



# Northern Rivers CLSD Partnership

Regional Profile October, 2023



# Northern Rivers CLSD region – Data Pack

**Population data**

**Need for Legal Assistance Services (NLAS) indicators**

**Legal Assistance Priority Client groups**

**Local Government Areas:**

Ballina, Byron, Kyogle, Lismore, Richmond Valley, Tweed

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## CLSD regions

The Cooperative Legal Service Delivery (CLSD) Program comprises twelve justice partnerships in regional and remote NSW.

> About the [CLSD Program](#)

CLSD regions are based on Local Government Area (LGA) boundaries. Maps in this data pack present data by postcode (postal areas – POA) for a more precise visual representation.

> LGA/POA 2021 boundaries were used, as defined in the ABS [ASGS Edition 3](#) structure

## Data sources

This data pack provides a profile of the **Northern Rivers** CLSD region using data from the following sources:

- Australian Bureau of Statistics (**ABS**) **2021 Census**
- Department of Social Services (**DSS**), December 2022
- National Disability Insurance Agency (**NDIA**), December 2022

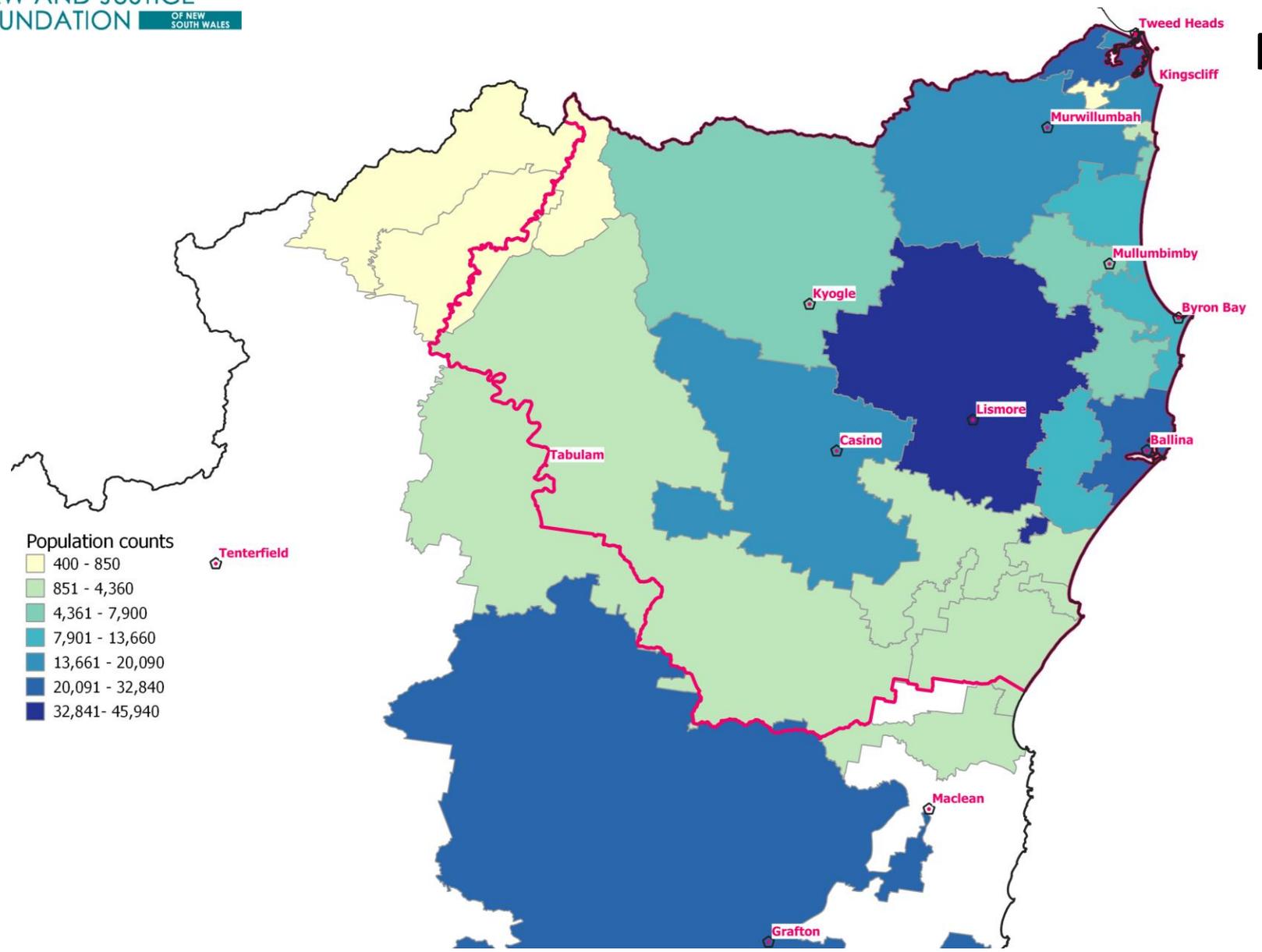
It also includes the Foundation's Need for Legal Assistance Services (**NLAS**) indicators. *A complete list of indicators with detailed definitions is included on slide 9.*



# Community group definitions

Indicator	Description
<b>NLAS(Capability)</b>	NLAS(Capability) counts people with low personal income, and a lower level of educational attainment. It includes those who meet ALL criteria listed below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Age 15–64</li> <li>• Personal income is less than \$649 a week, or \$33,800 a year</li> <li>• Highest Year of school completed is: year 12 for those aged 15–44, year 11 for those aged 45–54, year 10 for those aged 55–64</li> <li>• No post-school qualifications above Certificate 2</li> <li>• Not currently studying</li> </ul>
<b>NLAS(Community)</b>	NLAS(Community) counts people with medium household income, and a lower level of educational attainment. It includes those who meet ALL criteria listed below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Age 15 or over</li> <li>• Equivalised total household income is less than \$999 a week, or \$52,000 a year</li> <li>• Highest Year of school completed is: year 12 for those aged 15–44, year 11 for those aged 45–54, year 10 for those aged 55–69, year 9 for those aged 70–79, year 8 for those aged 80 or over</li> <li>• No post-school qualification above Certificate 2</li> <li>• Not currently studying</li> </ul>
<b>Population 15+</b>	A count of people aged 15 and over.
<b>Low income &lt;33.8K (15+)</b>	People aged 15 years and over with a personal income < \$649 a week or < \$33,800 a year.
<b>Female 15+</b>	Female people aged 15 years and over.
<b>First nations (all ages)</b>	People who identify as Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander, or both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander.
<b>First nations Female 15+</b>	Female people aged 15 years and over who identify as Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander, or both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander.
<b>Children and young people</b>	People aged 24 years and under, including babies and children.
<b>Older people</b>	People who identify as Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander, or both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander aged 50 and over, and people who did not identify as Indigenous aged 65 years and over.
<b>Lone parents (15+)</b>	People aged 15 years and over classified as lone parent. This is households with one male or female parent and a dependent child. All children under 15 are classified as dependent. Children aged 15 to 24 are dependent when they are in education.
<b>Carer Payment</b>	Carer Payment provides income support for carers who, because of the demands of their caring role, are unable to support themselves through substantial paid employment. Data includes recipients who are determined to be current (i.e. entitled to be paid) or suspended on the Centrelink payment system.
<b>Disability Support Pension</b>	DSP is an income support payment for people who are unable to work for 15 hours or more per week at or above the relevant minimum wage, independent of a Program of Support due to permanent physical, intellectual or psychiatric impairment. A DSP claimant must be aged 16 years or over and under Age Pension age at date of claim, however once in receipt of DSP, a person can continue to receive DSP beyond Age Pension age. Data includes recipients who are determined to be current (i.e. entitled to be paid) or suspended on the Centrelink payment system.
<b>NDIS Participants</b>	The number of active participants with a current NDIS plan.

# Population count by postcode



- Local Court
- Postcode boundaries
- CLSD region (based on LGAs)
- State/territory boundaries

Caution: postcode areas that are only partially included in the CLSD region may reflect population counts residing outside region boundaries.

Source: ABS 2021 Census

# Population data by postcode

For reference - this table presents the population counts by postcode used for mapping purposes.

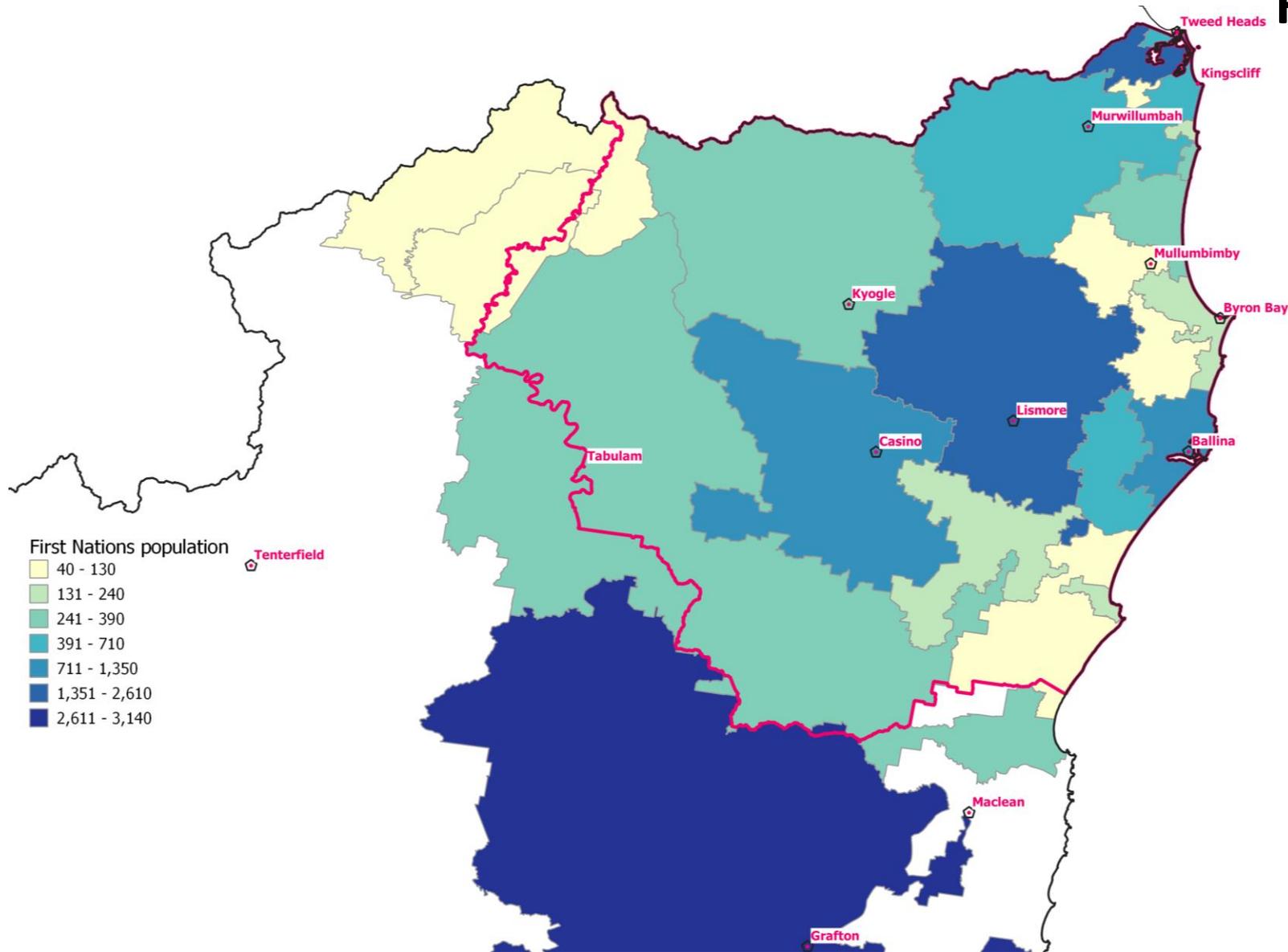
*Teal italic font denotes cross-border postcodes.*

