1	185.5	-4.9	10,083	98.9	0.2
	Sub-total	14,956	14,583	-2.5	277.9	265.3	-4.5	14,412	98.8	0.1
Other crime	Going equipped to steal	527	552	4.7	9.8	10.0	2.6	547	99.1	-0.3
	Justice procedures	18,936	19,471	2.8	351.9	354.2	0.7	18,349	94.2	-0.2
	Regulated public order	2,278	1,951	-14.4	42.3	35.5	-16.1	1,857	95.2	0.1
	Weapons / Explosives	7,155	6,817	-4.7	132.9	124.0	-6.7	6,695	98.2	0.2
	Harassment	2,846	2,935	3.1	52.9	53.4	1.0	2,327	79.3	8.4
	Behaviour in public	6,428	8,266	28.6	119.4	150.4	25.9	8,099	98.0	1.3
	Other	5,871	5,893	0.4	109.1	107.2	-1.7	5,006	84.9	0.4
Sub-total	44,041	45,885	4.2	818.3	834.8	2.0	42,880	93.5	0.9	
TOTAL	383,090	366,367	-4.4	7,118.2	6,665.6	-6.4	169,709	46.3	0.2	

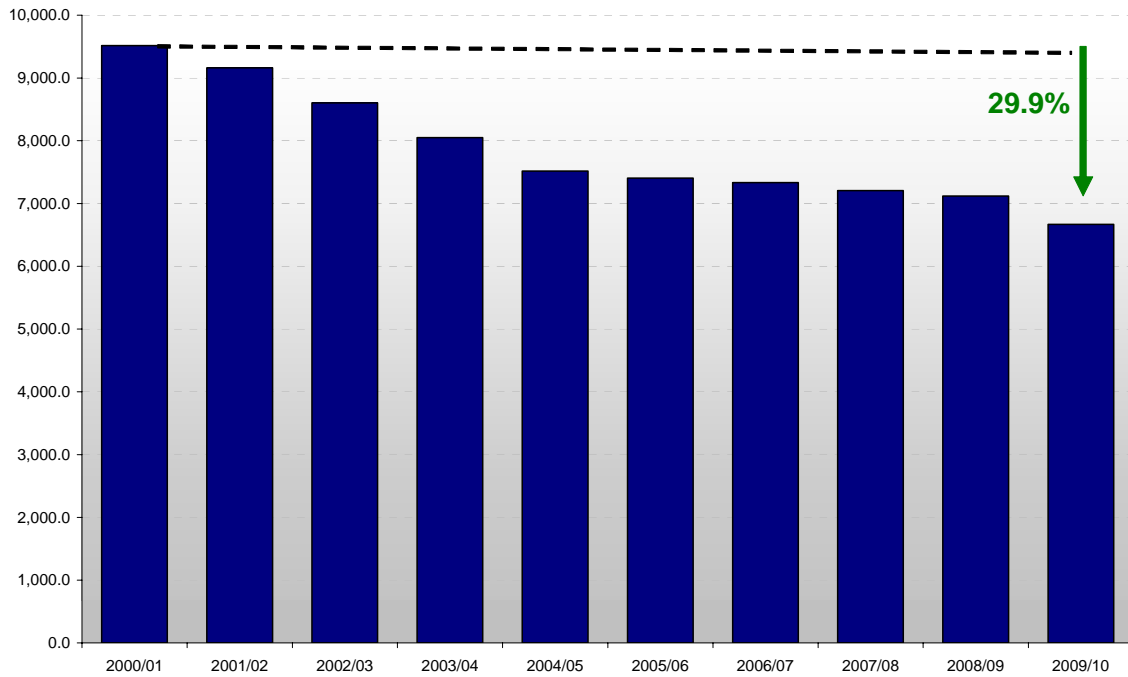
* Rates were calculated using estimated resident population figures as at 31 December 2009 obtained from the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS Cat. No. 3101.0).

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Recorded offences

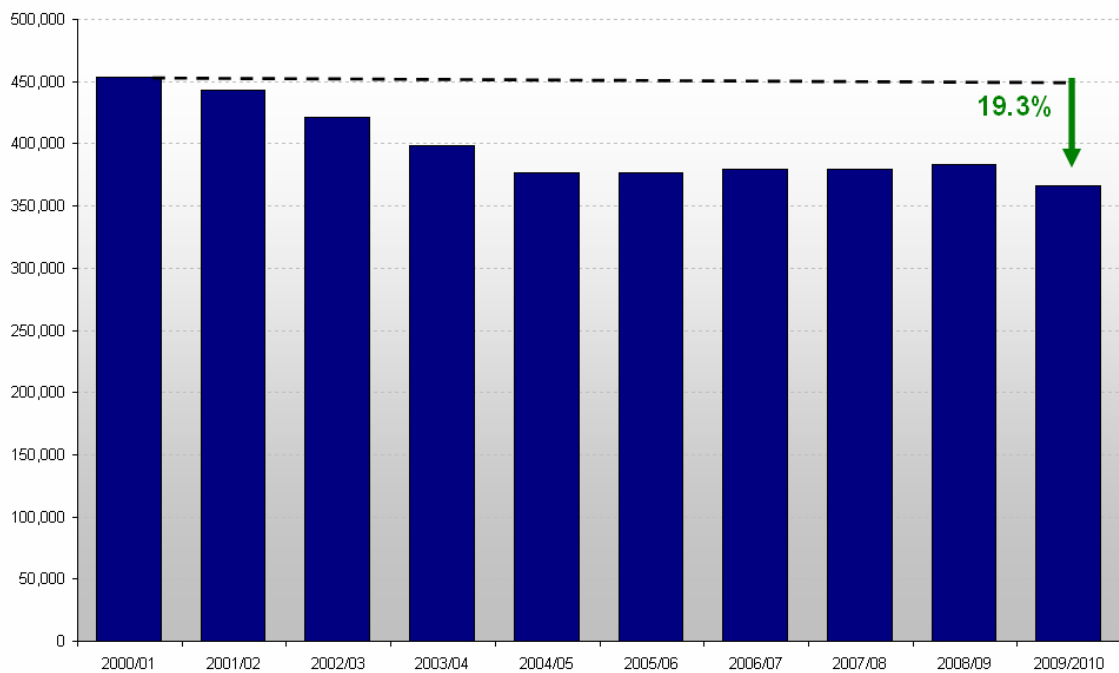
Since 2000/2001 the crime rate per 100,000 population has decreased by 29.9%.

Figure 2: Total crime recorded per 100,000 population per year, 2000/2001 to 2009/2010



Since 2000/2001, recorded offences have decreased by 19.3%.

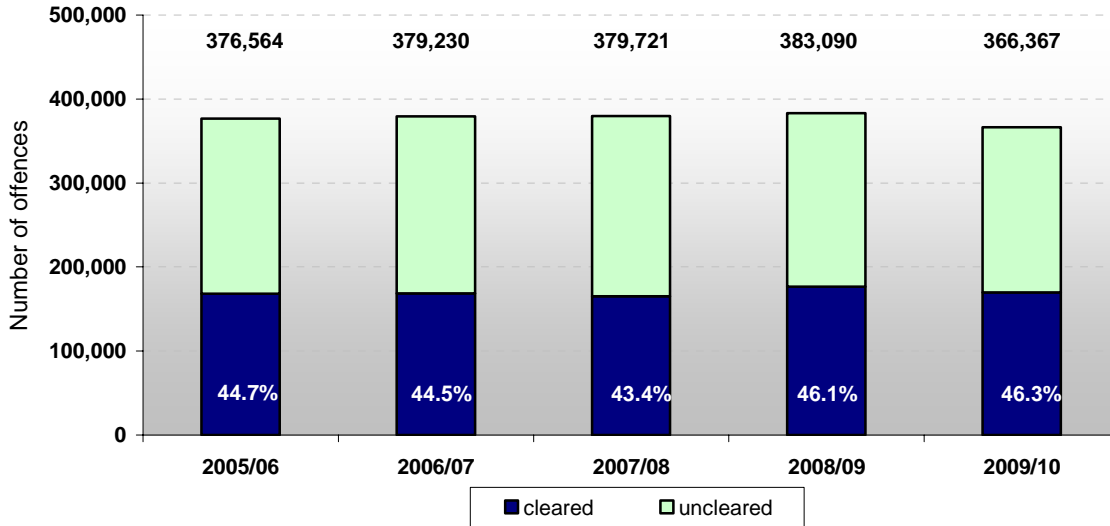
Figure 3: Total offences recorded per year, 2000/2001 to 2009/2010



Cleared offences

Of the 366,367 offences recorded during 2009/2010, 169,709 were cleared within the same financial year. This gives a single year clearance rate of 46.3% (up 0.2 percentage points from the clearance rate recorded in 2008/2009). An additional 11,223 offences recorded prior to 2009/2010 were also cleared during 2009/2010. Over the last five years, the average single year clearance rate has been 45.0%. Since 2000/2001 the clearance rate has increased by 10.0 percentage points.

Figure 4: Recorded and cleared crime, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010

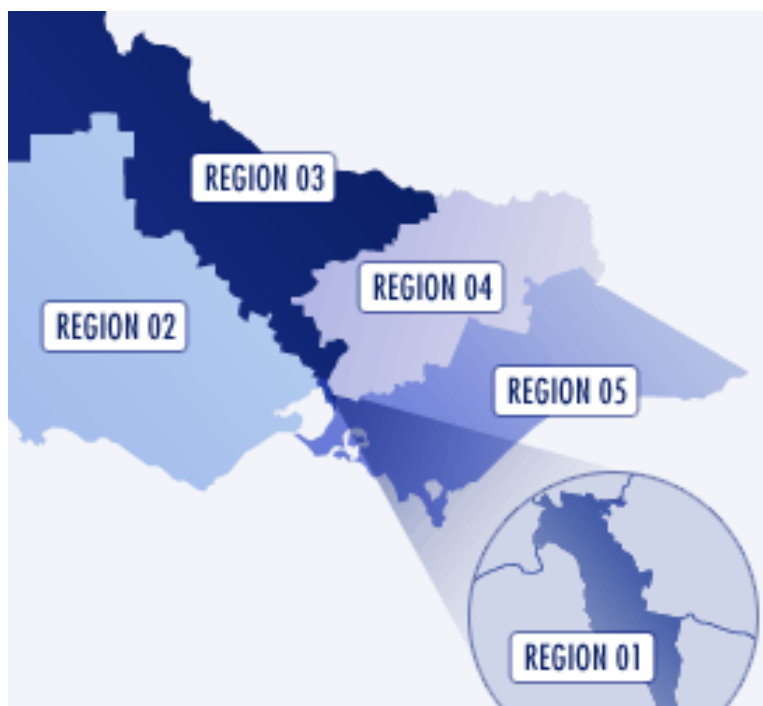


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2.2 By region

For management of police responses, tasking and coordination, Victoria is divided into five geographical regions.

Figure 5: Victoria Police region boundaries



Region 1

Figure 6: Region 1 Offences recorded and cleared, 2008/2009 and 2009/2010

		Offences Recorded					Single Year Clearances			
				% Change from 2008/2009	Rate per 100,000 Population*		% Change from 2008/2009	No.	Rate (%)	Rate diff
		No.	No.		2008/2009	2008/2009		2009/2010	2008/2009	2009/2010
Crime against the person	Homicide	28	22	-21.4	3.8	2.9	-23.0	22	100.0	17.9
	Rape	291	254	-12.7	39.8	34.0	-14.5	177	69.7	1.0
	Sex (non rape)	674	639	-5.2	92.2	85.6	-7.1	388	60.7	0.2
	Robbery	958	865	-9.7	131.0	115.9	-11.5	416	48.1	4.4
	Assault	6,334	6,105	-3.6	866.3	818.1	-5.6	4624	75.7	2.4
	Abduction / Kidnap	51	58	13.7	7.0	7.8	11.4	48	82.8	4.3
	Sub-total	8,336	7,943	-4.7	1140.2	1064.4	-6.6	5675	71.4	2.6
Crime against property	Arson	269	214	-20.4	36.8	28.7	-22.1	36	16.8	3.1
	Property damage	8,860	8,098	-8.6	1211.8	1085.1	-10.5	2217	27.4	-4.4
	Burglary (aggravated)	297	320	7.7	40.6	42.9	5.6	145	45.3	-4.2
	Burglary (residential)	4,865	4,070	-16.3	665.4	545.4	-18.0	478	11.7	-1.4
	Burglary (other)	3,518	3,072	-12.7	481.2	411.7	-14.4	501	16.3	-1.4
	Deception	7,453	6,364	-14.6	1019.4	852.8	-16.3	4999	78.6	3.9
	Handle stolen goods	1,748	1,277	-26.9	239.1	171.1	-28.4	1257	98.4	-0.4
	Theft from motor vehicle	12,002	10,113	-15.7	1641.6	1355.2	-17.4	849	8.4	1.2
	Theft (shopsteal)	4,908	4,968	1.2	671.3	665.7	-0.8	3794	76.4	0.8
	Theft of motor vehicle	2,872	2,309	-19.6	392.8	309.4	-21.2	549	23.8	0.1
	Theft of bicycle	1,894	1,438	-24.1	259.1	192.7	-25.6	86	6.0	-2.0
	Theft (other)	14,496	11,267	-22.3	1982.7	1509.8	-23.9	2259	20.0	-7.1
	Sub-total	63,182	53,510	-15.3	8641.7	7170.4	-17.0	17170	32.1	-1.0
Drug offences	Drug (cult., manuf., traff.)	885	859	-2.9	121.0	115.1	-4.9	852	99.2	-0.2
	Drug (possess, use)	2,915	2,983	2.3	398.7	399.7	0.3	2949	98.9	0.1
	Sub-total	3,800	3,842	1.1	519.7	514.8	-0.9	3801	98.9	0.0
Other crime	Going equipped to steal	130	149	14.6	17.8	20.0	12.3	147	98.7	0.2
	Justice procedures	3,366	3,474	3.2	460.4	465.5	1.1	3304	95.1	-0.9
	Regulated public order	365	459	25.8	49.9	61.5	23.2	451	98.3	1.0
	Weapons / Explosives	1,384	1,245	-10.0	189.3	166.8	-11.9	1221	98.1	-1.0
	Harassment	488	497	1.8	66.7	66.6	-0.2	338	68.0	-6.2
	Behaviour in public	2,565	3,492	36.1	350.8	467.9	33.4	3442	98.6	1.1
	Other	1,290	1,268	-1.7	176.4	169.9	-3.7	1105	87.1	-4.2
	Sub-total	9,588	10,584	10.4	1311.4	1418.3	8.1	10,008	94.6	-0.6
TOTAL		84,906	75,879	-10.6	11613.0	10167.9	-12.4	36,654	48.3	1.8

* Rates for Police Regions were calculated using estimated resident population figures as at 30 June 2009 obtained from the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS Cat. No. 3218.0).

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Region 2

Figure 7: Region 2 Offences recorded and cleared, 2008/2009 and 2009/2010

		Offences Recorded					Single Year Clearances			
		No.	No.	% Change from 2008/2009	Rate per 100,000 Population*		% Change from 2008/2009	No. Cleared 2009/2010	Rate (%) Cleared 2009/2010	Rate diff from 2008/2009
					2008/2009	2009/2010				
Crime against the person	Homicide	49	55	12.2	4.2	4.6	8.9	49	89.1	-0.7
	Rape	336	373	11.0	28.9	31.1	7.7	298	79.9	6.4
	Sex (non rape)	1,210	994	-17.9	104.0	82.9	-20.3	741	74.5	-3.1
	Robbery	730	663	-9.2	62.7	55.3	-11.9	326	49.2	4.0
	Assault	7,367	7,646	3.8	633.0	637.4	0.7	6,193	81.0	1.3
	Abduction / Kidnap	64	106	65.6	5.5	8.8	60.7	78	73.6	-9.2
	Sub-total	9,756	9,837	0.8	838.3	820.1	-2.2	7,685	78.1	1.4
Crime against property	Arson	862	731	-15.2	74.1	60.9	-17.7	140	19.2	-0.5
	Property damage	12,967	12,746	-1.7	1114.2	1062.6	-4.6	2,937	23.0	2.7
	Burglary (aggravated)	486	613	26.1	41.8	51.1	22.4	290	47.3	2.9
	Burglary (residential)	7,105	7,518	5.8	610.5	626.8	2.7	1,036	13.8	0.7
	Burglary (other)	3,633	3,187	-12.3	312.2	265.7	-14.9	637	20.0	2.1
	Deception	3,216	3,181	-1.1	276.3	265.2	-4.0	2,410	75.8	-9.3
	Handle stolen goods	1,958	1,480	-24.4	168.2	123.4	-26.7	1,451	98.0	-0.8
	Theft from motor vehicle	9,917	10,442	5.3	852.1	870.5	2.2	889	8.5	0.6
	Theft (shopsteal)	4,061	4,270	5.1	348.9	356.0	2.0	3,424	80.2	-1.0
	Theft of motor vehicle	3,732	3,673	-1.6	320.7	306.2	-4.5	689	18.8	-0.3
	Theft of bicycle	814	860	5.7	69.9	71.7	2.5	77	9.0	-0.4
	Theft (other)	12,841	11,011	-14.3	1103.4	918.0	-16.8	2,465	22.4	-9.5
	Sub-total	61,592	59,712	-3.1	5292.3	4978.1	-5.9	16,445	27.5	-2.1
Drug offences	Drug (cult., manuf., traff.)	1,452	1,278	-12.0	124.8	106.5	-14.6	1,251	97.9	0.0
	Drug (possess, use)	2,338	2,170	-7.2	200.9	180.9	-9.9	2,145	98.8	0.6
	Sub-total	3,790	3,448	-9.0	325.7	287.5	-11.7	3,396	98.5	0.4
Other crime	Going equipped to steal	101	139	37.6	8.7	11.6	33.5	137	98.6	-1.4
	Justice procedures	4,006	3,903	-2.6	344.2	325.4	-5.5	3,698	94.7	0.6
	Regulated public order	412	333	-19.2	35.4	27.8	-21.6	320	96.1	2.2
	Weapons / Explosives	1,813	1,734	-4.4	155.8	144.6	-7.2	1,705	98.3	0.4
	Harassment	479	483	0.8	41.2	40.3	-2.2	395	81.8	-6.5
	Behaviour in public	1,052	1,546	47.0	90.4	128.9	42.6	1,514	97.9	1.4
	Other	1,218	1,299	6.7	104.7	108.3	3.5	1,140	87.8	2.0
Sub-total	9,081	9,437	3.9	780.3	786.7	0.8	8,909	94.4	0.6	
TOTAL	84,219	82,434	-2.1	7236.5	6872.3	-5.0	36,435	44.2	-0.9	

* Rates for Police Regions were calculated using estimated resident population figures as at 30 June 2009 obtained from the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS Cat. No. 3218.0).

