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FAMILY CONFERENCES

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TABLE 3.1 Case referrals finalised by the Family Conference Team: sex by most serious outcome

Outcome	Males		Females		Unknown		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
'Successful' conference								
Undertaking	965	77.6	252	69.2	0	0	1,217	75.7
Formal caution	131	10.5	50	13.7	0	0	181	11.3
No action*	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Sub-total	1,096	88.1	302	82.9	0	0	1,398	87.0
Conference held, not 'successful'								
Youth disagrees/police disagrees	1	0.1	0	0.0	0	0	1	0.1
Youth elects court	9	0.7	8	2.2	0	0	17	1.1
No admission	13	1.0	6	1.6	0	0	19	1.2
Sub-total	23	1.8	14	3.8	0	0	37	2.4
Conference held, case not proceeded with								
	1	0.1	1	0.3	0	0	2	0.1
Conference not held								
Case not proceeded with	7	0.6	1	0.3	0	0	8	0.5
No admission/elects court	8	0.6	4	1.1	0	0	12	0.7
Non-appearance of youth	53	4.3	25	6.9	0	0	78	4.9
Unable to locate youth	55	4.4	17	4.7	0	0	72	4.5
Sub-total	123	9.9	47	13.0	0	0	170	10.6
Total	1,243	100.0	364	100.0	0	0	1,607	100.0

Case referrals relate only to those referrals which were finalised during the calendar year. Cases which were still being processed have not been included. Prior to 1997, *Crime and Justice* reports did not include cases where the conference was held but either there was no admission or the case was not proceeded with. Nor did they report on cases where a conference was not actually held. (See Appendix for more details.) * Prior to 2000, some outcomes now recorded as a 'formal caution' were listed under 'no action'. As well, there was a different recording practice for those cases where the matter was re-referred to a conference after having been initially referred back to the police because the young person could not be located. For further information, see the Appendix.

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TABLE 3.2 Case referrals finalised by the Family Conference Team: racial identity and sex by most serious outcome

Outcome	Aboriginal				Non-Aboriginal				Unknown				Total
	Male	Female	Unknown	Total	Male	Female	Unknown	Total	Male	Female	Unknown	Total	
'Successful' conference													
Undertaking	118	64	0	182	846	188	0	1,034	1	0	0	1	1,217
Formal caution	28	15	0	43	103	35	0	138	0	0	0	0	181
No action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sub-total	146	79	0	225	949	223	0	1,172	1	0	0	1	1,398
Conference held, not 'successful'													
Youth disagrees/police disagrees	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Youth elects court	2	0	0	2	7	8	0	15	0	0	0	0	17
No admission	1	1	0	2	12	5	0	17	0	0	0	0	19
Sub-total	3	1	0	4	20	13	0	33	0	0	0	0	37
Conference held, case not proceeded with	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
Conference not held													
Case not proceeded with	0	0	0	0	7	1	0	8	0	0	0	0	8
No admission/elects court	2	0	0	2	6	4	0	10	0	0	0	0	12
Non-appearance of youth	21	12	0	33	32	13	0	45	0	0	0	0	78
Unable to locate youth	19	8	0	27	36	9	0	45	0	0	0	0	72
Sub-total	42	20	0	62	81	27	0	108	0	0	0	0	170
Total	191	101	0	292	1,051	263	0	1,314	1	0	0	1	1,607

Racial identity is, in the first instance, derived from police apprehension reports which record the opinion of the apprehending police officer as to the appearance of the apprehended person. If "race" is missing from the police file sent to them, the Family Conference Team will add this information where possible. They may also amend police entries which they consider to be incorrect. Prior to 1997, Crime and Justice reports did not include cases where the conference was held but either there was no admission or the case was not proceeded with. Nor did they report on cases where a conference was not actually held. (See Appendix for more details.) See footnote for Table 3.1 for details of changes to the practice of recording some outcomes.

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TABLE 3.3a Case referrals finalised by the Family Conference Team: most serious outcome by major offence alleged where a conference was held