Postcode	All Population	First nations population	NLAS (Capability)
2460	31,080	3,130	3,370
2469	4,360	380	590
2470	15,480	1,340	1,530
2471	2,820	210	290
2472	1,990	110	180
2473	3,200	180	210
2474	6,490	280	600
2475	400	50	70
2476	850	110	120
2477	12,900	560	690
2478	32,050	1,220	1,760
2479	5,780	90	260
2480	45,940	2,610	3,410
2481	13,660	230	670
2482	6,970	130	450
2483	11,620	310	760
2484	20,080	690	1,600
2485	15,350	680	1,040
2486	32,840	1,700	2,210
2487	15,090	710	740
2488	3,520	180	220
2489	7,890	270	380
2490	690	40	30

Counts rounded to the nearest ten

Source: ABS 2021 Census

# First Nations population count by postcode



First Nations population

- 40 - 130
- 131 - 240
- 241 - 390
- 391 - 710
- 711 - 1,350
- 1,351 - 2,610
- 2,611 - 3,140

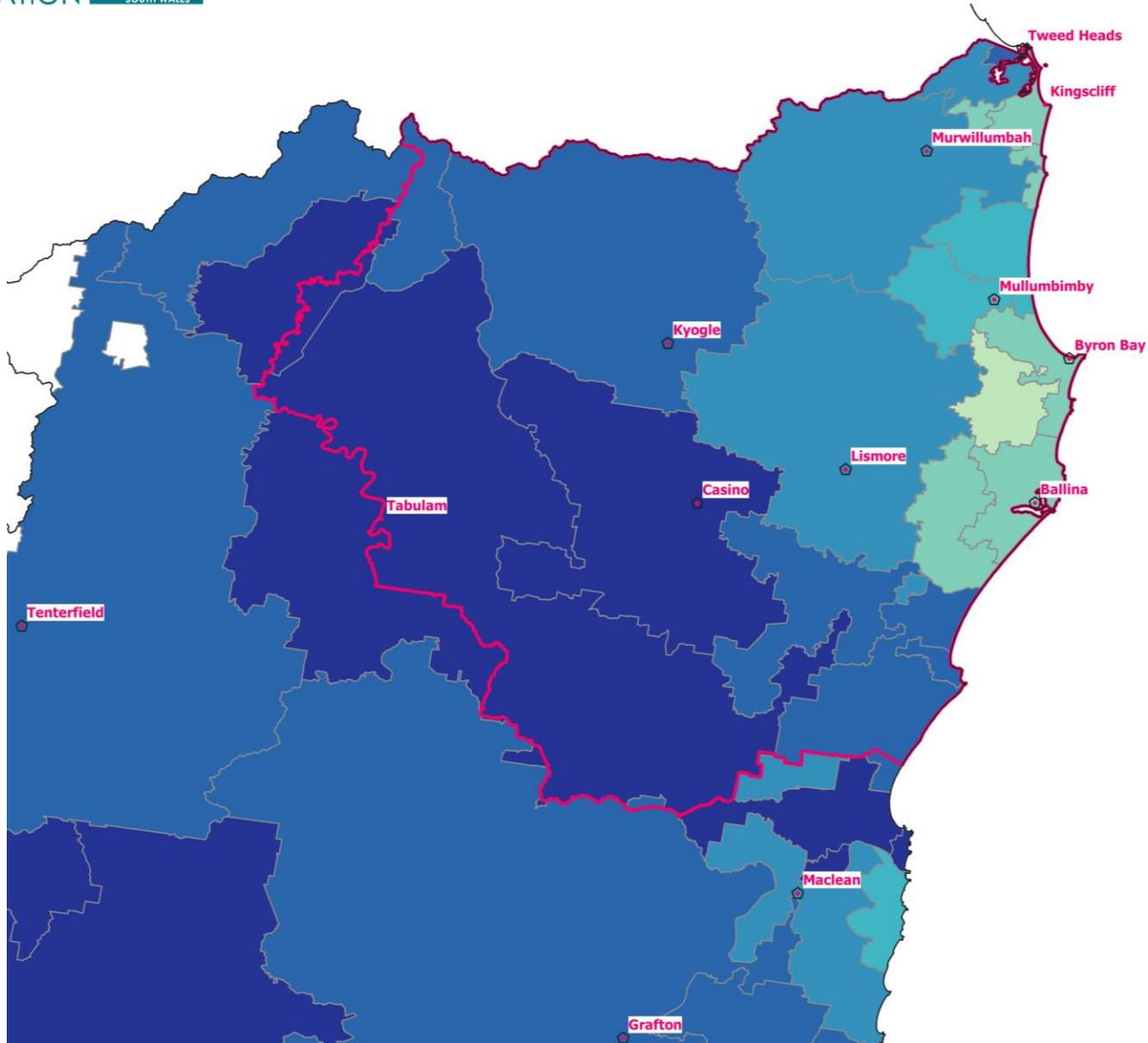
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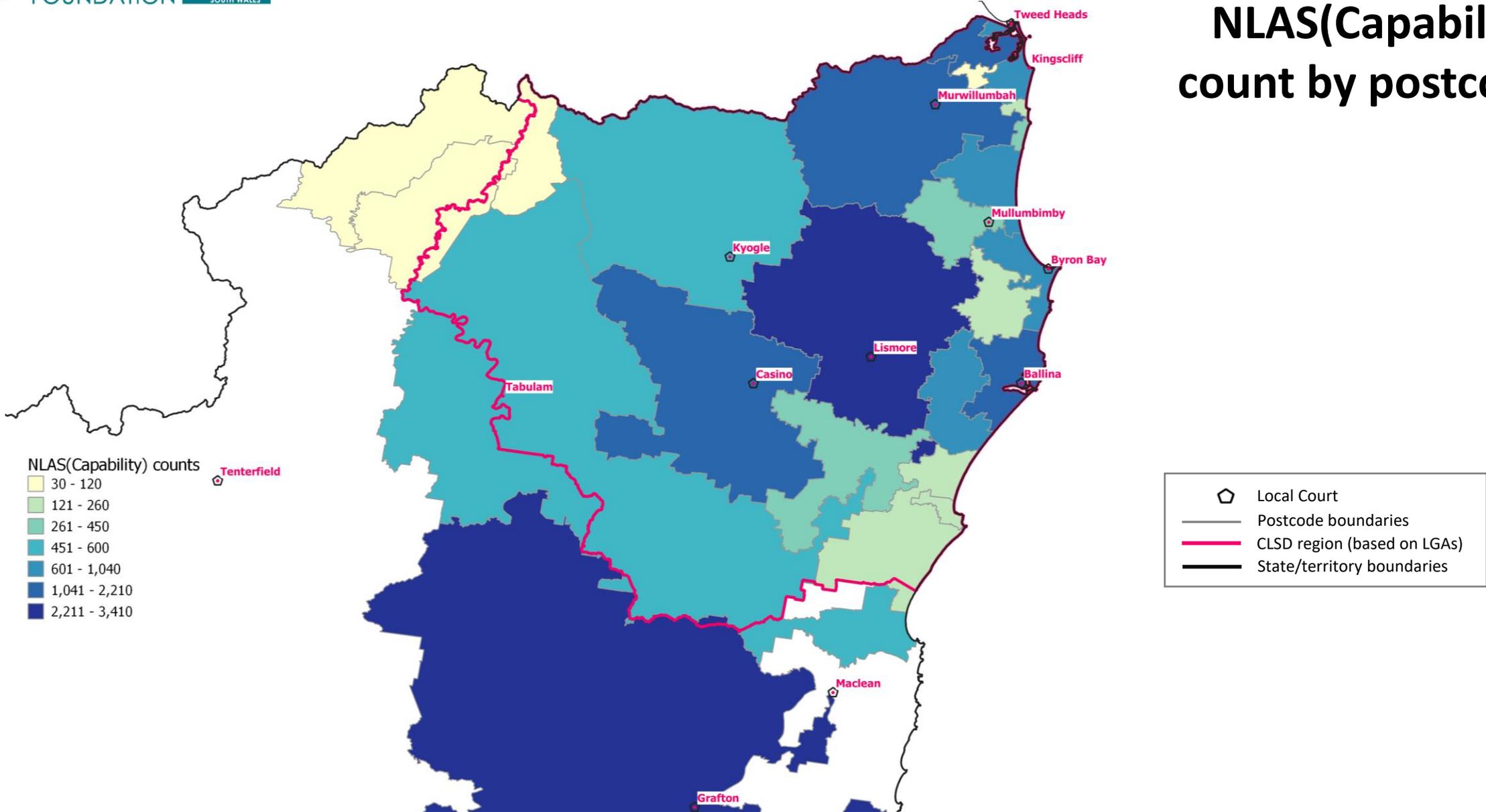
Source: ABS 2021 Census