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Region 3

Figure 8: Region 3 Offences recorded and cleared, 2008/2009 and 2009/2010

		Offences Recorded					Single Year Clearances			
		No.	No.	% Change from 2008/2009	Rate per 100,000 Population*		% Change from 2008/2009	No. Cleared 2009/2010	Rate (%) Cleared 2009/2010	Rate diff from 2008/2009
					2008/2009	2009/2010				
Crime against the person	Homicide	54	42	-22.2	5.0	3.8	-23.9	40	95.2	17.5
	Rape	312	350	12.2	28.7	31.5	9.8	283	80.9	8.7
	Sex (non rape)	1,050	1,367	30.2	96.7	123.2	27.4	1,114	81.5	4.2
	Robbery	676	631	-6.7	62.3	56.9	-8.7	273	43.3	-2.9
	Assault	7,015	7,710	9.9	646.1	694.9	7.6	6,255	81.1	0.8
	Abduction / Kidnap	72	118	63.9	6.6	10.6	60.4	97	82.2	0.3
	Sub-total	9,179	10,218	11.3	845.5	921.0	8.9	8,062	78.9	1.7
Crime against property	Arson	817	714	-12.6	75.3	64.4	-14.5	115	16.1	-4.6
	Property damage	11,229	11,316	0.8	1034.3	1020.0	-1.4	2,645	23.4	1.9
	Burglary (aggravated)	513	531	3.5	47.3	47.9	1.3	268	50.5	2.1
	Burglary (residential)	5,887	5,562	-5.5	542.2	501.3	-7.5	824	14.8	1.0
	Burglary (other)	3,437	3,374	-1.8	316.6	304.1	-3.9	629	18.6	0.0
	Deception	4,107	3,519	-14.3	378.3	317.2	-16.2	2,764	78.5	2.8
	Handle stolen goods	1,378	1,241	-9.9	126.9	111.9	-11.9	1,227	98.9	0.2
	Theft from motor vehicle	9,053	8,794	-2.9	833.9	792.6	-4.9	821	9.3	-0.8
	Theft (shopsteal)	4,161	4,070	-2.2	383.3	366.8	-4.3	2,970	73.0	-4.4
	Theft of motor vehicle	3,762	3,738	-0.6	346.5	336.9	-2.8	639	17.1	-4.6
	Theft of bicycle	956	793	-17.1	88.1	71.5	-18.8	86	10.8	1.2
	Theft (other)	10,041	9,306	-7.3	924.9	838.8	-9.3	1,956	21.0	-4.3
	Sub-total	55,341	52,958	-4.3	5097.4	4773.4	-6.4	14,944	28.2	-1.3
Drug offences	Drug (cult., manuf., traff.)	820	825	0.6	75.5	74.4	-1.5	810	98.2	-0.5
	Drug (possess, use)	2,073	1,973	-4.8	190.9	177.8	-6.9	1,954	99.0	0.5
	Sub-total	2,893	2,798	-3.3	266.5	252.2	-5.4	2,764	98.8	0.2
Other crime	Going equipped to steal	102	75	-26.5	9.4	6.8	-28.0	74	98.7	-0.4
	Justice procedures	3,588	3,898	8.6	330.5	351.3	6.3	3,660	93.9	-0.3
	Regulated public order	335	428	27.8	30.9	38.6	25.0	406	94.9	1.4
	Weapons / Explosives	1,611	1,434	-11.0	148.4	129.3	-12.9	1,409	98.3	1.1
	Harassment	636	671	5.5	58.6	60.5	3.2	556	82.9	19.2
	Behaviour in public	909	1,112	22.3	83.7	100.2	19.7	1,079	97.0	1.1
	Other	1,209	1,168	-3.4	111.4	105.3	-5.5	951	81.4	0.4
Sub-total	8,390	8,786	4.7	772.8	791.9	2.5	8,135	92.6	1.8	
TOTAL	75,803	74,760	-1.4	6982.1	6738.5	-3.5	33,905	45.4	0.6	

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Region 4

Figure 9: Region 4 Offences recorded and cleared, 2008/2009 and 2009/2010

		Offences Recorded					Single Year Clearances			
		No.	No.	% Change from 2008/2009	Rate per 100,000 Population*		% Change from 2008/2009	No. Cleared 2009/2010	Rate (%) Cleared 2009/2010	Rate diff from 2008/2009
					2008/2009	2009/2010				
Crime against the person	Homicide	27	34	25.9	2.0	2.4	24.4	27	79.4	9.0
	Rape	246	247	0.4	17.8	17.7	-0.8	206	83.4	4.9
	Sex (non rape)	1,010	914	-9.5	73.2	65.5	-10.6	656	71.8	-1.3
	Robbery	574	497	-13.4	41.6	35.6	-14.5	250	50.3	-3.7
	Assault	5,168	5,455	5.6	374.8	390.8	4.3	4,488	82.3	2.0
	Abduction / Kidnap	75	66	-12.0	5.4	4.7	-13.1	49	74.2	-5.8
	Sub-total	7,100	7,213	1.6	514.9	516.7	0.3	5,676	78.7	1.6
Crime against property	Arson	595	534	-10.3	43.2	38.3	-11.3	108	20.2	2.9
	Property damage	10,315	9,621	-6.7	748.1	689.2	-7.9	1,985	20.6	-0.7
	Burglary (aggravated)	242	342	41.3	17.6	24.5	39.6	172	50.3	2.4
	Burglary (residential)	5,509	5,102	-7.4	399.5	365.5	-8.5	661	13.0	3.0
	Burglary (other)	3,269	3,368	3.0	237.1	241.3	1.8	499	14.8	-2.9
	Deception	4,250	3,225	-24.1	308.2	231.0	-25.0	2,555	79.2	-2.7
	Handle stolen goods	1,026	840	-18.1	74.4	60.2	-19.1	816	97.1	-1.8
	Theft from motor vehicle	8,331	8,626	3.5	604.2	617.9	2.3	776	9.0	1.0
	Theft (shopsteal)	3,622	4,097	13.1	262.7	293.5	11.7	3,209	78.3	-2.6
	Theft of motor vehicle	2,509	2,365	-5.7	182.0	169.4	-6.9	508	21.5	-5.9
	Theft of bicycle	654	679	3.8	47.4	48.6	2.6	70	10.3	2.5
	Theft (other)	9,382	8,093	-13.7	680.4	579.8	-14.8	2,001	24.7	-1.0
	Sub-total	49,704	46,892	-5.7	3604.7	3359.2	-6.8	13,360	28.5	-1.3
Drug offences	Drug (cult., manuf., traff.)	592	629	6.3	42.9	45.1	5.0	625	99.4	0.4
	Drug (possess, use)	1,536	1,488	-3.1	111.4	106.6	-4.3	1,471	98.9	-0.4
	Sub-total	2,128	2,117	-0.5	154.3	151.7	-1.7	2,096	99.0	-0.1
Other crime	Going equipped to steal	109	102	-6.4	7.9	7.3	-7.6	102	100.0	0.0
	Justice procedures	3,281	3,343	1.9	238.0	239.5	0.6	3,147	94.1	-1.0
	Regulated public order	435	337	-22.5	31.5	24.1	-23.5	313	92.9	-0.9
	Weapons / Explosives	1,047	1,037	-1.0	75.9	74.3	-2.2	1,014	97.8	-1.0
	Harassment	605	490	-19.0	43.9	35.1	-20.0	371	75.7	12.1
	Behaviour in public	753	971	29.0	54.6	69.6	27.4	939	96.7	2.0
	Other	1,089	1,180	8.4	79.0	84.5	7.0	977	82.8	5.4
Sub-total	7,319	7,460	1.9	530.8	534.4	0.7	6,863	92.0	1.6	
TOTAL	66,251	63,682	-3.9	4804.8	4562.0	-5.1	27,995	44.0	0.2	

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Region 5

Figure 10: Region 5 Offences recorded and cleared, 2008/2009 and 2009/2010

		Offences Recorded					Single Year Clearances			
		No.	No.	% Change from 2008/2009	Rate per 100,000 Population*		% Change from 2008/2009	No. Cleared 2009/2010	Rate (%) Cleared 2009/2010	Rate diff from 2008/2009
					2008/2009	2009/2010				
Crime against the person	Homicide	24	53	120.8	2.5	5.3	115.4	49	92.5	5.0
	Rape	376	316	-16.0	38.9	31.9	-18.0	250	79.1	-3.1
	Sex (non rape)	1,063	1,211	13.9	109.9	122.1	11.1	1,005	83.0	2.3
	Robbery	400	452	13.0	41.3	45.6	10.2	226	50.0	-2.0
	Assault	7,805	8,064	3.3	806.7	812.8	0.8	6,742	83.6	0.8
	Abduction / Kidnap	83	77	-7.2	8.6	7.8	-9.5	65	84.4	-1.1
	Sub-total	9,751	10,173	4.3	1007.8	1025.4	1.7	8,337	82.0	0.6
Crime against property	Arson	921	841	-8.7	95.2	84.8	-10.9	249	29.6	13.3
	Property damage	10,786	10,565	-2.0	1114.8	1064.9	-4.5	2,819	26.7	-1.5
	Burglary (aggravated)	378	360	-4.8	39.1	36.3	-7.1	206	57.2	-3.6
	Burglary (residential)	4,663	5,091	9.2	482.0	513.2	6.5	839	16.5	-3.8
	Burglary (other)	3,351	3,221	-3.9	346.4	324.7	-6.3	643	20.0	-5.9
	Deception	3,612	2,815	-22.1	373.3	283.7	-24.0	2,150	76.4	-4.0
	Handle stolen goods	1,240	1,008	-18.7	128.2	101.6	-20.7	1,002	99.4	0.8
	Theft from motor vehicle	8,013	7,339	-8.4	828.2	739.7	-10.7	982	13.4	-0.1
	Theft (shopsteal)	3,441	3,921	13.9	355.7	395.2	11.1	3,263	83.2	0.5
	Theft of motor vehicle	3,107	2,993	-3.7	321.1	301.7	-6.1	781	26.1	-0.4
	Theft of bicycle	702	630	-10.3	72.6	63.5	-12.5	71	11.3	0.0
	Theft (other)	9,703	8,455	-12.9	1002.9	852.2	-15.0	2,028	24.0	-4.6
		Sub-total	49,917	47,239	-5.4	5159.3	4761.5	-7.7	15,033	31.8
Drug offences	Drug (cult., manuf., traff.)	709	797	12.4	73.3	80.3	9.6	791	99.2	0.1
	Drug (possess, use)	1,634	1,581	-3.2	168.9	159.4	-5.6	1,564	98.9	0.1
	Sub-total	2,343	2,378	1.5	242.2	239.7	-1.0	2,355	99.0	0.1
Other crime	Going equipped to steal	85	87	2.4	8.8	8.8	-0.2	87	100.0	0.0
	Justice procedures	4,692	4,852	3.4	485.0	489.1	0.8	4,540	93.6	0.4
	Regulated public order	730	394	-46.0	75.5	39.7	-47.4	367	93.1	-3.2
	Weapons / Explosives	1,300	1,367	5.2	134.4	137.8	2.5	1,346	98.5	0.7
	Harassment	637	793	24.5	65.8	79.9	21.4	667	84.1	14.9
	Behaviour in public	1,149	1,145	-0.3	118.8	115.4	-2.8	1,125	98.3	1.3
	Other	1,065	978	-8.2	110.1	98.6	-10.4	833	85.2	-1.0
	Sub-total	9,658	9,616	-0.4	998.2	969.3	-2.9	8,965	93.2	1.0
TOTAL		71,669	69,406	-3.2	7407.6	6995.9	-5.6	34,690	50.0	-0.4

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2.3 Where crime occurred

Figure 11: Offences recorded by type of location, 2009/2010

	Residential	Other *	Retail	Street / Lane / Footpath	Other Transport	Educ. / Health / Religious	Public Transport	Sports / Recreation Facilities	Licensed Premises	Open Space	Other Community	TOTAL
Crime Against The Person												
Homicide	88	9	5	94	1	2	1	1	1	4	0	206
Rape	1,051	159	7	83	29	51	10	11	23	116	0	1,540
Sex (non rape)	2,936	492	169	595	54	260	182	91	41	300	5	5,125
Robbery	163	145	576	1,521	100	32	335	28	31	177	0	3,108
Assault	14,406	2,322	2,195	10,101	836	918	1,264	512	1,626	774	27	34,981
Abduction / Kidnap	176	28	22	128	20	7	16	5	5	17	1	425
Sub-Total	18,820	3,155	2,974	12,522	1,040	1,270	1,808	648	1,727	1,388	33	45,385
Crime Against Property												
Arson	901	306	116	574	219	164	26	117	4	599	8	3,034
Property Damage	22,199	5,143	5,620	10,214	2,662	2,727	1,286	877	463	957	198	52,346
Burglary (Aggravated)	2,074	21	35	7	1	15	0	4	8	0	1	2,166
Burglary (Residential)	27,343	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	27,343
Burglary (Other)	n/a	5,372	5,859	37	56	2,724	28	1,435	346	247	119	16,223
Deception	1,522	7,197	8,531	863	57	98	403	284	162	16	6	19,139
Handle Stolen Goods	1,543	2,183	477	1,302	120	25	103	27	33	31	4	5,848
Theft From Motor Vehicle	15,903	5,806	1,037	13,509	6,690	320	1,087	341	109	597	36	45,435
Theft (Shopsteal)	26	1,319	19,452	56	8	14	5	16	425	3	2	21,326
Theft Of Motor Vehicle	3,712	1,587	939	6,639	1,027	89	792	100	118	74	1	15,078
Theft Of Bicycle	2,247	280	179	652	186	306	339	59	12	132	8	4,400
Theft (Other)	12,692	6,979	14,437	2,860	694	2,960	1,280	1,952	2,702	1,354	266	48,176
Sub-Total	90,162	36,193	56,682	36,713	11,720	9,442	5,349	5,212	4,382	4,010	649	260,514
Drug Offences												
Drug (Cult., Manuf., Traff.)	2,427	808	84	813	89	13	16	41	57	37	3	4,388
Drug (Possess, Use)	2,403	2,106	211	3,793	786	81	330	122	113	245	5	10,195
Sub-Total	4,830	2,914	295	4,606	875	94	346	163	170	282	8	14,583
Other Crime												
Going Equipped To Steal	28	198	83	207	15	5	8	1	7	0	0	552
Justice Procedures	6,501	9,510	390	2,354	157	135	143	72	94	115	0	19,471
Regulated Public Order	418	235	55	608	30	26	127	48	223	179	2	1,951
Weapons / Explosives	1,907	1,387	293	2,360	201	102	317	38	43	165	4	6,817
Harassment	1,577	879	75	276	7	58	27	7	8	20	1	2,935
Behaviour in Public	249	1,241	310	5,500	184	70	212	133	202	157	8	8,266
Other	1,309	1,344	590	1,016	155	377	461	120	321	194	6	5,893
Sub-Total	11,989	14,794	1,796	12,321	749	773	1,295	419	898	830	21	45,885
TOTAL	125,801	57,056	61,747	66,162	14,384	11,579	8,798	6,442	7,177	6,510	711	366,367
Percentage (%)	34.3%	15.6%	16.9%	18.1%	3.9%	3.2%	2.4%	1.8%	2.0%	1.8%	0.2%	100.0%

* Other includes: Justice, Financial, Administrative/Professional, Wholesale, Warehouse/Storage, Manufacturing, Agricultural, Other Recreational, Other Location and unspecified locations.

Figure 12: Offences recorded by type of location, % change from 2008/2009 to 2009/2010

	Residential	Other *	Retail	Street / Lane / Footpath	Other Transport	Educ. / Health / Religious	Public Transport	Sports / Recreation Facilities	Licensed Premises	Open Space	Other Community	TOTAL
Crime Against The Person												
Homicide	49.2	-35.7	400.0	1.1	-66.7	0.0	n/a	-50.0	-50.0	-33.3	n/a	13.2
Rape	-3.9	8.9	0.0	-18.6	7.4	45.7	-33.3	-56.0	21.1	28.9	-100.0	-1.3
Sex (non rape)	5.0	11.8	23.4	-9.3	-41.3	11.1	-14.2	3.4	-6.8	-0.7	-16.7	2.4
Robbery	-15.5	6.6	2.7	-10.7	-9.9	60.0	-4.3	21.7	24.0	-17.7	n/a	-6.9
Assault	9.2	-14.7	-0.7	4.5	-5.5	7.5	8.7	-8.7	0.1	2.0	-40.0	3.8
Abduction / Kidnap	5.4	-20.0	0.0	64.1	100.0	0.0	100.0	150.0	25.0	41.7	n/a	23.2
Sub-Total	7.5	-9.7	1.2	1.8	-7.8	10.2	3.4	-7.6	0.5	0.3	-36.5	2.9
Crime Against Property												
Arson	-23.8	-7.8	-11.5	-10.7	-8.0	-24.4	44.4	25.8	0.0	-0.8	700.0	-12.4
Property Damage	-1.6	-7.7	-7.5	-0.9	0.9	-7.5	-10.2	-3.3	-14.9	3.0	-18.2	-3.3
Burglary (Aggravated)	13.8	-46.2	20.7	0.0	n/a	50.0	n/a	n/a	14.3	-100.0	n/a	13.0
Burglary (Residential)	-2.4	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	-2.4
Burglary (Other)	n/a	-9.5	-2.7	15.6	-25.3	-6.7	-9.7	-4.6	10.9	-6.1	2.6	-5.7
Deception	-43.6	-5.6	-17.5	13.1	-8.1	-57.9	75.2	167.9	-22.5	-33.3	-98.4	-15.6
Handle Stolen Goods	-19.1	-12.9	-55.1	-6.5	-30.6	-26.5	-28.0	50.0	43.5	-56.3	-78.9	-20.4
Theft From Motor Vehicle	12.9	-7.2	-13.2	-12.3	-13.6	4.2	-27.7	12.5	25.3	4.0	38.5	-4.3
Theft (Shopsteal)	-16.1	7.8	5.2	43.6	-11.1	-12.5	-16.7	6.7	17.4	-40.0	-60.0	5.6
Theft Of Motor Vehicle	-2.1	-5.3	-13.3	-2.8	-16.3	-14.4	-17.3	13.6	-18.1	-3.9	0.0	-5.7
Theft Of Bicycle	-11.4	-2.4	-29.5	-18.6	-21.8	-14.5	1.8	-16.9	-20.0	9.1	14.3	-12.4
Theft (Other)	-1.2	-31.1	-22.6	-11.5	-10.7	-3.4	-4.8	-9.6	0.3	0.6	-0.7	-14.7
Sub-Total	-1.5	-12.9	-10.5	-6.9	-11.1	-7.5	-10.8	-1.0	-0.4	-0.1	-38.9	-6.9
Drug Offences												
Drug (Cult., Manuf., Traff.)	0.8	-9.5	211.1	-12.6	-8.2	44.4	-33.3	215.4	216.7	-7.5	n/a	-1.6
Drug (Possess, Use)	-10.9	1.3	-19.8	-1.6	9.0	-3.6	-0.3	27.1	14.1	-10.9	n/a	-2.9
Sub-Total	-5.3	-1.9	1.7	-3.7	7.0	1.1	-2.5	49.5	45.3	-10.5	n/a	-2.5
Other Crime												
Going Equipped To Steal	16.7	-2.9	16.9	11.3	36.4	-37.5	-46.7	0.0	n/a	-100.0	n/a	4.7
Justice Procedures	8.2	5.4	9.9	-11.8	-1.3	-28.6	-25.1	-15.3	-39.7	17.3	-100.0	2.8
Regulated Public Order	-37.9	2.2	0.0	-18.7	-21.1	-16.1	6.7	11.6	21.9	16.2	-50.0	-14.4
Weapons / Explosives	-10.3	3.9	-9.8	-1.7	-15.2	18.6	1.0	-42.4	-40.3	-14.1	300.0	-4.7
Harassment	25.0	-22.9	-35.9	16.5	-50.0	100.0	35.0	40.0	60.0	17.6	n/a	3.1
Behaviour in Public	-2.7	32.3	8.8	34.3	-0.5	4.5	-5.4	25.5	46.4	20.8	100.0	28.6
Other	-15.5	24.6	-2.3	4.4	2.0	-2.8	-8.2	9.1	11.8	-11.8	-14.3	0.4
Sub-Total	0.8	6.1	-0.9	9.0	-5.9	-3.1	-6.5	0.7	6.8	1.5	-8.7	4.2
TOTAL	-0.2	-8.0	-9.7	-2.5	-9.7	-5.5	-7.3	-0.8	1.4	-0.3	-37.5	-4.4

Note: All figures with decimal places in the above tables have been rounded to one decimal place.