Offence group	Completed conference			Not completed conference			Case not proceeded with	Total	
	Undertaking	Formal caution	No action	Youth disagrees	Youth elects court	No admission		No.	%
Offences against the person (excl. sexual offences)									
- Homicide *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Serious assault *	51	2	0	0	1	0	0	54	3.8
- Other assault *	126	31	0	1	2	7	0	167	11.6
- Offences against the person - miscellaneous *	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	1.0
Sexual offences	10	1	0	0	0	1	0	12	0.8
Robbery and extortion									
- Armed robbery*	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0.1
- Unarmed robbery and extortion*	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0.2
Criminal trespass	208	10	0	0	2	0	0	220	15.3
Fraud and misappropriation	13	1	0	0	0	0	0	14	1.0
Larceny and receiving									
- Receiving/unlawful possession	36	9	0	0	0	0	0	45	3.1
- Larceny/illegal use of vehicle (motor and other)	114	12	0	0	3	1	0	130	9.0
- Interfere with a motor vehicle	10	3	0	0	1	0	0	14	1.0
- Larceny from a motor vehicle	17	2	0	0	1	1	0	21	1.5
- Larceny from shops	122	7	0	0	2	2	0	133	9.3
- Larceny – miscellaneous*	69	4	0	0	1	1	0	75	5.2
Damage property and environmental offences	190	12	0	0	3	2	2	209	14.5
Offences against good order									
- Hinder/resist police	23	5	0	0	0	1	0	29	2.0
- Unlawful possession and/or use of weapons*	16	5	0	0	0	0	0	21	1.5
- Disorderly/offensive behaviour	29	9	0	0	0	0	0	38	2.6
- Indecent/offensive language	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0.1
- Graffiti and related offences	50	8	0	0	0	2	0	60	4.2
- Public order offences - miscellaneous *	63	46	0	0	1	0	0	110	7.7
Drug offences	23	5	0	0	0	0	0	28	1.9
Driving offences									
- Drink driving offences *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Dangerous, reckless, or negligent driving	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.1
- Driving while licence suspended or cancelled	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Other driving/traffic offences	14	5	0	0	0	1	0	20	1.4
Other offences	10	4	0	0	0	0	0	14	1.0
Total	1,217	181	0	1	17	19	2	1,437	100.0

*For details of the offences contained in these categories refer to Appendix. (Prior to 1997, *Crime and Justice* reports did not include these categories.)

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TABLE 3.3b Case referrals finalised by the Family Conference Team: major offence alleged where a conference was not held

Offence group	Case not proceeded with	No admission/ elects court	Non-appearance of youth	Unable to locate youth	Total	
					No.	%
Offences against the person (excl. sexual offences)						
- Homicide *	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Serious assault *	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Other assault *	0	5	7	11	23	13.5
- Offences against the person - miscellaneous *	0	0	1	1	2	1.2
Sexual offences	0	0	1	0	1	0.6
Robbery and extortion						
- Armed robbery*	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Unarmed robbery and extortion*	0	0	0	0	0	0
Criminal trespass	2	2	8	10	22	12.9
Fraud and misappropriation	0	0	0	1	1	0.6
Larceny and receiving						
- Receiving/unlawful possession	1	0	3	5	9	5.3
- Larceny/illegal use of vehicle (motor and other)	1	0	4	4	9	5.3
- Interfere with a motor vehicle	0	0	1	1	2	1.2
- Larceny from a motor vehicle	0	0	2	0	2	1.2
- Larceny from shops	0	0	16	7	23	13.5
- Larceny - miscellaneous*	0	0	8	3	11	6.5
Damage property and environmental offences	1	2	11	8	22	12.9
Offences against good order						
- Hinder/resist police	0	0	0	1	1	0.6
- Unlawful possession and/or use of weapons*	0	0	1	1	2	1.2
- Disorderly/offensive behaviour	1	0	0	4	5	2.9
- Indecent/offensive language	0	0	1	0	1	0.6
- Graffiti and related offences	0	0	1	1	2	1.2
- Public order offences - miscellaneous *	1	2	7	6	16	9.4
Drug offences	0	0	3	2	5	2.9
Driving offences						
- Drink driving offences *	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Dangerous, reckless, or negligent driving	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Driving while licence suspended or cancelled	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Other driving/traffic offences	0	1	1	4	6	3.5
Other offences	1	0	2	2	5	2.9
Total	8	12	78	72	170	100.0

*For details of the offences contained in these categories refer to Appendix.

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TABLE 3.3c Case referrals finalised by the Family Conference Team: major offence alleged for all referrals

Offence group	No.	Total	%
Offences against the person (excl. sexual offences)			
- Homicide *	0		0
- Serious assault *	54		3.4
- Other assault *	190		11.8
- Offences against the person - miscellaneous *	17		1.1
Sexual offences	13		0.8
Robbery and extortion			
- Armed robbery*	2		0.1
- Unarmed robbery and extortion*	3		0.2
Criminal trespass	242		15.1
Fraud and misappropriation	15		0.9
Larceny and receiving			
- Receiving/unlawful possession	54		3.4
- Larceny/illegal use of vehicle (motor and other)	139		8.6
- Interfere with a motor vehicle	16		1.0
- Larceny from a motor vehicle	23		1.4
- Larceny from shops	156		9.7
- Larceny – miscellaneous*	86		5.4
Damage property and environmental offences	231		14.4
Offences against good order			
- Hinder/resist police	30		1.9
- Unlawful possession and/or use of weapons*	23		1.4
- Disorderly/offensive behaviour	43		2.7
- Indecent/offensive language	3		0.2
- Graffiti and related offences	62		3.9
- Public order offences - miscellaneous *	126		7.8
Drug offences	33		2.1
Driving offences			
- Drink driving offences *	0		0
- Dangerous, reckless, or negligent driving	1		0.1
- Driving while licence suspended or cancelled	0		0
- Other driving/traffic offences	26		1.6
Other offences	19		1.2
Total	1,607		100.0

Case referrals relate only to those referrals which were finalised during the calendar year. Cases which were still being processed have not been included.

* For details of the offences contained in these categories refer to Appendix.