# Index of relative socio-economic disadvantage (SEIFA) by postcode



Source: ABS 2021 Census, using NSW ranking

# NLAS(Capability) count by postcode



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Source: ABS 2021 Census

# Priority group profile (population counts by LGA)

Population group	NSW	CLSD region			Richmond Valley			
		Ballina	Byron	Kyogle	Lismore	Tweed		
<b>NLAS(Capability)</b>	<b>483,640</b>	<b>17,420</b>	2,530	1,970	970	3,320	2,250	6,380
<b>NLAS(Community)</b>	<b>785,650</b>	<b>30,080</b>	4,490	2,520	1,690	5,580	4,450	11,360
<b>All Population</b>	<b>8,072,160</b>	<b>257,060</b>	46,300	36,120	9,360	44,330	23,570	97,390
<b>Population 15+</b>	<b>6,602,160</b>	<b>214,240</b>	38,750	30,300	7,880	36,750	19,250	81,310
<b>Female 15+</b>	<b>3,373,580</b>	<b>111,840</b>	20,420	15,910	3,970	18,920	9,790	42,830
<b>First nations population</b>	<b>278,040</b>	<b>11,800</b>	1,800	690	530	2,600	1,860	4,330
<b>First nations Female 15+</b>	<b>95,050</b>	<b>4,200</b>	660	250	180	910	620	1,590
<b>Low income 15+ &lt;33.8K</b>	<b>2,527,600</b>	<b>92,010</b>	15,790	11,270	4,070	15,860	8,870	36,150
<b>Children &amp; young people 0-24</b>	<b>2,424,090</b>	<b>67,830</b>	11,850	9,000	2,280	12,520	6,890	25,300
<b>Older people (65+, Ind 50+)</b>	<b>1,459,440</b>	<b>64,540</b>	12,800	6,810	2,580	9,630	6,160	26,570
<b>Lone parent 15+</b>	<b>337,730</b>	<b>12,500</b>	2,140	1,580	460	2,480	1,190	4,650
<b>Carer Payment</b>	<b>110,320</b>	<b>3,750</b>	560	260	250	630	600	1,460
<b>Disability Support Pension</b>	<b>239,520</b>	<b>12,350</b>	1,760	1,350	740	2,650	1,520	4,340
<b>NDIS Participants</b>	<b>172,190</b>	<b>6,740</b>	1,260	580	250	1,560	790	2,310

Counts rounded to the nearest ten

Source: ABS 2021 Census

# Priority group profile (percentages by LGA)

Population group	NSW	CLSD region			Richmond Valley			
		Ballina	Byron	Kyogle	Lismore	Tweed		
NLAS(Capability)	9.3	11.5	9.6	8.4	17.9	12.1	16.9	11.5
NLAS(Community)	11.9	14.0	11.6	8.3	21.4	15.2	23.1	14.0
Population 15+	81.8	83.3	83.7	83.9	84.1	82.9	81.7	83.5
Female 15+	41.8	43.5	44.1	44.1	42.4	42.7	41.5	44.0
First nations population	3.4	4.6	3.9	1.9	5.6	5.9	7.9	4.4
First nations Female 15+	1.2	1.6	1.4	0.7	1.9	2.0	2.6	1.6
Low income 15+ <33.8K	31.3	35.8	34.1	31.2	43.5	35.8	37.7	37.1
Children & young people 0-24	30.0	26.4	25.6	24.9	24.4	28.2	29.2	26.0
Older people (65+, Ind 50+)	18.1	25.1	27.6	18.9	27.5	21.7	26.1	27.3
Lone parent 15+	4.2	4.9	4.6	4.4	4.9	5.6	5.1	4.8
Carer Payment	1.4	1.5	1.2	0.7	2.6	1.4	2.5	1.5
Disability Support Pension	3.0	4.8	3.8	3.7	7.9	6.0	6.4	4.5
NDIS Participants	2.1	2.6	2.7	1.6	2.6	3.5	3.4	2.4

green cells	indicate a percentage <b>lower</b> than for NSW
red cells	indicate a percentage <b>higher</b> than for NSW

NLAS(Capability) rates are expressed as a percentage of the 15-64 population  
 NLAS(Community) rates are expressed as a percentage of the 15+ population  
 All other community group rates are expressed as a percentage of the total population

# Domestic Violence

## Apprehended Domestic Violence Orders (ADVO) granted, by local court

Court	July 2019- June 2020	July 2020- June 2021	July 2021- June 2022
Ballina	136	176	243
Byron Bay	121	123	129
Kyogle	27	23	17
Lismore	311	439	332
Tweed Heads	339	395	341

# Domestic Violence

## ADVOs Issued Against Adult Female Defendants by Local Court

	2017 – 2018 Ballina / Byron Bay / Lismore	2018 – 2019 Ballina/ Byron Bay / Lismore	2019 – 2020 Ballina/ Byron Bay / Lismore	2020 – 2021 Ballina/ Byron Bay / Lismore	2021 – 2022 Ballina/ Byron Bay / Lismore
<b>Aboriginal Women</b>	16 / 3 / 24	16 / 3 / 35	13 / 6 / 23	16 / 3 / 49^^	28^ / 3 / 43
<b>Non-Aboriginal Women</b>	15 / 24 / 30	25 / 16 / 26	11 / 27 / 25	16 / 23 / 49^^	3 / 34 / 43

## Breach of ADVO Count and Rate/100,000 people

	Year to December 2021		Year to December 2022		2 Year Trend
	Count	Rate	Count	Rate	
<b>NSW</b>	21,218	260	22,485	275	Up 6%
<b>Ballina</b>	108	238.8	103	227.8	Stable
<b>Lismore</b>	197	451.1	166	380.1	Stable

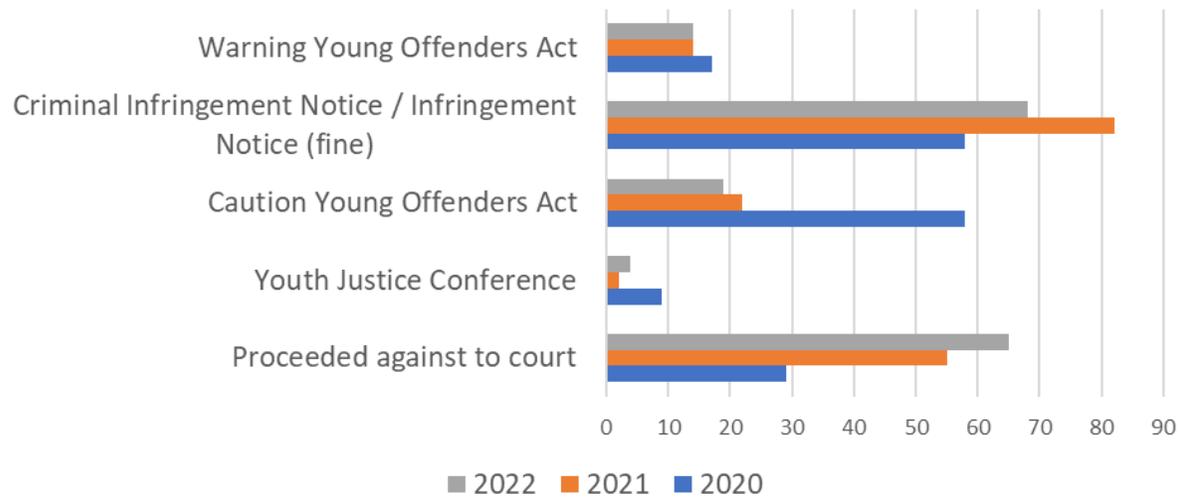
# Domestic Violence

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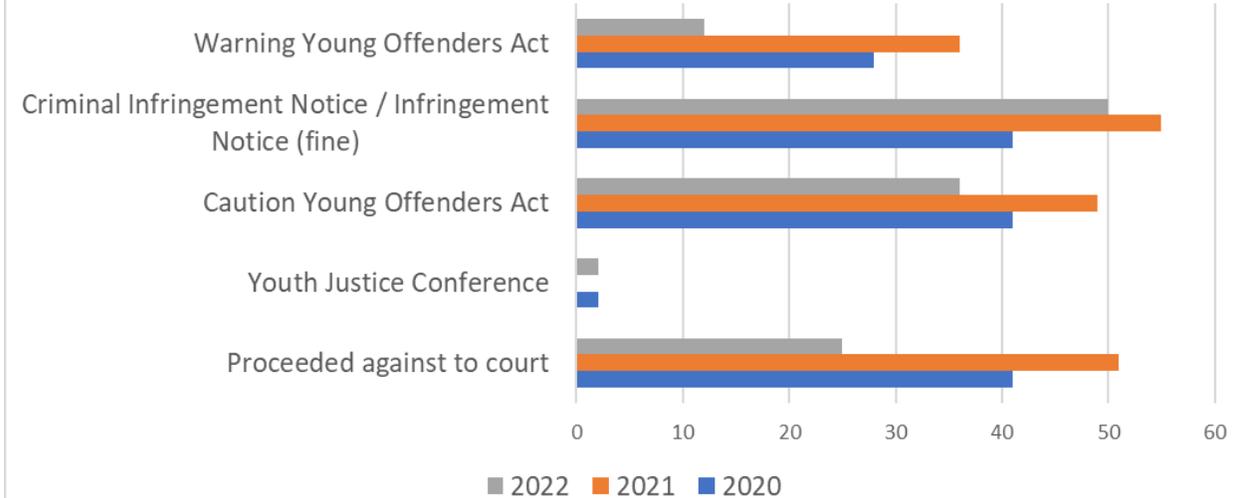
	Year to June 2022		Year to June 2021		2 Year Trend
	Count	Rate	Count	Rate	
<b>Richmond Valley</b>	108	459.8	123	523.6	Up 10.3% (60-month trend)
<b>Byron</b>	92	257.2	87	243.2	stable
<b>Kyogle</b>	22	250.3	18	204.8	n/c
<b>Tweed</b>	311	316.1	254	258.2	Up 22.4 (2-year trend)

