

## 9A Court administration — attachment

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## 9A.1 Descriptors

Table 9A.1 Lodgments (number)

	Year	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Cwlth <sup>a</sup>	Total
<i>Criminal</i>											
Supreme/federal courts	1999-2000	1 003	653	1 374	506	392	717	234	338	29	5 246
	1998-99	711	525	1 447	503	542	644	302	268	..	4 942
	1997-98	884	725	1 392	419	577	584	199	272	..	5 052
	1996-97	895	643	1 447	523	647	414	218	344	..	5 131
	1995-96	895	394	1 355	488	582	398	157	356	..	4 625
	1994-95	885	389	1 363	660	520	390	153	292	..	4 652
	1993-94	1 000	800	1 300	400	500	400	200	100	..	4 700
District/county courts	1999-2000	9 651	4 076	8 409	2 956	1 087	..	..	..	..	26 179
	1998-99	10 233	4 607	9 711	3 007	1 219	..	..	..	..	28 777
	1997-98	10 532	4 350	8 408	2 628	1 503	..	..	..	..	27 421
	1996-97	10 060	3 952	8 293	2 387	1 819	..	..	..	..	26 511
	1995-96	10 618	3 828	7 148	2 179	1 826	..	..	..	..	25 599
	1994-95	10 224	3 896	7 247	2 048	1 894	..	..	..	..	25 309
	1993-94	10 600	4 300	5 700	2 300	2 300	..	..	..	..	25 200
Magistrates' courts (exclud. electronic courts)	1999-2000	287 451	105 888	184 359	62 784	76 987	49 654	10 584	18 547	..	796 254
Magistrates' courts (includ. electronic courts)	1999-2000	290 611	628 166	379 407	62 784	187 218	49 654	10 584	18 547	..	1 626 971
	1998-99	467 091	579 027	359 934	198 515	205 010	16 570	11 974	19 348	..	1 857 469
	1997-98	432 876	539 584	313 480	246 002	189 156	30 676	8 953	19 562	..	1 780 289
	1996-97	434 990	491 904	245 554	121 590	150 967	37 318	10 594	19 454	..	1 512 371
	1995-96	392 658	487 976	247 815	147 153	118 647	18 754	12 854	18 725	..	1 444 582
	1994-95	370 017	479 840	236 161	133 772	125 012	17 251	9 193	19 183	..	1 390 429
	1993-94	400 000	522 500	219 100	181 600	142 700	25 900	8 000	15 700	..	1 515 500
Electronic courts <sup>b</sup>	1999-2000	3 160	522 278	195 048	..	110 231	..	..	..	..	830 717

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**Lodgments (number)**

	Year	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Cwlth <sup>a</sup>	Total
All courts	1999-2000	301 265	632 895	389 190	66 246	188 697	50 371	10 818	18 885	29	1 658 396
(includ. electronic courts)	1998-99	478 035	584 159	371 092	202 025	206 771	17 214	12 276	19 616	..	1 891 188
	1997-98	444 292	544 659	323 280	249 049	191 236	31 260	9 152	19 834	..	1 812 762
	1996-97	445 945	496 499	255 294	124 500	153 433	37 732	10 812	19 798	..	1 544 013
	1995-96	404 171	492 198	256 318	149 820	121 055	19 152	13 011	19 081	..	1 474 806
	1994-95	381 126	484 125	244 771	136 480	127 426	17 641	9 346	19 475	..	1 420 390
	1993-94	411 600	527 600	226 100	184 300	145 500	26 300	8 200	15 800	..	1 545 400
<i>Minor criminal</i>											
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000 <sup>c</sup>	99 662	30 430	14 138	–	12 561	31 006	–	–	..	187 797
(incl. minor traffic)	1998-99	274 641	486 756	203 855	116 641	119 205	na	–	9 913	..	1 211 011
	1997-98	244 532	449 276	167 864	154 796	127 831	18 364	–	9 859	..	1 172 522
	1996-97	253 162	397 069	81 021	57 102	86 805	23 528	–	9 317	..	908 004
	1995-96	226 148	386 961	77 607	55 302	54 100	–	–	7 109	..	807 227
	1994-95	214 047	390 006	60 484	53 131	57 449	–	–	6 610	..	781 727
	1993-94	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	..	na
<i>Civil</i>											
Supreme/federal courts	1999-2000	9 538	4 346	5 222	2 955	1 347	2 307	1 197	447	6 250	33 609
(excl. probate)	1998-99	8 928	4 369	6 599	3 117	1 507	2 790	1 501	482	8 026	37 319
	1997-98	8 911	5 131	4 724	2 162	1 692	2 955	1 319	614	7 015	34 523
	1996-97	10 443	4 505	4 243	2 864	1 643	3 772	1 354	417	17 266	46 507
	1995-96	9 980	4 982	4 235	2 125	2 900	3 470	1 067	305	23 815	52 879
	1994-95	10 231	5 154	3 395	1 948	2 655	3 458	1 011	318	20 165	48 335
	1993-94	14 100	6 500	6 500	1 700	2 700	3 800	1 200	300	..	36 800
District/county courts	1999-2000	14 726	7 564	6 902	4 983	3 026	..	..	..	..	37 201
	1998-99	14 603	6 988	8 787	7 778	2 692	..	..	..	..	40 848
	1997-98	14 047	9 281	7 559	5 908	2 483	..	..	..	..	39 278
	1996-97	10 866	8 066	6 748	5 805	2 808	..	..	..	..	34 293
	1995-96	14 218	11 841	6 622	4 365	1 586	..	..	..	..	38 632
	1994-95	16 402	10 496	5 732	4 766	1 599	..	..	..	..	38 995

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	Year	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Cwth <sup>a</sup>	Total
	1993-94	13 400	12 700	6 200	9 400	2 600	..	..	..	..	44 300
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	232 829	191 289	96 809	58 376	39 538	13 010	10 186	4 792		646 829
	1998-99	263 790	195 522	109 220	62 153	47 494	9 973	10 582	5 671	..	704 405
	1997-98	260 904	183 362	110 100	61 712	51 202	11 179	10 859	6 532	..	695 850
	1996-97	279 164	208 134	114 320	58 697	43 770	11 530	10 634	7 416	..	733 665
	1995-96	243 437	186 888	91 759	55 290	49 419	12 483	12 408	7 634	..	659 318
	1994-95	228 486	187 633	83 353	55 870	44 821	14 715	12 811	7 042	..	634 731
	1993-94	211 200	191 700	76 400	50 500	46 200	19 900	12 600	15 400	..	623 900
All courts (excl. family courts)	1999-2000	257 093	203 199	108 933	66 314	43 911	15 317	11 383	5 239	6 250	717 639
	1998-99	287 321	206 879	124 606	73 048	51 693	12 763	12 083	6 153	8 026	782 572
	1997-98	283 862	197 774	122 383	69 782	55 377	14 134	12 178	7 146	7 015	769 651
	1996-97	300 473	220 705	125 311	67 366	48 221	15 302	11 988	7 833	17 266	814 465
	1995-96	267 635	203 711	102 616	61 780	53 905	15 953	13 475	7 939	23 815	750 829
	1994-95	255 119	203 283	92 480	62 584	49 075	18 173	13 822	7 360	20 165	722 061
	1993-94	238 700	210 900	89 100	61 600	51 500	23 700	13 800	15 700	..	705 000
Family courts	1999-2000	..	..	..	15 137	..	..	..	..	123 080	138 217
	1998-99	..	..	..	14 521	..	..	..	..	122 159	136 680
	1997-98	..	..	..	14 321	..	..	..	..	121 599	135 920
	1996-97	..	..	..	14 291	..	..	..	..	120 004	134 295
	1995-96	..	..	..	12 557	..	..	..	..	112 697	125 254
	1994-95	..	..	..	11 183	..	..	..	..	102 519	113 702
	1993-94	..	..	..	na	..	..	..	..	na	na
<i>Minor civil</i>											
Supreme/federal courts	1999-2000	2 701	2 539	3 669	929	175	416	459	138	1	11 027
	1998-99	2 382	2 641	31	580	197	1 163	805	70	334	8 203
	1997-98	2 604	3 581	64	–	142	1 392	517	86	400	8 786
	1996-97	2 702	2 633	1 289	582	1 233	2 474	630	69	646	12 258
District/county courts	1999-2000	–	14	3 657	3 304	1 956	..	..	..	..	8 931

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	Year	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Cwlth <sup>a</sup>	Total
	1998-99	–	15	446	4 973	1 265	..	..	..	..	6 699
	1997-98	–	528	133	296	1 184	..	..	..	..	2 141
	1996-97	–	490	1 923	513	1 679	..	..	..	..	4 605
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	13 312	142 327	82 818	44 711	36 046	9 951	5 391	3 826	..	338 382
	1998-99	13 768	147 466	91 048	47 162	43 469	57	5 703	3 968	..	352 641
	1997-98	229 199	174 585	88 696	59 006	46 884	11 037	7 734	6 397	..	623 538
	1996-97	247 420	191 341	95 440	49 503	37 898	10 507	8 386	6 845	..	647 340
Family courts	199920-00	..	..	..	5 528	..	..	..	..	48 504	54 032
	1998-99	..	..	..	–	..	..	..	..	47 996	47 996
	1997-98	..	..	..	5 344	..	..	..	..	47 596	52 940
	1996-97	..	..	..	5 401	..	..	..	..	48 003	53 404
<i>Coronial</i>											
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	7 124	4 039	4 667	2 338	3 229	590	640	305	..	22 932
	1998-99	7 281	3 927	4 256	2 245	3 461	429	784	303	..	22 686
	1997-98	11 299	4 011	4 181	2 201	6 096	613	666	241	..	29 308
	1996-97	14 954	3 856	4 042	2 189	6 325	647	722	292	..	33 027
Deaths reported	1999-2000	6 708	4 030	3 357	2 338	3 229	590	304	305	..	20 861
	1998-99	6 657	3 924	2 930	2 245	3 461	429	313	303	..	20 262
	1997-98	6 905	4 004	3 065	2 201	3 479	611	260	241	..	20 766
	1996-97	6 871	3 847	2 978	2 184	3 211	na	271	292	..	19 654
Death rate <sup>d</sup>	1999-2000	15	13	15	22	28	16	24	35	..	16
	1998-99	15	12	13	21	29	4	25	36	..	16
	1997-98	15	12	14	20	30	16	20	27	..	16
	1996-97	15	12	13	20	28	na	21	39	..	15
Fires reported	1999-2000	416	9	1 310	–	–	–	336	–	..	2 071
	1998-99	624	3	1 326	–	–	–	471	–	..	2 424
	1997-98	4 394	7	1 116	–	2 617	2	406	–	..	8 542