Figure 13: Offences recorded as rate per 100,000 population by type of location, 2009/2010

	Residential	Other *	Retail	Street / Lane / Footpath	Other Transport	Educ. / Health / Religious	Public Transport	Sports / Recreation Facilities	Licensed Premises	Open Space	Other Community	TOTAL
Crime Against The Person												
Homicide	1.6	0.2	0.1	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	3.7
Rape	19.1	2.9	0.1	1.5	0.5	0.9	0.2	0.2	0.4	2.1	0.0	28.0
Sex (non rape)	53.4	9.0	3.1	10.8	1.0	4.7	3.3	1.7	0.7	5.5	0.1	93.2
Robbery	3.0	2.6	10.5	27.7	1.8	0.6	6.1	0.5	0.6	3.2	0.0	56.5
Assault	262.1	42.2	39.9	183.8	15.2	16.7	23.0	9.3	29.6	14.1	0.5	636.4
Abduction / Kidnap	3.2	0.5	0.4	2.3	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.0	7.7
Sub-Total	342.4	57.4	54.1	227.8	18.9	23.1	32.9	11.8	31.4	25.3	0.6	825.7
Crime Against Property												
Arson	16.4	5.6	2.1	10.4	4.0	3.0	0.5	2.1	0.1	10.9	0.1	55.2
Property Damage	403.9	93.6	102.2	185.8	48.4	49.6	23.4	16.0	8.4	17.4	3.6	952.4
Burglary (Aggravated)	37.7	0.4	0.6	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	39.4
Burglary (Residential)	497.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	497.5
Burglary (Other)	0.0	97.7	106.6	0.7	1.0	49.6	0.5	26.1	6.3	4.5	2.2	295.2
Deception	27.7	130.9	155.2	15.7	1.0	1.8	7.3	5.2	2.9	0.3	0.1	348.2
Handle Stolen Goods	28.1	39.7	8.7	23.7	2.2	0.5	1.9	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.1	106.4
Theft From Motor Vehicle	289.3	105.6	18.9	245.8	121.7	5.8	19.8	6.2	2.0	10.9	0.7	826.6
Theft (Shopsteal)	0.5	24.0	353.9	1.0	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.3	7.7	0.1	0.0	388.0
Theft Of Motor Vehicle	67.5	28.9	17.1	120.8	18.7	1.6	14.4	1.8	2.1	1.3	0.0	274.3
Theft Of Bicycle	40.9	5.1	3.3	11.9	3.4	5.6	6.2	1.1	0.2	2.4	0.1	80.1
Theft (Other)	230.9	127.0	262.7	52.0	12.6	53.9	23.3	35.5	49.2	24.6	4.8	876.5
Sub-Total	1,640.4	658.5	1,031.3	667.9	213.2	171.8	97.3	94.8	79.7	73.0	11.8	4,739.7
Drug Offences												
Drug (Cult., Manuf., Traff.)	44.2	14.7	1.5	14.8	1.6	0.2	0.3	0.7	1.0	0.7	0.1	79.8
Drug (Possess, Use)	43.7	38.3	3.8	69.0	14.3	1.5	6.0	2.2	2.1	4.5	0.1	185.5
Sub-Total	87.9	53.0	5.4	83.8	15.9	1.7	6.3	3.0	3.1	5.1	0.1	265.3
Other Crime												
Going Equipped To Steal	0.5	3.6	1.5	3.8	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	10.0
Justice Procedures	118.3	173.0	7.1	42.8	2.9	2.5	2.6	1.3	1.7	2.1	0.0	354.2
Regulated Public Order	7.6	4.3	1.0	11.1	0.5	0.5	2.3	0.9	4.1	3.3	0.0	35.5
Weapons / Explosives	34.7	25.2	5.3	42.9	3.7	1.9	5.8	0.7	0.8	3.0	0.1	124.0
Harassment	28.7	16.0	1.4	5.0	0.1	1.1	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.0	53.4
Behaviour in Public	4.5	22.6	5.6	100.1	3.3	1.3	3.9	2.4	3.7	2.9	0.1	150.4
Other	23.8	24.5	10.7	18.5	2.8	6.9	8.4	2.2	5.8	3.5	0.1	107.2
Sub-Total	218.1	269.2	32.7	224.2	13.6	14.1	23.6	7.6	16.3	15.1	0.4	834.8
TOTAL	2,288.8	1,038.1	1,123.4	1,203.7	261.7	210.7	160.1	117.2	130.6	118.4	12.9	6,665.6
Percentage (%)	34.3%	15.6%	16.9%	18.1%	3.9%	3.2%	2.4%	1.8%	2.0%	1.8%	0.2%	100.0%

* Other includes: Justice, Financial, Administrative/Professional, Wholesale, Warehouse/Storage, Manufacturing, Agricultural, Other Recreational, Other Location and unspecified locations.

Figure 14: Offences recorded as rate per 100,000 population by type of location, % change from 2008/2009 to 2009/2010

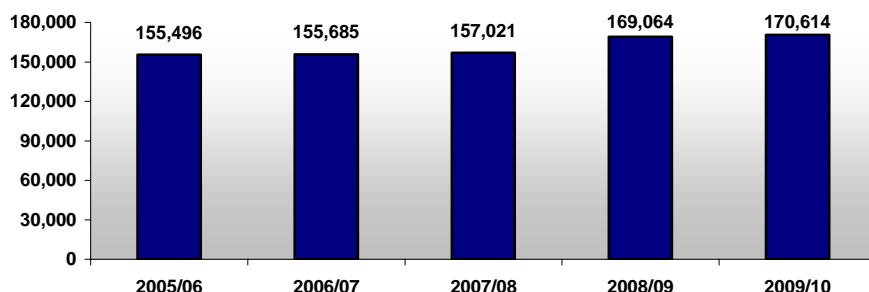
	Residential	Other *	Retail	Street / Lane / Footpath	Other Transport	Educ. / Health / Religious	Public Transport	Sports / Recreation Facilities	Licensed Premises	Open Space	Other Community	TOTAL
Crime Against The Person												
Homicide	46.0	-37.1	389.6	-1.0	-67.4	-2.1	n/a	-51.0	-51.0	-34.7	n/a	10.8
Rape	-5.9	6.6	-2.1	-20.3	5.2	42.7	-34.7	-56.9	18.5	26.2	-100.0	-3.4
Sex (non rape)	2.8	9.5	20.8	-11.2	-42.5	8.8	-15.9	1.3	-8.8	-2.7	-18.4	0.2
Robbery	-17.3	4.4	0.5	-12.6	-11.8	56.7	-6.3	19.2	21.4	-19.4	n/a	-8.8
Assault	6.9	-16.4	-2.8	2.3	-7.5	5.3	6.4	-10.6	-2.0	-0.1	-41.3	1.7
Abduction / Kidnap	3.2	-21.7	-2.1	60.7	95.8	-2.1	95.8	144.8	22.4	38.7	n/a	20.6
Sub-Total	5.3	-11.5	-0.9	-0.3	-9.7	7.9	1.3	-9.5	-1.6	-1.8	-37.9	0.7
Crime Against Property												
Arson	-25.4	-9.8	-13.3	-12.6	-9.9	-26.0	41.4	23.2	-2.1	-2.9	683.3	-14.2
Property Damage	-3.7	-9.6	-9.4	-3.0	-1.2	-9.4	-12.1	-5.3	-16.7	0.9	-19.9	-5.4
Burglary (Aggravated)	11.4	-47.3	18.2	-2.1	n/a	46.9	n/a	n/a	11.9	-100.0	n/a	10.7
Burglary (Residential)	-4.5	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	-4.5
Burglary (Other)	n/a	-11.3	-4.8	13.2	-26.9	-8.6	-11.6	-6.6	8.6	-8.0	0.4	-7.7
Deception	-44.8	-7.6	-19.2	10.7	-10.0	-58.8	71.6	162.3	-24.1	-34.7	-98.4	-17.3
Handle Stolen Goods	-20.8	-14.7	-56.0	-8.5	-32.1	-28.0	-29.5	46.9	40.5	-57.2	-79.4	-22.1
Theft From Motor Vehicle	10.6	-9.1	-15.0	-14.1	-15.4	2.1	-29.2	10.2	22.7	1.8	35.6	-6.3
Theft (Shopsteal)	-17.9	5.6	3.1	40.6	-13.0	-14.3	-18.4	4.4	15.0	-41.3	-60.8	3.4
Theft Of Motor Vehicle	-4.2	-7.3	-15.1	-4.8	-18.0	-16.2	-19.1	11.3	-19.8	-5.9	-2.1	-7.6
Theft Of Bicycle	-13.2	-4.5	-31.0	-20.3	-23.5	-16.3	-0.3	-18.6	-21.7	6.8	11.9	-14.2
Theft (Other)	-3.3	-32.5	-24.2	-13.4	-12.5	-5.4	-6.7	-11.5	-1.8	-1.5	-2.8	-16.5
Sub-Total	-3.5	-14.8	-12.4	-8.9	-12.9	-9.4	-12.7	-3.1	-2.5	-2.2	-40.2	-8.9
Drug Offences												
Drug (Cult., Manuf., Traff.)	-1.3	-11.4	204.6	-14.4	-10.2	41.4	-34.7	208.8	210.1	-9.4	n/a	-3.6
Drug (Possess, Use)	-12.7	-0.8	-21.4	-3.7	6.7	-5.6	-2.4	24.4	11.8	-12.8	n/a	-4.9
Sub-Total	-7.3	-4.0	-0.4	-5.7	4.7	-1.0	-4.6	46.4	42.3	-12.3	n/a	-4.5
Other Crime												
Going Equipped To Steal	14.2	-5.0	14.5	9.0	33.5	-38.8	-47.8	-2.1	n/a	-100.0	n/a	2.6
Justice Procedures	6.0	3.2	7.6	-13.6	-3.3	-30.1	-26.7	-17.1	-41.0	14.9	-100.0	0.7
Regulated Public Order	-39.2	0.0	-2.1	-20.4	-22.7	-17.9	4.5	9.3	19.3	13.8	-51.0	-16.1
Weapons / Explosives	-12.2	1.7	-11.7	-3.8	-17.0	16.1	-1.1	-43.6	-41.5	-15.9	291.7	-6.7
Harassment	22.4	-24.5	-37.2	14.0	-51.0	95.8	32.2	37.1	56.7	15.2	n/a	1.0
Behaviour in Public	-4.8	29.5	6.5	31.5	-2.6	2.3	-7.3	22.9	43.3	18.3	95.8	25.9
Other	-17.3	22.0	-4.4	2.2	-0.2	-4.9	-10.1	6.8	9.5	-13.7	-16.1	-1.7
Sub-Total	-1.3	3.9	-2.9	6.7	-7.9	-5.2	-8.4	-1.4	4.6	-0.6	-10.6	2.0
TOTAL	-2.2	-9.9	-11.6	-4.5	-11.5	-7.5	-9.2	-2.8	-0.7	-2.4	-38.8	-6.4

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2.4 Alleged offenders processed

Victoria Police processed a total of 170,614 alleged offenders in 2009/2010, an increase of 0.9% compared with the 169,064 processed in 2008/2009.

Figure 15: Alleged offenders processed per year, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010



There were 133,714 adults processed during 2009/2010, which is an increase of 1.1% on the 132,225 processed in 2008/2009. There were 35,865 juvenile offenders processed in 2009/2010 which is a decrease of 0.3% on the 35,956 processed in 2008/2009.

Figure 16: Alleged juvenile and adult offenders processed by offence, 2008/2009 & 2009/2010

	Juveniles (<18)			Adults			Total persons*		
	No. 2008/09	No. 2009/10	% Change from 2008/09	No. 2008/09	No. 2009/10	% Change from 2008/09	No. 2008/09	No. 2009/10	% Change from 2008/09
Crime against the person									
Homicide	16	3	-81.3	165	233	41.2	185	238	28.6
Rape	80	153	91.3	675	708	4.9	762	871	14.3
Sex (non rape)	418	466	11.5	2,322	2,376	2.3	2,757	2,860	3.7
Robbery	1,210	1,207	-0.2	1,417	1,255	-11.4	2,631	2,471	-6.1
Assault	4,681	4,972	6.2	23,254	24,124	3.7	28,089	29,274	4.2
Abduction / Kidnap	39	59	51.3	315	379	20.3	356	442	24.2
Sub-total	6,444	6,860	6.5	28,148	29,075	3.3	34,780	36,156	4.0
Crime against property									
Arson	439	389	-11.4	452	610	35.0	897	1,005	12.0
Property damage	5,840	4,972	-14.9	8,598	9,120	6.1	14,507	14,219	-2.0
Burglary (aggravated)	180	334	85.6	1,117	1,190	6.5	1,301	1,530	17.6
Burglary (residential)	1,750	1,510	-13.7	3,760	4,186	11.3	5,528	5,714	3.4
Burglary (other)	1,942	1,818	-6.4	3,816	3,423	-10.3	5,778	5,264	-8.9
Deception	505	464	-8.1	9,909	8,608	-13.1	10,484	9,134	-12.9
Handle stolen goods	712	685	-3.8	4,755	4,424	-7.0	5,491	5,127	-6.6
Theft from motor vehicle	1,918	2,478	29.2	4,214	3,931	-6.7	6,153	6,434	4.6
Theft (shopsteal)	5,892	5,951	1.0	12,333	13,084	6.1	18,340	19,176	4.6
Theft of motor vehicle	2,237	2,033	-9.1	3,092	2,358	-23.7	5,340	4,402	-17.6
Theft of bicycle	235	240	2.1	296	210	-29.1	533	452	-15.2
Theft (other)	1,911	2,108	10.3	7,909	7,426	-6.1	9,905	9,594	-3.1
Sub-total	23,561	22,982	-2.5	60,251	58,570	-2.8	84,257	82,051	-2.6
Drug offences									
Drug (cult., manuf., traff.)	93	90	-3.2	4,011	4,211	5.0	4,115	4,323	5.1
Drug (possess, use)	603	762	26.4	9,815	9,617	-2.0	10,466	10,443	-0.2
Sub-total	696	852	22.4	13,826	13,828	0.0	14,581	14,766	1.3
Other crime									
Going equipped to steal	89	90	1.1	390	436	11.8	481	528	9.8
Justice procedures	1,057	1,103	4.4	13,183	13,450	2.0	14,290	14,600	2.2
Regulated public order	1,207	1,002	-17.0	661	666	0.8	1,876	1,684	-10.2
Weapons / Explosives	903	990	9.6	5,686	5,414	-4.8	6,611	6,434	-2.7
Harassment	77	127	64.9	1,228	1,517	23.5	1,313	1,655	26.0
Behaviour in public	599	643	7.3	5,513	7,399	34.2	6,183	8,128	31.5
Other	1,323	1,216	-8.1	3,339	3,359	0.6	4,692	4,612	-1.7
Sub-total	5,255	5,171	-1.6	30,000	32,241	7.5	35,446	37,641	6.2
TOTAL	35,956	35,865	-0.3	132,225	133,714	1.1	169,064	170,614	0.9

* Includes offenders where the sex and/or date of birth are unspecified.

Note: Figures are based on the date charge records were created on LEAP, not the date the offender was processed.

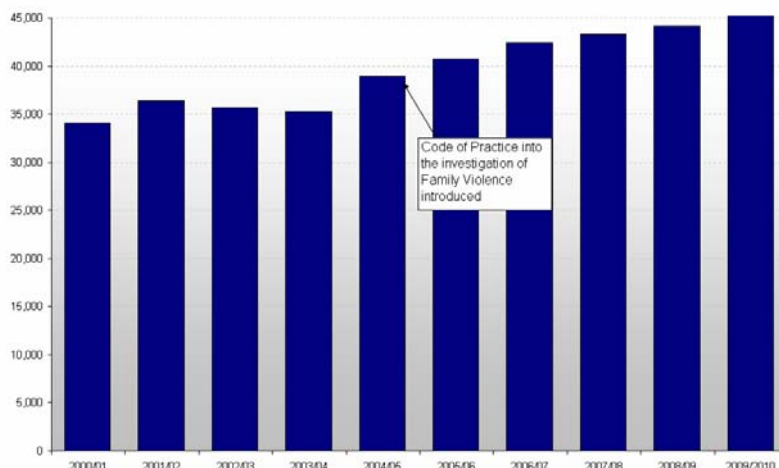
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3 Crime against the person

3.1 Overall

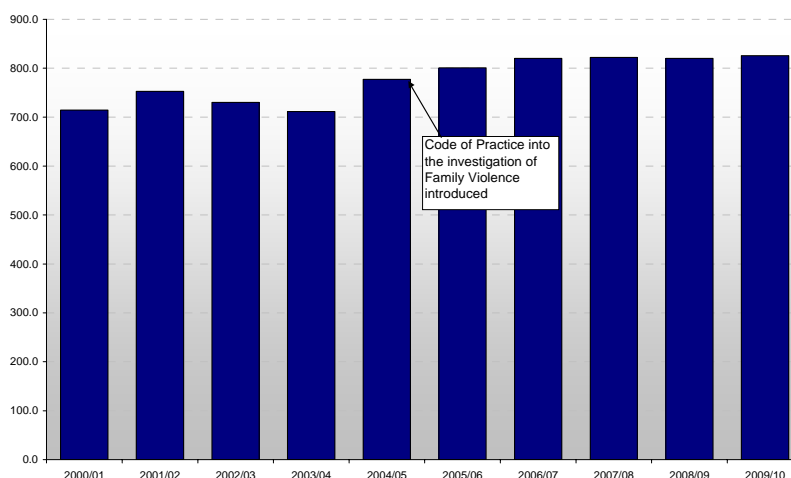
In 2009/2010 there were 45,385 offences which fall into the category of crime against the person which is an increase of 2.9% compared with 2008/2009.

Figure 17: Crime against the person offences per year, 2000/2001 to 2009/2010



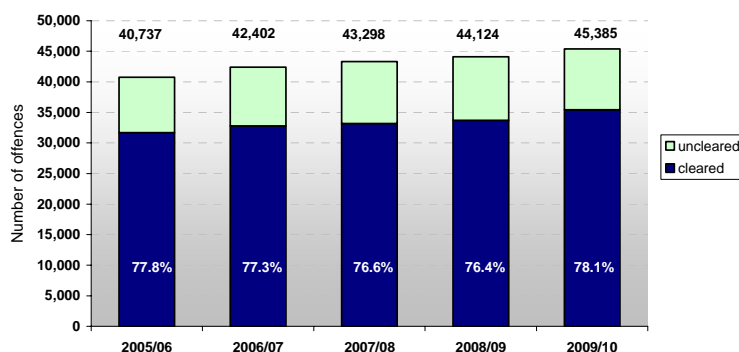
In 2009/2010, total crime against the person offences expressed as a rate per 100,000 population increased by 0.7% compared with 2008/2009 and have increased by 15.6% since 2000/2001.

Figure 18: Crime against the person offences as a rate per 100,000 population per year, 2000/2001 to 2009/2010



This offence group had a clearance rate of 78.1%, which is 1.7 percentage points higher than the clearance rate recorded in 2008/2009.

Figure 19: Crime against the person offences recorded and cleared, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010



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In 2009/2010, total crime against the person offences not arising from family incidents as a rate per 100,000 population decreased by 1.0% compared to 2008/2009 and have decreased by 0.6% since 2000/2001.

Figure 20: Crime against the person offences not arising from family incidents as a rate per 100,000 population per year, 2000/01 to 2009/10

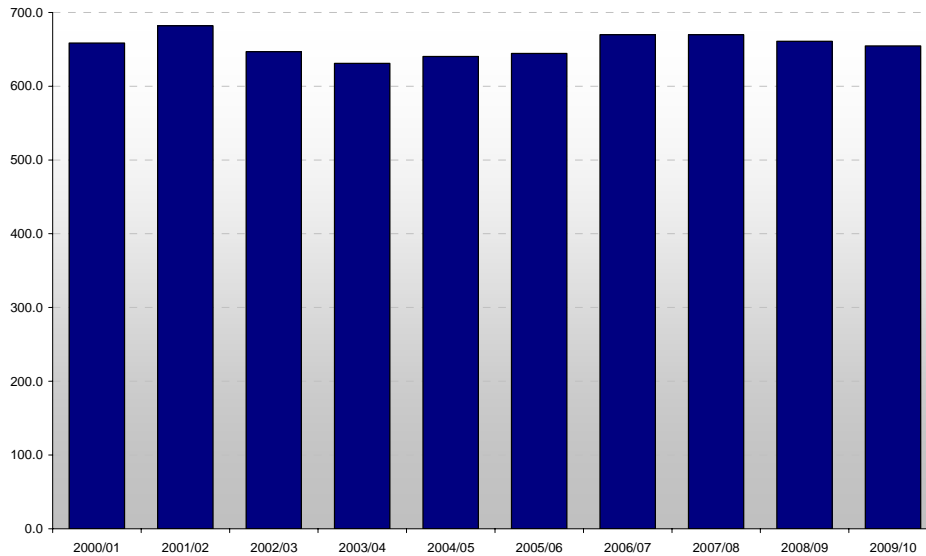


Figure 21: Crime against the person offences arising and not arising from family incidents, 2008/09 to 2009/10

	No. of offences recorded		% change from 2008/2009	Rate per 100,000 Population		% change from 2008/2009
	2008/2009	2009/2010		2008/2009	2009/2010	
Crimes against the person arising from family incidents	8,550	9,409	10.0%	158.9	171.2	7.8%
Crimes against the person not arising from family incidents	35,574	35,976	1.1%	661.0	654.5	-1.0%
Total Crimes against the person	44,124	45,385	2.9%	819.9	825.7	0.7%
% of Crimes against the person arising from family incidents	19.4%	20.7%				

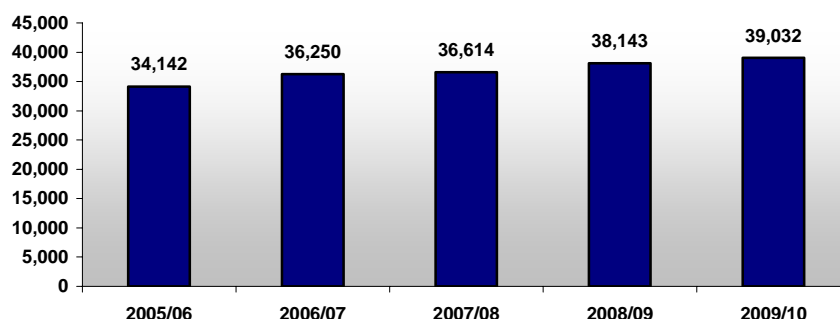
Figure 22: Crime against the person offences arising and not arising from family incidents, 2000/01 to 2009/10

	No. of offences recorded		% change from 2000/2001	Rate per 100,000 Population		% change from 2000/2001
	2000/2001	2009/2010		2000/2001	2009/2010	
Crimes against the person arising from family incidents	2,667	9,409	252.8%	55.9	171.2	206.2%
Crimes against the person not arising from family incidents	31,416	35,976	14.5%	658.6	654.5	-0.6%
Total Crimes against the person	34,083	45,385	33.2%	714.5	825.7	15.6%

3.2 Victims of crimes against the person

39,032 people were recorded during 2009/2010 as victims of crime against the person. This is 2.3% higher than the 38,143 victims recorded in 2008/2009.