# Young People in the Northern Rivers

## Methods of proceeding against young people in Ballina

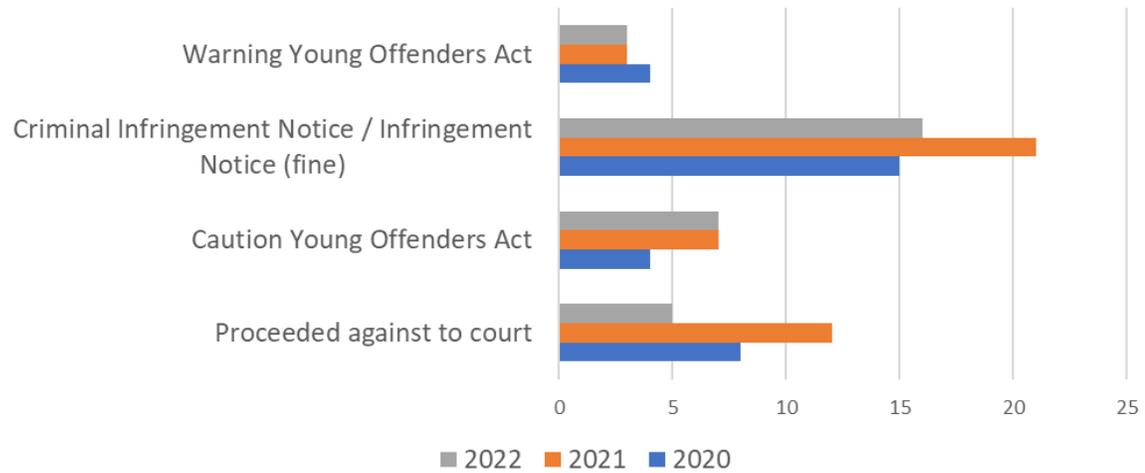


## Method of proceeding against young people in Byron

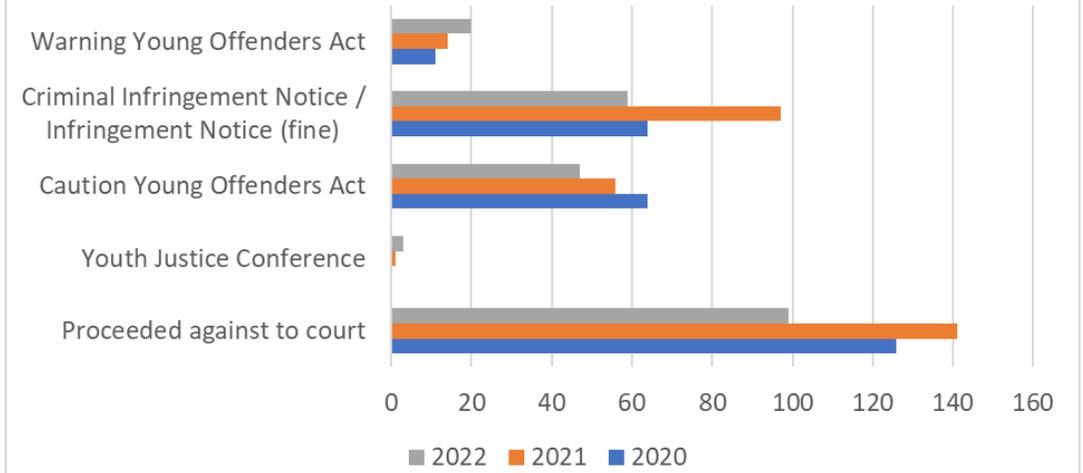


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Method of proceeding against young people in Kyogle

