

# Department of Juvenile Justice, State Government of New South Wales

1990 –

**Other Names:** • Office of Juvenile Justice

**URL:** <http://www.djj.nsw.gov.au>

## Details

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The Department of Juvenile Justice was created in 1990 by the New South Wales Government. It is responsible for juvenile justice centres, which had previously been known as juvenile detention centres. In 2012 these were: Acmena (Grafton); Broken Hill Shelter (Broken Hill); Cobham (Werrington/St Mary's); Emu Plains (Emu Plains); Frank Baxter (Mt Penang); Juniperina (Lidcombe); Orana (Dubbo); Reiby (Airds); Riverina (Wagga Wagga).

When the Office of Juvenile Justice was created in 1990 it assumed responsibility for people who had been under the control of the Department of Community Services (DoCS). Records were transferred from DoCS to the Juvenile Justice in stages. This usually affects people born after 1970. People may have records in both Departments.

People seeking access to records of their time in the Department of Juvenile Justice can make a request for information to the Department. Please note, care leavers may also be asked to contact Community Services NSW.

## More info

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### Related Entries

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- [Broken Hill Shelter \(1942 - c. 1994\)](#)  
Date: 1990 - 1994
- [Reiby Training School \(1973 - 1991\)](#)
- [Mount Penang Detention Centre \(1988 - 1991\)](#)  
Date: 1991 -
- [Minda Juvenile Justice Centre \(1991 - 2003\)](#)
- [Keelong Juvenile Justice Centre \(1990 - 2009\)](#)
- [Reiby Juvenile Justice Centre \(1991 - current\)](#)
- [Yasmar Shelter \(1946 - 1994\)](#)  
Date: 1990 - 1994
- [Cobham Remand Centre \(1980 - current\)](#)
- [Kariong Juvenile Justice Centre \(1991 - current\)](#)  
Date: 1999 - 2004

- [Riverina Juvenile Justice Centre \(1984 - current\)](#)

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## Holds

- [Detainee files, Department of Juvenile Justice \(1985 - 1992\)](#)
- [Detainee files, Department of Juvenile Justice \(1992 - current\)](#)
- [Children's Court information, Department of Juvenile Justice \(c. 1980 - current\)](#)

## Resources

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- Wallace, Natasha and Jacobsen, Geesche, [Young lives trapped inside the system](#), The Sydney Morning Herald, 28 April 2012
- Clennell, Andrew; Welch, Dylan, [Crowding blamed for alleged rape at juvenile jail](#), The Sydney Morning Herald, 12 March 2009
- [Ken Buttrum interviewed by Gail Winkworth in the National Library of Australia's Children and the State oral history project \[sound recording\]](#), 15 October 2009

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