Figure 23: Recorded victims of crime against the person per year, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010



Victims of crimes against the person in the 2009/2010 financial year were mainly male (53.9%). Of all male victims, 84.6% were victims of assault offences, with 3.5% being victims of rape and sex (non-rape) offences. This result contrasts with female victims, where 73.9% were victims of assault and 20.9% were victims of rape and sex (non-rape) offences.

Of all victims of crime against the person 7,382 (18.9%) were under 18 years of age.

Figure 24: Victims of offences against the person, by offence, 2008/2009 and 2009/2010

		Males			Females			Total Persons*		
		No. 2008/09	No. 2009/10	% Change from 2008/09	No. 2008/09	No. 2009/10	% Change from 2008/09	No. 2008/09	No. 2009/10	% Change from 2008/09
Homicide	Juvenile (<18)	9	19	111.1	4	13	225.0	13	32	146.2
	Adult (18-59)	102	102	0.0	38	43	13.2	140	145	3.6
	Adult (60+)	10	13	30.0	10	10	0.0	20	25	25.0
	Total Victims *	123	136	10.6	54	66	22.2	177	204	15.3
Rape	Juvenile (<18)	44	75	70.5	369	381	3.3	414	458	10.6
	Adult (18-59)	57	59	3.5	803	728	-9.3	862	787	-8.7
	Adult (60+)	1	0	-100.0	19	9	-52.6	20	10	-50.0
	Total Victims *	103	135	31.1	1,202	1,127	-6.2	1,309	1,265	-3.4
Sex (non rape)	Juvenile (<18)	432	507	17.4	1,872	1,767	-5.6	2,305	2,280	-1.1
	Adult (18-59)	70	72	2.9	605	731	20.8	676	805	19.1
	Adult (60+)	3	3	0.0	22	38	72.7	26	42	61.5
	Total Victims *	518	596	15.1	2,528	2,579	2.0	3,050	3,190	4.6
Robbery	Juvenile (<18)	459	444	-3.3	93	79	-15.1	553	525	-5.1
	Adult (18-59)	1,890	1,712	-9.4	507	450	-11.2	2,404	2,176	-9.5
	Adult (60+)	50	56	12.0	57	45	-21.1	107	103	-3.7
	Total Victims *	2,419	2,240	-7.4	672	592	-11.9	3,103	2,851	-8.1
Assault	Juvenile (<18)	2,277	2,215	-2.7	1,705	1,720	0.9	3,993	3,943	-1.3
	Adult (18-59)	14,387	14,492	0.7	10,039	10,758	7.2	24,484	25,367	3.6
	Adult (60+)	675	692	2.5	416	410	-1.4	1,095	1,125	2.7
	Total Victims *	17,666	17,781	0.7	12,401	13,132	5.9	30,170	31,116	3.1
Abduction / Kidnap	Juvenile (<18)	30	53	76.7	59	89	50.8	89	144	61.8
	Adult (18-59)	69	72	4.3	164	177	7.9	234	249	6.4
	Adult (60+)	0	4	n/a	3	3	0.0	3	7	133.3
	Total Victims *	101	132	30.7	230	272	18.3	334	406	21.6
Total	Juvenile (<18)	3,251	3,313	1.9	4,102	4,049	-1.3	7,367	7,382	0.2
	Adult (18-59)	16,575	16,509	-0.4	12,156	12,887	6.0	28,800	29,529	2.5
	Adult (60+)	739	768	3.9	527	515	-2.3	1,271	1,312	3.2
TOTAL*	20,930	21,020	0.4	17,087	17,768	4.0	38,143	39,032	2.3	

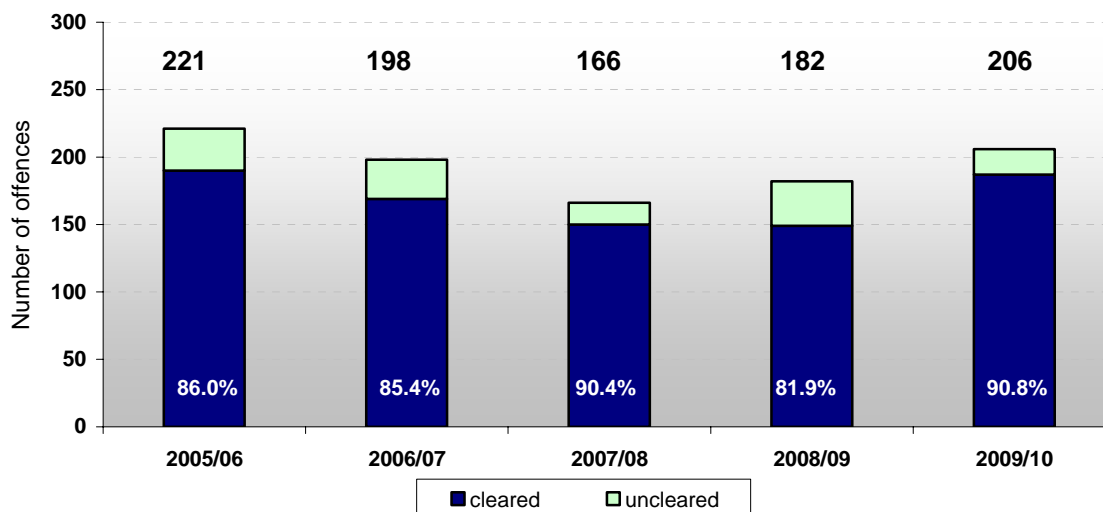
* Includes victims where age/sex is unknown. n.a. denotes that no calculation was possible.

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3.3 Homicide¹

There were 206 homicide offences recorded in 2009/2010, an increase of 13.2% on the 182 offences recorded in 2008/2009. The main offence within homicide is murder, which increased 18.4% to 122 in 2009/2010 from the 103 recorded offences in 2008/2009. After murder, culpable driving is the next largest contributor to homicide offences. There were 39 culpable driving offences recorded in 2009/2010; a decrease of 17.0% on the 47 offences recorded in 2008/2009.

Figure 25: Homicides recorded and cleared, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010



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Of the 206 offences recorded during 2009/2010, 187 (90.8%) were cleared within the financial year. An additional 17 offences from previous years were also cleared. Offences recorded during 2009/2010 were cleared by the processing of offenders in 178 instances (95.2% of the above clearances).

Figure 26: Homicides recorded by offence, 2008/2009 to 2009/2010

	No. of offences recorded		% change from 2008/09
	2008/09	2009/10	
Accident - Fail To Assist - Death	2	2	0.0
Accident - Fail To Stop - Death	3	5	66.7
Murder	103	122	18.4
Aid And Abet Suicide	0	1	n/a
Accessory After The Fact To Murder	3	4	33.3
Manslaughter	8	7	-12.5
Infanticide	1	0	-100.0
Culpable Driving	47	39	-17.0
Drive In Manner Dangerous Causing Death	13	23	76.9
Drive At Dangerous Speed Causing Death	1	3	200.0
Child Destruction	1	0	-100.0
Total Homicide	182	206	13.2

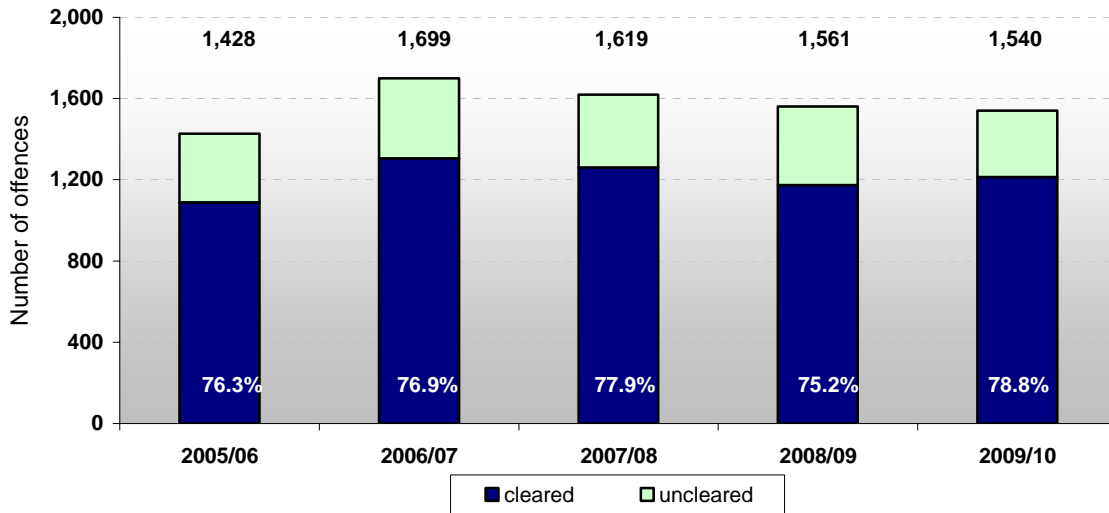
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¹ Homicide includes offences such as accident (fail to assist – death), murder, aid and abet suicide, manslaughter, culpable driving and abortion.

3.4 Rape

There were 1,540 rape offences recorded in 2009/2010, which is a decrease of 1.3% on the 1,561 offences recorded in 2008/2009. Of the 1,540 rape offences recorded in 2009/2010, 1,214 (78.8%) were cleared during the same period. An additional 249 offences were cleared that had been reported in previous years.

Figure 27: Rapes recorded and cleared, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010



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Offences recorded during 2009/2010 were cleared by the processing of offenders in 858 offences (70.7% of clearances) and 89 (7.3%) offences resulted in no offence being detected. The complaint was withdrawn in 251 (20.7%) offences and 16 (1.3%) were cleared by other means.

Rapes at residential locations account for 68.2% of all rapes in 2009/10. Rapes at these locations have decreased by 3.9% since 2008/09 (to 1,051 offences).

Victoria Police recorded 1,265 rape victims² during 2009/2010, a decrease of 3.4% on the 1,309 recorded in 2008/2009. There were 1,127 female victims (down 6.2% since 2008/09) and 135 male victims (up by 31.1%).

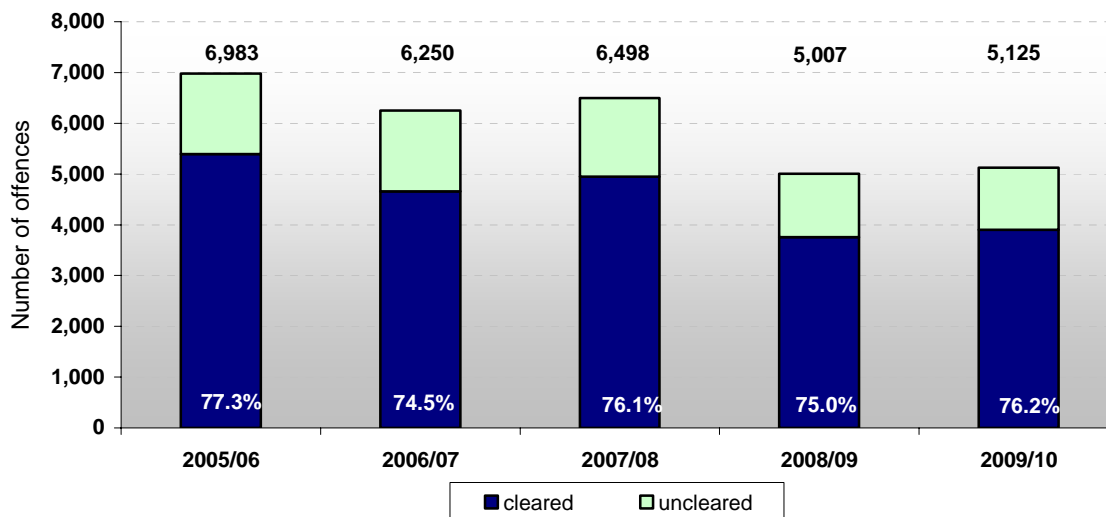
Adult victims aged 18-59 years have decreased by 8.7% since 2008/09, to 787 victims. This age group makes up 62.2% of all rape victims. Victims of rape aged less than 18 years have increased by 10.6% since 2008/09, to 458 victims. This age group makes up 36.2% of all rape victims.

² Please note, the number of victims differs significantly from the number of offences recorded due to some victims reporting multiple counts of victimisation.

3.5 Sex (non-rape)³

There were 5,125 sex (non-rape) offences recorded in 2009/2010, an increase of 2.4% on the 5,007 offences recorded in 2008/2009.

Figure 28: Sex (non-rape) offences recorded and cleared , 2005/2006 to 2009/2010



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Of the 5,125 sex (non-rape) offences recorded in 2009/2010, 3,904 (76.2%) were cleared during the same period. An additional 570 offences were cleared that had been reported in previous years.

Sex (non-rape) offences at residential locations account for 57.3% of all sex (non-rape) offences in 2009/10. Sex (non-rape) offences at these locations have increased by 5.0% since 2008/09 (to 2,936 offences). There have been decreases in these offences occurring at street/lane/footpath locations (9.3%), public transport locations (14.2%) and other transport locations (41.3%). Offences at these locations make up 16.2% of all sex (non-rape) offences.

The number of victims⁴ of sex (non-rape) offences recorded during 2009/2010 was 3,190, an increase of 4.6% from the 3,050 victims 15.1% since 2008/09).

Of all sex (non-rape) victims, 2,280 (71.5%) were less than 18 years old.

Victims of sex (non-rape) aged less than 18 years have decreased by 1.1% since 2008/09, to 2,280 victims. This age group makes up 71.5% of all sex (non-rape) victims. Adult victims aged 18-59 years have increased by 19.1% since 2008/09, to 805 victims. This age group makes up 25.2% of all sex (non-rape) victims.

³ Sex (non-rape) includes offences such as indecent assault, indecent act, wilful and obscene exposure in public, incest, sexual penetration of a child, and gross indecency.

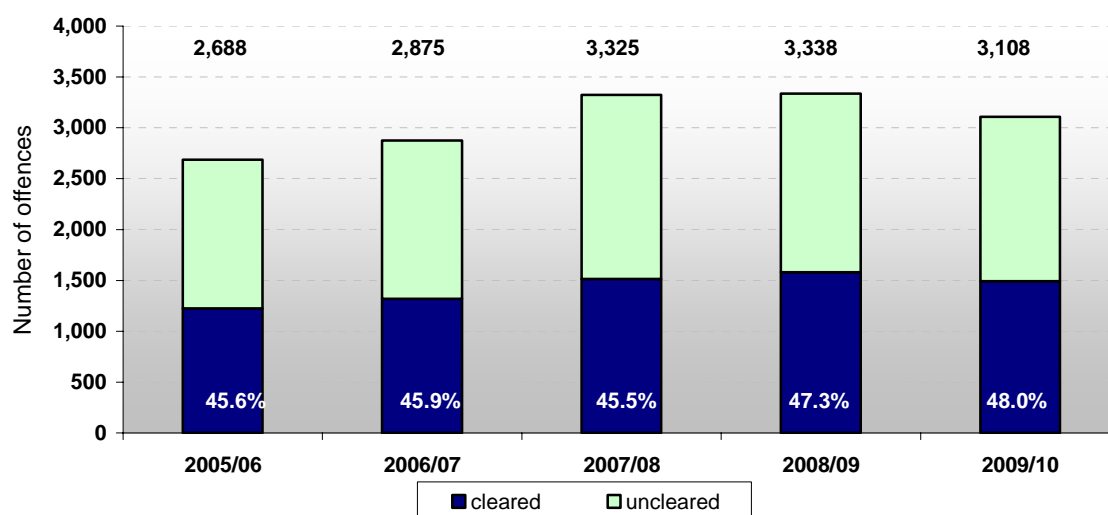
⁴ Please note, as with rape offences the number of victims differs significantly from the number of offences recorded due to some victims reporting multiple counts of victimisation.

3.6 Robbery⁵

Robbery offences recorded in 2009/2010 decreased by 6.9% from 3,338 to 3,108. The rate per 100,000 population has decreased by 8.8% since 2008/2009.

Robbery offences consist of 1,388 (44.7%) armed robberies. This figure is down by 8.7%, compared to 2008/2009.

Figure 29: Robberies recorded and cleared, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010



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Of all the robbery offences recorded in 2009/2010, 1,491 (48.0%) were cleared during the same period. An additional 206 offences were cleared that had been reported in previous years. Robbery offences recorded during 2009/2010 were cleared by the processing of offenders in 1,282 offences (86.0% of all clearances), 66 (4.4%) offences resulted in no offence being detected, the complaint being withdrawn in 141 (9.5%) offences and 2 (0.1%) were cleared by other means.

The number of unarmed robberies recorded during 2009/2010 was 1,690, down 4.4% from 1,767 recorded in 2008/2009.

Figure 30: Robberies recorded by offence and degree, 2008/2009 to 2009/2010

	2008/09				2009/10				% Change
	Substantive	Attempted	Conspiracy	Total	Substantive	Attempted	Conspiracy	Total	
Armed Robbery	1,182	337	1	1,520	1,090	294	4	1,388	-8.7%
Accessory To Robbery	2	0	0	2	1	0	0	1	-50.0%
Robbery	1,494	273	0	1,767	1,379	311	0	1,690	-4.4%
Assault With Intent To Rob	47	2	0	49	29	0	0	29	-40.8%
Robbery Total	2,725	612	1	3,338	2,499	605	4	3,108	-6.9%

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The main locations for robberies occurring are on street / lane / footpaths. Robberies at these locations for 2009/2010 have decreased by 10.7% and account for 48.9% of all robberies.

Robberies at public transport locations have decreased by 4.3% since 2008/09. Train stations make up 60.9% of all robberies at public transport locations. Robberies at train stations have decreased by 6.8% since 2008/09.

⁵ Robbery includes offences of armed robbery and robbery/assault with intent to rob.

Male victims of robberies under the age of 18 have decreased by 3.3% in comparison to 2008/09 and adult males aged 18 – 59 years have decreased by 9.4%. Male victims over the age of 60 are the only group to experience an increase, up by 12.0% from 2008/09. Juvenile female victims of robberies have decreased by 15.1% while females aged over 60 have decreased by 21.1%.

Figure 31: Robberies recorded by victim age and sex, 2009/2010

		2009/10			%change from 2008/09		
		Female	Male	Total*	Female	Male	Total*
Persons	Juvenile (<18)	79	444	525	-15.1%	-3.3%	-5.1%
	Adult (18-59)	450	1712	2176	-11.2%	-9.4%	-9.5%
	Adult (60+)	45	56	103	-21.1%	12.0%	-3.7%
	Total Persons *	592	2240	2851	-11.9%	-7.4%	-8.1%
Business		n/a	n/a	155	n/a	n/a	0.0%
Total Victims		592	2240	3006	-11.9%	-7.4%	-7.7%

* includes victims where age or gender is unspecified

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Figure 32: Robberies recorded by alleged offender age and sex, 2009/2010

	2009/10			%change from 2008/09		
	Female	Male	Total*	Female	Male	Total*
Juvenile	138	1069	1207	16.0%	-2.0%	-0.2%
Adult	125	1128	1254	-18.3%	-10.6%	-11.4%
Adult 60+	0	1	1	n/a	-50.0%	-50.0%
Total Alleged Offenders*	263	2207	2471	-3.3%	-6.4%	-6.1%

* includes offenders where age or gender is unspecified

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89.3% of all recorded alleged robbery offenders for 2009/10 were males, with a 6.4% decrease in male alleged offenders in comparison to 2008/09.

