Figure 1: Sexual assault sentencing severity, January 2009 to December 2019

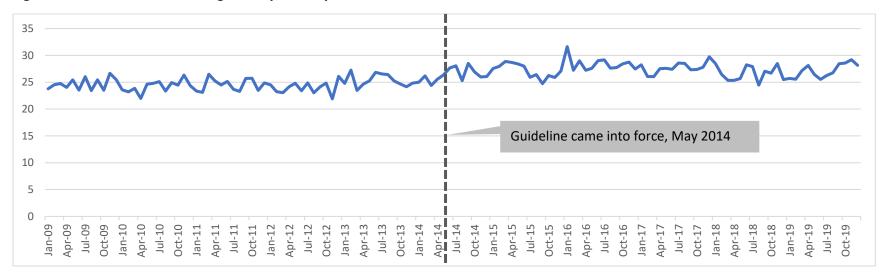


Figure 2: Sexual assault on a child (under 13) sentencing severity, January 2009 to December 2019

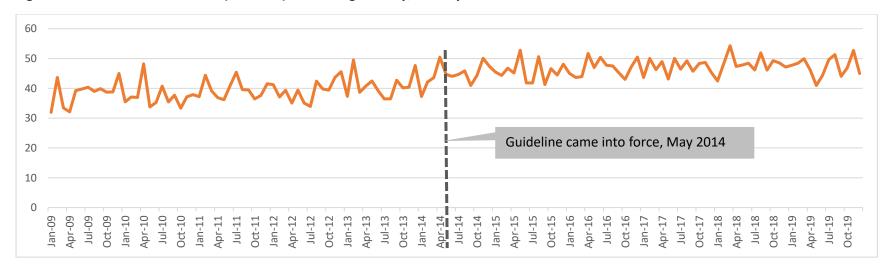


Table 1: Sentencing outcomes for adult offenders sentenced for sexual assault under the Sexual Offences Act 2003, all courts 2009-2019

		Number of adult offenders sentenced										
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
Discharge	38	46	47	37	45	39	40	40	41	30	24	
Community sentence	404	420	468	503	421	471	514	464	462	422	368	
Fine	34	58	56	42	59	49	40	30	32	29	20	
Suspended sentence	149	161	196	192	232	264	345	437	394	263	169	
Immediate custody	349	424	427	389	416	494	571	627	554	416	397	
Otherwise dealt with	41	48	56	45	46	46	46	68	68	59	58	
Total	1,015	1,157	1,250	1,208	1,219	1,363	1,556	1,666	1,551	1,219	1,036	

		Proportion of adult offenders sentenced											
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
Discharge	4%	4%	4%	3%	4%	3%	3%	2%	3%	2%	2%		
Community sentence	40%	36%	37%	42%	35%	35%	33%	28%	30%	35%	36%		
Fine	3%	5%	4%	3%	5%	4%	3%	2%	2%	2%	2%		
Suspended sentence	15%	14%	16%	16%	19%	19%	22%	26%	25%	22%	16%		
Immediate custody	34%	37%	34%	32%	34%	36%	37%	38%	36%	34%	38%		
Otherwise dealt with	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	3%	3%	4%	4%	5%	6%		
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%		

Table 2: Sentencing outcomes for adult offenders sentenced for sexual assault of a child under 13 under the Sexual Offences Act 2003, all courts 2009-2019

		Number of adult offenders sentenced											
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
Discharge	2	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0		
Community sentence	35	52	48	43	30	28	30	22	21	11	15		
Fine	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Suspended sentence	21	28	28	26	31	30	31	40	51	29	23		
Immediate custody	174	195	219	176	183	217	251	297	331	248	213		
Otherwise dealt with	6	2	7	6	5	4	6	14	9	13	10		
Total	238	278	303	252	249	280	319	374	412	302	261		

		Proportion of adult offenders sentenced											
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
Discharge	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%		
Community sentence	15%	19%	16%	17%	12%	10%	9%	6%	5%	4%	6%		
Fine	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%		
Suspended sentence	9%	10%	9%	10%	12%	11%	10%	11%	12%	10%	9%		
Immediate custody	73%	70%	72%	70%	73%	78%	79%	79%	80%	82%	82%		
Otherwise dealt with	3%	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%	4%	2%	4%	4%		
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%		

Table 3: Final_average custodial sentence length for adult offenders sentenced for sexual assault and sexual assault of an under 13 under the Sexual Offences Act 2003, all courts, 2009-2019

Sexual assault

		ACSL (years)										
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
Mean	1.3	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.5	
Median	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	

Sexual assault of a child

		ACSL (years)										
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
Mean	2.4	2.2	2.5	2.7	2.6	3.2	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.6	3.7	
Median	2.0	1.7	2.0	2.0	2.0	3.0	3.3	3.3	3.0	3.5	3.1	

Notes:

- 1) Excludes 79 cases between 2009 and 2019 that were over the statutory maximum for this offence (10 years), although most of these occurred before 2012.
- 2) Excludes 77 cases between 2009 and 2019 that were over the statutory maximum for this offence (14 years), although most of these occurred before 2012.