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TABLE 3.4a Cases dealt with at a family conference: age by major offence alleged against males

Offence group	Males									Total No.	Total %
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	Unknown		
Offences against the person (excl. sexual offences)											
- Homicide *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Serious assault *	0	0	1	6	3	14	16	8	0	48	4.3
- Other assault *	1	5	7	10	10	30	21	22	0	106	9.5
- Offences against the person - miscellaneous *	0	0	2	3	0	2	2	6	0	15	1.3
Sexual offences	0	2	2	2	0	2	1	2	0	11	1.0
Robbery and extortion											
- Armed robbery*	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0.1
- Unarmed robbery and extortion*	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0.2
Criminal trespass	6	14	5	31	32	43	32	19	0	182	16.3
Fraud and misappropriation	0	0	0	0	4	0	3	0	0	7	0.6
Larceny and receiving											
- Receiving/unlawful possession	0	0	1	4	4	7	8	7	0	31	2.8
- Larceny/illegal use of vehicle (motor and other)	0	2	6	12	18	28	25	21	0	112	10.0
- Interfere with a motor vehicle	0	0	0	2	3	2	5	1	0	13	1.2
- Larceny from a motor vehicle	0	1	1	2	3	0	6	7	0	20	1.8
- Larceny from shops	0	6	9	17	9	16	14	8	0	79	7.1
- Larceny – miscellaneous*	1	2	3	7	8	7	12	16	0	56	5.0
Damage property and environmental offences	7	8	14	27	32	15	30	38	0	171	15.3
Offences against good order											
- Hinder/resist police	0	0	0	0	4	0	7	11	0	22	2.0
- Unlawful possession and/or use of weapons*	0	0	0	1	1	5	6	7	0	20	1.8
- Disorderly/offensive behaviour	0	0	0	4	2	10	5	7	0	28	2.5
- Indecent/offensive language	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	0.2
- Graffiti and related offences	0	0	0	6	8	14	14	15	0	57	5.1
- Public order offences - miscellaneous *	0	4	5	5	13	9	19	28	0	83	7.4
Drug offences	0	0	1	2	7	2	8	5	0	25	2.2
Driving offences											
- Drink driving offences *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Dangerous, reckless, or negligent driving	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.1
- Driving while licence suspended or cancelled	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Other driving/traffic offences	0	0	1	1	6	4	1	2	0	15	1.3
Other offences	0	0	3	1	1	4	4	0	0	13	1.2
Total	15	44	61	144	169	215	241	231	0	1,120	100.0

* For details of the offences contained in these categories refer to Appendix. This table does not include cases in the category of 'Conference not held' as detailed in Tables 3.1 – 3.3. See Appendix for more details. Age is at date of offence.

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TABLE 3.4b Cases dealt with at a family conference: age by major offence alleged against females

Offence group	Females									Total No.	Total %
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	Unknown		
Offences against the person (excl. sexual offences)											
- Homicide *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Serious assault *	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	6	1.9
- Other assault *	0	1	2	7	12	19	8	12	0	61	19.2
- Offences against the person - miscellaneous *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual offences	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0.3
Robbery and extortion											
- Armed robbery*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0.3
- Unarmed robbery and extortion*	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0.3
Criminal trespass	1	2	5	5	11	6	3	5	0	38	12.0
Fraud and misappropriation	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	3	0	7	2.2
Larceny and receiving									0		
- Receiving/unlawful possession	0	0	0	3	1	1	4	5	0	14	4.4
- Larceny/illegal use of vehicle (motor and other)	0	1	1	0	6	4	4	2	0	18	5.7
- Interfere with a motor vehicle	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0.3
- Larceny from a motor vehicle	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0.3
- Larceny from shops	0	0	1	9	8	17	12	7	0	54	17.0
- Larceny – miscellaneous*	0	2	0	5	6	1	1	4	0	19	6.0
Damage property and environmental offences	0	2	3	12	4	5	7	5	0	38	12.0
Offences against good order											
- Hinder/resist police	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	2	1	7	2.2
- Unlawful possession and/or use of weapons*	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0.3
- Disorderly/offensive behaviour	0	0	0	0	3	2	3	2	0	10	3.2
- Indecent/offensive language	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Graffiti and related offences	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	3	0.9
- Public order offences - miscellaneous *	0	1	3	2	4	3	9	5	0	27	8.5
Drug offences	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	0.9
Driving offences											
- Drink driving offences *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Dangerous, reckless, or negligent driving	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Driving while licence suspended or cancelled	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Other driving/traffic offences	0	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	5	1.6
Other offences	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0.3
Total	1	9	17	45	70	61	57	56	1	317	100.0

* For details of the offences contained in these categories refer to Appendix. This table does not include cases in the category of 'Conference not held' as detailed in Tables 3.1 – 3.3. See Appendix for more details.
Age is at date of offence.

