



STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY
Mr Peter Cain, Dr Marisa Paterson MLA, Mr Andrew Braddock MLA

Inquiry into Annual Reports 2020-21
ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
21 February 2022

Asked by Mr Andrew Braddock MLA on 21 February 2022: Mr Rattenbury took on notice the following question(s):

[Ref: Hansard Transcript [DATE 21 February 2022 PAGE 18]]

In relation to:

MR BRADDOCK: In terms of reducing the incarceration rate for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, how are we measuring and how are we going in terms of reducing that rate?

Mr Rattenbury: Let me take that on notice and come back to you. I am just having a mental blank on what datasets we have.

Attorney-General: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

According to data in the Australian Bureau of Statistics *Prisoners in Australia 2021*¹ publication, in 2021 the age standardised imprisonment rate per 100,000 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people reduced from 1893 in 2020 to 1641.8 and was the lowest since 2015.

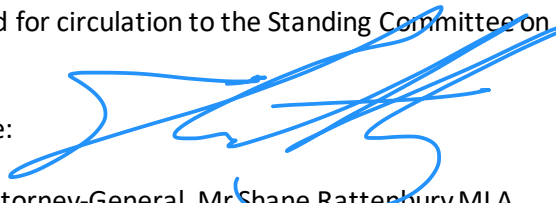
The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander imprisonment rate per 100,000 over the last decade is as follows:

YEAR	CRUDE IMPRISONMENT RATE	AGE STANDARDISED IMPRISONMENT RATE
2012	1,133.3	932.4
2013	1,418.3	1,292.3
2014	1,350.4	1,213.7
2015	1,666.3	1,470.8
2016	2,248.4	1,872.3
2017	1,946.3	1,679.5
2018	2,165.4	1,924.3
2019	1,977.2	1,703.9
2020	2,130.0	1,893.0
2021	1,739.4	1,641.8

¹ <https://www.abs.gov.au/statistics/people/crime-and-justice/prisoners-australia/latest-release#state-territory>

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety

Signature:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Shane Rattenbury', written over the printed name.

Date: 6/3/22

By the Attorney-General, Mr Shane Rattenbury MLA