Figure 3: Final_average custodial sentence length for adult offenders sentenced for sexual assault and sexual assault of an under 13 under the Sexual Offences Act 2003, all courts, 2009-2019

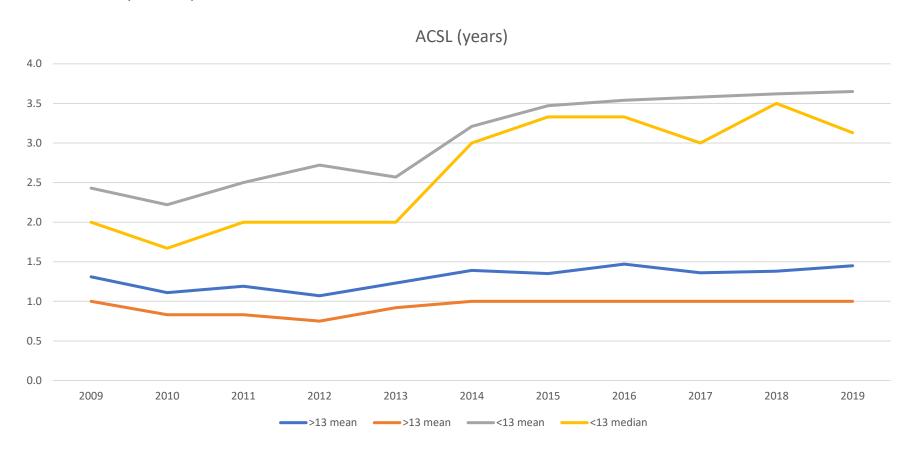


Table 4: Outcomes by demographic group, for adult offenders sentenced for sexual assault under the Sexual Offences Act 2003, all courts, 2019

		Outcome								
Sex	Discharge	Community	Fine	Suspended	Immediate	Otherwise	Total			
	Discharge	sentence	rine	sentence	custody	dealt with	IOtai			
Male	21	353	17	168	392	56	1007			
Female	3	7	2	0	4	2	18			
Not recorded/not known	0	8	1	1	1	0	11			

_	Proportion								
Sex	Discharge	Community	- Fin o	Suspended	Immediate	Otherwise	Total		
	Discharge	sentence	Fine	sentence	custody	dealt with	Total		
Male	2%	35%	2%	17%	39%	6%	100%		
Female	17%	39%	11%	0%	22%	11%	100%		
Not recorded/not known	0%	73%	9%	9%	9%	0%	100%		

				Outcome			
Age group	Discharge	Community sentence	Fine	Suspended sentence	Immediate custody	Otherwise dealt with	Total
18 to 21	4	31	1	9	19	2	66
22 to 29	6	84	4	36	103	12	245
30 to 39	3	104	5	46	116	17	291
40 to 49	4	61	3	29	91	13	201
50 to 59	0	55	4	31	49	10	149
60 and over	7	33	3	18	19	4	84

Age group				Proportion			
	Discharge	Community	Fine	Suspended	Immediate	Otherwise	Total
	Discharge	sentence	rille	sentence	custody	dealt with	TOLAI
18 to 21	6%	47%	2%	14%	29%	3%	100%

22 to 29	2%	34%	2%	15%	42%	5%	100%
30 to 39	1%	36%	2%	16%	40%	6%	100%
40 to 49	2%	30%	1%	14%	45%	6%	100%
50 to 59	0%	37%	3%	21%	33%	7%	100%
60 and over	8%	39%	4%	21%	23%	5%	100%

_				Outcome			
Perceived ethnicity	Discharge	Community sentence	Fine	Suspended sentence	Immediate custody	Otherwise dealt with	Total
White	11	199	11	79	207	29	536
Black	3	35	2	13	52	4	109
Asian	3	26	1	18	31	8	87
Other	0	11	1	4	8	3	27
Not recorded/not known	7	97	5	55	99	14	277

_				Proportion			
Perceived ethnicity	Discharge	Community sentence	Fine	Suspended sentence	Immediate custody	Otherwise dealt with	Total
White	2%	37%	2%	15%	39%	5%	100%
Black	3%	32%	2%	12%	48%	4%	100%
Asian	3%	30%	1%	21%	36%	9%	100%
Other	0%	41%	4%	15%	30%	11%	100%
Not recorded/not known	3%	5%	2%	20%	36%	5%	100%

Note:

For a proportion of adults sentenced (28%), their perceived ethnicity was either not recorded or it was not known.