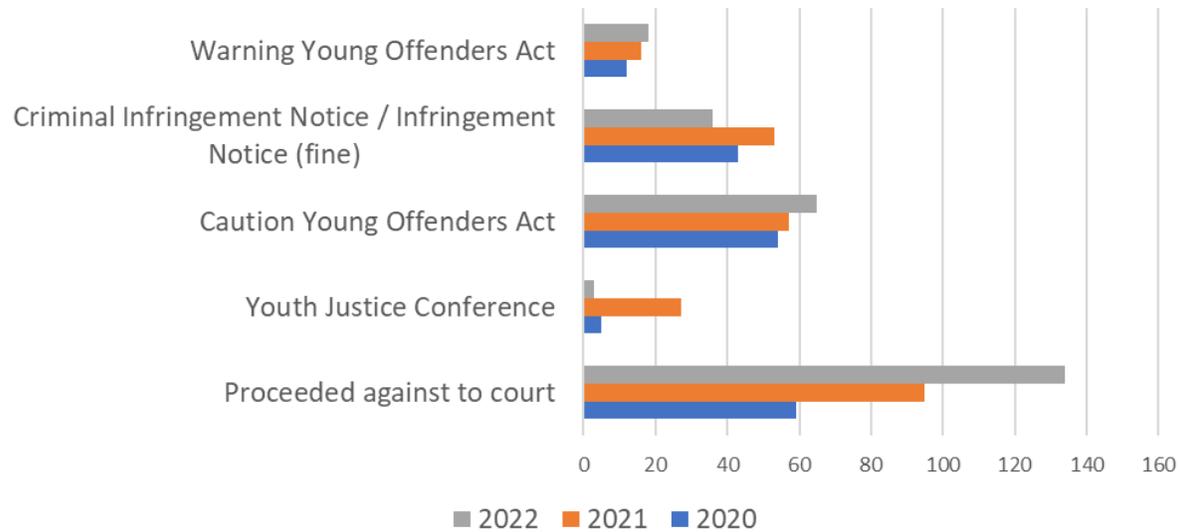


Method of proceeding against young people in Lismore

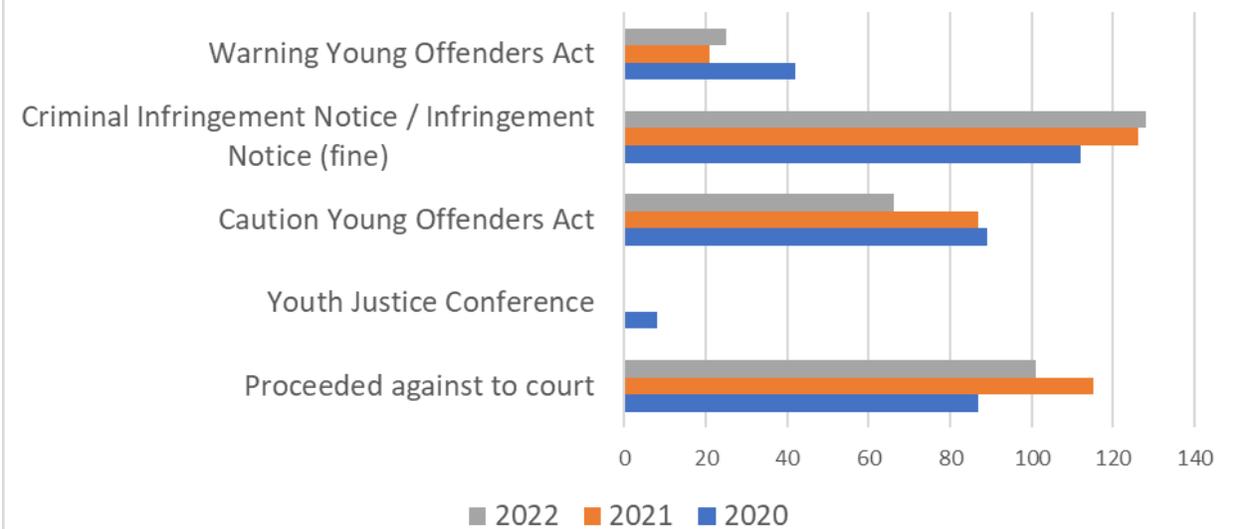


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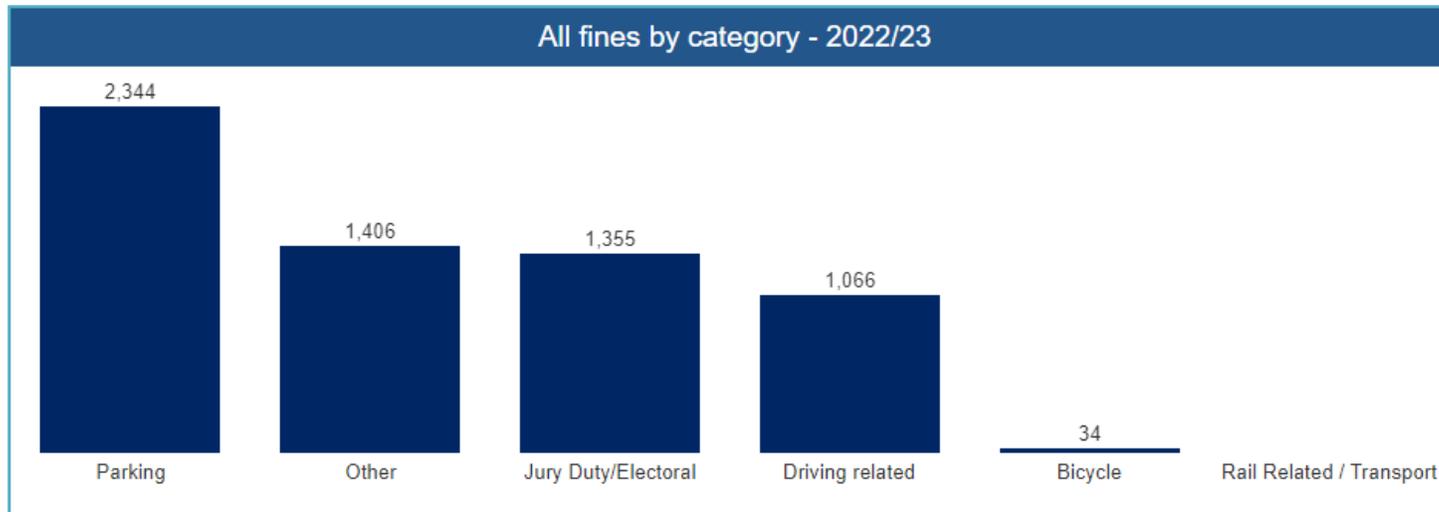
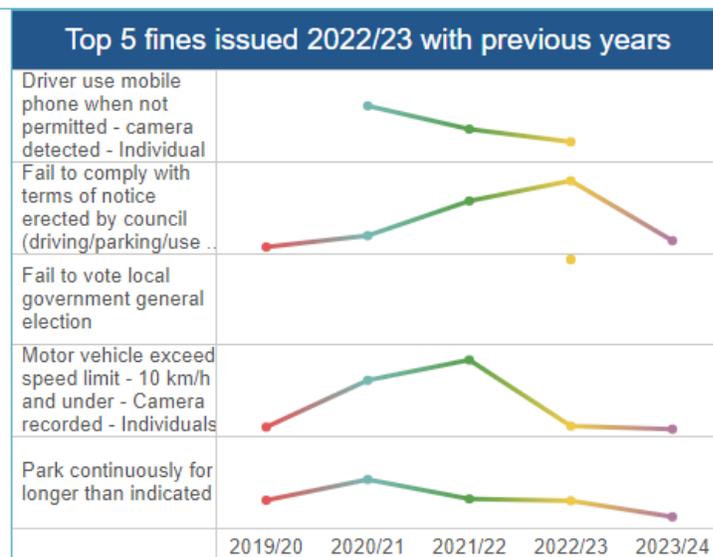
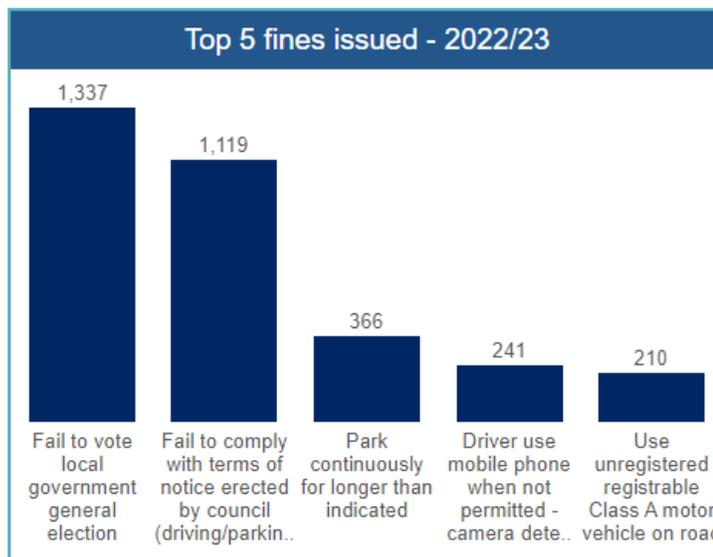
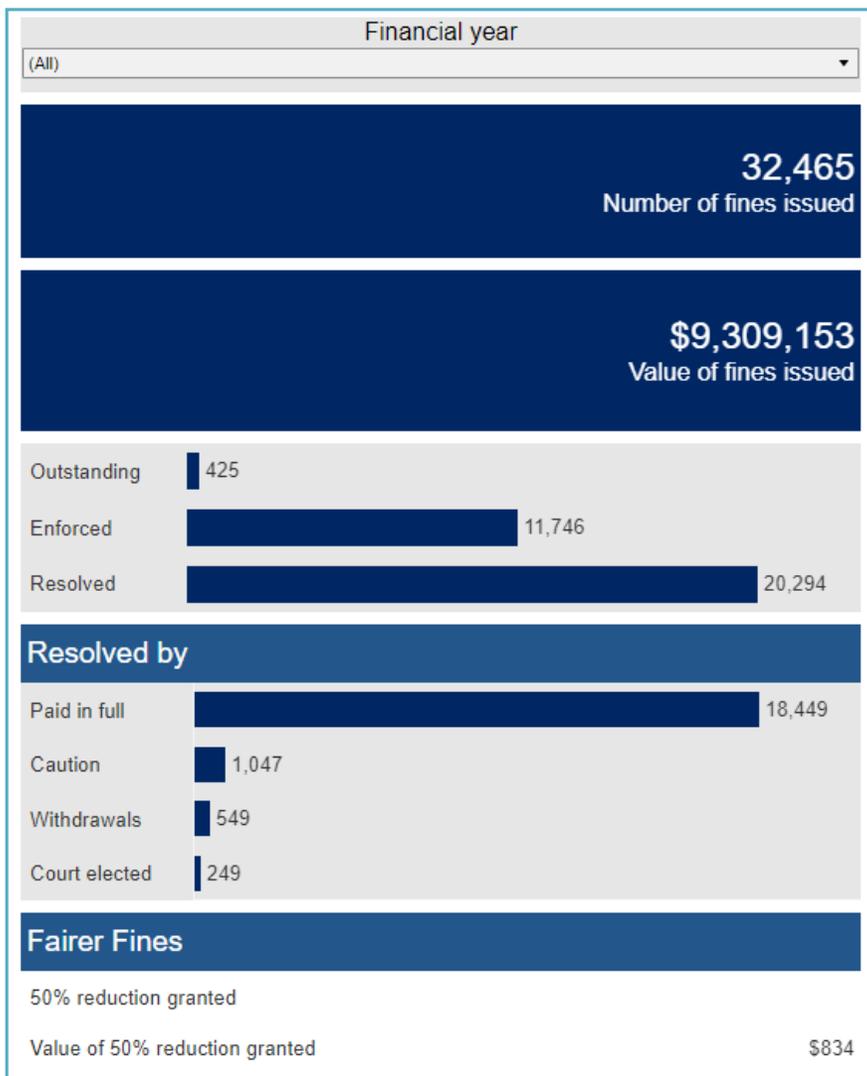
## Method of proceeding against young people in Richmond Valley



## Method of proceeding against young people in Tweed



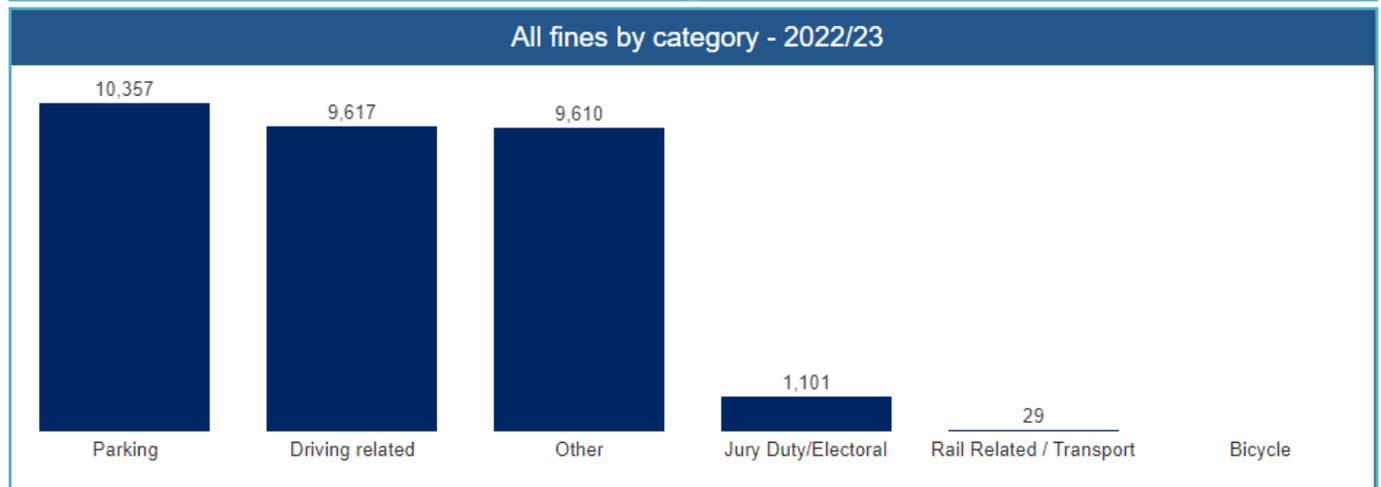
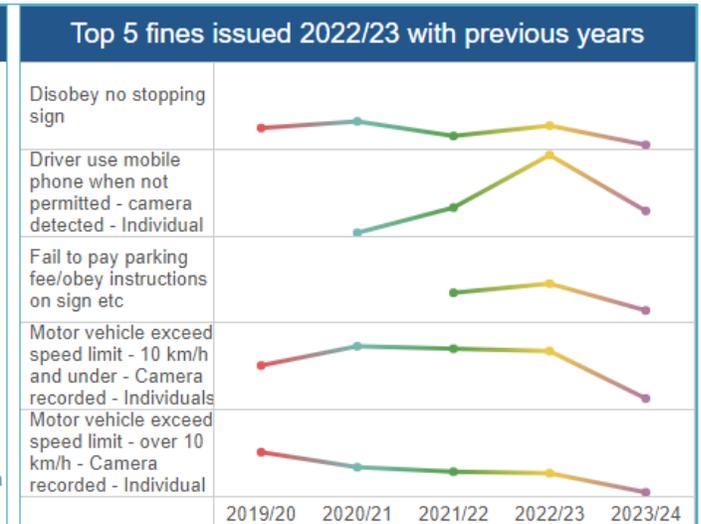
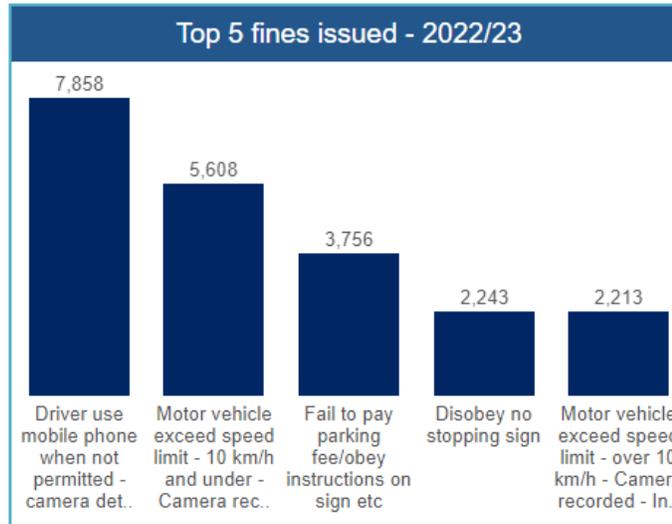
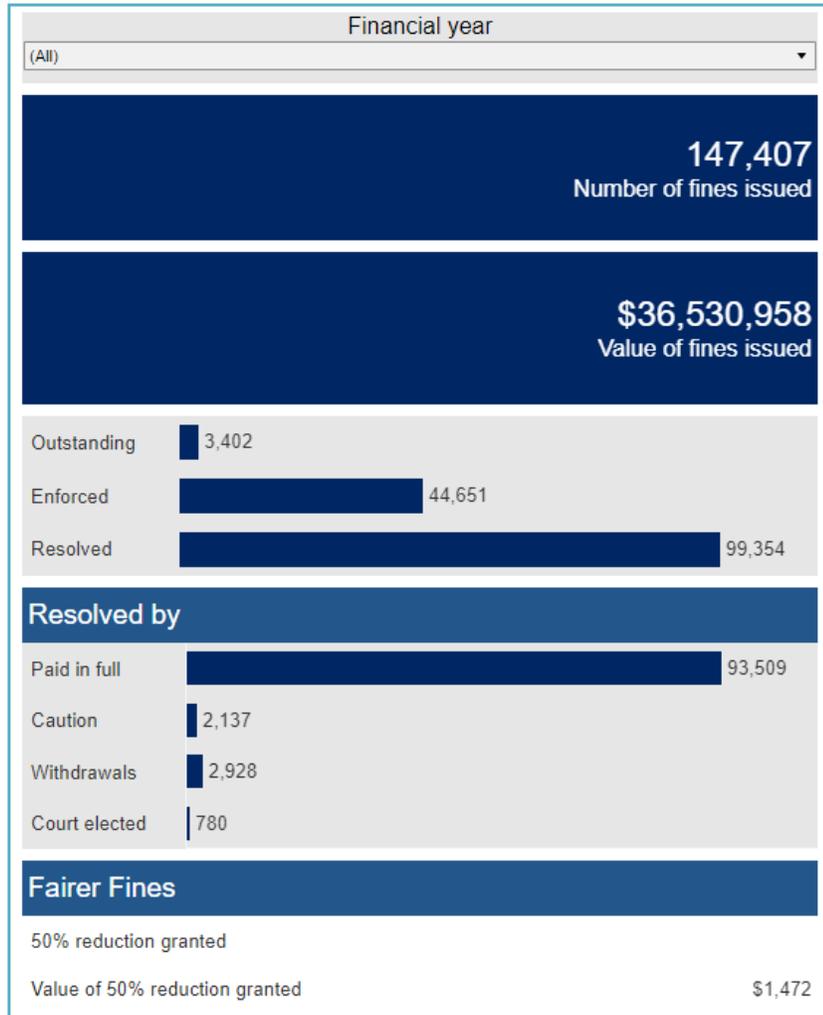
# Total Fines Issued – Postcode 2478 (Ballina)