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	Year	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Cwlth <sup>a</sup>	Total
	1996-97	8 083	9	1 064	5	3 114	na	451	–	..	12 726
<i>Probate</i>											
Supreme courts	1999-2000	20 278	14 701	3 113	4 667	4 721	1 843	500	118	..	49 941
	1998-99	20 051	14 623	2 949	4 657	4 588	1 900	418	90	..	49 276
	1997-98	20 574	14 653	3 629	4 700	4 805	1 944	457	85	..	50 847
	1996-97	21 131	15 231	3 319	4 672	4 566	2 040	444	97	..	51 500

<sup>a</sup> From 16 December 1996, bankruptcy Part X and debtors petitions were no longer lodged in the Federal Court and were transferred to the Insolvency Trustee Service Australia.

<sup>b</sup> Fines enforcement registries enforce infringements and on-the-spot fines in WA, Tasmania, the ACT and the NT. Infringements and on-the-spot fines may also be elected to be lodged in magistrates' courts in all states and territories.

<sup>c</sup> Electronic Courts' lodgments have been excluded from 1999-2000 data.

<sup>d</sup> Calculated as deaths reported to the Coroner divided by the total number of deaths.

– Nil or rounded to zero.

na Not available.

.. Not applicable.

Source: ABS various years, *Australian Demographic Statistics*, cat. no. 3101.0, AusInfo, Canberra.

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Table 9A.2 Hearings (number)<sup>a</sup>

	Year	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas <sup>b</sup>	ACT	NT	Cwth	Total
<i>Criminal</i>											
Supreme/federal courts	1999-2000	841	361	993	247	240	548	224	343	135	3 932
	1998-99	720	398	857	250	494	na	302	446	..	3 467
	1997-98	716	451	795	298	1 300	na	144	53	..	3 757
	1996-97	556	359	87	115	408	134	33	53	..	1 745
District/county courts	1999-2000 <sup>c</sup>	11 917	na	7 874	1 033	344	..	..	..	..	21 168
	1998-99	19 018	4 008	7 896	467	361	..	..	..	..	31 750
	1997-98	10 710	1 778	7 332	469	1 420	..	..	..	..	21 709
	1996-97	829	3 591	814	484	618	..	..	..	..	6 336
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000 <sup>c</sup>	249 044	110 045	155 347	13 417	118 723	na	9 838	2 890	..	659 304
	1998-99	280 055	114 226	187 725	12 263	1 108	na	11 088	7 230	..	613 695
	1997-98	49 484	127 040	161 473	13 434	1 751	1 901	3 020	7 214	..	365 317
	1996-97	50 620	118 492	29 781	na	2 266	1 294	3 216	1 607	..	207 276
<i>Civil</i>											
Supreme/federal courts	1999-2000	1 951	1 398	639	343	158	412	595	150	28 359	34 005
	1998-99 <sup>d</sup>	1 957	1 848	297	216	254	564	1 013	1 054	28 315	35 518
	1997-98 <sup>d</sup>	2 575	1 453	240	245	188	883	796	1 182	1 588	9 150
	1996-97	1 752	425	158	41	188	85	239	9	na	2 897
District/county courts	1999-2000 <sup>c</sup>	9 950	20 311	960	384	550	..	..	..	..	32 155
	1998-99	7 608	4 341	406	313	388	..	..	..	..	13 056
	1997-98	5 168	4 298	456	208	216	..	..	..	..	10 346
	1996-97	4 681	3 553	465	146	190	..	..	..	..	9 035

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	Year	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas <sup>b</sup>	ACT	NT	Cwth	Total
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000 <sup>c</sup>	106 613	123 782	15 396	3 020	33 511	na	6 295	658	..	289 275
	1998-99	117 361	108 371	17 236	2 512	3 083	na	5 473	1 333	..	255 369
	1997-98	3 146	100 411	15 648	2 139	3 159	na	1 009	2 037	..	127 549
	1996-97	3 242	19 255	17 119	na	1 731	82	1 029	826	..	43 284
Family courts	1999-2000	..	..	..	3 358	..	..	..	..	83 387	86 745
	1998-99	..	..	..	306	..	..	..	..	5 683	5 989
	1997-98	..	..	..	351	..	..	..	..	4 736	5 087
	1996-97	..	..	..	420	..	..	..	..	1 615	2 035
<i>Coronial</i>											
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	218	321	249	78	31	15	207	6	..	1 125
	1998-99	387	321	204	93	47	429	100	19	..	1 600
	1997-98	519	275	293	65	52	452	100	11	..	1 767
	1996-97	542	401	375	1 550	47	416	80	26	..	3 437

<sup>a</sup> 1999-2000 data includes all hearings. Previous year's data included trials only.

<sup>b</sup> Coronial hearings prior to 1999-2000 included coronial inquests that were not hearings.

<sup>c</sup> 1997-98 and 1998-99 NT data include all adjournments from interlocutory applications, bails and injunctions.

<sup>d</sup> 1999-2000 data for WA include all hearings. Previous year's data for WA include only hearings proceeded.

na Not available.

.. Not applicable.



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Table 9A.3 Finalisations (number)

	Year	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA <sup>a</sup>	Tas	ACT	NT	Cwlth	Total
<i>Criminal</i>											
Supreme/federal courts	1999-2000	979	417	1 397	400	328	669	206	220	27	4 643
	1998-99	771	420	1 299	384	573	500	207	220	..	4 374
	1997-98	630	477	1 259	408	392	445	161	235	..	4 007
	1996-97	892	370	1 452	454	1 020	402	159	265	..	5 014
District/county courts	1999-2000	10 921	4 211	8 135	2 889	1 244	..	..	..	..	27 400
	1998-99	9 085	4 718	8 736	2 652	na	..	..	..	..	25 191
	1997-98	9 618	3 931	6 870	2 564	na	..	..	..	..	22 983
	1996-97	8 489	3 873	8 138	2 238	na	..	..	..	..	22 738
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	124 252	109 330	155 347	86 290	199 214	52 894	13 856	18 089	..	759 272
	1998-99	126 634	113 629	187 725	87 095	187 663	na	16 324	13 109	..	732 179
	1997-98	274 411	541 650	311 225	98 330	194 820	40 619	14 440	13 727	..	1 489 222
	1996-97	117 495	126 099	251 483	127 331	153 227	18 501	14 538	13 452	..	822 126
Electronic courts	1999-2000	na	na	199 309	..	110 231	..	..	..	..	309 540
<i>Civil</i>											
Supreme/federal courts	1999-2000	8 770	2 341	4 312	2 581	1 535	1 196	1 166	438	6 376	28 715
	1998-99	6 359	2 028	1 303	2 396	na	1 155	1 423	366	7 441	22 471
	1997-98	11 536	3 401	1 263	2 269	na	1 248	1 075	423	7 603	28 818
	1996-97	5 846	2 962	1 432	2 666	na	1 564	1 092	317	5 038	20 917
District/county courts	1999-2000	13 022	9 068	6 150	9 671	1 604	..	..	..	..	39 515
	1998-99	12 783	7 921	2 788	6 088	na	..	..	..	..	29 580
	1997-98	13 399	8 353	2 565	7 550	na	..	..	..	..	31 867
	1996-97	17 386	12 112	3 213	5 783	na	..	..	..	..	38 494
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	82 154	151 451	41 212	20 133	39 258	2 022	5 537	2 825	..	344 592
	1998-99	92 076	67 252	51 060	24 060	43 899	na	6 711	1 382	..	286 440
	1997-98	94 486	62 980	48 807	7 403	32 407	na	7 299	2 018	..	255 400
	1996-97	90 492	5 706	43 337	2 594	22 972	na	6 171	2 074	..	173 346

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	<i>Year</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA<sup>a</sup></i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Cwth</i>	<i>Total</i>
Family courts	1999-2000	..	..	..	na	..	..	..	..	275	275
	1998-99	..	..	..	na	..	..	..	..	na	na
	1997-98	..	..	..	na	..	..	..	..	na	na
	1996-97	..	..	..	na	..	..	..	..	na	na
<i>Coronial</i>											
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	5 946	3 443	3 651	2 181	2 700	310	296	282	..	18 809
	1998-99	7 281	3 865	4 171	2 159	3 049	429	297	326	..	21 577
	1997-98	11 299	3 886	3 811	na	na	452	321	575	..	20 344
	1996-97	14 949	3 796	3 476	na	na	441	73	4	..	22 739

<sup>a</sup> Supreme court civil finalisations are extrapolated from a 40 per cent sample.

na Not available.

.. Not applicable.