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TABLE 3.4c Cases dealt with at a family conference: age by major offence alleged against all persons

Offence group	Total									Total No.	%
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	Unknown		
Offences against the person (excl. sexual offences)											
- Homicide *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Serious assault *	0	0	1	6	6	14	16	11	0	54	3.8
- Other assault *	1	6	9	17	22	49	29	34	0	167	11.6
- Offences against the person - miscellaneous *	0	0	2	3	0	2	2	6	0	15	1.0
Sexual offences	0	2	2	2	1	2	1	2	0	12	0.8
Robbery and extortion											
- Armed robbery*	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	0.1
- Unarmed robbery and extortion*	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	3	0.2
Criminal trespass	7	16	10	36	43	49	35	24	0	220	15.3
Fraud and misappropriation	0	0	0	0	4	0	7	3	0	14	1.0
Larceny and receiving											
- Receiving/unlawful possession	0	0	1	7	5	8	12	12	0	45	3.1
- Larceny/illegal use of vehicle (motor and other)	0	3	7	12	24	32	29	23	0	130	9.0
- Interfere with a motor vehicle	0	0	0	2	4	2	5	1	0	14	1.0
- Larceny from a motor vehicle	0	1	1	2	4	0	6	7	0	21	1.5
- Larceny from shops	0	6	10	26	17	33	26	15	0	133	9.3
- Larceny – miscellaneous*	1	4	3	12	14	8	13	20	0	75	5.2
Damage property and environmental offences	7	10	17	39	36	20	37	43	0	209	14.5
Offences against good order											
- Hinder/resist police	0	0	0	1	6	1	7	13	1	29	2.0
- Unlawful possession and/or use of weapons*	0	0	0	1	2	5	6	7	0	21	1.5
- Disorderly/offensive behaviour	0	0	0	4	5	12	8	9	0	38	2.6
- Indecent/offensive language	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	0.1
- Graffiti and related offences	0	0	0	7	10	14	14	15	0	60	4.2
- Public order offences - miscellaneous *	0	5	8	7	17	12	28	33	0	110	7.7
Drug offences	0	0	3	2	7	3	8	5	0	28	1.9
Driving offences											
- Drink driving offences *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Dangerous, reckless, or negligent driving	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.1
- Driving while licence suspended or cancelled	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Other driving/traffic offences	0	0	1	1	9	5	2	2	0	20	1.4
Other offences	0	0	3	1	1	4	5	0	0	14	1.0
Total	16	53	78	189	239	276	298	287	1	1,437	100.0

* For details of the offences contained in these categories refer to Appendix. This table does not include cases in the category of 'Conference not held' as detailed in Tables 3.1 – 3.3. See Appendix for more details. Age is at date of offence.

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TABLE 3.5a Cases dealt with at a family conference: age by major offence alleged against Aboriginal persons

Offence group	Aboriginal									Total No.	%
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	Unknown		
Offences against the person (excl. sexual offences)											
- Homicide *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Serious assault *	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	3	1.3
- Other assault *	1	0	2	5	2	9	6	4	0	29	12.6
- Offences against the person - miscellaneous *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual offences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery and extortion											
- Armed robbery*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Unarmed robbery and extortion*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Criminal trespass	5	4	6	5	11	7	4	1	0	43	18.7
Fraud and misappropriation	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0.4
Larceny and receiving											
- Receiving/unlawful possession	0	0	1	5	0	2	0	0	0	8	3.5
- Larceny/illegal use of vehicle (motor and other)	0	1	1	4	9	5	3	1	0	24	10.4
- Interfere with a motor vehicle	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	3	1.3
- Larceny from a motor vehicle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Larceny from shops	0	2	3	6	5	5	1	1	0	23	10.0
- Larceny – miscellaneous*	0	0	1	7	4	0	0	1	0	13	5.7
Damage property and environmental offences	2	5	2	13	4	3	3	2	0	34	14.8
Offences against good order											
- Hinder/resist police	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.4
- Unlawful possession and/or use of weapons*	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	4	1.7
- Disorderly/offensive behaviour	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	4	0	8	3.5
- Indecent/offensive language	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Graffiti and related offences	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	3	1.3
- Public order offences - miscellaneous *	0	1	3	3	5	3	4	3	0	22	9.6
Drug offences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Driving offences											
- Drink driving offences *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Dangerous, reckless, or negligent driving	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Driving while licence suspended or cancelled	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Other driving/traffic offences	0	0	1	1	3	1	0	0	0	6	2.6
Other offences	0	0	1	1	0	2	1	0	0	5	2.2
Total	8	13	21	54	47	42	27	17	1	230	100.0

* For details of the offences contained in these categories refer to Appendix. Age is at date of offence. This table does not include cases in the category of 'Conference not held' as detailed in Tables 3.1 – 3.3. Racial identity is, in the first instance, derived from police apprehension reports which record the opinion of the apprehending police officer as to the appearance of the apprehended person. If "race" is missing from the police file sent to them, the Family Conference Team will add this information where possible. They may also amend police entries which they consider to be incorrect.