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# Total Fines Issued – Postcode 2481 (Byron)



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# Total Fines Issued – Postcode 2474 (Kyogle)

Financial year: (All)

**2,950**  
Number of fines issued

**\$1,056,607**  
Value of fines issued

Outstanding: 32

Enforced: 1,356

Resolved: 1,562

**Resolved by**

Paid in full: 1,398

Caution: 88

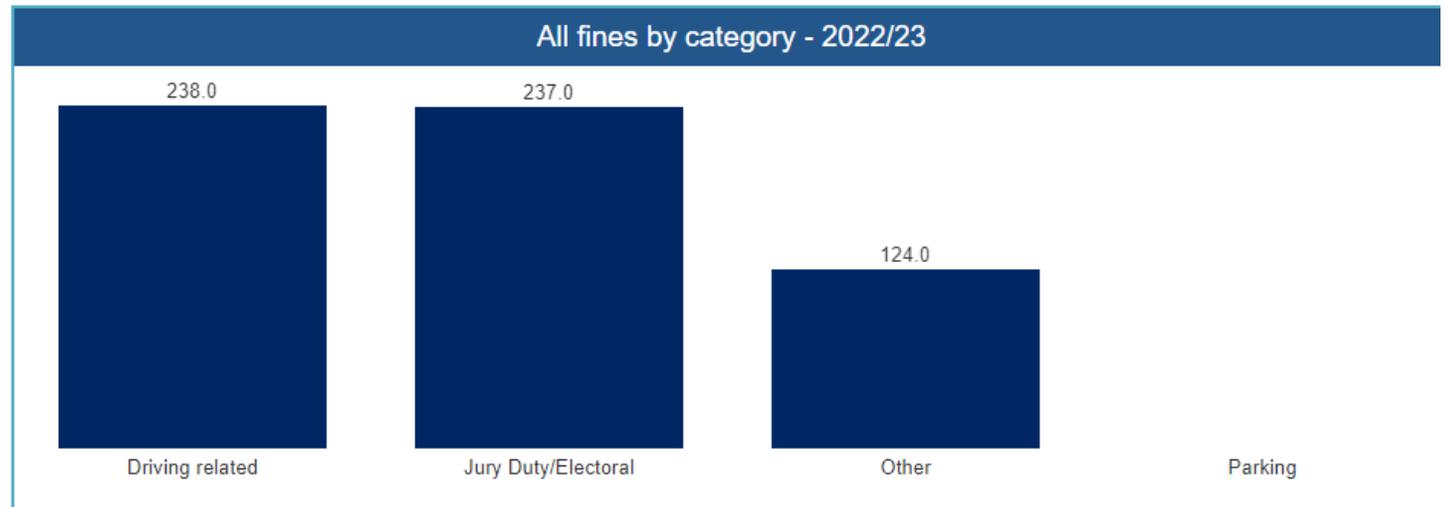
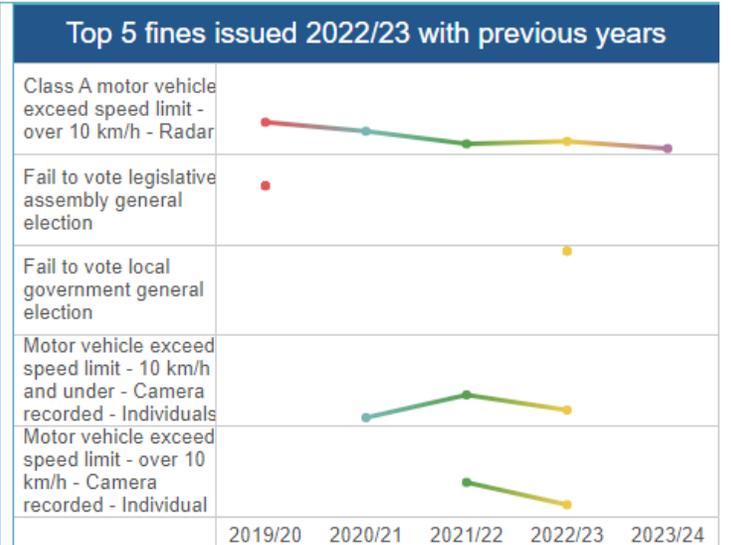
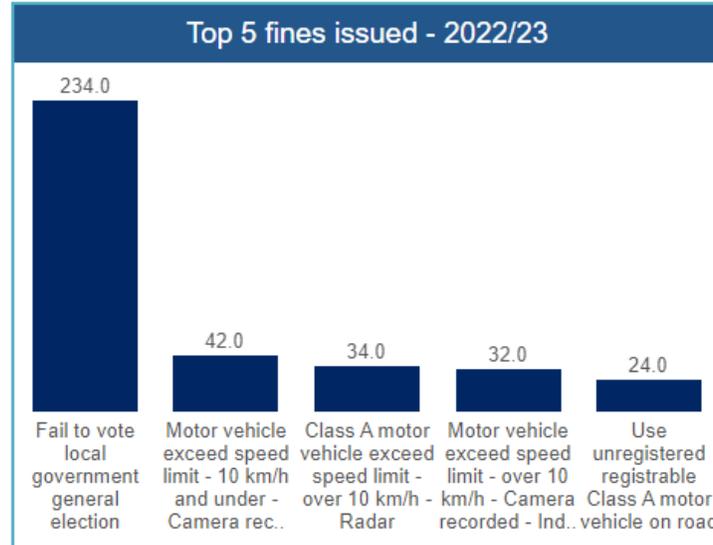
Withdrawals: 28