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Table 9A.4 **Defendants in criminal matters finalised, by method of finalisation, 1998-99 (per cent)**

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Cwlth</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Supreme courts</i>										
Adjudicated										
Acquitted	24.3	16.8	2.8	6.7	32.9	3.9	9.1	7.9	..	7.0
Proven guilty										
Guilty verdict	31.3	40.0	5.7	21.0	37.1	10.7	15.2	8.6	..	13.1
Guilty plea	31.3	42.1	80.3	67.6	22.9	64.5	56.7	64.0	..	65.6
Total	87.0	98.9	88.8	95.4	92.9	79.1	81.1	80.5	..	85.7
Non-adjudicated										
Bench warrant issued	–	–	na	1.3	1.4	5.3	2.4	11.0	..	3.1 <sup>a</sup>
Withdrawn	10.4	1.1	11.2	3.4	5.7	13.4	14.0	8.6	..	10.3
Other finalisation <sup>b</sup>	2.6	–	–	–	–	2.2	2.4		..	0.9
Total	13.0	1.1	11.2 <sup>a</sup>	4.6	7.1	20.9	18.9	19.5	..	14.3 <sup>a</sup>
<b>Total</b>	100	100	100.0 <sup>a</sup>	100	100	100	100	100		100 <sup>a</sup>
<i>District/county courts</i>										
Adjudicated										
Acquitted	12.4	10.1	5.5	8.6	8.4	..	..	..	..	8.4
Proven guilty										
Guilty verdict	9.1	8.7	4.7	10.0	13.6	..	..	..	..	7.6
Guilty plea	61.3	74.8	73.0	68.3	54.7	..	..	..	..	68.6
Total	82.8	93.6	83.2	86.9	76.8	..	..	..	..	84.6
Non-adjudicated										
Bench warrant issued	4.8	1.3	na	4.8	5.7	..	..	..	..	2.4 <sup>b</sup>
Withdrawn	11.0	5.0	16.8	7.6	15.2	..	..	..	..	12.4
Other finalisation <sup>b</sup>	1.3	0.1	–	0.7	2.3	..	..	..	..	0.6
Total	17.2	6.4	16.8 <sup>b</sup>	13.1	23.2	..	..	..	..	15.4 <sup>b</sup>
<b>Total</b>	100.0	100.0	100.0 <sup>b</sup>	100.0	100.0	..	..	..	..	100 <sup>b</sup>

<sup>a</sup> These totals exclude Queensland defendants finalised by the issue of a bench warrant.

Table 9A.4 **Defendants in criminal matters finalised, by method of finalisation, 1998-99 (per cent)**

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Cwlth</i>	<i>Total</i>
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<sup>b</sup> Includes defendants who were remitted to the Magistrates Court or finalised by another non-adjudicated method.

– Zero or close to zero.

**na** Not available.

.. Not applicable.

Source: ABS (2000), cat. no. 4513.0

Table 9A.5 **Proportion of lodgments that were minor for criminal and civil courts, 1999-2000 (per cent)**

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Cwlth</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Criminal</i>										
Magistrates' courts	35	29	8	na	16	62	–	–	..	24
<i>Civil</i>										
Supreme/federal courts (excl. probate)	28	58	70	31	13	18	38	31	–	33
District/county courts	–	–	53	66	65	..	..	..	..	24
Magistrates' courts	6	74	86	77	91	76	53	80	..	52
All courts (excl. family courts)	6	1	83	74	87	68	51	76	0	50
Family courts	..	..	..	37	..	..	..	..	39	39

– Zero or close to zero.

na Not available.

.. Not applicable.

Table 9A.6 Expenditure less in-house revenue (1999–2000 \$'000)<sup>a, b</sup>

	Year	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas <sup>c</sup>	ACT	NT <sup>c</sup>	Cwlth	Total
<i>Criminal (excl. payroll tax)<sup>d</sup></i>											
Supreme courts	1999-2000	11 846	9 122	8 453	5 590	4 488	3 170	3 587	5 514	..	51 770
	1998-99	10 246	7 954	8 043	3 933	4 832	2 732	4 435	4 468	..	46 643
District/county courts	1999-2000	38 919	21 635	18 116	13 531	8 858	..	..	..	..	101 058
	1998-99	36 627	20 923	17 485	9 127	9 706	..	..	..	..	93 868
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	83 651	34 091	47 681	24 218	22 618	4 590	3 200	5 208	..	225 256
	1998-99	97 169	36 744	45 743	28 279	17 684	4 775	2 601	4 997	..	237 992
All courts	1999-2000	134 416	64 848	74 250	43 339	35 964	7 760	6 787	10 722	..	378 085
	1998-99	144 042	65 621	71 271	41 339	32 222	7 507	7 036	9 465	..	378 503
<i>Civil (excl. payroll tax)<sup>d</sup></i>											
Supreme/federal courts (excl. probate)	1999-2000	42 361	13 829	10 935	14 002	8 171	2 284	3 776	4 966	68 935	169 258
	1998-99	38 925	13 424	9 544	13 841	8 000	2 562	4 704	2 509	60 288	153 797
District/county courts	1999-2000	21 391	13 521	9 939	8 420	6 277	..	..	..	..	59 549
	1998-99	23 811	12 722	9 800	9 918	7 380	..	..	..	..	63 631
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	32 127	21 864	11 838	15 584	8 977	1 032	2 986	4 617	..	99 026
	1998-99	27 314	22 115	11 111	11 441	8 792	1 669	2 666	2 301	..	87 409
All courts (excl. family courts)	1999-2000	95 880	49 214	32 712	38 006	23 425	3 316	6 762	9 583	68 935	327 833
	1998-99	90 050	48 260	30 454	35 200	24 172	4 231	7 370	4 810	60 288	304 834
Family courts	1999-2000	..	..	..	10 382	..	..	..	..	112 962	123 344
	1998-99	..	..	..	9 771	..	..	..	..	118 658	128 429
<i>Coronial (excl. payroll tax)</i>											
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	4 074	3 785	1 891	5 127	3 222	531	980	653	..	20 263
	1998-99	3 770	3 052	2 355	2 124	1 337	330	1 096	1 175	..	15 239

Table 9A.6 Expenditure less in-house revenue (1999–2000 \$'000)<sup>a, b</sup>

	Year	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas <sup>c</sup>	ACT	NT <sup>c</sup>	Cwlth	Total
<i>Criminal and civil (excl. payroll tax)<sup>d</sup></i>											
Supreme/federal courts	1999-2000	54 207	22 951	19 388	19 592	12 659	5 454	7 363	10 480	68 935	221 029
(excl. probate)	1998-99	49 171	21 378	17 586	17 774	12 832	5 294	9 139	6 978	60 288	200 440
District/county courts	1999-2000	60 310	35 156	28 055	21 951	15 135	..	..	..	..	160 607
	1998-99	60 438	33 644	27 285	19 045	17 086	..	..	..	..	157 498
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	115 778	55 955	59 519	39 802	31 594	5 622	6 186	9 825	..	324 282
	1998-99	124 483	58 859	56 854	39 721	26 476	6 444	5 266	7 298	..	325 401
All courts (excl. family courts)	1999-2000	230 295	114 062	106 962	81 345	59 388	11 076	13 549	20 305	68 935	705 918
	1998-99	234 091	113 881	101 725	76 540	56 394	11 738	14 405	14 275	60 288	683 337
<i>Criminal</i>											
Supreme courts	1999-2000	12 196	9 304	8 646	5 590	4 679	3 225	3 587	5 648	..	52 875
	1998-99	10 537	8 194	8 147	3 933	5 625	2 859	4 435	4 554	..	48 284
	1997-98	8 434	8 229	7 252	3 602	5 176	2 589	2 465	4 561	..	42 308
	1996-97	8 981	7 018	6 423	4 317	5 833	2 451	1 783	4 343	..	41 149
	1995-96	6 878	7 308	6 039	5 148	5 745	2 719	1 833	6 571	..	42 241
	1994-95	9 517	6 332	6 687	4 857	5 226	2 690	1 538	6 388	..	43 236
District/county courts	1999-2000	39 913	22 300	18 569	13 531	9 237	..	..	..	..	103 550
	1998-99	37 655	21 616	17 919	9 127	10 029	..	..	..	..	96 347
	1997-98	34 741	20 142	17 781	7 553	8 885	..	..	..	..	89 102
	1996-97	32 673	20 586	18 870	8 965	9 425	..	..	..	..	90 519
	1995-96	39 755	19 601	16 231	8 547	9 070	..	..	..	..	93 204
	1994-95	40 876	19 555	17 957	8 656	8 506	..	..	..	..	95 550
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	86 483	35 350	49 214	24 218	23 443	4 793	3 200	5 367	..	232 068
	1998-99	100 307	37 943	47 279	28 279	18 365	4 875	2 600	5 108	..	244 757
	1997-98	90 043	34 934	48 631	28 477	16 051	4 253	3 293	5 085	..	230 766
	1996-97	70 428	35 491	43 141	27 519	16 054	5 851	2 812	3 599	..	204 895

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Table 9A.6 Expenditure less in-house revenue (1999–2000 \$'000)<sup>a, b</sup>