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TABLE 3.5b Cases dealt with at a family conference: age by major offence alleged against non-Aboriginal persons

Offence group	Non-Aboriginal									Total No.	%
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	Unknown		
Offences against the person (excl. sexual offences)											
- Homicide *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Serious assault *	0	0	1	6	5	13	15	11	0	51	4.2
- Other assault *	0	6	7	12	20	40	23	30	0	138	11.4
- Offences against the person - miscellaneous *	0	0	2	3	0	2	2	6	0	15	1.2
Sexual offences	0	2	2	2	1	2	1	2	0	12	1.0
Robbery and extortion											
- Armed robbery*	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	0.2
- Unarmed robbery and extortion*	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	3	0.2
Criminal trespass	2	12	4	31	32	42	31	22	0	176	14.6
Fraud and misappropriation	0	0	0	0	4	0	6	3	0	13	1.1
Larceny and receiving											
- Receiving/unlawful possession	0	0	0	2	5	6	12	12	0	37	3.1
- Larceny/illegal use of vehicle (motor and other)	0	2	6	8	15	27	26	22	0	106	8.8
- Interfere with a motor vehicle	0	0	0	0	3	2	5	1	0	11	0.9
- Larceny from a motor vehicle	0	1	1	2	4	0	6	7	0	21	1.7
- Larceny from shops	0	4	7	20	12	28	25	14	0	110	9.1
- Larceny - miscellaneous*	1	4	2	5	10	8	13	19	0	62	5.1
Damage property and environmental offences	5	5	15	26	32	17	34	41	0	175	14.5
Offences against good order											
- Hinder/resist police	0	0	0	1	6	1	7	13	0	28	2.3
- Unlawful possession and/or use of weapons*	0	0	0	1	2	2	5	7	0	17	1.4
- Disorderly/offensive behaviour	0	0	0	3	4	12	6	5	0	30	2.5
- Indecent/offensive language	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	0.2
- Graffiti and related offences	0	0	0	6	9	13	14	15	0	57	4.7
- Public order offences - miscellaneous *	0	4	5	4	12	9	24	30	0	88	7.3
Drug offences	0	0	3	2	7	3	8	5	0	28	2.3
Driving offences											
- Drink driving offences *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Dangerous, reckless, or negligent driving	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.1
- Driving while licence suspended or cancelled	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Other driving/traffic offences	0	0	0	0	6	4	2	2	0	14	1.2
Other offences	0	0	2	0	1	2	4	0	0	9	0.7
Total	8	40	57	135	192	234	271	269	0	1,206	100.0

* For details of the offences contained in these categories refer to Appendix. This table does not include cases in the category of 'Conference not held' as detailed in Tables 3.1 – 3.3. See Appendix for more details. See definition of racial identity inserted under Table 3.5a. Age is at date of offence.

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TABLE 3.5c Cases dealt with at a family conference: age by major offence alleged against persons for whom racial identity was not recorded

Offence group	Racial identity not recorded									Total
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	Unknown	
Offences against the person (excl. sexual offences)										
- Homicide *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Serious assault *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Other assault *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Offences against the person - miscellaneous *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual offences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery and extortion										
- Armed robbery*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Unarmed robbery and extortion*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Criminal trespass	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Fraud and misappropriation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Larceny and receiving										
- Receiving/unlawful possession	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Larceny/illegal use of vehicle (motor and other)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Interfere with a motor vehicle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Larceny from a motor vehicle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Larceny from shops	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Larceny - miscellaneous*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Damage property and environmental offences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Offences against good order										
- Hinder/resist police	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Unlawful possession and/or use of weapons*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Disorderly/offensive behaviour	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Indecent/offensive language	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Graffiti and related offences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Public order offences - miscellaneous *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug offences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Driving offences										
- Drink driving offences *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Dangerous, reckless, or negligent driving	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Driving while licence suspended or cancelled	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Other driving/traffic offences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other offences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1

* For details of the offences contained in these categories refer to Appendix. This table does not include cases in the category of 'Conference not held' as detailed in Tables 3.1 – 3.3. See appendix for more details. See definition of racial identity inserted under Table 3.5a. Age is at date of offence.

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TABLE 3.6 Cases dealt with at a family conference: sex and age by racial identity

Racial identity	Males									Total
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	Unknown	
Aboriginal	7	12	13	36	27	31	12	11	0	149
Non-Aboriginal	8	32	48	108	142	184	229	219	0	970
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Total	15	44	61	144	169	215	241	231	0	1,120

Racial identity	Females									Total
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	Unknown	
Aboriginal	1	1	8	18	20	11	15	6	1	81
Non-Aboriginal	0	8	9	27	50	50	42	50	0	236
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	1	9	17	45	70	61	57	56	1	317

Racial identity	Total									Total
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	Unknown	
Aboriginal	8	13	21	54	47	42	27	17	1	230
Non-Aboriginal	8	40	57	135	192	234	271	269	0	1,206
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Total	16	53	78	189	239	276	298	287	1	1,437

This table does not include cases in the category of 'Conference not held' as detailed in Tables 3.1 – 3.3. See Appendix for more details.
Age is at date of offence. See definition of racial identity inserted under Table 3.5a.

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TABLE 3.7 Cases dealt with at a family conference: sex by number of offences alleged

Number of offences	Male	Female	Unknown	Total	
				No.	%
One	589	196	0	785	54.6
Two	321	69	0	390	27.1
Three	107	33	0	140	9.7
Four	51	9	0	60	4.2
Five	24	3	0	27	1.9
6 to 10	28	7	0	35	2.4
11 to 15	0	0	0	0	0.0
Total	1,120	317	0	1,437	100.0

This table does not include cases in the category of 'Conference not held' as detailed in Tables 3.1 – 3.3. See Appendix for more details.

