

Hakea Prison

Purposes:

- Hakea is the receival prison for male persons remanded in custody by a court and those who have just been sentenced.
- The Hakea assessments centre has responsibility to assess newly sentenced male prisoners, whether held at Hakea, or other metropolitan facilities.
- Hakea also holds some sentenced prisoners for dispersal reasons.

Capacity Information & crowding measures

Design standard capacity	624
Modified standard capacity	955
Special beds	27
Total capacity	982
Compliant standard beds	78
Count: 30 June 2016	962
Increase over 12 months	8.2%
Unused modified capacity	-7
Utilisation of modified capacity	100.7%
Utilisation of design capacity	154.2%
Compliant beds over 2016 count	8.1%

Key overcrowding issues:

- Significant risks to prisoner safety from assaults and sexual assaults due to overcrowding and cell sharing.
- Crowded conditions causing poor air quality, mould, damage to surfaces in wet areas, some food preparation issues, and a failure to prevent smokers sharing cells with non-smokers.
- Video link facility are well outside its working capacity.
- Holding cells are unsafely crowded.
- Limited access to employment, and extremely poor access to education or training.
- Access to recreation and education severely limited for protection prisoners.
- There is insufficient access to health, dental, mental health services and counselling services. On site access to the Aboriginal Visitors Scheme has also been cut.