	Year	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas <sup>c</sup>	ACT	NT <sup>c</sup>	Cwlth	Total
	1995-96	90 740	37 320	42 019	19 436	14 760	3 862	2 585	4 767	..	215 490
	1994-95	95 681	36 984	40 479	19 504	14 226	3 885	2 652	4 648	..	218 059
All courts	1999-2000	138 592	66 954	76 429	43 339	37 359	8 018	6 787	11 015	..	388 493
	1998-99	148 499	67 753	73 346	41 339	34 019	7 734	7 036	9 662	..	389 387
	1997-98	133 218	63 304	73 664	39 631	30 112	6 841	5 759	9 646	..	362 175
	1996-97	112 082	63 095	68 435	40 801	31 312	8 302	4 594	7 942	..	336 563
	1995-96	137 373	64 228	64 289	33 131	29 575	6 582	4 418	11 339	..	350 935
	1994-95	146 073	62 871	65 123	33 017	27 958	6 576	4 190	11 036	..	356 845
<i>Civil</i>											
Supreme/federal courts (excl. probate)	1999-2000	43 649	14 178	11 230	14 002	8 561	2 353	3 776	5 108	68 935	171 792
	1998-99	40 297	13 687	9 737	13 841	8 332	2 650	4 704	2 599	60 288	156 135
	1997-98	40 471	12 554	10 447	11 100	8 668	2 425	3 529	2 419	52 813	144 425
	1996-97	36 685	14 782	9 728	12 731	7 861	2 791	3 126	2 228	47 987	137 918
	1995-96	32 826	13 059	9 658	11 189	7 661	1 616	3 137	3 935	44 383	127 464
	1994-95	34 250	11 295	10 941	10 227	7 403	1 638	2 892	4 360	43 017	126 023
District/county courts	1999-2000	22 107	13 901	10 194	8 420	6 561	..	..	..	..	61 184
	1998-99	24 654	13 121	10 117	9 918	7 597	..	..	..	..	65 407
	1997-98	22 448	11 822	10 779	5 602	7 611	..	..	..	..	58 262
	1996-97	19 640	11 474	6 393	7 269	7 312	..	..	..	..	52 088
	1995-96	10 023	9 827	8 065	5 798	6 561	..	..	..	..	40 273
	1994-95	9 161	9 771	9 519	5 795	6 675	..	..	..	..	40 921
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	33 489	22 621	12 177	15 584	9 290	1 073	2 986	4 747	..	101 967
	1998-99	28 442	22 878	11 447	11 441	9 095	1 720	2 666	2 356	..	90 044
	1997-98	28 027	20 401	12 126	9 398	8 474	931	3 113	2 779	..	85 249
	1996-97	43 730	19 745	11 716	6 611	7 653	1 327	2 612	1 966	..	95 359
	1995-96	23 011	12 947	10 332	12 412	8 314	1 619	2 470	4 330	..	75 435
	1994-95	24 292	12 682	9 458	12 912	7 785	1 611	2 554	4 233	..	75 525
All courts (excl. family courts)	1999-2000	99 245	50 700	33 601	38 006	24 412	3 426	6 762	9 855	68 935	334 942



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	<i>Year</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas<sup>c</sup></i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT<sup>c</sup></i>	<i>Cwlth</i>	<i>Total</i>
	1998-99	93 393	49 686	31 301	35 200	25 023	4 370	7 370	4 954	60 288	311 585
	1997-98	90 947	44 777	33 352	26 100	24 753	3 355	6 642	5 198	52 813	287 936
	1996-97	100 055	46 000	27 837	26 611	22 826	4 118	5 737	4 194	47 987	285 365
	1995-96	65 860	35 833	28 054	29 398	22 536	3 236	5 607	8 265	44 383	243 172
	1994-95	67 702	33 747	29 917	28 935	21 863	3 249	5 446	8 593	43 017	242 468
Family courts	1999-2000	..	..	..	10 382	..	..	..	..	112 962	123 344
	1998-99	..	..	..	9 771	..	..	..	..	118 658	128 429
	1997-98	..	..	..	9 346	..	..	..	..	105 844	115 190
	1996-97	..	..	..	10 506	..	..	..	..	106 140	116 646
	1995-96	..	..	..	10 295	..	..	..	..	110 795	121 090
	1994-95	..	..	..	9 702	..	..	..	..	101 267	110 968
<i>Probate</i>											
Supreme courts	1999-2000	1 133	509	87	349	363	97	–	–	..	2 538
	1998-99	727	471	116	172	351	106	–	68	..	2 009
	1997-98	1 053	467	76	na	388	61	–	72	..	2 118
	1996-97	509	505	75	150	369	99	15	70	..	1 792
<i>Coronial</i>											
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	4 173	3 863	1 931	5 127	3 268	541	980	675	..	20 558
	1998-99	3 865	3 126	2 407	2 124	1 388	338	1 096	1 193	..	15 537
	1997-98	4 482	3 069	3 651	1 456	1 611	230	705	1 144	..	16 347
	1996-97	4 183	3 484	3 205	1 575	1 447	255	663	1 022	..	15 834
<i>Criminal and civil</i>											
Supreme/federal courts (excl. probate)	1999-2000	55 845	23 482	19 876	19 592	13 240	5 578	7 363	10 756	68 935	224 667
	1998-99	50 833	21 881	17 884	17 774	13 957	5 509	9 139	7 152	60 288	204 419
	1997-98	48 905	20 783	17 699	14 702	13 844	5 013	5 994	6 980	52 813	186 732
	1996-97	45 666	21 799	16 151	17 048	13 694	5 242	4 908	6 571	47 987	179 067
	1995-96	39 704	20 367	15 697	16 337	13 406	4 336	4 970	10 507	44 383	169 705
	1994-95	43 766	17 627	17 628	15 085	12 629	4 328	4 430	10 748	43 017	169 258

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Table 9A.6 Expenditure less in-house revenue (1999–2000 \$'000)<sup>a, b</sup>

	Year	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas <sup>c</sup>	ACT	NT <sup>c</sup>	Cwlth	Total
District/county courts	1999-2000	62 020	36 201	28 763	21 951	15 798	..	..	..	..	164 733
	1998-99	62 310	34 737	28 036	19 045	17 626	..	..	..	..	161 753
	1997-98	57 189	31 963	28 560	13 155	16 496	..	..	..	..	147 364
	1996-97	52 312	32 060	25 264	16 234	16 737	..	..	..	..	142 607
	1995-96	49 778	29 428	24 296	14 345	15 631	..	..	..	..	133 478
	1994-95	50 036	29 326	27 476	14 451	15 181	..	..	..	..	136 471
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	119 972	57 971	61 391	39 802	32 733	5 866	6 186	10 114	..	334 035
	1998-99	128 749	60 821	58 727	39 721	27 459	6 595	5 266	7 463	..	334 801
	1997-98	118 070	55 335	60 758	37 875	24 524	5 183	6 406	7 864	..	316 015
	1996-97	114 159	55 236	54 857	34 130	23 706	7 178	5 423	5 565	..	300 254
	1995-96	113 752	50 267	52 350	31 848	23 074	5 482	5 055	9 097	..	290 925
	1994-95	119 972	49 666	49 937	32 416	22 011	5 496	5 206	8 881	..	293 584
All courts (excl. family courts)	1999-2000	237 837	117 654	110 030	81 345	61 771	11 444	13 549	20 870	68 935	723 435
	1998-99	241 892	117 439	104 646	76 540	59 043	12 104	14 405	14 616	60 288	700 973
	1997-98	224 165	108 081	107 016	65 731	54 865	10 197	12 400	14 843	52 813	650 111
	1996-97	212 137	109 095	96 272	67 412	54 138	12 420	10 332	12 136	47 987	621 928
	1995-96	203 234	100 062	92 343	62 530	52 111	9 818	10 025	19 604	44 383	594 107
	1994-95	213 775	96 618	95 041	61 952	49 821	9 824	9 636	19 629	43 017	599 313
<i>Criminal in-house revenue</i>											
Supreme courts	1999-2000	440	23	45	153	235	–	5	45	..	947
	1998-99	48	–	–	–	37	–	4	–	..	89
	1997-98	114	18	40	200	276	–	3	116	..	767
District/county courts	1999-2000	1 689	90	169	225	285	..	..	..	..	2 458
	1998-99	–	–	–	–	4	..	..	..	..	4
	1997-98	898	14	173	68	253	..	..	..	..	1 407
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	2 923	18	169	26	32	4	88	62	..	3 322
	1998-99	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	..	–

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Table 9A.6 Expenditure less in-house revenue (1999–2000 \$'000)<sup>a, b</sup>

	Year	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas <sup>c</sup>	ACT	NT <sup>c</sup>	Cwlth	Total
	1997-98	3 742	18	220	153	43	–	22	10	..	4 207
All courts	1999-2000	5 052	130	383	404	552	4	93	107	..	6 726
	1998-99	48	–	–	–	41	–	4	–	..	93
	1997-98	4 755	50	433	421	571	–	25	126	..	6 381
<i>Civil in-house revenue</i>											
Supreme/federal courts (excl. probate)	1999-2000	2 382	–	64	–	320	38	16	79	–	2 899
	1998-99	2 350	–	63	–	471	46	15	44	–	2 988
	1997-98	1 201	168	71	33	343	66	18	39	–	1 940
District/county courts	1999-2000	809	–	86	–	248	..	..	..	..	1 143
	1998-99	908	–	153	–	243	..	..	..	..	1 305
	1997-98	506	12	130	144	232	..	..	..	..	1 023
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	1 463	–	40	185	233	–	137	26	..	2 083
	1998-99	1 246	–	128	55	289	–	–	6	..	1 723
	1997-98	334	8	54	19	224	75	153	5	..	873
All courts (excl. family courts)	1999-2000	4 653	–	190	185	801	38	153	105	–	6 125
	1998-99	4 504	–	345	55	1 002	46	15	50	–	6 016
	1997-98	2 041	188	256	196	799	142	171	44	–	3 836
Family courts	1999-2000	..	..	..	–	..	..	..	..	–	–
	1998-99	..	..	..	–	..	..	..	..	–	–
	1997-98	..	..	..	28	..	..	..	..	–	28

<sup>a</sup> In-house revenue includes revenue earned by in-house providers of library, court reporting and civil bailiff services to external purchasers.