Figure 33: Type of weapon used / threatened / displayed during robberies, 2008/2009 – 2009/2010

Type of Weapon	No. of offences recorded		% change from 2008/09
	2008/09	2009/10	
Rifle	7	8	14.3
Air rifle / gun	4	3	-25.0
Shotgun	8	6	-25.0
Handgun	73	85	16.4
Sawn off firearm	9	5	-44.4
Imitation firearm	12	20	66.7
Other firearm	7	7	0.0
Knife	758	612	-19.3
Axe / tomahawk	36	14	-61.1
Bat / bar / club	134	87	-35.1
Knuckleduster / numchuks	10	1	-90.0
Bottle / glass	66	40	-39.4
Vehicle	4	7	75.0
Syringe	37	49	32.4
Other weapon	162	97	-40.1
Other edged weapon	62	60	-3.2
Total	1,389	1,101	-20.7

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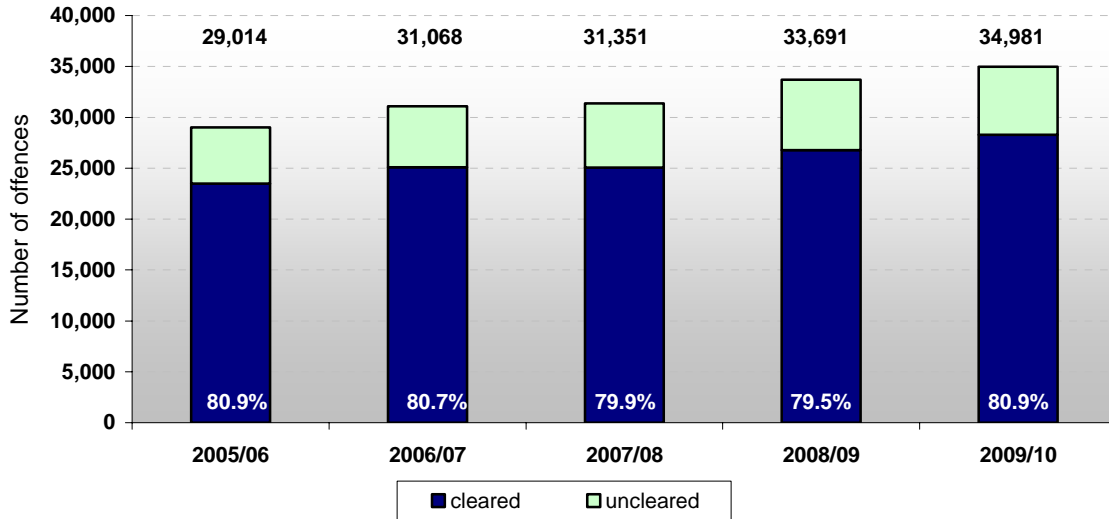
55.6% of all weapons used/threatened/displayed during robberies were knives. In 2009/10 612 knives were used/threatened/displayed during robberies, a decrease of 19.3% in comparison to 2008/09. There was a 16.4% increase in robberies involving handguns, from 73 in 2008/09 to 85 in 2009/10.

3.7 Assault⁶

The number of recorded assaults in 2009/2010 (34,981) is 3.8% higher than the number recorded in 2008/2009 (33,691).

Of the assault offences recorded during 2009/2010, 28,302 (80.9%) were cleared during the same period. An additional 1,948 offences were cleared which were recorded in previous years. Offences recorded during 2009/2010 were cleared by the processing of offenders in 24,722 (87.4%) offences. 425 (1.5%) offences resulted in no offence being detected, the complaint was withdrawn in 2,945 (10.4%) offences and 210 (0.7%) were cleared by other means.

Figure 34: Assaults recorded and cleared, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010



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For all assaults, there has been a 6.2% increase in offenders who are under 18 and a 3.7% increase in adult offenders.

Adult victims aged between 18 and 59 have increased by 3.6% and juvenile victims decreased by 1.3%. There has also been a 2.7% increase in victims who are aged over 60.

Assaults at residential locations account for 41.2% of all assaults in 2009/10. Assaults at these locations have increased by 9.2% since 2008/09 (to 14,406 offences). During 2009/2010 there were 1,626 assaults occurring at licensed premises, 0.1% higher than the previous period. Assaults have decreased by 0.7% at retail locations and by 5.5% at other transport locations.

There have been increases in assaults occurring at street/lane/footpath locations (4.5%), justice locations (27.0%) and public transport locations (8.7%). Offences at these locations make up 35.6% of all assaults.

Analysing assaults at public transport locations in more detail, assaults at bus/bus stops have increased by 31%, assaults at train stations have increased by 10.8% and assaults on trains have increased by 0.6%. Assaults at railway car parks have decreased by 49% since 2008/09. Assaults at these locations make up 86.8% of assaults at public transport locations in 2009/10.

The number of weapons used/threatened/displayed during assaults decreased by 5.4% (to 3,941) in comparison to 2008/09. 27.0% of all weapons used/threatened/displayed during assaults were knives. In 2009/10 1,065 knives were used/threatened/displayed during assaults, a decrease of 2.6% in comparison to 2008/09.

⁶ Assault includes indictable and summary assault offences such as intentionally/recklessly cause injury, make threats to kill, reckless conduct endangering life/serious injury, unlawful assault, assault police (serious and summary) assault with weapon/instrument, and discharge missile/stone to injure/danger.

Figure 35: Assault offences recorded by type of location, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010

Type of Location	No. of offences recorded					% Change from 2008/2009
	2005/2006	2006/2007	2007/2008	2008/2009	2009/2010	
Residential(Private)	10947	11355	11150	11330	12432	9.7%
Residential(Non-Private)	575	613	698	774	769	-0.6%
Residential(Other)	803	817	934	1093	1205	10.2%
Educational	454	534	499	592	631	6.6%
Health	178	263	218	239	262	9.6%
Religious	19	27	17	23	25	8.7%
Public Transport	887	1038	1231	1163	1264	8.7%
Other Transport	758	740	797	885	836	-5.5%
Justice	675	728	637	856	1087	27.0%
Open Space	536	692	665	759	774	2.0%
Street/Lane/Footpath	7927	8842	9239	9670	10101	4.5%
Other Community Location	42	43	47	45	27	-40.0%
Administrative/Professional	209	235	182	226	193	-14.6%
Financial	17	21	13	21	15	-28.6%
Retail	1913	2014	1822	2190	2180	-0.5%
Wholesale	5	3	7	5	4	-20.0%
Warehouse/Storage	16	24	19	15	42	180.0%
Manufacturing	104	110	79	94	102	8.5%
Agricultural	51	53	25	35	41	17.1%
Licensed Premises	1423	1536	1594	1625	1626	0.1%
Other Recreational	456	575	593	561	512	-8.7%
Other Location	240	229	211	254	261	2.8%
Unspecified	779	576	674	1236	592	-52.1%
Total	29014	31068	31351	33691	34981	3.8%

Note: All figures with decimal places in the above table have been rounded to one decimal place.

Figure 36: Type of weapon used / threatened / displayed during assaults, 2008/2009 – 2009/2010

Type of Weapon	No. of offences recorded		% change from 2008/09
	2008/09	2009/10	
Rifle	39	29	-25.6
Air rifle / gun	10	19	90.0
Shotgun	25	35	40.0
Handgun	69	91	31.9
Machine gun	2	0	-100.0
Sawn off firearm	9	6	-33.3
Imitation firearm	13	30	130.8
Other firearm	40	28	-30.0
Knife	1,093	1,065	-2.6
Axe / tomahawk	59	42	-28.8
Bat / bar / club	588	543	-7.7
Knuckleduster / numchuks	37	18	-51.4
Bottle / glass	623	485	-22.2
Vehicle	285	262	-8.1
Syringe	28	27	-3.6
Other weapon	1,044	1,037	-0.7
Other edged weapon	201	224	11.4
Total	4,165	3,941	-5.4

Note: All figures with decimal places in the above table have been rounded to one decimal place.

Family Incident Reports

Of all assaults reported in 2009/2010, 25.1% were family violence related. Of all the offences arising from family violence incidents reported in 2009/2010, just under half were assaults (48.3%).

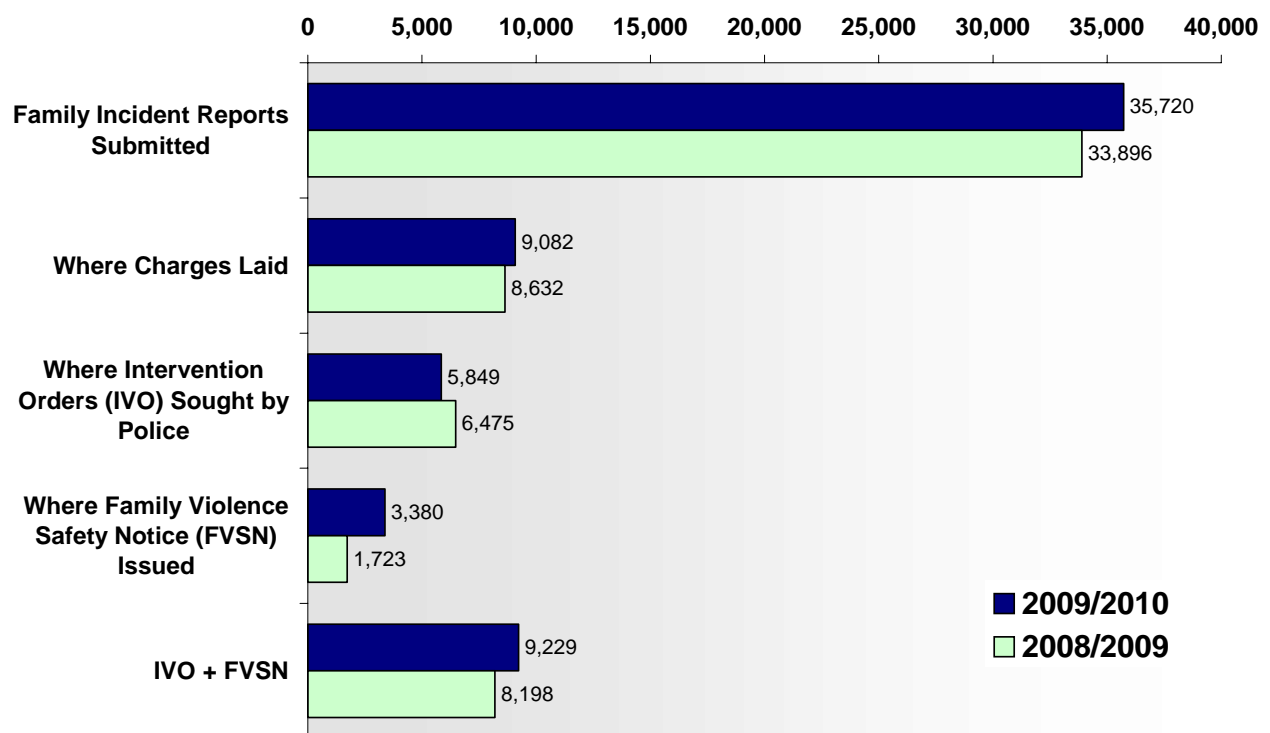
During 2009/2010, there were 35,720 incidents where police submitted family incident reports. This is 5.4% higher than the 33,896 reports submitted in 2008/2009.

According to Section 31 of the Family Violence Protection Act 2008, a family violence safety notice (FVSN) is taken to be an application for a family violence intervention order (IVO). Victoria Police keeps separate statistics on IVOs and FVSNs so no double counting occurs, however for an accurate picture of IVOs in an area, the two figures have been combined. Note that family violence safety notices were introduced on 8 December 2008.

Of all family incidents attended, police sought intervention orders or issued a safety notice in 9,229 instances, which is an increase of 12.6% from the previous financial year.

There were 9,082 family incidents attended by police in 2009/10, which resulted in charges being laid against one or more parties involved. This is a 5.2% increase from the previous year.

Figure 37: Recorded family incidents, 2008/2009 to 2009/2010



Prior to 31 August 2004, approximately 15% of assaults were family violence related. Since the introduction of the Code of Practice for the Investigation of Family Violence, launched on 31 August 2004, this figure has risen to approximately 25%. The Code of Practice is one of many programs and strategies developed to improve police responses to family violence incidents and encourage community confidence to report these offences to police.

In 2009/2010, there was a decline in assaults not arising from family incidents of 0.3%, as a rate per 100,000 population. Assaults arising from family incidents have increased by 7.9% as a rate per 100,000 thousand.

Figure 38: Offences arising from family incidents, 2009/2010

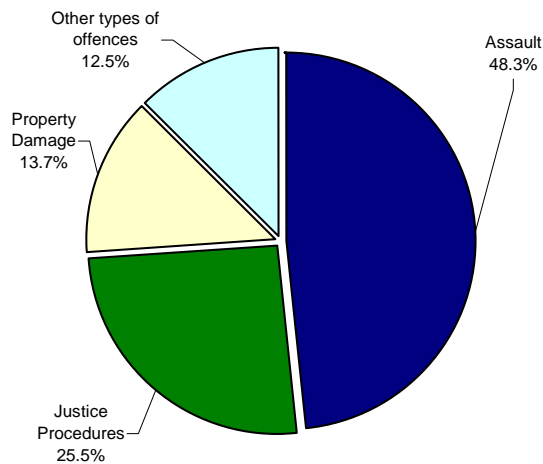


Figure 39: Percentage of assaults arising from family incidents, 2000/2001 to 2009/2010

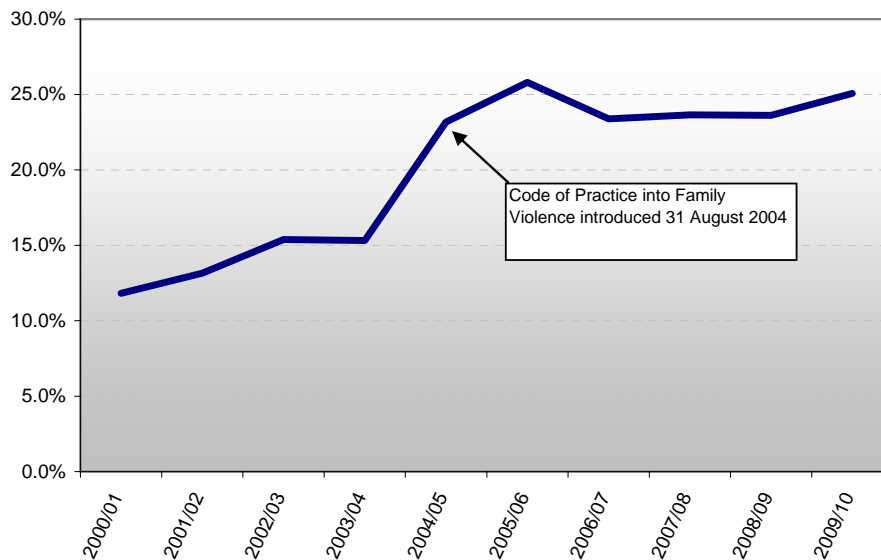


Figure 40: Assaults arising and not arising from family incidents, 2008/2009 to 2009/2010

	No. of offences recorded		% change from	Rate per 100,000 Population		% change from
	2008/2009	2009/2010	2008/2009	2008/2009	2009/2010	2008/2009
Assaults arising from family incidents	7,957	8,771	10.2%	147.8	159.6	7.9%
Assaults not arising from family incidents	25,734	26,210	1.8%	478.2	476.9	-0.3%
Total Assaults	33,691	34,981	3.8%	626.0	636.4	1.7%
% of assaults arising from family incidents	23.6%	25.1%				

Figure 41: Assaults arising and not arising from family incidents, 2000/2001 to 2009/2010

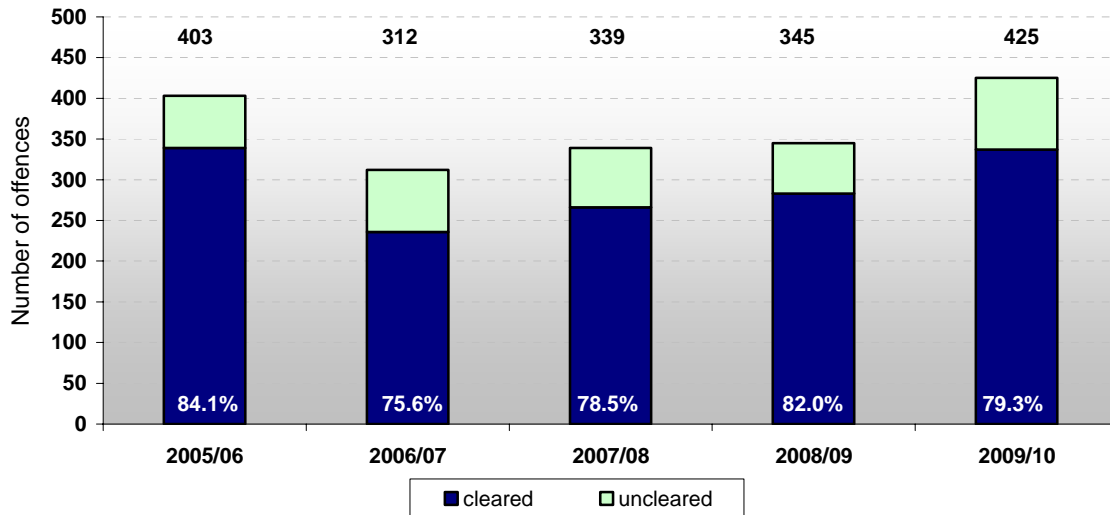
	No. of offences recorded		% change from	Rate per 100,000 Population		% change from
	2000/2001	2009/2010	2000/2001	2000/2001	2009/2010	2000/2001
Assaults arising from family incidents	2,546	8,771	244.5%	53.4	159.6	199.0%
Assaults not arising from family incidents	18,991	26,210	38.0%	398.1	476.9	19.8%
Total Assaults	21,537	34,981	62.4%	451.5	636.4	41.0%
% of assaults arising from family incidents	11.8%	25.1%				

Note: All figures with decimal places in the above tables have been rounded to one decimal place.

3.8 Abduction/kidnap⁷

There were 425 abduction/kidnap offences recorded in 2009/2010, an increase of 23.2% on the 345 offences recorded in 2008/2009. The bulk offence category within abduction / kidnap is false imprisonment with 298 offences recorded in 2009/2010 (15.5% increase from 2008/2009). There has been a steady incline in abduction/kidnap offences over the last few years however the increase from 2008/09 to 2009/10 has been much steeper. There has also been a noticeable increase in the percentage of abduction/kidnap offences arising from family incidents since 2000/01. In 2009/10, 23.8% of abductions/kidnaps were arising from family incidents (up by 1.5 percentage points from 2008/2009).

Figure 42: Abduction / kidnap recorded and cleared, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010

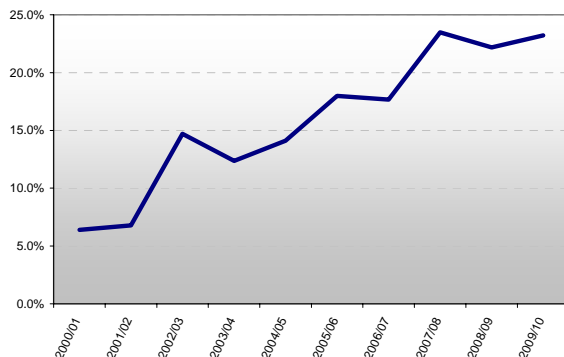


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Of the 425 abduction/kidnap offences recorded during 2009/2010, 337 offences (79.3%) were cleared during the same period. An additional 20 offences were cleared from previous financial years.

Offences recorded in 2009/2010 were cleared by the processing of offenders in 298 (88.4%) offences, 17 (5.4%) offences resulted in no offence being detected, and the complaint was withdrawn in 22 (6.5%) offences.

Figure 43: Percentage of abductions arising from family incidents, 2000/01-2009/10 (Left)
Figure 44: Recorded abduction offences arising from family violence 2008/09-2009/10



	No. of offences recorded		% change from
	2008/2009	2009/2010	2008/2009
Abductions arising from family incidents	77	101	31.2%
Abductions not arising from family incidents	268	324	20.9%
Total Abductions	345	425	23.2%
% of abductions arising from family incidents	22.3%	23.8%	

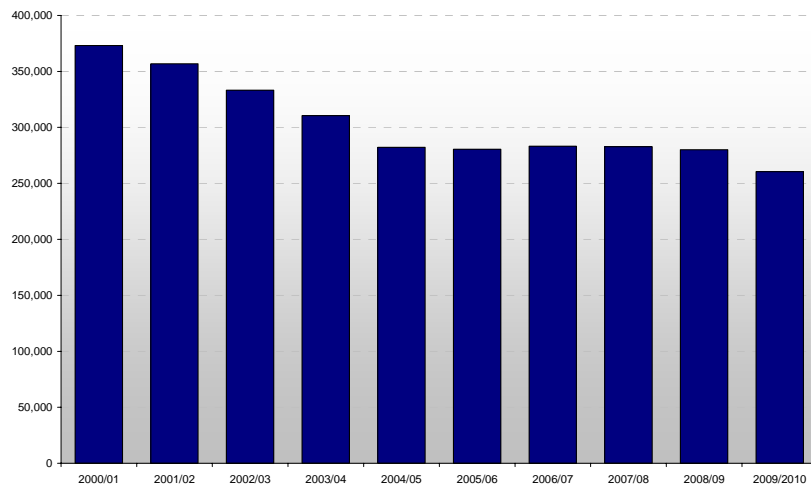
⁷ Abduction/kidnap includes offences of abduction, child stealing, cause abduction, kidnap and false imprisonment.

