Corrective Services NSW

Deaths in Custody Information





Deaths in Custody Information reports the number of deaths in the legal and physical custody of Corrective Services NSW either within a custodial facility or in custody of Corrective Services outside a custodial facility.

Information sourced from this report must be acknowledged to Corrective Services NSW. Contact Corrective Services NSW Media Unit for further information about deaths in Corrective Services NSW custody.

This report is updated once the next of kin of the deceased have been notified.

Most recent death: 30 July 2025

Table 1: Number of Deaths in CSNSW custody, 2025/26 financial year, by Aboriginal Status

Gender	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal ¹	Total
Female	0	1	1
Male	1	3	4

Age Group (Years)	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal ¹	Total
Less than 25	0	1	1
25-39	0	1	1
40-54	1	2	3
55 and over	0	0	0

Legal Status	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal ¹	Total
Sentenced	0	2	2
Unsentenced	1	2	3

 $^{{\}bf 1.\ Non-Aboriginal\ includes\ where\ Aboriginal\ status\ is\ not\ known}$

Table 2: Deaths in CSNSW Custody 2013-14 to current financial year

		Number		Rate per 100 inmates		
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal ¹	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal ¹	Total
2013/14	1	12	13	0.04	0.15	0.12
2014/15	5	16	21	0.19	0.19	0.19
2015/16	2	21	23	0.07	0.22	0.19
2016/17	1	20	21	0.03	0.2	0.16
2017/18	5	22	27	0.15	0.22	0.2
2018/19	5	28	33	0.15	0.28	0.24
2019/20	6	36	42	0.17	0.36	0.31
2020/21	4	25	29	0.12	0.26	0.22
2021/22	5	29	34	0.14	0.29	0.25
2022/23	5	12	17	0.14	0.12	0.13
2023/24	4	16	20	0.11	0.17	0.15
2024/25	10	17	27	0.24	0.17	0.19
2025/26 ²	1	4	5	0.02	0.04	0.04

^{1.} Non-Aboriginal includes where Aboriginal status is not known

^{2.} Number of deaths and rate per 100 inmates is not directly comparable to previous years as current financial year is still in progress.

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Table 3: Deaths in CSNSW Custody, 2024/25 and 2025/26 financial years

Date	Location	Sex	Aboriginal
30 July 2025	Shortland Correctional Centre	Male	No
23 July 2025	St Heliers Correctional Centre	Male	No
10 July 2025	Silverwater Womens Correctional Centre	Female	Not known
05 July 2025	Parklea Correctional Centre	Male	Yes
01 July 2025	Long Bay Hospital	Male	No
27 June 2025	Parklea Correctional Centre	Male	Yes
25 June 2025	Parklea Correctional Centre	Male	No
24 June 2025	Long Bay Hospital	Male	No
18 June 2025	Cessnock Correctional Centre	Male	No
31 May 2025	Hunter Correctional Centre	Male	No
08 May 2025	Metropolitan Remand and Reception Centre	Male	Yes
29 April 2025	Long Bay Hospital	Male	No
24 April 2025	Metropolitan Remand and Reception Centre	Male	Yes
19 April 2025	Metropolitan Special Programs Centre	Male	No
24 March 2025	Metropolitan Special Programs Centre	Male	No
18 March 2025	Bathurst Correctional Centre	Male	Yes
15 March 2025	Clarence Correctional Centre	Male	Yes
14 February 2025	Long Bay Hospital	Male	No
03 February 2025	Shortland Correctional Centre	Male	No
13 January 2025	John Morony Correctional Centre (I)	Male	No
02 January 2025	Silverwater Womens Correctional Centre	Female	Yes
07 November 2024	Metropolitan Special Programs Centre	Male	Yes
23 October 2024	Junee Correctional Centre	Male	No
07 October 2024	Long Bay Hospital	Male	No
03 October 2024	Metropolitan Remand and Reception Centre	Male	Yes
25 September 2024	Lithgow Correctional Centre	Male	No
15 September 2024	Shortland Correctional Centre	Male	No
07 September 2024	Metropolitan Special Programs Centre	Male	No
08 August 2024	Metropolitan Remand and Reception Centre	Male	No
02 August 2024	Metropolitan Remand and Reception Centre	Male	Yes
01 August 2024	Metropolitan Remand and Reception Centre	Male	No
31 July 2024	Broken Hill Correctional Centre	Male	Yes