<sup>b</sup> Payroll tax could not be estimated and deducted for probate registries.

<sup>c</sup> Five per cent of the total operating costs of the magistrates' court was attributable to other work by that court, such as antidiscrimination tribunal work. This has been excluded from 1999-2000 data.

<sup>d</sup> To improve comparability across jurisdictions, payroll tax has been deducted from expenditure for NSW, Victoria, Queensland, SA, Tasmania and the NT.

.. Not applicable.

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Table 9A.6 **Expenditure less in-house revenue (1999–2000 \$'000)<sup>a, b</sup>**

<i>Year</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas<sup>c</sup></i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT<sup>c</sup></i>	<i>Cwlth</i>	<i>Total</i>
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– Nil or rounded to zero.

## 9A.2 Effectiveness

Table 9A.7 **Client satisfaction with selected court administration services, 1999 (per cent of clients)**

<i>Family Court of Australia</i>		<i>Agree</i>	
Court staff			
You did not have to wait long to be served at the counter		78.3	
Most court staff go out of their way to help you		81.5	
Most court staff were polite and courteous		91.3	
<i>NSW local courts</i>		<i>Responded 'good'</i>	
Court services			
Court signage		46.0	
Information/leaflets on display		44.2	
Comfort/cleanliness of public areas		51.1	
Appropriate accommodation/facilities		40.0	
<i>WA</i>	<i>Satisfied</i>	<i>Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied</i>	<i>Dissatisfied</i>
Overall court services			
Practitioners	62.4	23.1	14.5
Litigants	68.9	10.1	21.0

Sources: Family Court of Australia 1999, *Summary of March 1999 Client Satisfaction Survey*, unpublished; NSW Attorney General's Department 1999, *Local Courts Client Survey 1999*, unpublished; WA Ministry of Justice 1999, *Executive Summary of 1999 Customer Satisfaction Survey*, unpublished.

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Table 9A.8 Civil court fees collected as a proportion of civil expenditure (per cent)

	Year	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Cwlth	Total
Supreme/federal courts (excl. payroll tax)	1999-2000	33	40	25	6	8	11	21	4	10	19
	1998-99	45	63	32	11	8	19	18	11	14	29
District/county courts (excl. payroll tax)	1999-2000	50	32	17	22	9	..	..	..	..	32
	1998-99	45	33	21	27	11	..	..	..	..	32
Magistrates' courts (excl. payroll tax)	1999-2000	76	59	102	23	26	6	28	21	..	58
	1998-99	87	71	156	27	33	48	23	19	..	74
Family courts (excl. payroll tax)	1999-2000	..	..	..	18	..	..	..	..	14	14
	1998-99	..	..	..	19	..	..	..	..	12	13
All courts (excl. payroll tax)	1999-2000	51	47	51	17	15	10	24	12	12	28
	1998-99	61	59	74	21	30	31	20	15	14	44
Supreme/federal courts	1999-2000	32	39	24	6	8	11	21	4	10	19
	1998-99	44	62	31	11	8	18	18	11	14	29
	1997-98	25	48	28	13	8	16	18	5	16	21
	1996-97	31	35	21	7	10	22	22	5	22	23
	1995-96	52	34	19	7	9	32	-	2	23	28
	1994-95	49	36	13	8	11	36	-	3	24	28
District/county courts	1999-2000	48	32	17	22	9	..	..	..	..	32
	1998-99	43	32	21	27	10	..	..	..	..	31
	1997-98	50	43	18	61	7	..	..	..	..	38
	1996-97	48	37	29	31	7	..	..	..	..	35
	1995-96	69	46	33	32	7	..	..	..	..	41
	1994-95	35	37	22	36	7	..	..	..	..	28
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	73	57	99	23	25	6	28	21	..	56
	1998-99	84	69	152	27	32	46	23	18	..	72
	1997-98	103	82	119	38	35	73	28	11	..	80
	1996-97	84	62	104	56	39	40	24	14	..	72

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Table 9A.8 **Civil court fees collected as a proportion of civil expenditure (per cent)**

	<i>Year</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Cwlth</i>	<i>Total</i>
	1995-96	71	94	97	27	33	39	24	6	..	61
	1994-95	64	83	98	27	33	45	23	6	..	57
Family courts	1999-2000	..	..	..	18	..	..	..	..	14	14
	1998-99	..	..	..	19	..	..	..	..	12	13
	1997-98	..	..	..	19	..	..	..	..	14	15
	1996-97	..	..	..	20	..	..	..	..	..	20
	1995-96	..	..	..	14	..	..	..	..	9	10
	1994-95	..	..	..	14	..	..	..	..	10	10
All courts	1999-2000	49	45	49	17	15	9	24	12	12	27
	1998-99	56	57	71	21	27	29	20	14	14	42
	1997-98	55	62	58	32	17	32	22	8	16	42
	1996-97	58	47	58	26	18	28	23	9	22	42
	1995-96	61	59	52	21	17	35	11	4	23	40
	1994-95	53	54	43	22	18	41	11	4	24	37

.. Not applicable.

– Nil or rounded to zero

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Table 9A.9 **Average civil court fees collected per lodgment (1999-2000 dollars)**

	<i>Year</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Cwlth</i>	<i>Total</i>
Supreme/federal courts (excl. probate)	1999-2000	1 459	1 284	524	304	500	110	648	445	1 123	953
	1998-99	785	1 280	447	2 823	476	92	397	278	1 088	310
	1997-98	1 027	1 136	623	672	396	116	464	56	1 172	847
	1996-97	1 006	1 183	775	281	454	na	501	240	623	762
District/county courts	1999-2000	728	580	245	380	194	..	..	..	..	518
	1998-99	693	598	221	332	214	..	..	..	..	467
	1997-98	774	513	260	579	209	..	..	..	..	549
	1996-97	828	530	273	374	181	..	..	..	..	519
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	105	68	125	60	60	5	83	205	..	88
	1998-99	89	71	158	50	57	79	78	71	..	88
	1997-98	111	78	123	58	55	49	50	103	..	94
	1996-97	130	65	88	84	61	na	54	37	..	95
All courts (excl. family courts, probate)	1999-2000	191	113	152	95	83	21	142	225	1 123	151
	1998-99	142	114	177	198	77	82	118	87	1 088	119
	1997-98	173	126	151	121	72	63	95	99	1 172	153
	1996-97	185	105	121	118	81	na	104	48	623	151
Family courts	1999-2000	..	..	..	123	..	..	..	..	125	125
	1998-99	..	..	..	127	..	..	..	..	121	121
	1997-98	..	..	..	124	..	..	..	..	122	122
	1996-97	..	..	..	115	..	..	..	..	127	125
Supreme courts (probate)	1999-2000	519	213	–	151	475	110	432	305	..	342
	1998-99	488	208	na	155	497	108	525	305	..	330
	1997-98	470	209	–	160	453	109	499	–	..	317
	1996-97	436	186	251	145	489	na	496	160	..	327

na Not available.

.. Not applicable.

– Nil or rounded to zero.



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Table 9A.10 **Non-appeal matters finalised, 1999-2000**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Cwlth</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Criminal</i>											
Supreme courts	no.	152	110	993	207	206	647	171	212	..	2 698
< 6 months	%	7	27	66	83	68	80	39	61	..	64
6-12 months	%	22	46	21	12	11	17	32	24	..	21
> 12-18 months	%	22	12	7	3	10	2	20	9	..	8
>18 months	%	49	15	5	2	11	1	8	6	..	7
District/county courts	no.	3 988	2 106	7 874	2 889	1 244	..	..	..	..	18 101
< 6 months	%	41	60	74	62	75	..	..	..	..	63
6-12 months	%	28	23	18	14	17	..	..	..	..	20
> 12-18 months	%	14	10	4	14	5	..	..	..	..	9
>18 months	%	18	8	3	10	2	..	..	..	..	8
Magistrates' courts	no.	120 846	107 660	148 280	84 585	198 271	52 894	13 628	17 810	..	743 974
< 6 months	%	94	90	93	94	92	95	77	82	..	92
6-12 months	%	5	8	4	4	6	4	14	8	..	5
> 12-18 months	%	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	3	..	1
>18 months	%	-	1	2	1	1	1	6	7	..	1
<i>Civil</i>											
Supreme/federal courts	no.	8 040	1 979	3 951	2 268	901	1 171	1 130	264	5 743	25 447
< 6 months	%	43	75	61	66	71	37	26	38	65	55
6-12 months	%	8	8	7	15	6	15	23	9	17	12
> 12-18 months	%	7	12	6	7	9	11	16	9	8	8
>18 months	%	41	5	26	12	15	38	35	44	9	25
District/county courts	no.	13 022	9 068	5 926	8 546	1 513	..	..	..	..	38 075
< 6 months	%	17	23	30	25	36	..	..	..	..	23
6-12 months	%	39	19	13	18	22	..	..	..	..	25
> 12-18 months	%	25	41	16	12	16	..	..	..	..	24
>18 months	%	19	17	41	45	26	..	..	..	..	28
Magistrates' courts	no.	82 154	151 451	41 212	20 121	39 258	2 022	5 537	2 825	..	344 580

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Table 9A.10 **Non-appeal matters finalised, 1999-2000**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Cwlth</i>	<i>Total</i>
< 6 months	%	86	95	83	88	52	90	62	72	..	85
6–12 months	%	9	4	12	7	41	10	27	13	..	11
> 12–18 months	%	2	1	3	3	3	1	5	5	..	2
>18 months	%	2	–	2	3	4	–	6	10	..	2
Family courts	no.	..	..	..	na	..	..	..	..	na	na
< 6 months	%	..	..	..	na	..	..	..	..	na	na
6–12 months	%	..	..	..	na	..	..	..	..	na	na
> 12–18 months	%	..	..	..	na	..	..	..	..	na	na
>18 months	%	..	..	..	na	..	..	..	..	na	na
<i>Coronial</i>											
Magistrates' courts	no.	5 946	3 443	3 651	2 181	2 700	310	296	282	..	18 809
< 6 months	%	88	72	76	78	97	58	89	43	..	82
6–12 months	%	8	17	17	15	2	25	7	5	..	12
> 12–18 months	%	4	5	4	3	0	10	2	2	..	4
>18 months	%	0	5	2	4	0	7	2	51	..	3

.. Not applicable.

