

CRIMINAL COURTS

In 2015-16:

602,759 defendants were finalised across all courts

526,672 (87%) defendants were proven guilty

463,774 of those proven guilty (**88%**) received a non-custodial order



The state and territory court system comprises Higher, Magistrates' and Children's Courts. Higher courts deal with serious criminal offences. Magistrates' Courts deal with summary criminal offences and the Children's Court with offences committed by young people.