4 Crime against property

4.1 Overall

In 2009/2010 there were 260,514 offences against property, a decrease of 6.9% compared with 2008/2009. This offence group had a clearance rate of 29.6%, which is 1.6 percentage points lower than the rate recorded in 2008/2009.

Figure 45: Crime against property offences per year, 2000/2001 to 2009/2010



Since 2000/2001, total crime against property as a rate per 100,000 population has decreased by 39.4%.

Figure 46: Crime against property offences as a rate per 100,000 population per year, 2000/01 to 2009/10

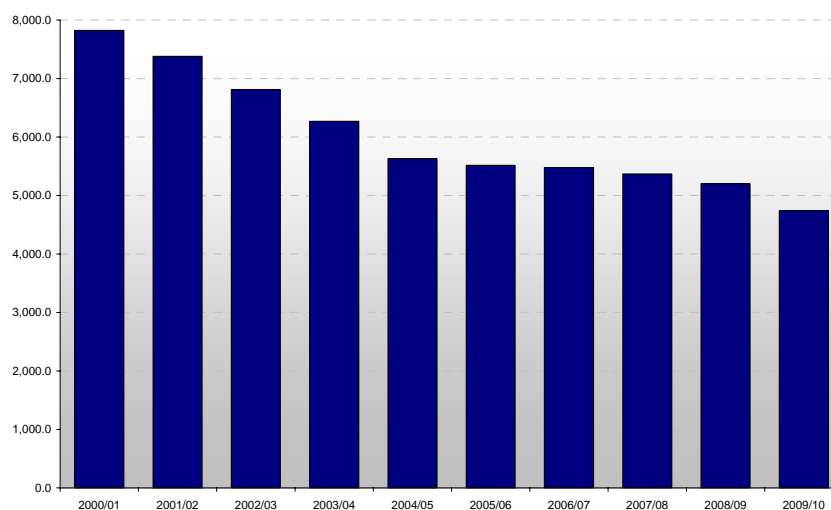
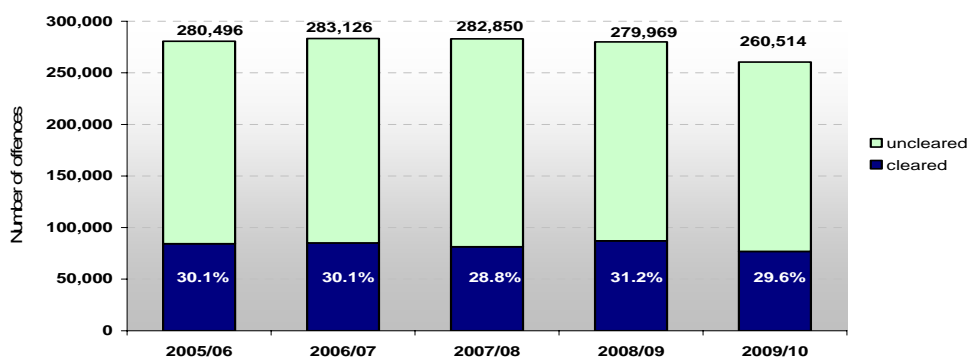


Figure 47: Crime against property offences recorded and cleared, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010

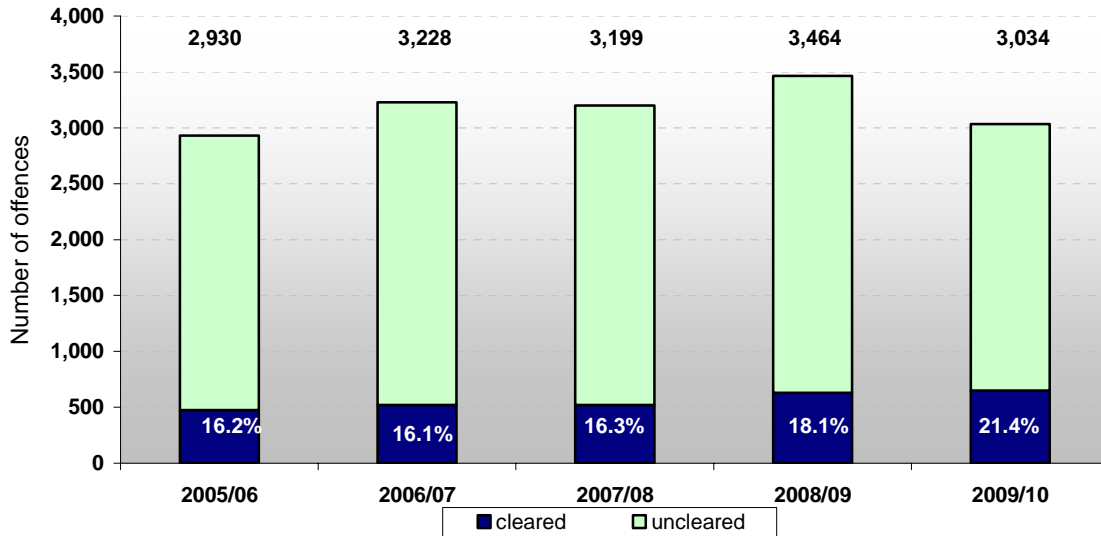


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4.2 Arson⁸

There were 3,034 offences of arson recorded during 2009/2010, a decrease of 12.4% from the 3,464 arsons recorded in 2008/2009.

Figure 48: Arsons recorded and cleared, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010

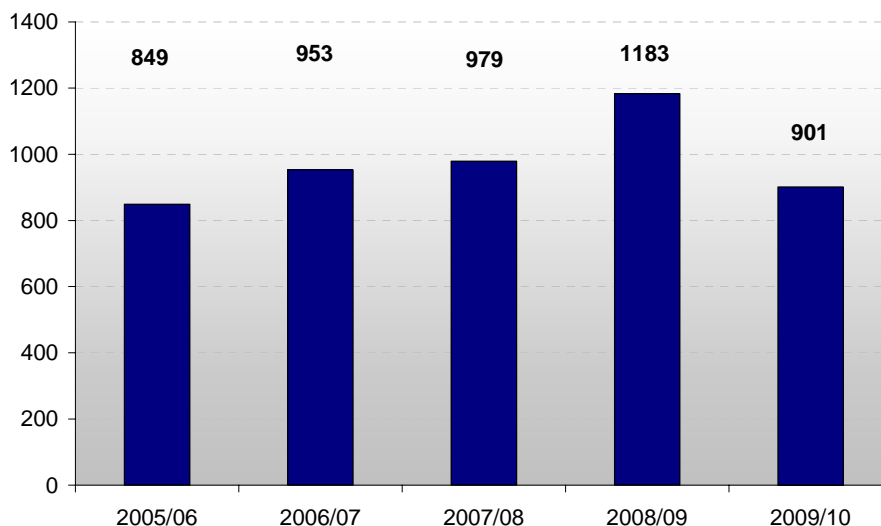


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Of the 3,034 offences recorded in 2009/2010, 648 (21.4%) were cleared within the same period. This is an increase of 3.2 percentage points compared with last year.

Over the past five financial years there has been an increasing trend in the number of arson offences recorded at residential locations. However in 2009/2010 there was a 23.8% decrease in these offences, compared to the previous financial year.

Figure 49: Arsons at residential locations, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010

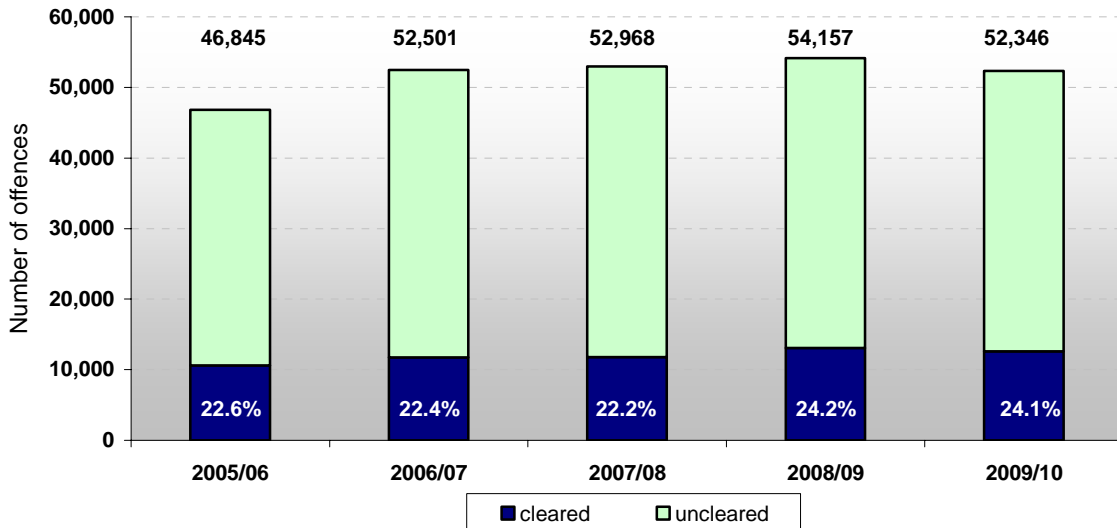


⁸ Arson includes offences of criminal damage by fire, light fire on PTC vehicle/premises, light/use fire and destroy/damage property and light/use fire to endanger property/life.

4.3 Property damage⁹

In 2009/2010, there were 52,346 offences of property damage recorded by Victoria Police, a decrease of 3.3% on the 54,157 offences recorded during 2008/2009.

Figure 50: Property damages recorded and cleared, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010



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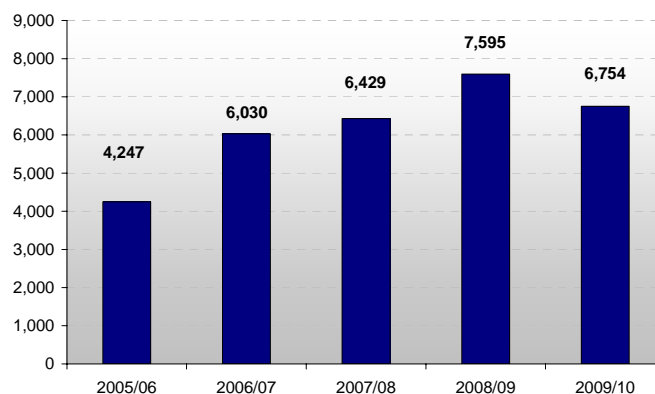
Of the 52,346 property damage offences recorded during 2009/2010, 12,603 (24.1%) were cleared in the same year. This is 0.1 percentage points lower than the clearance rate recorded in 2008/2009.

During 2009/2010 there was an 11.1% decrease in the number of graffiti¹⁰ offences recorded. Offences involved graffiti constitute 12.9% of the total property damage offences, 1.1 percentage points lower than in 2008/2009.

Figure 51: Recorded graffiti offences, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010

	No. of offences recorded					% change from 2008/09
	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	
Graffiti Offences	4,247	6,030	6,429	7,595	6,754	-11.1
Total Property Damage Offences	46,845	52,501	52,968	54,157	52,346	-3.3
% of property damage offences that involve graffiti	9.1%	11.5%	12.1%	14.0%	12.9%	

Figure 52: Recorded graffiti offences, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010



⁹ Property damage includes offences such as criminal damage (intent to damage/destroy), wilful damage/injure property and possess article for criminal damage.

¹⁰ Graffiti involves Property Damage offences where either graffiti damage is recorded or the word "Graffiti" is found in the incident remark.

Property damage associated with family violence

Figure 53: Recorded property damage offences arising from family violence

	No. of offences recorded		% change from 2008/2009
	2008/2009	2009/2010	
Property damage arising from family incidents	2,429	2,483	2.2%
Property damage not arising from family incidents	51,728	49,863	-3.6%
Total property damage	54,157	52,346	-3.3%
% of property damage arising from family incidents	4.5%	4.7%	

Note: All figures with decimal places in the above table have been rounded to one decimal place.

Property damage offences arising from family incidents have increased by 2.2% since 2008/09 whereas the offences not arising from family incidents have decreased by 3.6% in the same time frame.

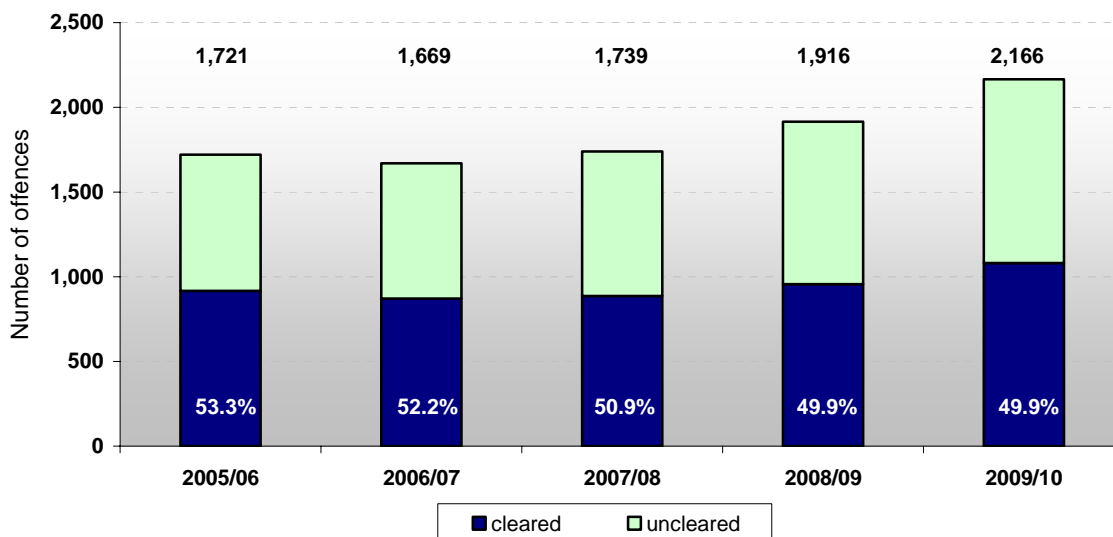
Of all offences arising out of family violence incidents in 2009/2010, 13.7% were property damage related (refer to Figure 38).

Prior to 31 August 2004, approximately 3% of property damage offences were family violence related. Since the introduction of the Code of Practice for the Investigation of Family Violence, launched on 31 August 2004, this figure has risen to approximately 5%.

4.4 Burglary (aggravated)¹¹

The number of aggravated burglaries recorded during 2009/2010 increased 13.0% from 1,916 in 2008/2009 to 2,166. Burglary (Aggravated) had a clearance rate of 49.9% during 2009/2010, the same as the rate from 2008/2009. In 2009/10, there has been a 17.6% increase in offenders processed for these offences. Of these, 63.5% are males aged 15-34 and 9.5% are females in the same age group. Male offenders aged 15-34 have increased by 20.3% since 2008/09, to 972, and female offenders in the same age group have increased by 25.0% since 2008/09, to 145.

Figure 54: Aggravated burglaries recorded and cleared, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010



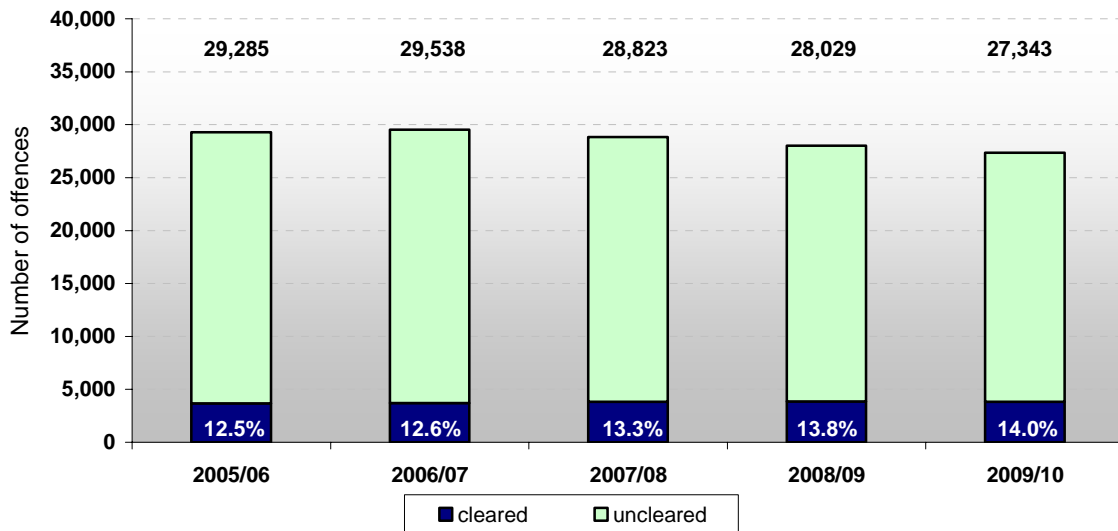
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¹¹ Burglary (aggravated) is based on the offence of aggravated burglary. Please note that a change in the definition of the offence in the Crimes Act came into effect on 1 September 1997.

4.5 Burglary (residential)¹²

The number of residential burglaries recorded, decreased 2.4% from 28,029 in 2008/2009 to 27,343 in 2009/2010. Burglary (residential) had a clearance rate of 14.0% during 2009/2010, 0.2 percentage points higher than that of 2008/2009.

Figure 55: Residential burglaries recorded and cleared, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010

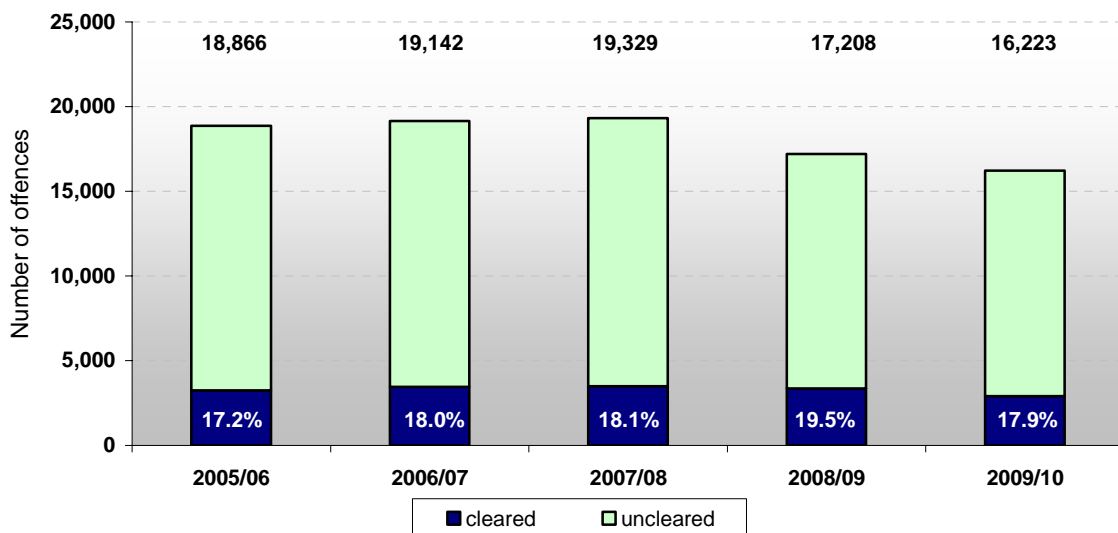


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4.6 Burglary (other)¹³

There were 16,223 non-residential burglaries recorded in 2009/2010, a decrease of 5.7%. Of all these type of offences recorded during 2009/2010, 2,909 (17.9%) were cleared in the same year. This is 1.6 percentage points lower than the clearance rate recorded in 2008/2009.