– Nil or rounded to zero.

na Not available.

Table 9A.11 **Defended non-appeal civil matters finalised according to benchmark (per cent)**

	<i>Year</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Cwlth</i>	<i>Total</i>
Supreme/federal courts	1999-2000	57	58	36	35	24	32	25	12	83	61
Benchmark: <12 months	1998-99	62	50	na	45	na	32	19	29	85	69
	1997-98	53	71	na	39	na	43	16	30	87	67
	1996-97	60	97	na	na	na	60	15	26	77	67
District/county courts	1999-2000	56	39	32	77	40	..	..	..	..	48
Benchmark: <12 months	1998-99	49	na	na	89	na	..	..	..	..	51
	1997-98	39	36	na	74	na	..	..	..	..	41
	1996-97	36	na	na	90	na	..	..	..	..	44
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	61	na	90	82	63	72	45	58	..	75
Benchmark: <6 months	1998-99	61	67	89	85	61	77	41	76	..	75
	1997-98	61	69	86	na	65	na	42	76	..	53
	1996-97	62	84	51	na	78	na	39	76	..	65
Family courts	1999-2000	..	..	..	na	..	..	..	..	na	na
Benchmark: <12 months	1998-99	..	..	..	na	..	..	..	..	na	na
	1997-98	..	..	..	na	..	..	..	..	na	na
	1996-97	..	..	..	na	..	..	..	..	60	60
All courts (excl. family courts)	1999-2000	37	29	76	70	51	28	36	53	65	51
Benchmark: <6 months	1998-99	37	na	na	71	na	29	33	63	na	58
	1997-98	34	30	na	21	na	na	32	67	na	40
	1996-97	31	na	na	na	na	na	29	70	63	44
All courts (excl. family courts)	1999-2000	65	51	84	87	69	45	62	76	83	70
Benchmark: <12 months	1998-99	63	na	na	90	na	47	57	75	na	77
	1997-98	57	51	na	71	na	na	58	79	na	59
	1996-97	55	na	na	na	na	na	50	80	77	66

.. Not applicable.

na Not available.

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Table 9A.12 **Appeal matters finalised, supreme/federal courts, 1999-2000**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Cwlth</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Criminal</i>	no.	827	307	404	193	122	22	35	8	27	1 945
< 6 months	%	29	60	80	50	88	77	71	50	..	52
6–12 months	%	45	31	19	36	6	14	11	38	..	33
> 12–18 months	%	18	5	1	10	2	5	11	13	..	10
>18 months	%	7	5	–	4	4	5	6	–	..	5
<i>Civil</i>	no.	730	362	361	313	634	25	36	174	633	3 268
< 6 months	%	23	50	54	53	94	56	69	80	56	56
6–12 months	%	34	19	32	28	3	32	28	14	28	23
> 12–18 months	%	18	14	12	11	1	8	3	3	7	10
>18 months	%	25	17	2	8	2	4	–	2	9	11

.. Not applicable.

– Nil or rounded to zero.

Table 9A.13 **Committal matters finalised, magistrates' courts, criminal, 1999-2000**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Cwlth</i>	<i>Total</i>
Magistrates' courts	no.	3 406	1 670	7 067	1 557	943	na	228	279	..	15 150
< 3 months	%	47	36	56	33	56	na	43	43	..	49
3-6 months	%	27	36	33	44	36	na	34	29	..	33
> 6-12 months	%	18	24	9	16	8	na	18	18	..	14
>12 months	%	8	4	1	6	-	na	5	9	..	4

na Not available.

.. Not applicable.

- Nil or rounded to zero.

Table 9A.14 **Criminal matters duration, district/county and supreme courts, 1998-99 (weeks)**

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Cwlth</i>	<i>Total</i>
Supreme courts										
Mean	84.1	48.1	25.5	40.6	21.5	20.2	30.6	36.5	..	29.2
Median	77.1	40.1	19.4	34.9	14.9	15.1	21.4	26.9	..	20.3
District/county courts										
Mean	48.1	33.2	25.9	23.2	26.5	..	..	..	..	32.1
Median	34.3	22.3	19.0	19.9	12.7	..	..	..	..	21.4

.. Not applicable.

Source: ABS 2000, *Australian Higher Criminal Courts*, cat. no. 4513.0, AusInfo, Canberra.

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Table 9A.15 **Adjournments on the first day of hearing as a proportion of total hearings (per cent)**

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Cwlth</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Requested by parties</i>										
Criminal										
Supreme courts	8	6	na	10	3	na	9	31	..	6
District/county courts	9	-	na	13	24	..	..	..	..	6
Civil										
Supreme courts	5	6	7	7	na	na	4	4	-	1
District/county courts	11	5	9	9	27	..	..	..	..	8
Family courts	..	..	..	na	..	..	..	..	-	-
<i>Ordered by court</i>										
Criminal										
Supreme courts	2	3	na	na	-	na	4	6	..	1
District/county courts	3	-	na	5	1	..	..	..	..	2
Civil										
Supreme courts	1	2	2	na	na	na	1	-	-	-
District/county courts	10	1	1	1	3	..	..	..	..	4
Family courts	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	42	2

na Not available.

.. Not applicable.

- Nil or rounded to zero.

Table 9A.16 **Magistrates' court locations and proportion of population living in a non-urban area, 1999-2000**

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Cwlth</i>	<i>Total</i>
Proportion of population living in a non-urban area	%	26	25	33	28	27	38	–	56	28	28
Criminal court locations	no.	156	53	94	132	37	22	1	31	..	526
Urban	%	23	23	19	7	19	18	100	3	..	17
Non-urban	%	77	77	81	93	81	82	–	97	..	83
Civil court locations	no.	112	54	83	40	37	22	1	31	..	380
Urban	%	1	24	22	23	19	18	100	3	..	14
Non-urban	%	99	76	78	78	81	82	–	97	..	86

.. Not applicable.



## 9A.3 Efficiency

Table 9A.17 Expenditure less in-house revenue per lodgment (1999-2000 dollars)<sup>a</sup>

	Year	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Cwlth	Total
<i>Criminal (excl. payroll tax)<sup>b</sup></i>											
Supreme courts	1999-2000	11 811	13 969	6 152	11 047	11 449	4 421	15 329	16 314	..	9 869
	1998-99	14 411	15 150	5 558	7 819	8 915	4 242	14 685	16 672	..	9 438
District/county courts	1999-2000	4 033	5 308	2 154	4 577	8 149	..	..	..	..	3 860
	1998-99	3 579	4 542	1 801	3 035	7 962	..	..	..	..	3 262
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000 <sup>c</sup>	288	54	126	386	121	92	302	281	..	138
	1998-99	208	63	127	142	86	288	217	258	..	128
All courts	1999-2000	446	102	191	654	191	154	627	568	..	228
	1998-99	301	112	192	205	156	436	573	483	..	200
<i>Civil (excl. payroll tax)<sup>b</sup></i>											
Supreme/federal courts (excl. probate)	1999-2000	4 441	3 182	2 094	4 738	6 066	990	3 155	11 110	11 030	5 036
	1998-99	4 360	3 073	1 446	4 441	5 309	918	3 134	5 206	7 512	4 121
District/county courts	1999-2000	1 453	1 788	1 440	1 690	2 074	..	..	..	..	1 601
	1998-99	1 631	1 821	1 115	1 275	2 741	..	..	..	..	1 558
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	138	114	122	267	227	79	293	963	..	153
	1998-99	104	113	102	184	185	167	252	406	..	124
All courts (excl. family courts)	1999-2000	373	242	300	573	533	216	594	1 829	11 030	457
	1998-99	313	233	244	482	468	331	610	782	7 512	390
Family courts	1999-2000	..	..	..	686	..	..	..	..	918	892
	1998-99	..	..	..	673	..	..	..	..	971	940

Table 9A.17 Expenditure less in-house revenue per lodgment (1999-2000 dollars)<sup>a</sup>