Court elected: 48

**Fairer Fines**

50% reduction granted

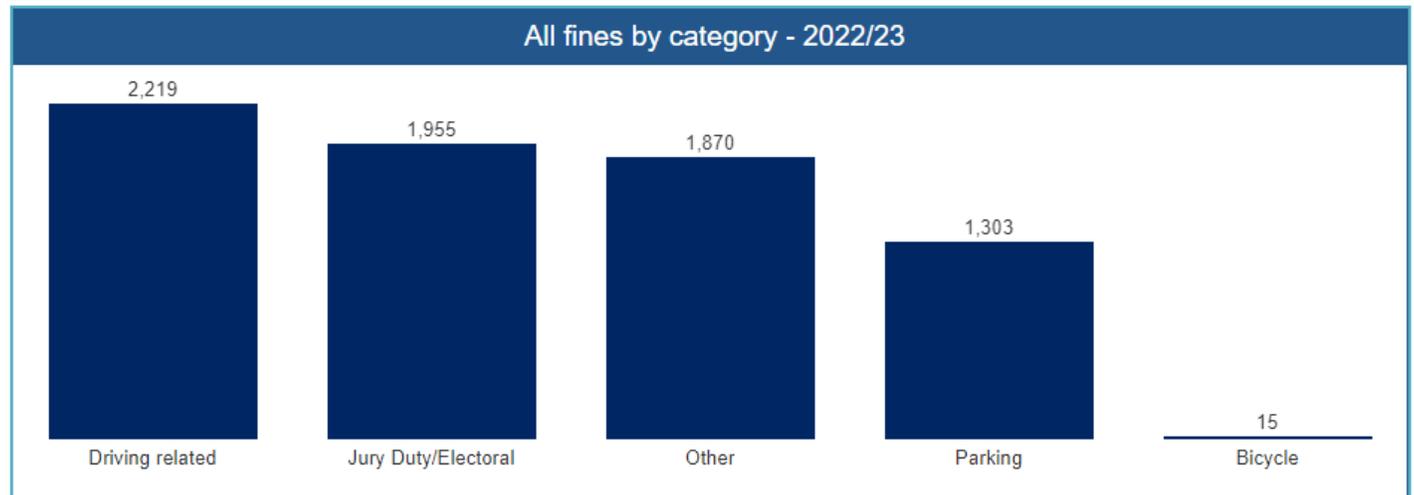
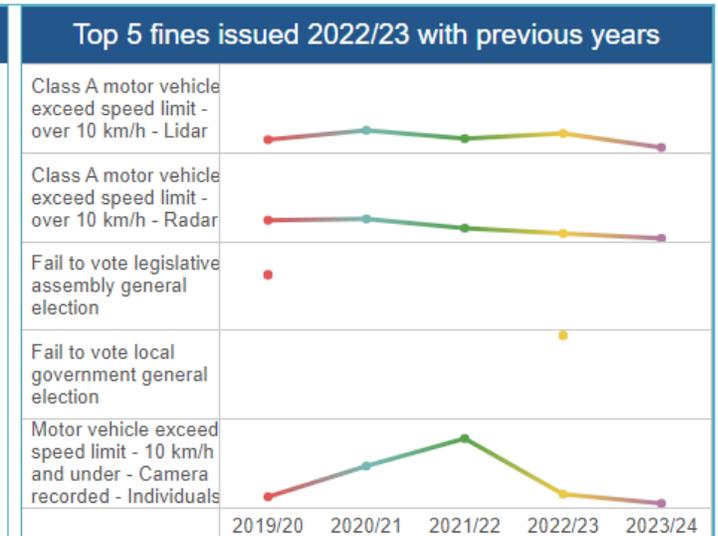
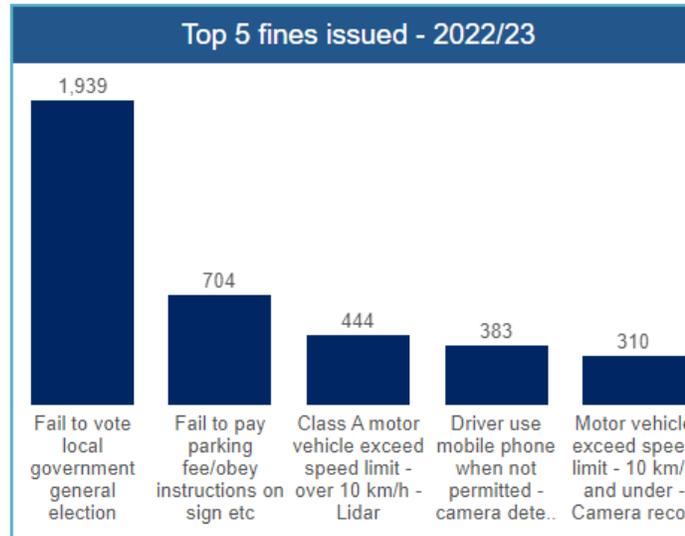
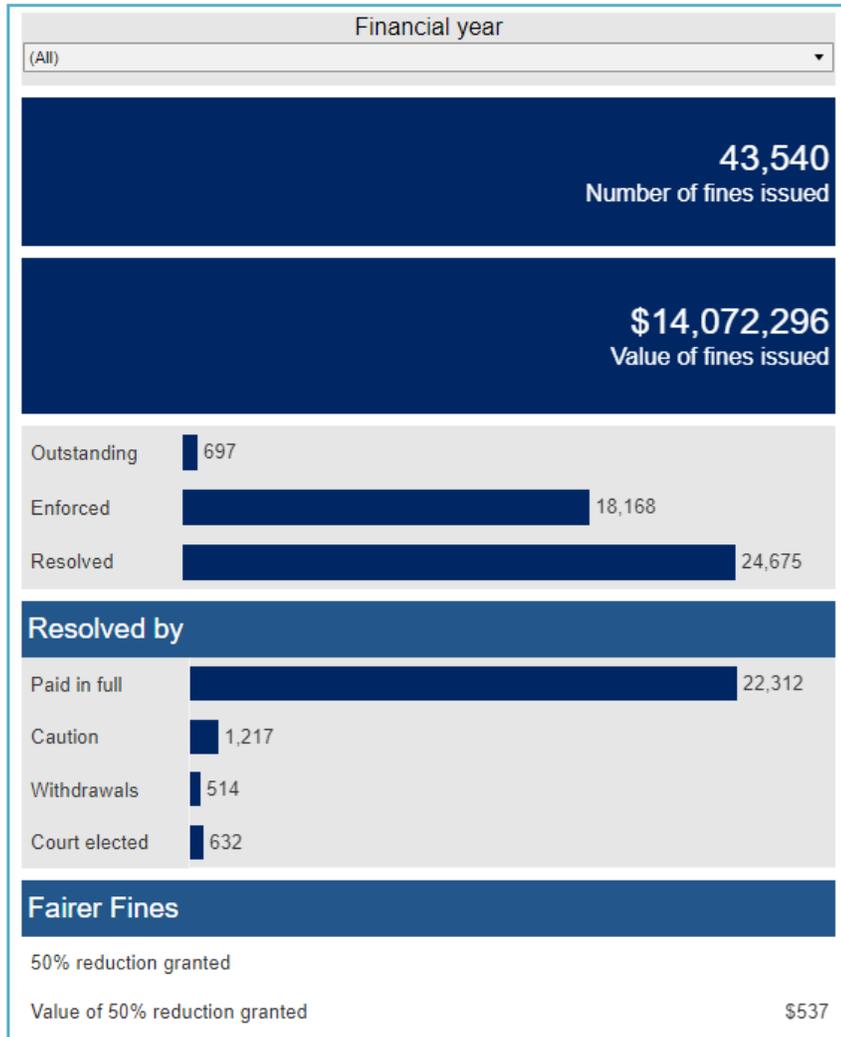
Value of 50% reduction granted: \$439



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# Total Fines Issued – Postcode 2480 (Lismore)



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Data as at: 9 October 2023

# Total Fines Issued – Postcode 2472 (Richmond Valley)

Financial year: (All)

**23,539**  
Number of fines issued

**\$6,487,709**  
Value of fines issued

Outstanding: 328

Enforced: 7,087

Resolved: 16,124

**Resolved by**

Paid in full: 15,233

Caution: 459

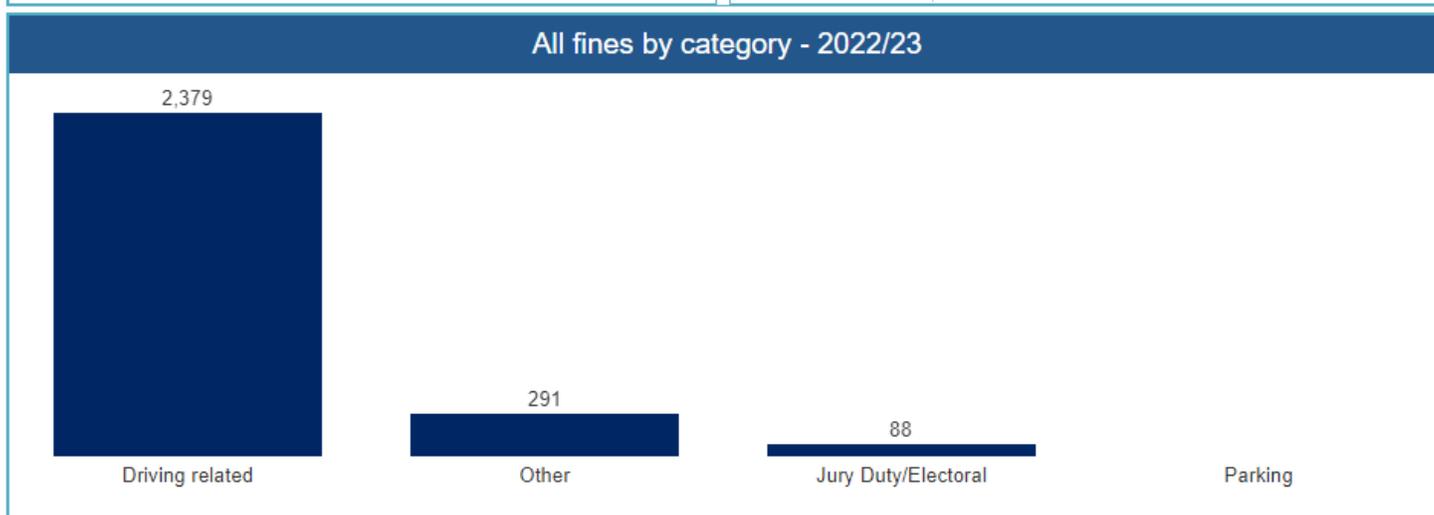
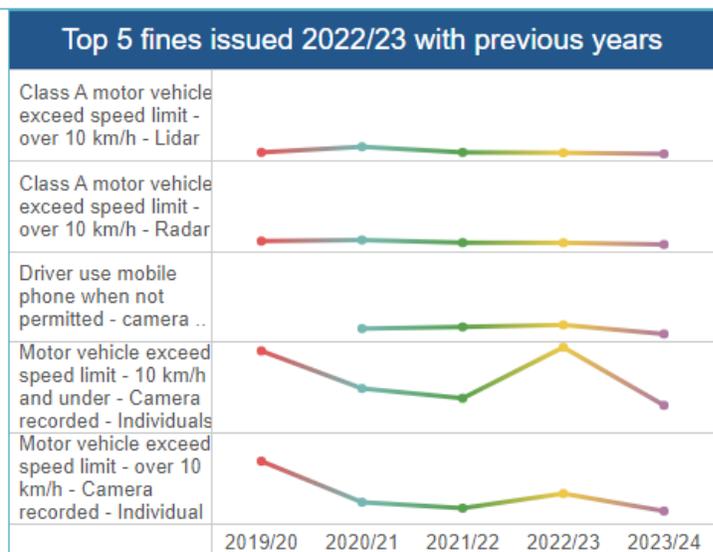
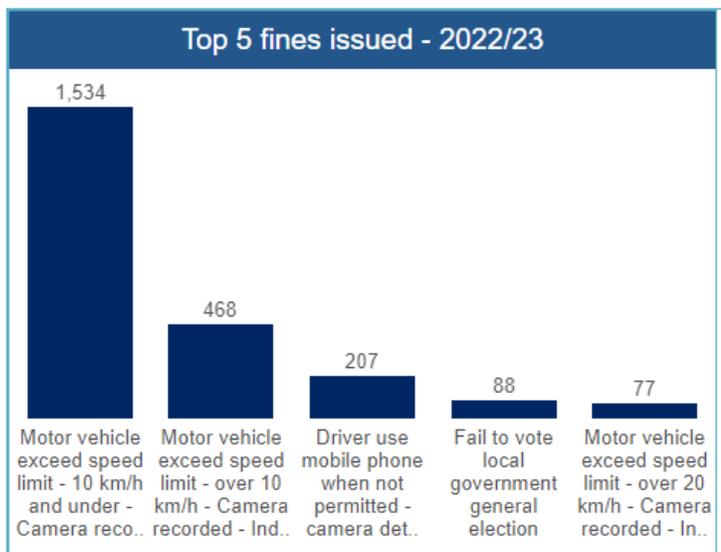
Withdrawals: 308

Court elected: 124

**Fairer Fines**

50% reduction granted

Value of 50% reduction granted: \$143



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# Total Fines Issued – Postcode 2485 (Tweed Heads)

