

## Environment and Public Affairs Committee

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**From:** Heath, Magistrate  
**Sent:** Thursday, 29 August 2019 11:26 AM  
**To:** Environment and Public Affairs Committee  
**Subject:** RE: Uncorrected transcript of hearing  
**Attachments:** Updated accused info for Mr Heath.xlsx; Updated accused info for Mr Heath.xlsx

Dear Maddison

I have read the transcript and do not believe that there are any errors.

In answer to the additional questions:

1. It is not often that young offenders appearing in the Magistrates Court continually breach reporting conditions. It is more often the case that when they appear they may have a number of breach charges brought at the one time. The Court has very limited strategies for managing repeat offending. Generally a young offender is warned of the extent of the penalties and that if they wish to ensure they do not face the prospect of imprisonment they need to take steps to ensure they comply such as ensuring all future appointments are in their phone and that they have a parent or friend remind them.
2. I am supportive of the Law Reform Commission recommendations regarding the process for both retrospective review and review after one half of the term and the review of the frequency of reporting. In relation to the later I note that the Law Reform Commission recommended the review be conducted in the Magistrates Court rather than in the State Administrative Tribunal. Although not entirely in accordance with my submissions I accept the recommendation of the Commission as an appropriate compromise.
3. Police statistics are notoriously poor and are usually compiled from data provided by the Court. I am however pleased to advise that because of the relatively small numbers staff from the Department of Justice were able to identify the number of individuals, along with whether they identified as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander and the Magistrates Circuit where they were dealt with. I have attached 2 versions of the data as Committee members may prefer one format over the other. The term "neither" is used to indicate that the individual was neither Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.

If the Committee has any further questions or needs clarification of any matters I am happy to assist.

Kind regards

Steven

Steven Heath  
Chief Magistrate

Count of AccusedParticipant_ID	Column Labels					
Row Labels	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Grand Total
<b>Albany</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>14</b>
Male						
Aboriginal		1		2	1	4
Neither	3	2	1		4	10
<b>Armadale</b>		<b>1</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>
Male						
Aboriginal		1		1		2
Neither				2	1	3
<b>Broome</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>61</b>
Male						
Aboriginal	7	15	10	13	12	57
Torres Strait	1	1	1		1	4
<b>Bunbury</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>13</b>
Male						
Aboriginal	2	1	1		1	5
Neither	3		2	2		7
Torres Strait					1	1
<b>Carnarvon</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>30</b>
Male						
Aboriginal	4	4	7	8	4	27
Neither		2			1	3
<b>Fremantle</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>
Male						
Aboriginal		1		1	3	5
Neither	2	2			1	5
<b>Geraldton</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>35</b>
Female						
Aboriginal			1		1	2
Male						
Aboriginal	1	3	3	5	7	19
Neither	4	3	3	1	3	14
<b>Joondalup</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>
Female						
Aboriginal				1		1
Male						
Aboriginal			1	1	1	3
Neither	1	1	1	1	1	5
<b>Kalgoorlie</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>35</b>
Male						
Aboriginal	5	5	7	6	7	30
Neither		1	3		1	5
<b>Kununurra</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>60</b>
Male						
Aboriginal	12	14	7	12	15	60
<b>Mandurah</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>11</b>
Male						
Aboriginal		1				1
Neither	1	4	2		3	10
<b>Midland</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>
Male						
Aboriginal	1	2		1	2	6
Neither		1	1	2		4
<b>Northam</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>
Male						
Aboriginal		1	2	1		4
Neither		2	1	1	1	5
<b>Perth</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>209</b>
Female						
Aboriginal	1	1		1		3
Male						
Aboriginal	4	8	22	12	14	60
Declined	1					1
Neither	24	31	31	21	35	142
Torres Strait			1	1	1	3
<b>Rockingham</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>				<b>6</b>
Male						
Neither	4	2				6
<b>South Hedland</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>40</b>
Male						
Aboriginal	7	7	10	5	9	38
Neither			1		1	2
<b>Stirling Gardens</b>			<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>2</b>
Male						
Aboriginal			1	1		2
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>559</b>

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