

1. How many breaches of parole occurred, broken down by Indigenous status, as well as the reason for the breach in the Cairns and Townsville region during January 2018.

**Response**

During January 2018, there were 90 offenders supervised in the Far Northern Region (including the Cairns area) or Northern Region (including the Townsville area) Community Corrections who had their parole orders either suspended or cancelled by the Parole Board Queensland. Of this total, 70 offenders identified as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander.

**January 2018**

| <b>Community Corrections Region</b> | <b>Count of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander offenders by suspend/cancel reason</b> | <b>Count of Non-Indigenous offenders by suspend/cancel reason</b> |
|-------------------------------------|--|---|
| <b>Far Northern Region</b>          | <b>44</b>  | <b>12</b>   |
| Breach of condition                 | 9  | 3   |
| Failed to report                    | 10   | 1   |
| Positive UT                         | 1  | 0   |
| Further charges                     | 14   | 5   |
| Miscellaneous                       | 5  | 3   |
| Multiple reasons                    | 5  | 0   |
| <b>Northern Region</b>              | <b>26</b>  | <b>8</b>  |
| Breach of condition                 | 7  | 2   |
| Failed to report                    | 7  | 3   |
| Positive UT                         | 0  | 1   |
| Further charges                     | 9  | 2   |
| Miscellaneous                       | 1  | 0   |
| Multiple reasons                    | 2  | 0   |
| <b>Total</b>                        | <b>70</b>  | <b>20</b>   |

2. How many prisoners were placed in the DU, broken down by Indigenous status, as well as the length of time and the reason they were placed in the DU for Lotus Glen and Brisbane Correctional Centres during January 2018.

During January 2018, 57 prisoners were accommodated in the Detention Unit at Brisbane Correctional Centre and 48 prisoners were accommodated in the Detention Unit at Lotus Glen Correctional Centre:

| Location                       | Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander | Non-Indigenous | Total |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|-------|
| Brisbane Correctional Centre   | 12                                    | 45             | 57    |
| Lotus Glen Correctional Centre | 28                                    | 20             | 48    |

Note: This is a distinct count of prisoners held in the Detention Unit. A prisoner may have been accommodated in the Detention Unit on more than one occasion throughout the month.

During January 2018, the above prisoners were accommodated in the Detention Unit at Brisbane Correctional Centre and Lotus Glen Correctional Centre for the following reasons:

| Reason   | Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander | Non-Indigenous | Total |
|--|---------------------------------------|----------------|-------|
| <b>Brisbane Correctional Centre</b>                        |                                       |                |       |
| Risk of prisoner harming themselves, or someone else       | 1                                     | 4              | 5     |
| For the security and good order of the correctional centre | 7                                     | 33             | 40    |
| Accommodation requirements                                 | 1                                     | 1              | 2     |
| Association issues   | 0                                     | 1              | 1     |
| Breach of discipline                                       | 1                                     | 1              | 2     |
| Incident related   | 2                                     | 6              | 8     |
| Non complaint behaviour                                    | 0                                     | 1              | 1     |
| Observation regime   | 0                                     | 1              | 1     |
| <b>Lotus Glen Correctional Centre</b>                      |                                       |                |       |
| Risk of prisoner harming themselves, or someone else       | 3                                     | 3              | 6     |
| For the security and good order of the correctional centre | 30                                    | 20             | 50    |
| Incident related   | 0                                     | 1              | 1     |

Note: A prisoner may have been accommodated in the Detention Unit on more than one occasion during over January 2018. Therefore, the totals in this table will not match the totals in Table 1.

During January 2018, prisoners were accommodated in the Detention Unit at Brisbane Correctional Centre and Lotus Glen Correctional Centre for various periods, from less than a day to 80 days:

| <b>Number of days</b>                 | <b>Number of prisoners held for number of days</b> |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| <b>Brisbane Correctional Centre</b>   |  |
| > 1 day                               | 9  |
| 1 day                                 | 17   |
| 2 days                                | 5  |
| 3 days                                | 12   |
| 4 days                                | 7  |
| 5 days                                | 2  |
| 6 days                                | 3  |
| 7 days                                | 1  |
| 8 days                                | 1  |
| 11 days                               | 2  |
| 14 days                               | 1  |
| <b>Lotus Glen Correctional Centre</b> |  |
| > 1 day                               | 5  |
| 1 day                                 | 11   |
| 2 days                                | 4  |
| 3 days                                | 13   |
| 4 days                                | 3  |
| 5 days                                | 1  |
| 7 days                                | 1  |
| 8 days                                | 1  |
| 9 days                                | 2  |
| 11 days                               | 1  |
| 12 days                               | 4  |
| 13 days                               | 1  |
| 15 days                               | 1  |
| 22 days                               | 1  |
| 25 days                               | 1  |
| 26 days                               | 1  |
| 29 days                               | 1  |
| 30 days                               | 1  |
| 43 days                               | 1  |
| 48 days                               | 2  |
| 80 days                               | 1  |

*4. Number of assaults on prison staff by Indigenous prisoners and the actions taken against those prisoners in Lotus Glen and Brisbane Correctional Centres during January 2018.*

During January 2018, two prisoners who identified as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander were involved in assaults against staff at Brisbane Correctional Centre and Lotus Glen Correctional Centre. Both prisoners were charged with the offence of Serious Assault of a Working Corrective Services Officer.

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Ethical Standards records show one complaint made by an indigenous prisoner against a CCO at Lotus Glen CC in January 2018 ref 17-18-352, matter was unsubstantiated with no further action against the CCO.



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