Table 5: Outcomes by demographic group, for adult offenders sentenced for sexual assault of a child under the Sexual Offences Act 2003, all courts, 2015-2019¹

				Outcome			
Sex	Discharge	Community sentence	Fine	Suspended sentence	Immediate custody	Otherwise dealt with	Tota
Male	21	353	17	168	392	56	1007
Female	3	7	2	0	4	2	18
Not recorded/not known	0	8	1	1	1	0	11
				Proportion			
Sex	Discharge	Community sentence	Fine	Suspended sentence	Immediate custody	Otherwise dealt with	Total
Male	2%	35%	2%	17%	39%	6%	100%
Female	17%	39%	11%	0%	22%	11%	100%
Not recorded/not known	0%	73%	9%	9%	9%	0%	100%
_				Outcome			
Age group	Discharge	Community sentence	Fine	Suspended sentence	Immediate custody	Otherwise dealt with	Tota
18 to 21	4	31	1	9	19	2	66
22 to 29	6	84	4	36	103	12	245
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50 to 59	0	55	4	31	49	10	149
60 and over	7	33	3	18	19	4	84
Age group				Proportion			
	Discharge	Community sentence	Fine	Suspended sentence	Immediate custody	Otherwise dealt with	Total

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18 to 21	6%	47%	2%	14%	29%	3%	100%
22 to 29	2%	34%	2%	15%	42%	5%	100%
30 to 39	1%	36%	2%	16%	40%	6%	100%
40 to 49	2%	30%	1%	14%	45%	6%	100%
50 to 59	0%	37%	3%	21%	33%	7%	100%
60 and over	8%	39%	4%	21%	23%	5%	100%

_				Outcome			
Perceived ethnicity	Discharge	Community sentence	Fine	Suspended sentence	Immediate custody	Otherwise dealt with	Total
White	11	199	11	79	207	29	536
Black	3	35	2	13	52	4	109
Asian	3	26	1	18	31	8	87
Other	0	11	1	4	8	3	27
Not recorded/not known	7	97	5	55	99	14	277

				Proportion			
Perceived ethnicity	Discharge	Community sentence	Fine	Suspended sentence	Immediate custody	Otherwise dealt with	Total
White	2%	37%	2%	15%	39%	5%	100%
Black	3%	32%	2%	12%	48%	4%	100%
Asian	3%	30%	1%	21%	36%	9%	100%
Other	0%	41%	4%	15%	30%	11%	100%
Not recorded/not known	3%	35%	2%	20%	36%	5%	100%

Note:

- 1) These statistics are provided for the period 2015-2019, rather than for a single year, due to the small number of offenders sentenced in some demographic groups for these offences each year.
- 2) For a proportion of offenders (20%), their perceived ethnicity was either not recorded or it was not known.

Table 6: Final_average custodial sentence length for adult offenders sentenced for sexual assault and sexual assault of an under 13 under the Sexual Offences Act 2003, all courts, various years

Sexual assault, 2019

SexACSL (years)MeanMedianMale1.51.0Female**

Sexual assault of a child (under 13), 2015-2019¹

Sex	ACSL	ACSL (years)			
	Mean				
Male	3.6	3.3			
Female	5.5	5.0			

Age group	Mean	Median
18 to 21	2.0	1.3
22 to 29	1.5	1.0
30 to 39	1.4	1.0
40 to 49	1.4	1.0
50 to 59	1.5	1.3
60 and over	1.5	1.3

Age group	Mean	Median
18 to 21	2.7	2.3
22 to 29	3.4	3.0
30 to 39	3.7	3.5
40 to 49	3.7	3.5
50 to 59	3.7	3.3
60 and over	3.5	3.3

Perceived ethnicity	Mean	Median
White	1.4	1.0
Black	1.5	1.0
Asian	1.2	1.0
Other	1.5	1.2
Not recorded/not known	1.6	1.3

Perceived ethnicity	Mean	Median
White	3.7	3.3
Black	3.3	3.8
Asian	2.6	2.5
Other	3.1	3.0
Not recorded/not known	3.6	3.5

^{* =} ACSL suppressed as less than 5 offenders sentenced to immediate custody Notes:

¹⁾ These statistics are provided for the period 2015-2019, rather than for a single year, due to the small number of offenders sentenced in some demographic groups for these offences each year.

