

# Wooroloo Prison Farm

## Purposes:

- Wooroloo is regarded as metropolitan minimum-security for men with a focus on rehabilitation and release preparation.
- As a prison farm, Wooroloo has a role in food product for the prison system, but very few prisoners are engaged in this.
- Wooroloo also administers a 20 bed work camp at Dowerin.

## Capacity Information & crowding measures

Design standard capacity	317
Modified standard capacity	382
Special beds	3
Total capacity	385
Compliant standard beds	349
Count: 30 June 2016	376
Increase over 12 months	24.5%
Unused modified capacity	6
Utilisation of modified capacity	98.4%
Utilisation of design capacity	118.6%
Compliant beds over 2016 count	92.8%

## Key overcrowding issues:

- The Wooroloo site is not crowded in that additional beds have only been added to rooms that comply with the standard for shared occupation. Rooms not compliant with the Australasian Standard Guidelines are those at the work camp, which is otherwise an excellent facility.
- Insufficient meaningful work and training for the population within the fence, compounded by a conservative approach to risk assessments for those seeking to work on the farm or in industries, which are outside the fence.
- Service provision in education and programs was quite strong compared to most other facilities, but more prisoners would benefit if better resourced. However, inability by some prisoners to complete required offender programs reduces their prospects for parole, which in turn inflates the need for custodial accommodation.
- Health service provision is impacted by inadequate provision for medical escorts.