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TABLE 3.8 Cases dealt with at a family conference: racial identity by number of offences alleged

Number of offences	Aboriginal		Non-Aboriginal		Unknown
	No.	%	No.	%	No.
One	141	61.4	644	53.4	0
Two	56	24.3	333	27.7	1
Three	18	7.8	122	10.1	0
Four	9	3.9	51	4.2	0
Five	3	1.3	24	2.0	0
6 to 10	3	1.3	32	2.6	0
11 to 15	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Total	230	100.0	1,206	100.0	1

This table does not include cases in the category of 'Conference not held' as detailed in Tables 3.1 – 3.3. See Appendix for more details.
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TABLE 3.9 Cases dealt with at a family conference where an undertaking was agreed to: sex by proportion involving an apology/compensation/community work/other condition

Male											
	Apology		Letter of Regret		Compensation		Community Work		Other		
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
Yes	211	21.9	476	49.3	237	24.6	267	27.7	658	68.2	
No	754	78.1	489	50.7	728	75.4	698	72.3	307	31.8	
Total	965	100.0	965	100.0	965	100.0	965	100.0	965	100.0	

Female											
	Apology		Letter of Regret		Compensation		Community Work		Other		
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
Yes	43	17.1	117	46.4	42	16.7	43	17.1	174	69.0	
No	209	82.9	135	53.6	210	83.3	209	82.9	78	31.0	
Total	252	100.0	252	100.0	252	100.0	252	100.0	252	100.0	

Total											
	Apology		Letter of Regret		Compensation		Community Work		Other		
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
Yes	254	20.9	593	48.7	279	22.9	310	25.5	832	68.4	
No	963	79.1	624	51.3	938	77.1	907	74.5	385	31.6	
Total	1,217	100.0	1,217	100.0	1,217	100.0	1,217	100.0	1,217	100.0	

See Appendix for an explanation of the counting rules used.

Prior to 2002, apologies included both verbal and written apologies. However, following a review of the Young Offenders Act, 1993 by the Chief Justice, this was changed. A 'letter of regret' was introduced, which was deemed the same as a written apology for processing purposes. Verbal apologies can still occur, but are now regarded as different from the 'letters of regret'. Because this change was not introduced until mid 2002, 'letters of regret' were combined with verbal apologies in previous reports. The 2003 report is the first time they have been reported on separately.

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TABLE 3.10 Cases dealt with at a family conference where an undertaking was agreed to: racial identity by proportion involving an apology/compensation/community work/other condition

Aboriginal											
	Apology		Letter of Regret		Compensation		Community Work		Other		
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
Yes	38	20.9	82	45.1	25	13.7	19	10.4	125	68.7	
No	144	79.1	100	54.9	157	86.3	163	89.6	57	31.3	
Total	182	100.0	182	100.0	182	100.0	182	100.0	182	100.0	

Non-Aboriginal											
	Apology		Letter of Regret		Compensation		Community Work		Other		
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
Yes	215	20.8	510	49.3	253	24.5	291	28.1	707	68.4	
No	819	79.2	524	50.7	781	75.5	743	71.9	327	31.6	
Total	1,034	100.0	1,034	100.0	1,034	100.0	1,034	100.0	1,034	100.0	

Unknown											
	Apology		Letter of Regret		Compensation		Community Work		Other		
	No.		No.		No.		No.		No.		
Yes	1		1		1		0		0		
No	0		0		0		1		1		
Total	1		1		1		1		1		

See Appendix for an explanation of the counting rules used.

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TABLE 3.11 Cases dealt with at a family conference where compensation was agreed to:
sex by amount of compensation per case

Amount	Female	Male	Unknown	No.	Total	%
\$1 - 25	8	24	0	32		11.5
\$26 - 50	7	39	0	46		16.5
\$51 - 100	11	44	0	55		19.7
\$101 - 150	4	15	0	19		6.8
\$151 - 200	2	28	0	30		10.8
\$201 - 400	7	47	0	54		19.4
\$401 - 600	1	18	0	19		6.8
\$601 - 800	1	5	0	6		2.2
\$801 - 1,000	0	6	0	6		2.2
\$1001-1,500	0	11	0	11		3.9
\$1,501-\$2,000	0	0	0	0		0.0
\$2,001-\$2500	0	0	0	0		0.0
\$2,501-\$3,000	0	0	0	0		0.0
Over \$3,000	1	0	0	1		0.4
Total	42	237	0	279		100.0

See Appendix for an explanation of the counting rules used.

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TABLE 3.12 Cases dealt with at a family conference where community work was agreed to:
sex by amount of community work per case

Number of hours	Female	Male	Unknown	No.	Total	%
1 - 10	14	99	0	113		36.5
11 - 20	7	69	0	76		24.5
21 - 30	8	35	0	43		13.9
31 - 50	7	41	0	48		15.5
51 - 100	5	21	0	26		8.4
101 - 200	2	2	0	4		1.3
over 200	0	0	0	0		0.0
Total	43	267	0	310		100.0

See Appendix for an explanation of the counting rules used.