Figure 56: Other burglaries recorded and cleared, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010



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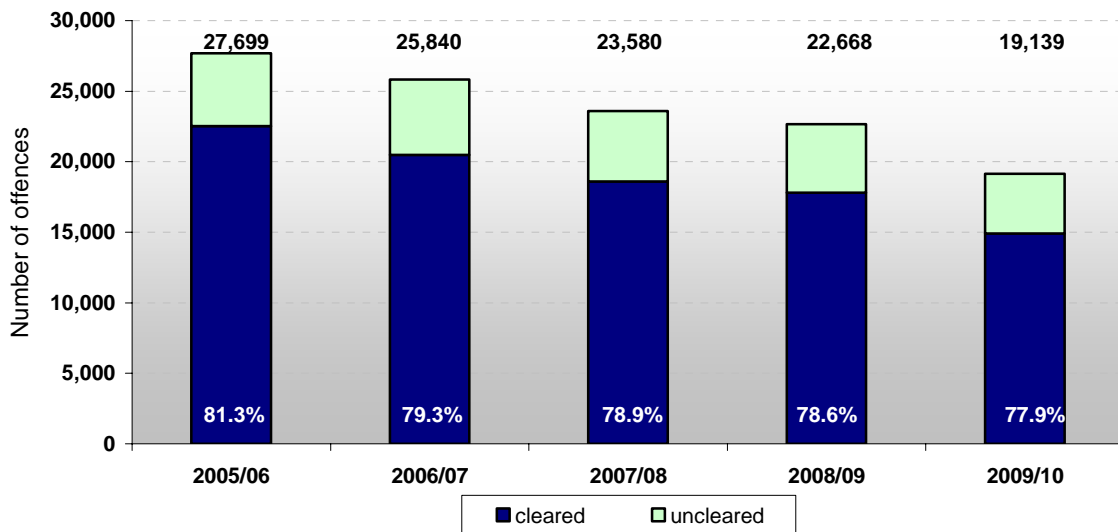
¹² Burglary (residential) is based on the offence of burglary where the location type is residential.

¹³ Burglary (other) is based on the offence of burglary where the location type is other than a residential location.

4.7 Deception¹⁴

There were 19,139 offences of deception recorded during 2009/2010, a decrease of 15.6% on the 22,668 recorded during 2008/2009.

Figure 57: Deception offences recorded and cleared, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010



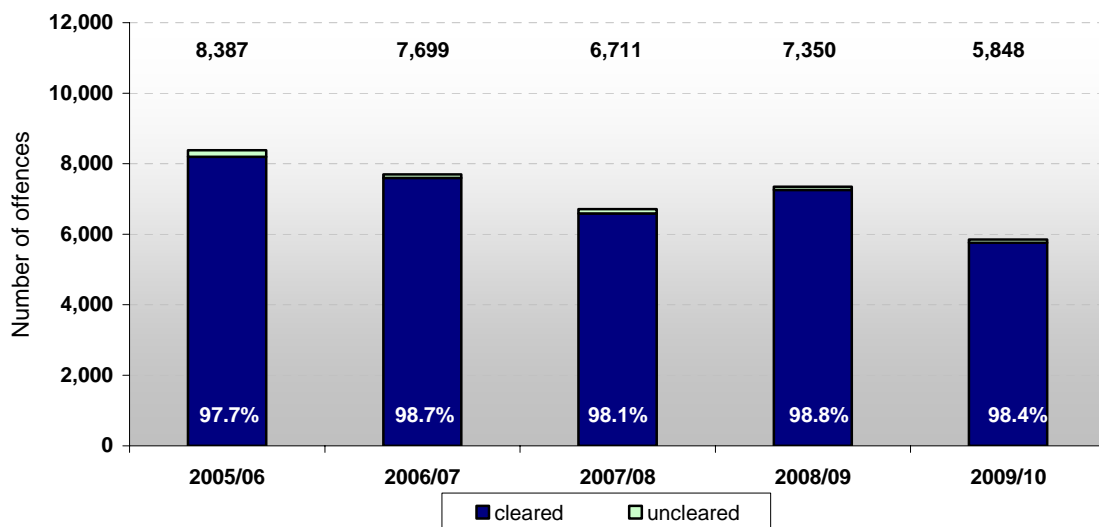
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Of the 19,139 offences recorded in 2009/2010, 14,903 (77.9%) were cleared within the same period. An additional 1,062 offences were also cleared in 2009/2010 from previous years. Offences were mainly cleared by the processing of offenders, in 14,569 (97.8%) instances.

4.8 Handle stolen goods¹⁵

There were 5,848 offences of handle stolen goods recorded during 2009/2010, 20.4% less than the 7,350 offences recorded in 2008/2009. This crime category reflects a lot of proactive work done by police; nearly all offences (5,755 or 98.4%) recorded during 2009/2010 were cleared within the same period.

Figure 58: Handle stolen goods offences recorded and cleared, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010



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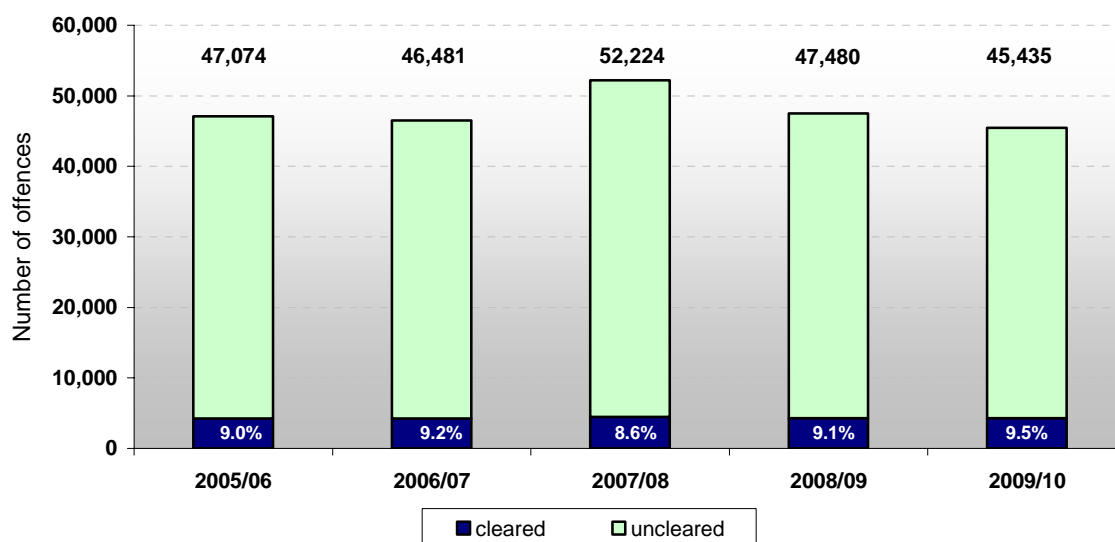
¹⁴ Deception includes offences such as obtain property by deception, obtain financial advantage by deception, make false document, false accounting and imposition (Commonwealth benefit/money).

¹⁵ Handle stolen goods includes unlawful possession and hand/receive/retention stolen goods.

4.9 Theft from motor vehicle¹⁶

The number of theft from motor vehicle offences recorded in 2009/2010 (45,435) was 4.3% lower than the 47,480 offences recorded in 2008/2009. The 2009/2010 clearance rate of 9.5% is 0.4 percentage points higher than the rate from 2008/2009.

Figure 59: Theft from motor vehicle offences recorded and cleared, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010



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Figure 60: Top 15 types of property stolen during theft from motor vehicle offences, 2008/2009 to 2009/2010

Rank	Property Type	No. of offences recorded		% change from 2008/2009
		2008/2009	2009/2010	
1	Number plates	9,911	8,890	-10.3
2	Cash / money related	7,862	8,042	2.3
3	GPS receiver / navigation unit	5,669	5,555	-2.0
4	Wallet / purse	5,346	5,551	3.8
5	Computer / laptop / notebook	5,076	4,786	-5.7
6	Tools / powertool	3,426	3,950	15.3
7	Handbag / bag	3,194	3,013	-5.7
8	Mobile phone	3,036	2,832	-6.7
9	Sunglasses	2,643	2,550	-3.5
10	Ipod / MP3 player	2,343	2,399	2.4
11	Drivers Licence	1,977	2,092	5.8
12	Photographic equipment	2,037	1,955	-4.0
13	Clothing	1,984	1,913	-3.6
14	CDs	1,691	1,488	-12.0
15	Jewellery	813	747	-8.1

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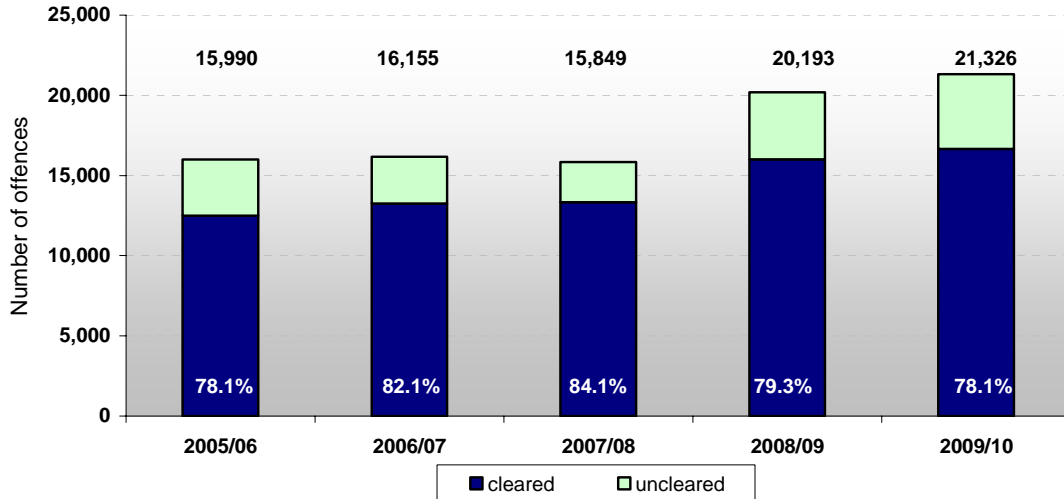
¹⁶ Theft from motor vehicle is based on the offence of theft from motor vehicle.

4.10 Theft (shopsteal)¹⁷

The number of shopsteal offences recorded during 2009/2010 (21,326) was 5.6% higher than that recorded during 2008/2009 (20,193). The 2009/2010 clearance rate of (78.1%) is 1.2 percentage points lower than the rate recorded in 2008/2009.

This increase is partially due to the introduction of Penalty Infringement Notices and Offenders Warnings for the offence “Shop theft less than \$600” on 1 July 2008. During 2009/2010 there were 4,277 offences recorded where Penalty Notices and Offender Warnings were issued, an increase of 38.5% compared to 2008/2009 (3,089).

Figure 61: Theft (shopsteal) offences recorded and cleared, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010

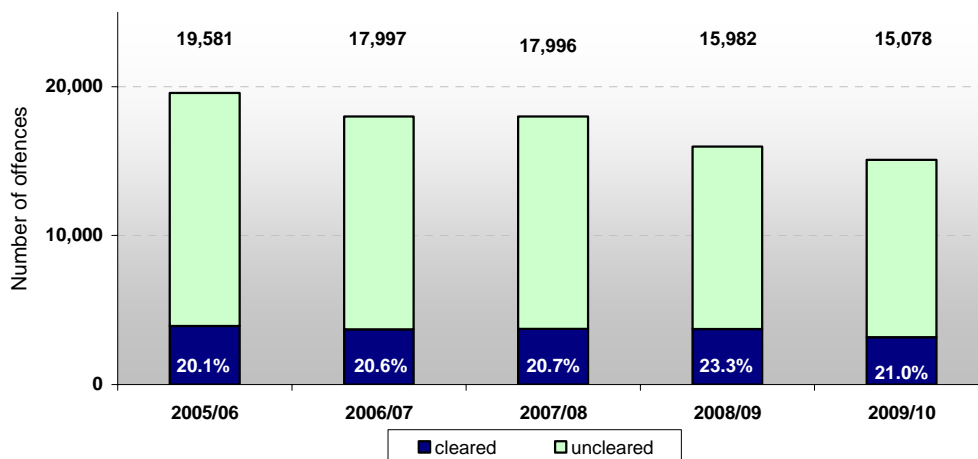


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4.11 Theft of motor vehicle¹⁸

The number of theft of motor vehicle offences recorded in 2009/2010 (15,078) is 5.7% lower than the 15,982 recorded in 2008/2009. The 2009/2010 clearance rate is 2.3 percentage points lower than the rate recorded in 2008/2009.

Figure 62: Theft of motor vehicle offences recorded and cleared, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010



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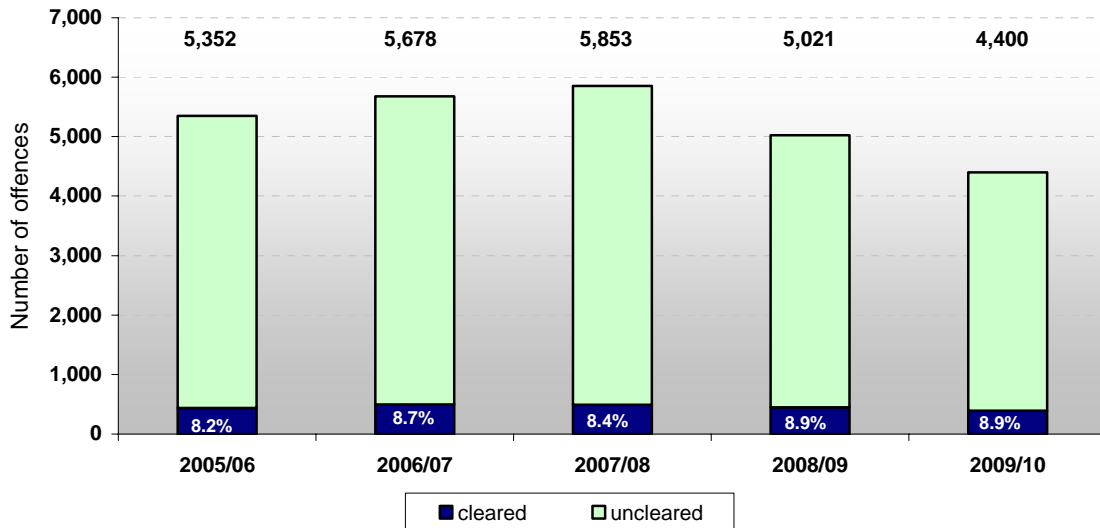
¹⁷ Theft (shopsteal) is based on the offence of theft from shop (shopsteal).

¹⁸ Theft of motor vehicle is based on the offence of theft of motor vehicle.

4.12 Theft (bicycle)¹⁹

There were 4,400 bicycle thefts recorded in 2009/2010, 12.4% less than the number recorded in 2008/2009 (5,021). In 2009/2010, 8.9% of offences were cleared. This is the same as the rate recorded in 2008/2009.

Figure 63: Theft (bicycle) offences recorded and cleared, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010

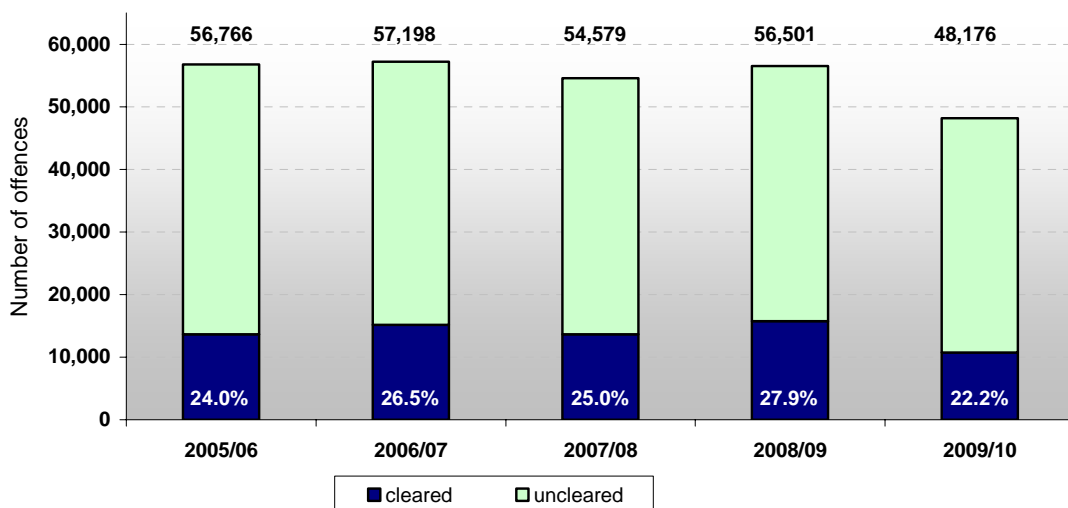


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4.13 Theft (other)²⁰

The number of theft (other) offences decreased by 14.7% to 48,176 in 2009/2010. Please note that theft (other) includes all forms of theft not elsewhere classified and can range from trivial offences involving almost no monetary value to thefts of significant value. The 2009/2010 clearance rate for theft (other) (22.2%) is a decrease of 5.7 percentage points on the clearance rate recorded during 2008/2009.

Figure 64: Recorded and cleared theft (other) offences, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010



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¹⁹ Theft (bicycle) is based on the offence of theft of bicycle.

²⁰ Theft (other) includes the offence of theft, and excludes theft from motor vehicle, theft of motor vehicle, theft of bicycle and theft from shop (shopsteal).

5 Drug offences

5.1 Overall

The number of drug offences recorded by Victoria Police during 2009/2010 was 14,583, a decrease of 2.5% from the previous year. This offence group had a clearance rate of 98.8%, which is 0.1 percentage points higher than the rate from 2008/2009.²¹

Figure 65: Drug offences per year, 2000/2001 to 2009/2010

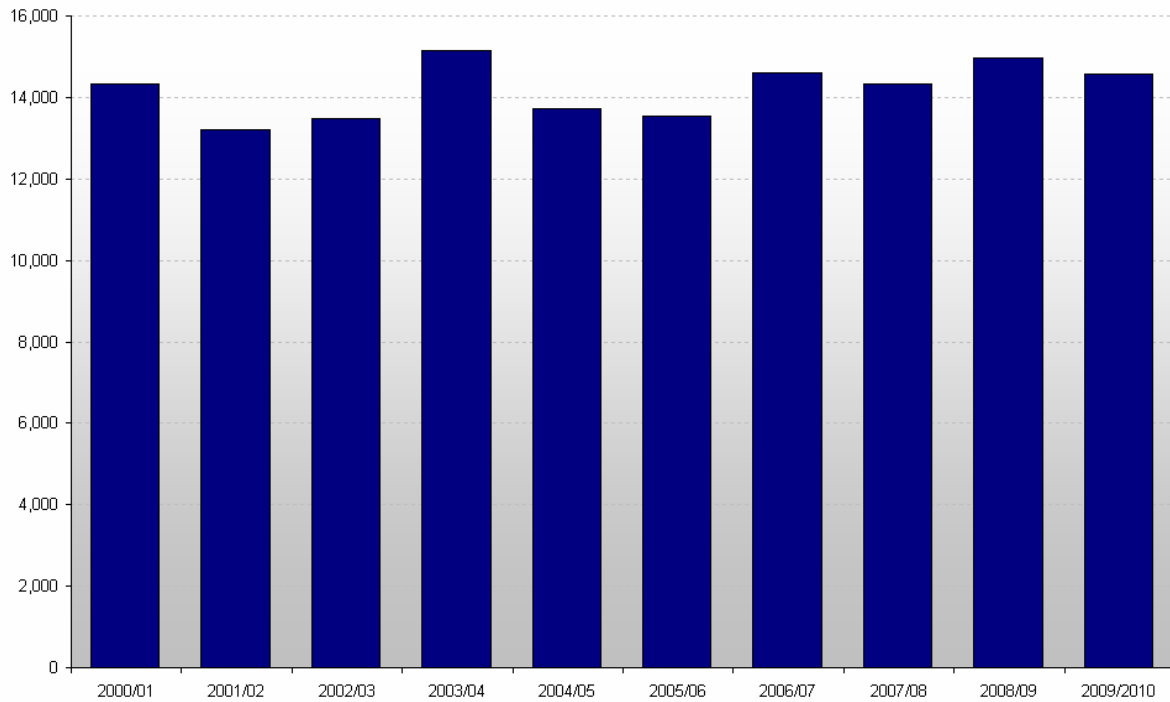
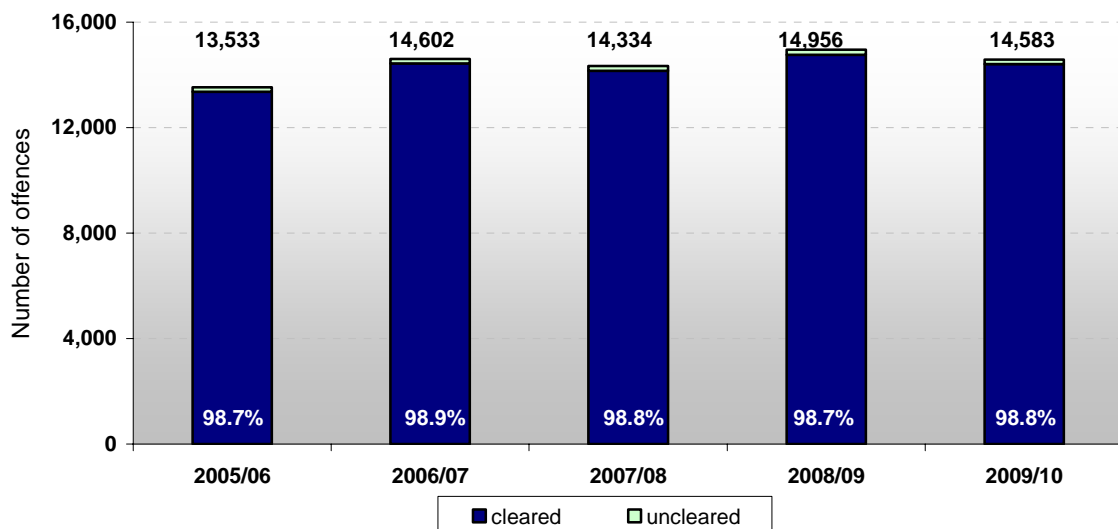


Figure 66: Recorded and cleared drug offences, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010



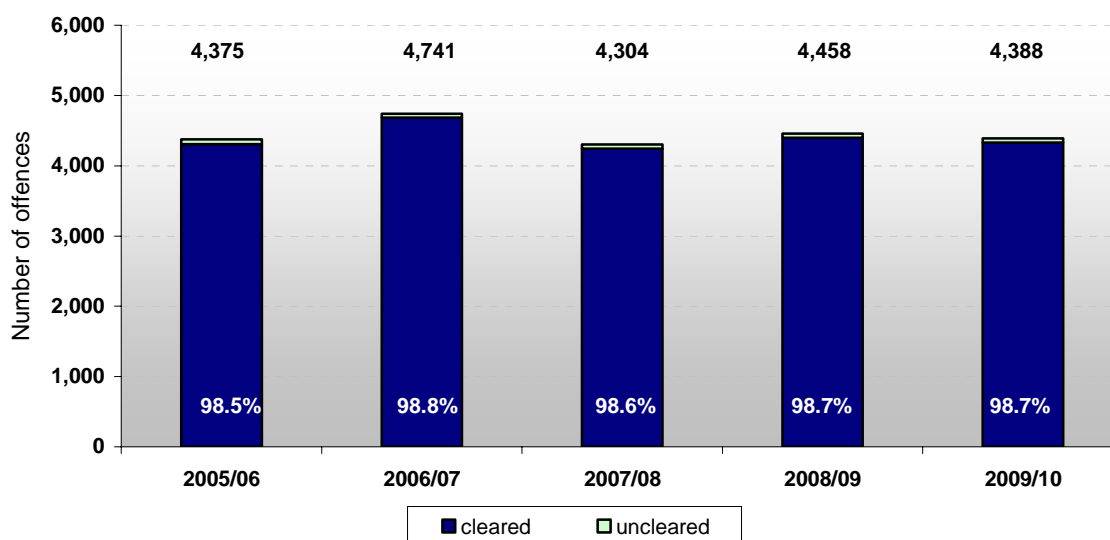
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²¹ Please note that in recorded crime statistics only the most serious offence that best describes a particular course of criminal conduct is counted and that secondary offences are not counted. Thus, where an alleged offender is in possession of a drug and admits using the drug, only the offence of possession is counted, although the alleged offender would be charged with both offences.

