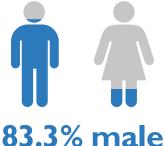
Sentencing Spotlight on...murder

Murder is generally referred to as the unlawful killing of a person with intent. This *Sentencing Spotlight* looks at sentencing outcomes for the offence of murder finalised in the Queensland Courts between I July 2005 and 30 June 2016.

Summary of offences 2005–06 to 2015–16



195 offenders 185 17 years and over 10 offenders under 17 years



16.7% female



Average age 37 years Male average age 36.6 years Female average age 42.8 years



82.1% of cases the offender known to victim



10% offenders charged with multiple murders



plead guilty



Most common additional offence deprivation of liberty or false imprisonment



18.5% offenders Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people (3.8% population)



All adult offenders received life in prison; young offenders ranged between 8 years and life

Source: Administrative data from Queensland Government Statisticians Office, Queensland Treasury - Courts Database, extracted 2017; Sentencing Remarks from Queensland Sentencing Information Service (QSIS).