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TABLE 3.13 Cases dealt with at a family conference where an undertaking was agreed to:
undertaking conditions by major offence admitted

Offence group	Apology			Compensation (\$)			Community Work (hrs)			Letter of regret	Other
	No.	Min	Av	Max	No.	Min	Av	Max			
Offences against the person (excl. sexual offences)											
- Homicide *	0	0	-	-	-	0	-	-	-	0	0
- Serious assault *	7	12	40	279	1,000	13	5	26	50	28	36
- Other assault *	18	5	25	75	150	18	3	24	60	55	91
- Offences against the person - miscellaneous *	4	7	60	630	1,022	1	24	24	24	11	14
Sexual offences	2	1	332	332	332	0	-	-	-	2	8
Robbery and extortion											
- Armed robbery*	0	0	-	-	-	1	60	60	60	2	2
- Unarmed robbery and extortion*	0	1	75	75	75	0	-	-	-	2	3
Criminal trespass	77	65	10	117	1,330	83	2	29	150	116	132
Fraud and misappropriation	2	3	200	263	300	3	20	34	63	8	6
Larceny and receiving											
- Receiving/unlawful possession	4	5	22	1,156	5,497	4	10	22	30	19	21
- Larceny/illegal use of vehicle (motor and other)	38	38	40	452	1,500	25	5	41	125	60	68
- Interfere with a motor vehicle	3	2	305	403	500	1	40	40	40	2	7
- Larceny from a motor vehicle	4	2	40	50	60	6	4	16	30	6	11
- Larceny from shops	17	23	1	118	652	15	4	23	50	80	84
- Larceny - miscellaneous*	10	23	12	215	1,000	15	3	30	80	43	45
Damage property, and environmental	38	70	4	239	1,026	74	4	27	100	87	130
Offences against good order											
- Hinder/resist police	2	0	-	-	-	2	10	15	20	5	18
- Unlawful possession and/or use of weapons*	0	0	-	-	-	0	-	-	-	3	15
- Disorderly/offensive behaviour	2	0	-	-	-	5	10	21	60	8	22
- Indecent/offensive language	0	0	-	-	-	0	-	-	-	0	2
- Graffiti and related offences	16	18	20	154	500	28	3	16	100	26	24
- Public order offences - miscellaneous *	4	2	30	122	214	9	6	19	32	21	52
Drug offences	3	1	240	240	240	4	6	9	10	5	19
Driving offences											
- Drink driving offences *	0	0	-	-	-	0	-	-	-	0	0
- Dangerous, reckless, or negligent driving	1	0	-	-	-	1	16	16	16	1	0
- Driving while licence suspended or cancelled	0	0	-	-	-	0	-	-	-	0	0
- Other driving/traffic offences	1	1	140	140	140	1	20	20	20	1	13
Other offences	1	0	-	-	-	1	10	10	10	2	9
Total	254	279	1	246	5,497	310	2	27	150	593	832

* For details of the offences contained in these categories refer to Appendix. See Appendix for an explanation of the counting rules used.

The offences listed in this table represent the major offence admitted for a particular case cross-tabulated with the conditions imposed for that whole case.

Prior to 2002, apologies included both verbal and written apologies. However, following a review of the Young Offenders Act, 1993 by the Chief Justice, this was changed. A 'letter of regret' was introduced, which was deemed the same as a written apology for processing purposes. Verbal apologies can still occur, but are now regarded as different from the 'letters of regret'. Because this change was not introduced until mid 2002, 'letters of regret' were combined with verbal apologies in previous reports. The 2003 report is the first time they have been reported on separately.

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TABLE 3.14 Cases dealt with at a family conference where an undertaking was agreed to: sex by undertaking compliance status

Undertaking compliance status	Male		Female		Unknown No.	Total	
	No.	%	No.	%		No.	%
Cases with only 1 undertaking							
Complied	680	84.7	175	82.5	0	855	84.2
Waived	3	0.4	1	0.5	0	4	0.4
Referred back to police	118	14.7	36	17.0	0	154	15.2
Cases with more than 1 undertaking							
All complied with	2	0.2	0	0	0	2	0.2
All waived	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
All referred back to police	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Combination of compliance status	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	803	100.0	212	100.0	0	1,015	100.0

At the time of preparation of this table, there were 202 cases for which undertaking compliance data were not available (including 162 undertakings by males and 40 undertakings by females). See Appendix for more details.

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TABLE 3.15 Cases dealt with at a family conference where an undertaking was agreed to: racial identity by undertaking compliance status

Undertaking compliance status	Aboriginal		Non-Aboriginal		Unknown No.	Total	
	No.	%	No.	%		No.	%
Cases with only 1 undertaking							
Complied	120	78.9	734	85.2	1	855	84.2
Waived	1	0.7	3	0.3	0	4	0.4
Referred back to police	29	19.1	125	14.5	0	154	15.2
Cases with more than 1 undertaking							
All complied with	2	1.3	0	0	0	2	0.2
All waived	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
All referred back to police	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Combination of compliance status	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	152	100.0	862	100.0	1	1,015	100.0

At the time of preparation of this table, there were 202 cases for which undertaking compliance data were not available (30 Aboriginal and 172 non-Aboriginal cases). See Appendix for more details. See definition of racial identity inserted under Table 3.5a.