5.2 Drug (cultivate/manufacture/traffick)²²

There were 4,388 offences of Drug (cultivate/manufacture/traffick) recorded in 2009/2010, a decrease of 1.6% from the number of offences recorded in 2008/2009. The clearance rate in 2009/2010 for drug (cultivate, manufacture, traffick) offences was 98.7%, the same as in 2008/2009.

Figure 67: Recorded and cleared drug (cult, manuf, traff) offences, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010

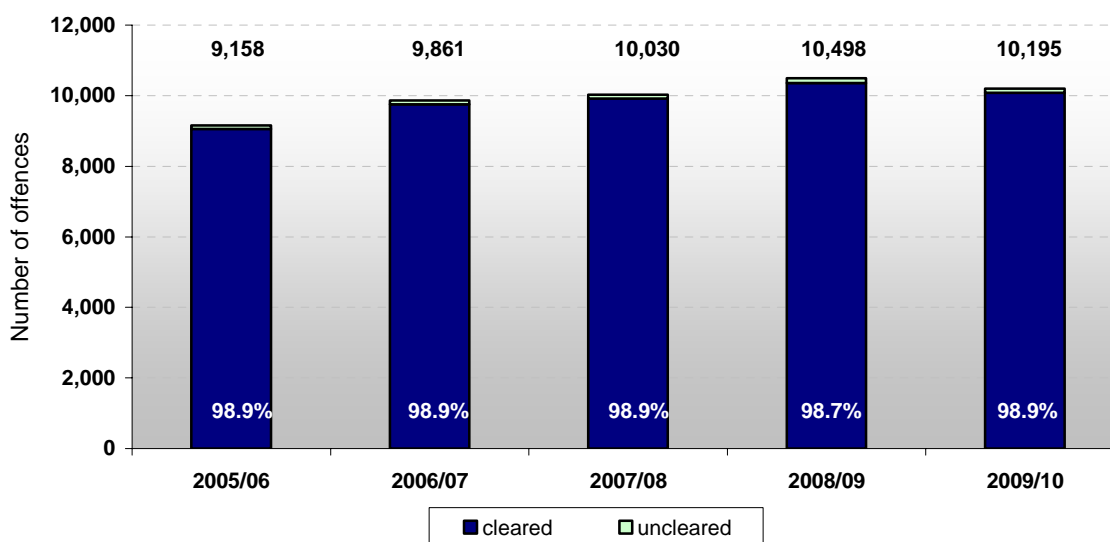


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5.3 Drug (possess/use)²³

There were 10,195 offences of drug possession and use in 2009/2010, a decrease of 2.9% from 2008/2009. The clearance rate in 2009/2010 for drug (possess/use) offences was 98.9%, 0.2 percentage points higher than 2008/2009.

Figure 68: Drug (possess/use) recorded and cleared offences, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010



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²² Drug (cultivate/manufacture/traffick) includes offences of cultivate, traffick, conspire to traffick, and aid and abet traffick of illicit drugs, controlled substances and other drugs of dependence. The types of drugs include heroin, cocaine, cannabis, hashish, amphetamine and ecstasy.

²³ Drug (possess, use) includes offences of possess, use and introduce drug into the body of another. The types of drugs include heroin, cocaine, cannabis, hashish, amphetamine and ecstasy.

6 Other crime²⁴

In 2009/2010 there were 45,885 other offences recorded, an increase of 4.2% compared with 2008/2009. This offence group had a clearance rate of 93.5%, 0.9 percentage points higher than the previous year.

Figure 69: Other offence categories, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010

Other Crime Offence Category	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	% Change from 2008/09 to 2009/10
Going equipped to steal	630	446	470	527	552	4.7%
Justice procedures	20,557	17,923	17,578	18,936	19,471	2.8%
Regulated public order	2,143	1,938	2,072	2,278	1,951	-14.4%
Weapons / explosives	6,399	6,724	7,001	7,155	6,817	-4.7%
Harassment	2,540	2,824	2,983	2,846	2,935	3.1%
Behaviour in public	3,761	3,425	3,335	6,428	8,266	28.6%
Other	5,768	5,820	5,800	5,871	5,893	0.4%
Total	41,798	39,100	39,239	44,041	45,885	4.2%

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Figure 70: Other offences per year, 2000/2001 to 2009/2010

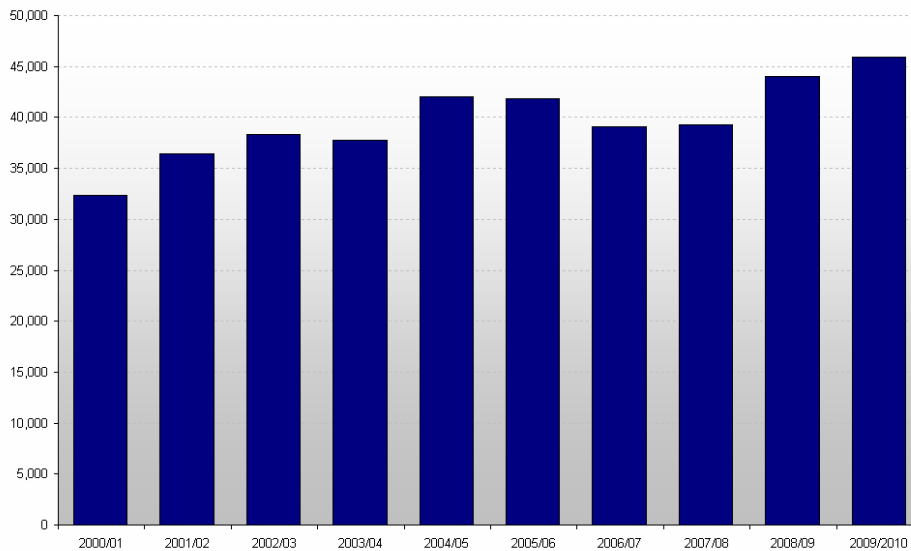
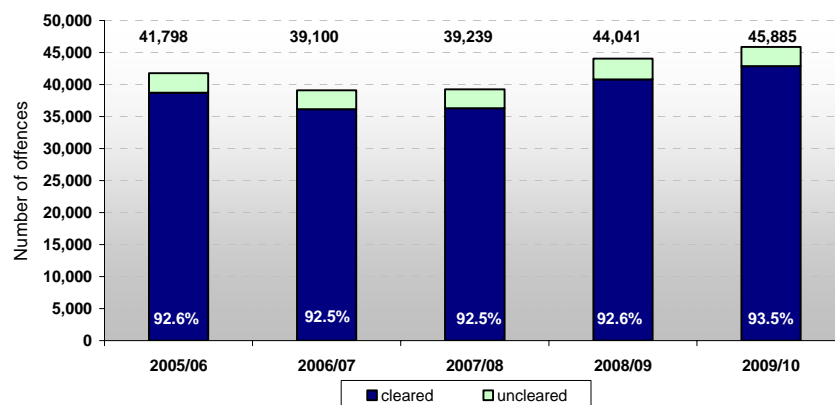


Figure 71: Other offences recorded and cleared, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010



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²⁴ **Going equipped to steal** is based on the offence of going equipped to steal/cheat. **Justice procedures** includes offences such as breach intervention order, fail to answer bail, escape from lawful custody, resist police/resist arrest, hinder police and make false report to police. **Regulated public order** include offences involving betting, gaming, liquor, tobacco, censorship and prostitution. **Weapons/explosives** is based on offences related to firearms, controlled weapons and explosives. **Harassment** includes offences of stalking and use phone/postal service/listening devices to menace/harass/offend. **Behaviour in public** includes offences related to drunkenness, indecent/offensive behaviour/language. **Other** includes indictable and summary offences not covered by the previous offence categories.

Justice Procedures offences account for 42.4% of all offences recorded in the Other Crime category.

The single year clearance rate for Justice Procedures offences in 2009/10 is 94.2% (down 0.2 percentage points from the clearance rate recorded in 2008/09).

Figure 72: Justice Procedures offences arising and not arising from family incidents, 2008/2009 to 2009/2010

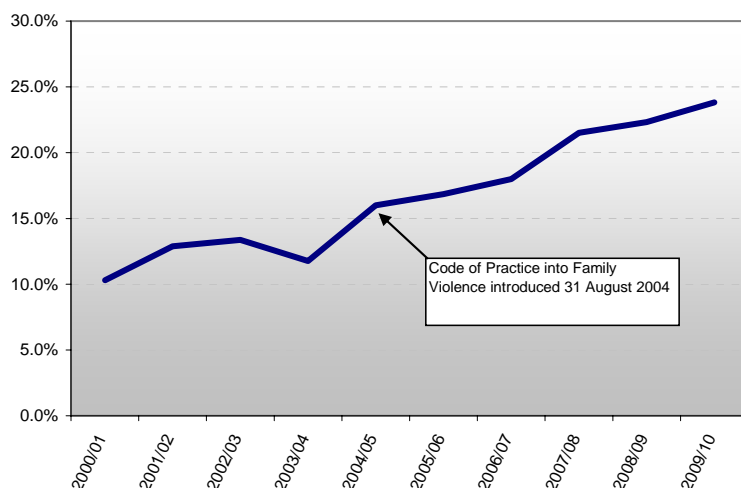
	No. of offences recorded		% change from 2008/2009	Rate per 100,000 Population		% change from 2008/2009
	2008/2009	2009/2010		2008/2009	2009/2010	
Justice Procedure offences arising from family incidents	4,228	4,639	9.7%	78.6	84.4	7.4%
Justice Procedure offences not arising from family incidents	14,708	14,832	0.8%	273.3	269.8	-1.3%
Total Justice Procedure offences	18,936	19,471	2.8%	351.9	354.2	0.7%
% of Justice Procedures arising from family incidents	22.3%	23.8%				

In 2009/2010, there were 19,471 Justice Procedures offences, an increase of 2.8% compared with 2008/2009. Justice Procedures offences arising from family incidents increased by 9.7% and not arising from family incidents increased by 0.8%.

During 2009/2010 the rate of Justice Procedure offences per 100,000 population has increased by 0.7%. The rate of Justice Procedure offences not arising from family incidents has decreased by 1.3% and the rate of Justice Procedure offences arising from family incidents has increased by 7.4%.

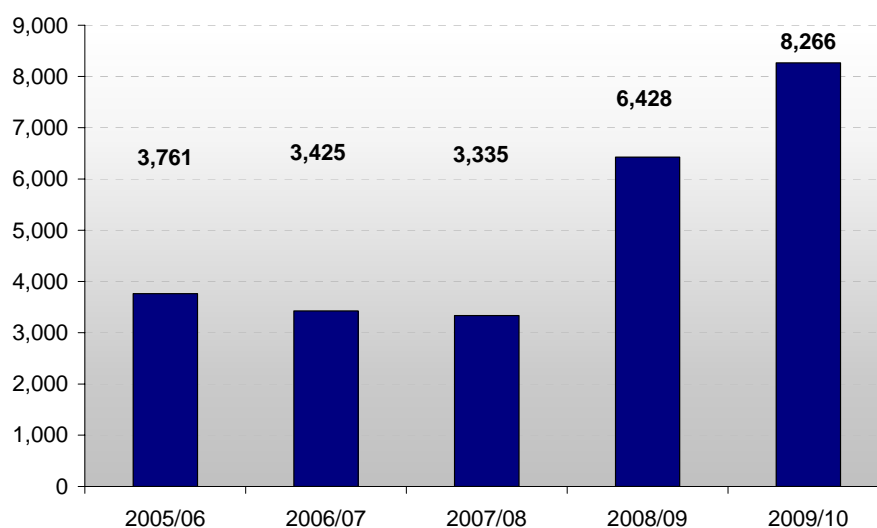
In 2009/2010, 23.8% of Justice Procedures offences were arising from family incidents (up by 1.5 percentage points from 2008/2009).

Figure 73: Percentage of Justice Procedure offences arising from family incidents, 2000/2001 to 2009/2010



The bulk offence category within justice procedures is contravene family violence intervention order with 7,463 offences recorded in 2009/2010 (133.0% increase from 2008/2009). There were 5,379 fail to answer bail offences recorded (2.1% decrease from 2008/09) and 1,855 resist police offences (19.7% decrease from 2008/09). These three offences make up 75.5% of all justice procedures offences.

Figure 74: Behaviour in public offences recorded, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010



Note: The infringement notice statistics from Figure 77 are independent to Behaviour in Public offences and are not included in Figure 74 above.

In 2009/2010 there were 8,266 behaviour in public offences, an increase of 28.6% compared with 2008/2009.

This increase is due to the introduction of Penalty Infringement Notices for offences “Behaves in a riotous indecent offensive or insulting manner” and “Uses profane indecent or obscene language or insulting words” on 1 July 2008. The 5,588 Penalty Notices issued for these two offences make up 67.6% of all behaviour in public offences in 2009/2010. The number of Penalty Notices issued for these two offences has increased by 67.6% from 2008/2009. In 2009/10, most alleged offenders processed for these two offences were males aged 18-59 (88.4%). Note that in some instances, multiple offenders can be recorded per penalty notice; therefore the number of Penalty Notices issued may be slightly lower than the number of offenders processed.

Figure 75: Alleged offenders processed for offences “Behaves in a riotous indecent offensive or insulting manner” and “Uses profane indecent or obscene language or insulting words”, 2009/2010

	2009/10			%change from 2008/09		
	Female	Male	Total*	Female	Male	Total*
Juvenile	17	134	151	183.3%	97.1%	104.1%
Adult	362	4945	5329	103.4%	64.1%	66.8%
Adult 60+	4	40	44	n/a	60.0%	76.0%
Total Alleged Offenders*	387	5184	5596	108.1%	64.2%	67.2%

* includes offenders where age or gender is unspecified

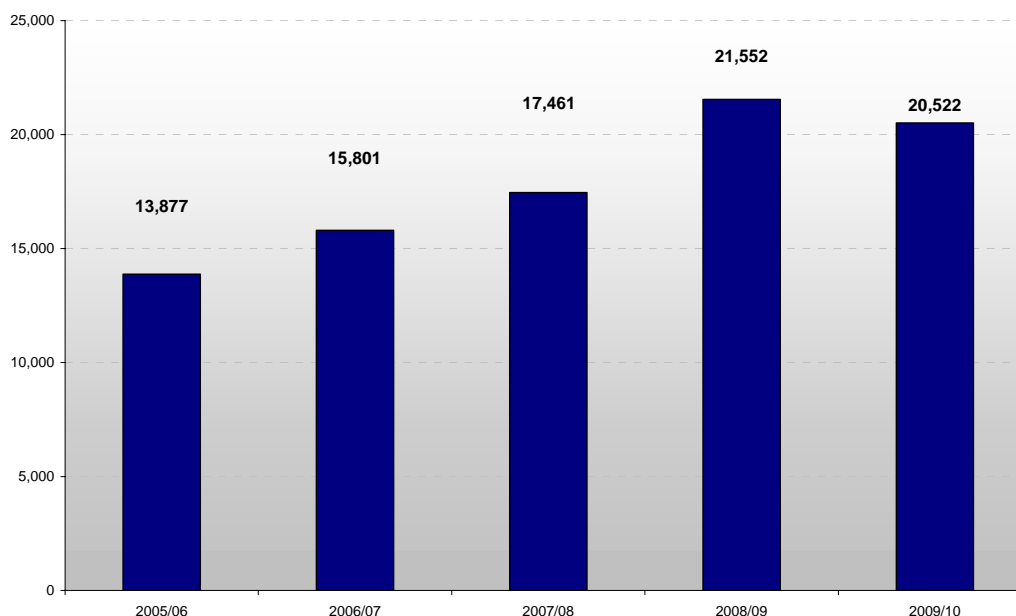
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Behaviour in public offences that occurred at street/lane/footpath locations constitute 66.5% of all behaviour in public offences. Offences at these locations have increased by 34.3% since 2008/2009.

Of all behaviour in public offences recorded at street/lane/footpath locations, 77.1% were the two offences mentioned above “Behaves in a riotous indecent offensive or insulting manner” and “Uses profane indecent or obscene language or insulting words”. From the total number of Penalty Notices issued for these two offences (5,588) most were issued at street/lane/footpath locations (75.8%).

Furthermore, Victoria Police introduced the Safe Streets Project in order to provide a safe environment for all persons and decrease incidence of alcohol related violence and antisocial behaviour. Part of this initiative was the introduction, on 31 December 2007, of banning notices issued to persons for public order offences. Since this date, there have been 3,423 banning notices issued; 1,868 of these were issued during 2009/2010 (an increase of 31% in comparison to 2008/2009).

Figure 76: Attendance Register*: Attendances where custody reason was Arrest-drunk, 2005/2006 to 2009/2010



* Note: These statistics show the number of persons taken into custody for reason being “drunk” and are not offences. However attendances may or may not lead to criminal charges being laid (source: Victoria Police Attendance Register).

As a measure of public order, in particular public drunkenness, the above graph shows the number of persons taken into custody for reason being “drunk” (source: Victoria Police Attendance Register). In 2009/2010 there were 20,522 attendances where custody reason was Arrest-drunk, a decrease of 4.8% compared with 2008/2009.

Figure 77: Infringement notices issued since their introduction on 16 December 2009

Contravene Police Direction To Move On	249
Drunk In Public Place	8,031
Drunk And Disorderly In Public Place	517
Behave In Disorderly Manner Public Place	178
TOTAL	8,975

Amendments to the Summary Offences Act 1966 came into effect on 16th December 2009 and introduced new *move on powers* and the expansion of *the use of infringement notices for offences relating to public drunkenness and anti-social behaviour*. These changes are part of an initiative by Government to give police greater powers to combat violence and antisocial behaviour. The figure above shows that 8,975 infringement notices issued since their introduction on 16 December 2009. Note that these are not offences and are not included in total crime figures.

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