	Year	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Cwlth	Total
<i>Coronial (excl. payroll tax)<sup>b</sup></i>											
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	572	937	405	2 193	998	900	1 531	2 141	..	884
	1998-99	518	777	553	946	386	769	1 398	3 878	..	672
<i>Criminal and civil (excl. payroll tax)<sup>b</sup></i>											
Supreme/federal courts (excl. probate)	1999-2000	5 142	4 591	2 939	5 661	7 279	1 804	5 145	13 350	10 979	5 689
	1998-99	5 101	4 368	2 186	4 910	6 263	1 542	5 069	9 304	7 512	4 743
District courts	1999-2000	2 474	3 020	1 832	2 765	3 680	..	..	..	..	2 534
	1998-99	2 433	2 902	1 475	1 766	4 369	..	..	..	..	2 262
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000 <sup>c</sup>	221	68	125	329	139	90	298	421	..	143
	1998-99	170	76	121	152	105	243	233	292	..	127
All courts (excl. family courts)	1999-2000	412	136	215	614	255	169	610	842	10 979	297
	1998-99	306	144	205	278	218	392	591	554	7 512	256
<i>Criminal</i>											
Supreme courts	1999-2000	12 160	14 248	6 293	11 047	11 937	4 498	15 329	16 709	..	10 079
	1998-99	14 819	15 608	5 631	7 819	9 246	4 439	14 686	16 992	..	9 770
	1997-98	9 541	11 351	5 209	8 596	8 971	4 433	12 389	16 769	..	8 374
	1996-97	10 035	10 914	4 439	8 255	9 016	5 920	8 178	12 625	..	8 020
	1995-96	7 685	18 547	4 457	10 549	9 870	6 833	11 676	18 459	..	9 133
	1994-95	10 753	16 278	4 906	7 360	10 050	6 898	10 053	21 877	..	9 294
District/county courts	1999-2000	4 136	5 471	2 208	4 577	8 497	..	..	..	..	3 955
	1998-99	3 680	4 692	1 845	3 035	8 228	..	..	..	..	3 348
	1997-98	3 299	4 630	2 115	2 874	5 911	..	..	..	..	3 249
	1996-97	3 248	5 209	2 275	3 756	5 182	..	..	..	..	3 414
	1995-96	3 744	5 120	2 271	3 923	4 967	..	..	..	..	3 641
	1994-95	3 998	5 019	2 478	4 227	4 491	..	..	..	..	3 775

Table 9A.17 Expenditure less in-house revenue per lodgment (1999-2000 dollars)<sup>a</sup>

	Year	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Cwlth	Total
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000 <sup>c</sup>	298	56	130	386	125	97	302	289	..	143
	1998-99	215	66	131	142	90	294	217	264	..	132
	1997-98	208	65	155	116	85	139	368	260	..	130
	1996-97	162	72	176	226	106	157	265	185	..	135
	1995-96	231	76	170	132	124	206	201	255	..	149
	1994-95	259	77	171	146	114	225	288	242	..	157
All courts	1999-2000	460	106	196	654	198	159	627	583	..	234
	1998-99	311	116	198	205	162	449	573	493	..	206
	1997-98	300	116	228	159	157	219	629	486	..	200
	1996-97	251	127	268	328	204	220	425	401	..	218
	1995-96	340	130	251	221	244	344	340	594	..	238
	1994-95	383	130	266	242	219	373	448	567	..	251
<i>Civil</i>											
Supreme/federal courts (excl. probate)	1999-2000	4 576	3 262	2 151	4 738	6 355	1 020	3 155	11 428	11 030	5 111
	1998-99	4 514	3 133	1 475	4 441	5 529	950	3 134	5 391	7 512	4 184
	1997-98	4 542	2 447	2 211	5 134	5 123	821	2 675	3 939	7 529	4 183
	1996-97	3 513	3 281	2 293	4 445	4 785	740	2 308	5 342	2 779	2 966
	1995-96	3 289	2 621	2 281	5 265	2 642	466	2 940	12 903	1 864	2 410
	1994-95	3 348	2 191	3 223	5 250	2 788	474	2 860	13 711	2 133	2 607
District/county courts	1999-2000	1 501	1 838	1 477	1 690	2 168	..	..	..	..	1 645
	1998-99	1 688	1 878	1 151	1 275	2 822	..	..	..	..	1 601
	1997-98	1 598	1 274	1 426	948	3 065	..	..	..	..	1 483
	1996-97	1 807	1 422	947	1 252	2 604	..	..	..	..	1 519
	1995-96	705	830	1 218	1 328	4 137	..	..	..	..	1 042
	1994-95	559	931	1 661	1 216	4 175	..	..	..	..	1 049
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	144	118	126	267	235	82	293	991	..	158
	1998-99	108	117	105	184	191	172	252	415	..	128
	1997-98	107	111	110	152	165	83	287	425	..	123
	1996-97	157	95	102	113	175	115	246	265	..	130

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Table 9A.17 Expenditure less in-house revenue per lodgment (1999-2000 dollars)<sup>a</sup>

	Year	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Cwlth	Total
	1995-96	95	69	113	224	168	130	199	567	..	114
	1994-95	106	68	113	231	174	109	199	601	..	119
All courts (excl. family courts)	1999-2000	386	250	308	573	556	224	594	1 881	11 030	467
	1998-99	325	240	251	482	484	342	610	805	7 512	398
	1997-98	320	226	273	374	447	237	545	727	7 529	374
	1996-97	333	208	222	395	473	269	479	535	2 779	350
	1995-96	246	176	273	476	418	203	416	1 041	1 864	324
	1994-95	265	166	324	462	445	179	394	1 167	2 133	336
Family courts	1999-2000	..	..	..	686	..	..	..	..	918	892
	1998-99	..	..	..	673	..	..	..	..	971	940
	1997-98	..	..	..	653	..	..	..	..	870	847
	1996-97	..	..	..	735	..	..	..	..	884	869
	1995-96	..	..	..	820	..	..	..	..	983	967
	1994-95	..	..	..	868	..	..	..	..	988	976
<i>Probate</i>											
Supreme courts <sup>d</sup>	1999-2000	56	35	28	75	77	53	–	–	..	51
	1998-99	36	32	39	37	76	56	–	757	..	41
	1997-98	51	32	21	na	81	31	–	851	..	42
	1996-97	24	33	23	32	81	48	35	722	..	35
<i>Coronial</i>											
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	586	957	414	2 193	1 012	917	1 531	2 211	..	896
	1998-99	531	796	565	946	401	789	1 397	3 938	..	685
	1997-98	397	765	873	662	264	375	1 058	4 745	..	558
	1996-97	280	904	793	719	229	395	919	3 499	..	479
<i>Criminal and civil</i>											
Supreme/federal courts	1999-2000	5 298	4 697	3 013	5 661	7 614	1 845	5 145	13 702	10 979	5 782
(excl. probate)	1998-99	5 274	4 471	2 223	4 910	6 512	1 604	5 069	9 537	7 512	4 823

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Table 9A.17 Expenditure less in-house revenue per lodgment (1999-2000 dollars)<sup>a</sup>

	<i>Year</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Cwlth</i>	<i>Total</i>
	1997-98	4 993	3 549	2 894	5 696	6 101	1 417	3 949	7 878	7 529	4 718
	1996-97	4 028	4 234	2 839	5 033	5 980	1 252	3 122	8 634	2 779	3 468
	1995-96	3 651	3 789	2 808	6 252	3 850	1 121	4 060	15 895	1 864	2 951
	1994-95	3 937	3 180	3 705	5 784	3 978	1 125	3 806	17 620	2 133	3 194
District/county courts	1999-2000	2 544	3 110	1 879	2 765	3 841	..	..	..	..	2 599
	1998-99	2 509	2 996	1 516	1 766	4 507	..	..	..	..	2 323
	1997-98	2 327	2 345	1 789	1 541	4 138	..	..	..	..	2 209
	1996-97	2 500	2 668	1 680	1 982	3 617	..	..	..	..	2 345
	1995-96	2 004	1 878	1 764	2 192	4 581	..	..	..	..	2 078
	1994-95	1 879	2 038	2 117	2 121	4 346	..	..	..	..	2 122
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000 <sup>c</sup>	229	71	129	329	144	94	298	433	..	147
	1998-99	176	79	125	152	109	248	233	298	..	131
	1997-98	170	77	143	123	102	124	323	301	..	128
	1996-97	160	79	152	189	122	147	255	207	..	134
	1995-96	179	74	154	157	137	175	200	345	..	138
	1994-95	200	74	156	171	130	172	237	339	..	145
All courts (excl. family courts)	1999-2000	426	141	221	614	266	174	610	865	10 979	304
	1998-99	316	148	211	278	228	404	591	567	7 512	262
	1997-98	308	146	240	206	222	225	581	550	7 529	252
	1996-97	284	152	253	351	268	234	453	439	2 779	264
	1995-96	303	144	257	296	298	280	379	726	1 864	267
	1994-95	336	141	282	311	282	274	416	731	2 133	280

<sup>a</sup> In-house revenue includes revenue earned by in-house providers of library, court reporting and civil bailiff services to external purchasers.

<sup>b</sup> To improve comparability across jurisdictions, payroll tax has been deducted from expenditure for NSW, Victoria, Queensland, SA and Tasmania.

<sup>c</sup> Includes lodgments at electronic courts in NSW, Victoria, Queensland and SA.

<sup>d</sup> Payroll tax could not be estimated and deducted for probate registries.

.. Not applicable.

– Nil or rounded to zero.

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Table 9A.18 Expenditure less in-house revenue per primary lodgment, 1999-2000 (dollars)<sup>a, b</sup>

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Cwlth</i>	<i>Total</i>
Criminal										
Supreme courts	11 811	18 099	6 152	11 047	11 449	4 421	15 329	16 314	..	10 157
District/county courts	4 033	5 308	2 154	4 577	8 149	..	..	..	..	3 860
Magistrates' courts	445	452	280	386	351	246	302	281	..	370
All courts	677	810	412	654	546	401	627	568	..	591
Civil										
Supreme/federal courts	6 196	7 653	7 041	6 911	6 972	1 208	5 117	16 071	11 031	7 495
District/county courts	1 453	1 903	3 063	5 015	5 866	..	..	..	..	2 140
Magistrates' courts	146	469	846	1 140	2 571	337	686	4 780	..	324
All courts	398	886	1 741	2 188	4 085	670	1 328	7 516	11 031	921
Criminal and civil										
Supreme/federal courts	6 914	9 931	6 624	7 738	8 094	2 091	7 575	16 198	10 980	7 985
District/county courts	2 474	3 144	2 407	4 736	7 017	..	..	..	..	2 974
Magistrates' courts	284	458	323	521	465	259	414	504	..	355
All courts	524	841	538	973	829	456	851	1 007	11 031	709

<sup>a</sup> In-house revenue includes revenue earned by in-house providers of library, court reporting and civil bailiff services to external purchasers.

