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Do We Need A Police Force in NSW?

The following is the Annual Police Report for 2022 - 2023. We have summarized our findings. Please Read it and let us know what you think.

Summary 2023 Police Report

The NSW Police produces a performance report yearly. It is written by the Police Commissioner in Charge during that period. This year the Police Commissioner is Karen Web.   In her 2023 Introduction she has been quoted as stating, " The past reporting year (2022-2023) has seen the organization deliver many key projects and initiatives in line with the Corporate Plan, 'Our Focus, Our Future' that forms my vision of a safer NSW.

Our Focus, Our Future reinforces our purpose to work with the community to reduce violence, crime and fear and will enable us to adapt to complex and changing operating environments."

Commission Karen Webb

Organisation

Police Charter
The NSW Police Force operates under the Police Act 1990 and the Police Regulation 2015. At the end of 2022-23, the NSW Police Force had 21,129 employees: 17,062 police officers and 4,067 administrative officers. It serves more than eight million people – approximately 32% of Australia's total population.
In the 2022-23 financial year, the NSW Government funding contributions to the NSW Police Force were over five billion dollars.

Police Aim and Objectives
The NSW Police Force vision is 'a safer NSW' and our mission is to work with the community to reduce violence, crime and fear. The NSW Police Force Statement of Strategic Intent describes our organisational priorities and outlines how we intend to build safer communities.

We prevent crime, maintain public safety and engage the community through our focus on:

• Prevention: We safeguard and strengthen individuals, communities, assets and infrastructure to deter crime, improve personal safety and build resilience. We intervene early for at-risk

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individuals and groups to limit escalation, minimise harm and positively influence behavior. We divert minor offenders and at-risk groups – such as young people and Aboriginal people – to reduce re-offending and avoid unnecessary contact with the criminal justice system.

• Disruption: We interrupt criminal behavior to break criminal networks and bring offenders to justice.

• Response: We deliver professional policing services to maintain community confidence.

• Capability: We develop capable and resilient people to maximise performance. We build effective systems to future-proof our service delivery. We enhance leadership to build an agile and innovative organisation.

In her report for the year 2023 she reported the following:

Key: the bold text at the margins represents synthesis of the information in real numbers. Are the numbers correct?

As you read the Commissioner's Detailed Report, please as yourself the following three questions. The first question I would ask you is how accurate is this data? Please filter this information with your own experiences and of those whom you know and then determine whether we need a Police Force or something else.

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The second question I would ask is "**how effective is the Police Services in fulfilling their Police Charter**"?

The last question I ask is "**our Policing Force worth the 5+ billion dollars that we are expending and are we getting our monies worth in terms of useful services**"?

Keep in mind these important facts!

In 2020, NSW Police had 21,455 employees – 17,348 police officers and 4,107 support staff, 432 police stations, 3,300 vehicles, 52 boats, 9 aircraft and a budget of AUD $4.8 billion. It is organized into police area commands (PACs) in metropolitan areas, police districts (PDs) in rural areas and specialist commands. Review again the true number for the volume of crime that occurs within the NSW borders.

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STATE OUTCOMES: SAFER COMMUNITIES

Crime reported per 100,000 population

Incident category	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2022-23 compared to previous year
Stable or falling reported DV assault (involving grievous bodily harm)	4.5	4.6	4.9	4.4	4.2[1]	▼
Stable or falling reported violent crime	1,013.9	1,003.6	1,037.3	950.7	1,058.5[1]	▲
Stable or falling reported property crime*	2,034.2	1,818.9	1,529.8	1,376.0	1,569.3[1]	▲

Source: NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics & Research

* Property crime rates does not include fraud incidents.
[1] NSW BOCSAR data available to 31 March 2023. Rate calculated for 12 months to 31 March 2023

Editor's Notes

344.4 Reports

86,756 Reports

128,683.42 Reports

Indicator (%)	2019-20 lower-upper limit		2020-21 lower-upper limit		2021-22 lower-upper limit		2022-23 lower-upper limit		State Outcome Target ≥ 61%
People who feel safe walking alone in their neighbourhood at night	58.8	67.0	62.3	70.3	60.1	68.3	61.1	69.1	

National Survey of Community Satisfaction with Policing

Violent Crime

Incident category	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2022-23 compared to previous year
Assault – domestic violence related	30,568	31,872	32,925	31,775	34,017	▲
Assault – non-domestic violence related	31,804	30,210	30,985	27,666	31,707	▲
Sexual assault	5,873	6,527	7,937	6,967	7,809	▲
Sexual touching, sexual act and other sexual offences	8,060	7,967	8,225	6,962	7,465	▲
Robbery	2,553	2,322	2,124	1,530	1,883	▲

Source: NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics & Research
[1] NSW BOCSAR data available to 31 March 2023. 2022-2023 figures represent 12 months to 31 March 2023.
Note: A non-domestic violence assault is any assault that does not have an associated factor of domestic violence

Thank you for Reading!