

Sentencing Spotlight on...

child exploitation material offences

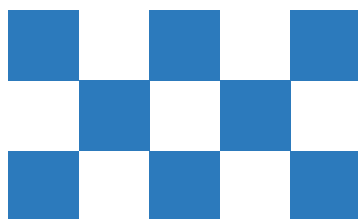
There are a range of offences under both Queensland and Commonwealth legislation relating to the access, possession, distribution and making of child exploitation material. This *Sentencing Spotlight* looks at sentencing outcomes for child exploitation material offences finalised in the Queensland Courts between 1 July 2006 and 30 June 2016.

Summary of offences 2006–07 to 2015–16

COURT and DIVERSION



3035 offenders
finalised;
responsible for **8198**
CEM-related offences

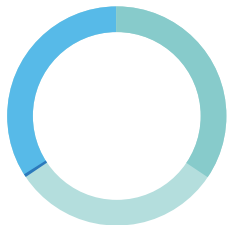


1470 offenders
under 17 years
diverted by police

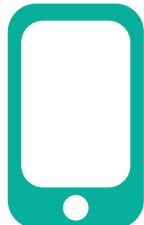


1565 offenders
sentenced in court;
28 under 17 years

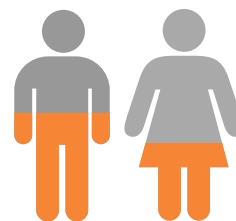
DIVERSION



Possess 35.4%
Distribute 34.4%
Make 29.7%
C'wealth offences 0.5%



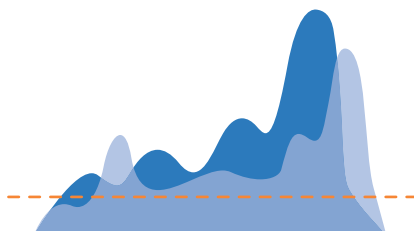
Majority sexting
offences



54.8% male
45.2% female



10.8%
Aboriginal and
Torres Strait Islanders



Average age
14.8 years

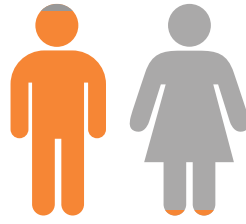


92.9%
formal caution,
7.1%
youth justice
conference

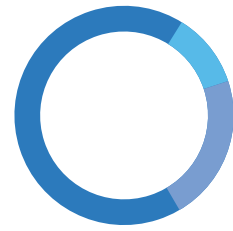
COURT



Possess 49.6%
Commonwealth
offences 34.3%
Make 8.3%
Distribute 7.9%



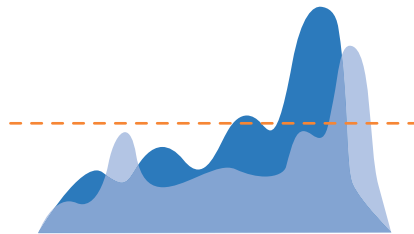
98.5% male
1.5% female



66.3% CEM-only offences
11.1% CEM + less serious
22.6% CEM + more serious



3.6%
Aboriginal and
Torres Strait Islanders



Average age
39.9 years



97.5%
pleaded
guilty



78.1%
custodial penalty;
of which
72.6%
suspended sentence



Median custodial
duration for CEM
most serious offence
11.8 months