<sup>b</sup> To improve comparability across jurisdictions, payroll tax has been deducted from expenditure for NSW, Victoria, Queensland, SA, Tasmania and the NT.

.. Not applicable.

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Table 9A.19 Expenditure less in-house revenue per finalisation (1999-2000 dollars)<sup>a, b</sup>

	Year	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Cwlth	Total
<i>Criminal</i>											
Supreme courts	1999-2000	12 100	21 875	6 051	13 975	13 683	4 738	17 413	25 064	..	11 150
	1998-99	13 289	18 938	6 192	10 242	8 433	5 464	21 425	20 309	..	10 664
District/county courts	1999-2000	3 564	5 138	2 227	4 684	7 121	..	..	..	..	3 688
	1998-99	4 032	4 435	2 001	3 442	na	..	..	..	..	3 726
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000 <sup>c</sup>	673	312	134	281	73	87	231	288	..	211
	1998-99	767	323	244	325	94	na	159	381	..	325
All courts	1999-2000	987	569	450	484	179	145	483	586	..	478
	1998-99	1 055	553	360	459	na	na	426	710	..	497
<i>Civil</i>											
Supreme/federal courts	1999-2000	4 830	5 907	2 536	5 425	5 323	1 910	3 238	11 338	10 812	5 894
	1998-99	6 121	6 619	7 324	5 777	na	2 218	3 306	6 856	8 102	6 844
District/county courts	1999-2000	1 643	1 491	1 616	871	3 913	..	..	..	..	1 507
	1998-99	1 863	1 606	3 515	1 629	na	..	..	..	..	2 151
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000	391	144	287	774	229	510	539	1 634	..	287
	1998-99	297	329	218	476	200	na	397	1 665	..	305
All courts (excl. family courts)	1999-2000	922	302	633	1 174	553	1 030	1 009	2 937	10 812	794
	1998-99	810	625	552	1 082	na	na	906	2 752	8 102	900
Family courts	1999-2000	..	..	..	na	..	..	..	..	na	na
	1998-99	..	..	..	na	..	..	..	..	na	na
<i>Criminal and civil</i>											
Supreme/federal courts	1999-2000	5 560	8 322	3 396	6 572	6 795	2 924	5 367	15 927	10 766	6 626
	1998-99	6 896	8 733	6 759	6 394	na	3 199	5 607	11 907	8 102	7 467

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Table 9A.19 **Expenditure less in-house revenue per finalisation (1999-2000 dollars)<sup>a, b</sup>**

	<i>Year</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Cwlth</i>	<i>Total</i>
District/county courts	1999-2000	2 519	2 647	1 964	1 748	5 314	..	..	..	..	2 400
	1998-99	2 764	2 662	2 368	2 179	na	..	..	..	..	2 876
Magistrates' courts	1999-2000 <sup>c</sup>	561	215	150	374	91	102	319	470	..	229
	1998-99	569	325	238	357	114	na	229	504	..	319
All courts (excl. family courts)	1999-2000 <sup>c</sup>	959	412	257	667	168	195	652	941	10 766	586
	1998-99	945	581	402	624	na	na	584	947	8 102	621

<sup>a</sup> In-house revenue includes revenue earned by in-house providers of library, court reporting and civil bailiff services to external purchasers.

<sup>b</sup> To improve comparability across jurisdictions, payroll tax has been deducted from expenditure for NSW, Victoria, Queensland, SA, Tasmania and the NT.

<sup>c</sup> Includes finalisations of electronic courts for Queensland and SA.

na Not available.

.. Not applicable.



Table 9A.20 Treatment of assets by court administration agencies

		<i>Federal Court of Australia</i>	<i>Family Court of Australia</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld<sup>a</sup></i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas<sup>b</sup></i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT<sup>c</sup></i>
Revaluation method <sup>d</sup>	Land	Deprival	Deprival	Deprival or market	na	Deprival	Market	Deprival	Deprival	na	..
	Buildings	Deprival	Deprival	DRC	na	Deprival	Market	Deprival	Deprival	na	..
	Other assets	Deprival	Deprival	na	na	Deprival	..	Deprival	Deprival	na	..
Frequency of revaluations	Land, buildings	3 years	3 years	5 years	5 years	5 years	na	3 years	5 years	5 years	..
	Other assets	3 years	3 years	..	..	..	na	3 years	5 years	5 years	..
Useful asset lives <sup>e, f</sup>	Buildings	na	na	40 years	40 years	50 years	40–50 years	60 years	50 years	na	..
	General equip.	na	na	5–16 years	5–10 years	3–7 years	5–10 years	2–10 years	5–20 years	na	..
	IT equipment	4 years	4 years	4 years	3-5 years	3 years	3-10 years	5–10 years	na	na	..
	Office equipment	8 years	8–10 years	4–10 years	10 years	5 years	5–10 years	10 years	na	na	..
	Vehicles	na	na	na	5 years	5 years	2-8 years	na	10 years	na	..
	Library material	80 years	80 years	10 years	na	Infinite	na	Infinite	na	na	..
	Buildings	2 000	2 000	na	na	2 000	1 000	1 000	5 000	2 000	..
	IT equipment	1 500	1 500	na	na	2 000	1 000	1 000	5 000	2 000	..
	Other assets	2 000	2 000	3 000	3 000	2 000	1 000	1 000	5 000	2 000	..

<sup>a</sup> Recognition threshold for revaluation of assets is \$500 000.

<sup>b</sup> Declining balance method of depreciation used in contrast to the straight-line method used by other jurisdictions.

Table 9A.20 **Treatment of assets by court administration agencies**

	<i>Federal Court of Australia</i>	<i>Family Court of Australia</i>	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld<sup>a</sup></i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas<sup>b</sup></i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT<sup>c</sup></i>
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<sup>c</sup> Services currently report under cash based accounting.

<sup>d</sup> DRC is the depreciated replacement cost; market value is the current (net) value market selling price or exchange value; and deprival value may be either the DRC of an asset of a similar service potential or the stream of its future economic benefits. For some jurisdictions, office equipment includes furniture and fittings.

<sup>e</sup> Estimated as 1/depreciation rate.

<sup>f</sup> Asset lives for some assets have been grouped with other classifications. For some jurisdictions, IT equipment includes software.

Table 9A.21 Summary of differences in State and Territory courts' jurisdiction levels

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>
<i>Criminal</i>								
Magistrates' Court <sup>a</sup>	Some family law matters		Matters with a maximum penalty of up to three years imprisonment, including some indictable offences dealt with summarily		Matters with a maximum penalty of up to two years imprisonment		Matters with a maximum penalty of up to 10 years imprisonment	Some drug charges
	Juvenile prosecutions				Juvenile prosecutions		Matters relating to money or other property with a maximum penalty of up to 14 years imprisonment	Some fraud charges
					Intervention orders (including breaches)			Matters with a maximum penalty of up to 10 years imprisonment; matters with maximum penalty of 10–14 years imprisonment
District/County Court <sup>b</sup>						..	..	..
Supreme Court <sup>c</sup>								Some matters with a maximum term of more than 10 years imprisonment; all matters with a maximum term of 14 years or more; property damage over \$5000
<i>Civil</i>								
Magistrates' Court	Up to \$40 000 for monetary damages	Up to \$40 000 for monetary damages	Small claims (includes Residential Tenancy Disputes) up to \$7500	<u>Local Courts Act</u> claims for recovery of debt up to \$25 000	Small claims up to \$5000		Small claims up to \$10 000	Up to \$100 000
	Some family law matters	Applications for equitable relief;	Minor debt claims up to \$7500;	Small disputes up to \$3000;	Commercial cases up to \$30 000;		Worker's compensation;	Worker's compensation

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	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>
		applications under the Crimes ( <i>Family Violence</i> ) Act 1987	other claims up to \$50 000	residential tenancy disputes up to \$6000	personal injury claims up to \$60 000		some family law matters;  other claims up to \$50 000 <i>Domestic Relations Act</i>	
District/County Court	Up to \$750 000  Unlimited in motor accident cases	Liquidated damages up to \$200 000  Appeals under the Crimes ( <i>Family Violence</i> ) Act 1987; unlimited for compensation resulting from injury or death; adoption matters; change of name applications	Between \$50 000 and \$250 000	Up to \$250 000  Unlimited for personal injuries	Unlimited for general and personal injury matters	..	..	..
Supreme Court	Unlimited	Unlimited	Over \$250 000  Administrative law matters	Unlimited	General claims of more than \$30 000; personal injury claims of more than \$60 000 arising from motor vehicle accidents;  possession of property of value more than \$60 000; interpleader of property of value more than \$60 000; cases for lower amounts at cost penalty;	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited  Mental health, family law and <i>Coroner's Act</i> applications

<sup>a</sup> All State and Territory magistrates' courts have jurisdiction over summary criminal matters (such as wilful damage to property and shoplifting) and committal proceedings for serious criminal matters.

<sup>b</sup> All State and Territory district/county courts have jurisdiction over indictable criminal matters such as rape and armed robbery (except for murder and treason) and appeals from magistrates' courts.

<sup>c</sup> All State and Territory supreme courts have jurisdiction over serious criminal matters such as murder, treason and certain serious drug offences.

Table 9A.21 **Summary of differences in State and Territory courts' jurisdiction levels**

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>
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Sources : State and Territory court administration authorities and departments.