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TABLE 3.16 Cases dealt with at a family conference where an undertaking was agreed to:
sex by condition compliance status

Condition compliance status	Male				
	Apology	Letter of regret	Compensation	Community work	Other
Complied by due date	172	334	166	149	643
Complied after due date	5	62	3	19	37
Not complied with	1	19	26	28	95
Total	178	415	195	196	775

Condition compliance status	Female				
	Apology	Letter of regret	Compensation	Community work	Other
Complied by due date	33	78	29	17	168
Complied after due date	0	20	0	0	12
Not complied with	0	4	6	9	32
Total	33	102	35	26	212

Condition compliance status	Total				
	Apology	Letter of regret	Compensation	Community work	Other
Complied by due date	205	412	195	166	811
Complied after due date	5	82	3	19	49
Not complied with	1	23	32	37	127
Total	211	517	230	222	987

The counting rule used in this table is different from that used in the earlier set of tables on conditions (Tables 3.9 –3.13). See Appendix for more details. Prior to 2002, apologies included both verbal and written apologies. However, following a review of the Young Offenders Act, 1993 by the Chief Justice, this was changed. A 'letter of regret' was introduced, which was deemed the same as a written apology for processing purposes. Verbal apologies can still occur, but are now regarded as different from the 'letters of regret'. Because this change was not introduced until mid 2002, 'letters of regret' were combined with verbal apologies in previous reports. The 2003 report is the first time they have been reported on separately.

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TABLE 3.17 Cases dealt with at a family conference where an undertaking was agreed to:
racial identity by condition compliance status

Condition compliance status	Aboriginal				
	Apology	Letter of regret	Compensation	Community work	Other
Complied by due date	27	56	10	7	136
Complied after due date	2	15	0	1	3
Not complied with	1	4	7	3	22
Total	30	75	17	11	161

Condition compliance status	Non-Aboriginal				
	Apology	Letter of regret	Compensation	Community work	Other
Complied by due date	177	355	184	159	675
Complied after due date	3	67	3	18	46
Not complied with	0	19	25	34	105
Total	180	441	212	211	826

Condition compliance status	Unknown				
	Apology	Letter of regret	Compensation	Community work	Other
Complied by due date	1	1	1	0	0
Complied after due date	0	0	0	0	0
Not complied with	0	0	0	0	0
Total	1	1	1	0	0

The counting rule used in this table is different from that used in the earlier set of tables on conditions (Tables 3.9 –3.13). (See Appendix for more details.)

Racial identity is, in the first instance, derived from police apprehension reports which record the opinion of the apprehending police officer as to the appearance of the apprehended person. If "race" is missing from the police file sent to them, the Family Conference Team will add this information where possible. They may also amend police entries which they consider to be incorrect.

Prior to 2002, apologies included both verbal and written apologies. However, following a review of the Young Offenders Act, 1993 by the Chief Justice, this was changed.

A "letter of regret" was introduced, which was deemed the same as a written apology for processing purposes. Verbal apologies can still occur, but are now regarded as different from the "letters of regret". Because this change was not introduced until mid 2002, "letters of regret" were combined with verbal apologies in previous reports. The 2003 report is the first time they have been reported on separately.

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TABLE 3.18 Family conferences: number of
conferences held per month

Month	Number
January	114
February	98
March	133
April	85
May	109
June	106
July	104
August	104
September	113
October	132
November	111
December	75
Total	1,284

This table refers to the actual number of conferences held, irrespective of the number of youths dealt with at the one conference.

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TABLE 3.19 Family conferences: number of participants per conference

Number	Offenders	Parents	Guardians	Victims	Victim Supporters	Victim Representatives	Youth Supporters	Other participant	Total	
									No.	%
0	0	246	1,180	887	1,155	1,222	950	1,230	0	0.0
1	1,175	761	94	350	102	60	253	49	60	4.7
2	74	220	10	40	24	2	68	5	450	35.0
3	29	27	0	5	1	0	10	0	368	28.7
4	4	21	0	1	1	0	3	0	211	16.4
5 - 9	2	9	0	1	1	0	0	0	184	14.3
10 and over	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	0.9
Total	1,284	1,284	1,284	1,284	1,284	1,284	1,284	1,284	1,284	100.0

This table refers to the actual number of conferences held. Youth Justice Coordinators and police representatives are not classified here as participants. Prior to 2001, the data did not distinguish between victim representatives and victim supporters. Both groups were included under the category of 'victim supporters'. Nor did the data distinguish between parents and guardians. The category of 'parents' covered both these groups. In addition, in previous years, the total number of participants did not include participants classified under 'other'. This category covers participants such as the school principal in cases where the offence occurred at a school and the Metropolitan Fire Service where arson has been involved.