

POLICE — YOUNG OFFENDERS — CHARGED

5373. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Police:

For each of the calendar years 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015 (year to date), how many young offenders were charged by WA police?

Mrs L.M. Harvey replied:

WA Police record the investigations and processing of young offenders, aged between 10 and 17, through the Incident Management System. The processing types for young offenders include:

- 'Arrest';
- 'Cautioned – Juvenile (Oral)';
- 'Cautioned – Juvenile (Written)';
- 'Drug Diversion (Cannabis Intervention Requirement)';
- 'Gen/Crime Charge Preferred';
- 'Infringement – Traffic';
- 'Notice to Attend';
- 'Referred to JJT';
- 'Statute Barred'; and
- 'Summonsed'.

The number of young offenders processed by WA Police is reflected in the below table:

Year Processed	Young Offenders Processed
2012	7 737
2013	7 023
2014	6 390
2015	6 440

Caveat: An offender is counted once per year regardless of the number of processing incidents, but the same offender may be counted across multiple years.