Financial year: (All)

**109,412**  
Number of fines issued

**\$22,718,467**  
Value of fines issued

Outstanding: 3,765

Enforced: 24,697

Resolved: 80,950

**Resolved by**

Paid in full: 77,442

Caution: 2,068

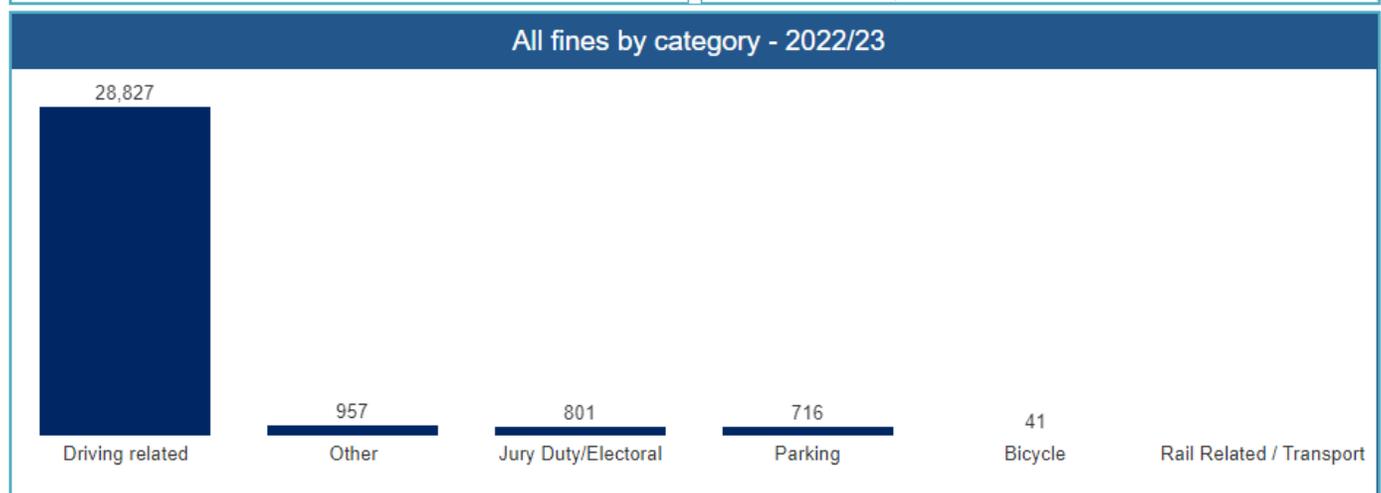
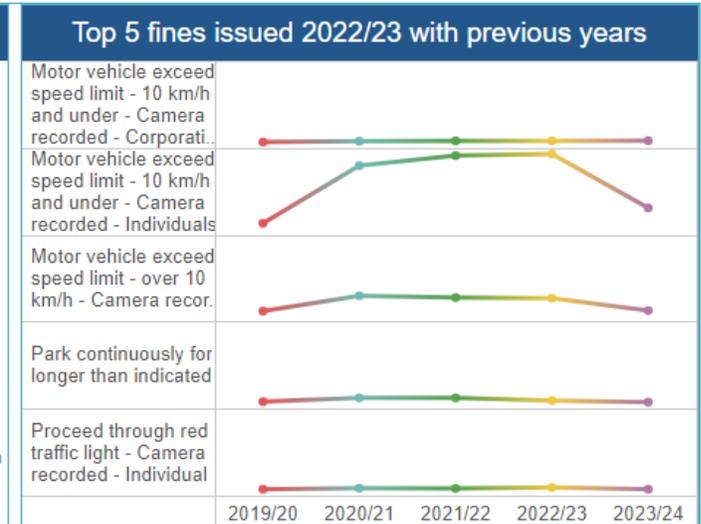
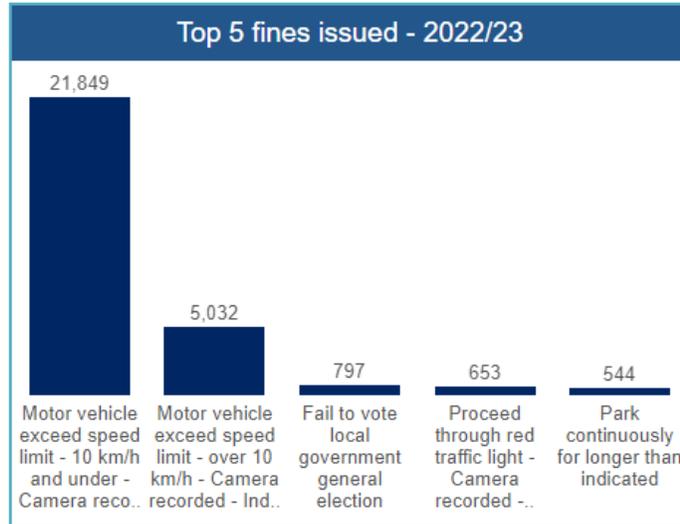
Withdrawals: 1,096

Court elected: 344

**Fairer Fines**

50% reduction granted

Value of 50% reduction granted: \$1,148



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# Total Overdue Fines – Postcode 2478 (Ballina)

## \$2,644,766

Total value of overdue fines

<p><b>1,496</b></p> <p>Number of customers</p>	<p><b>4,271</b></p> <p>Number of overdue fines</p>
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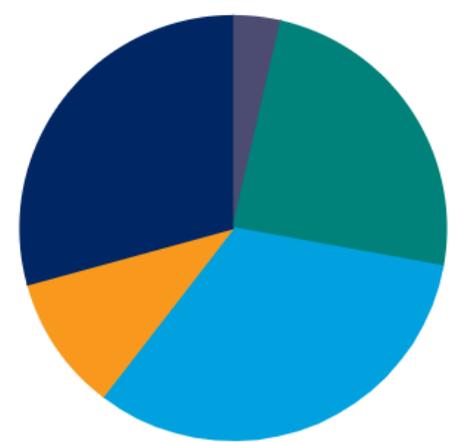
### Average age of overdue fines

<b>&lt; 12 months</b>	<b>\$402,667</b>	
<b>1-2 Years</b>	<b>\$370,635</b>	
<b>&gt; 2 Years</b>	<b>\$1,871,464</b>	

### Transport for NSW sanctions applied

Licence suspensions	108
Vehicle registration cancellations	20
Customer business restrictions	417
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>545</b>

### Status of overdue fines



■ Work and development orders

■ Payment plan

■ Centrepay payment plan

■ Stayed

■ Enforcement processing

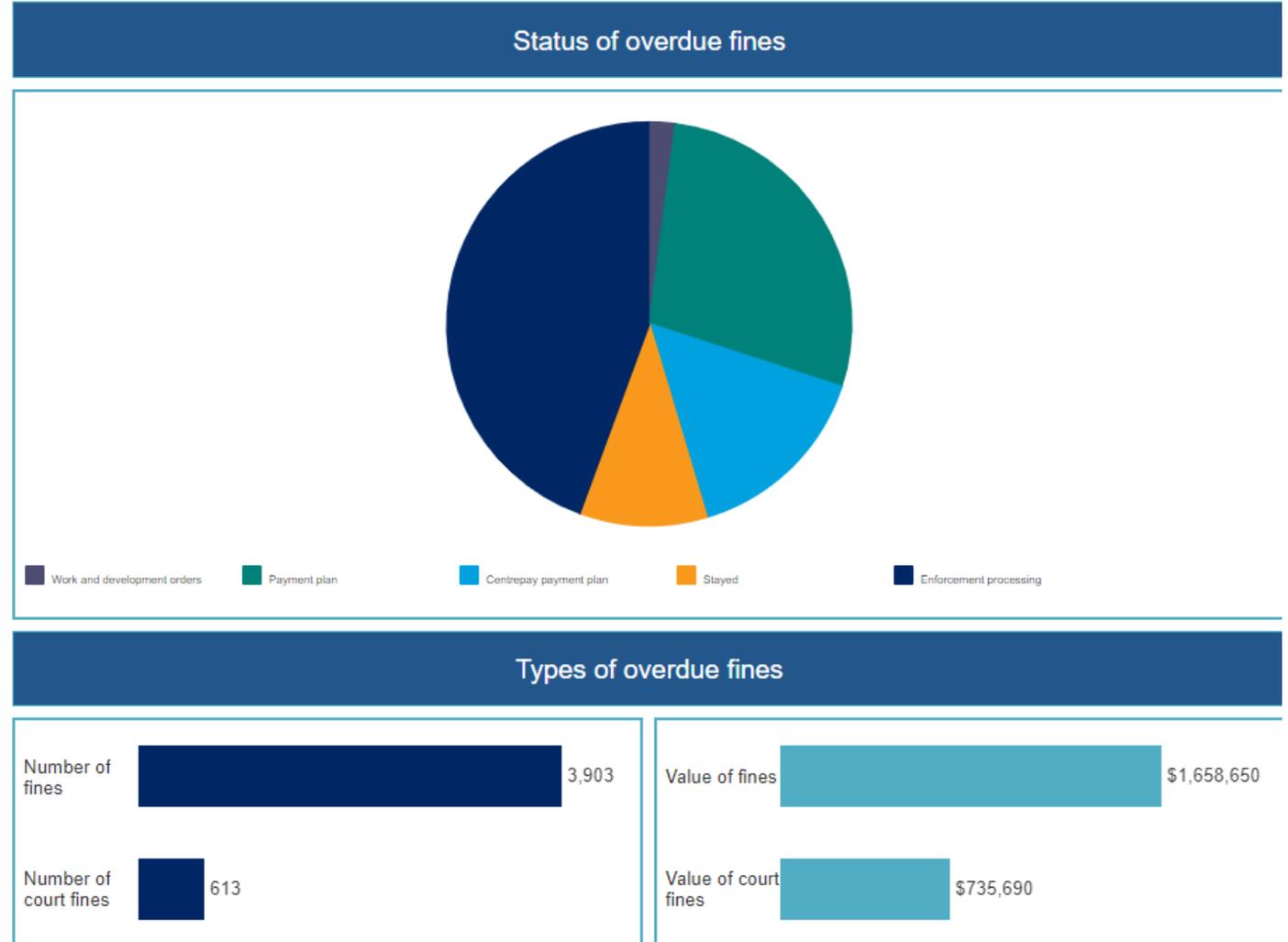
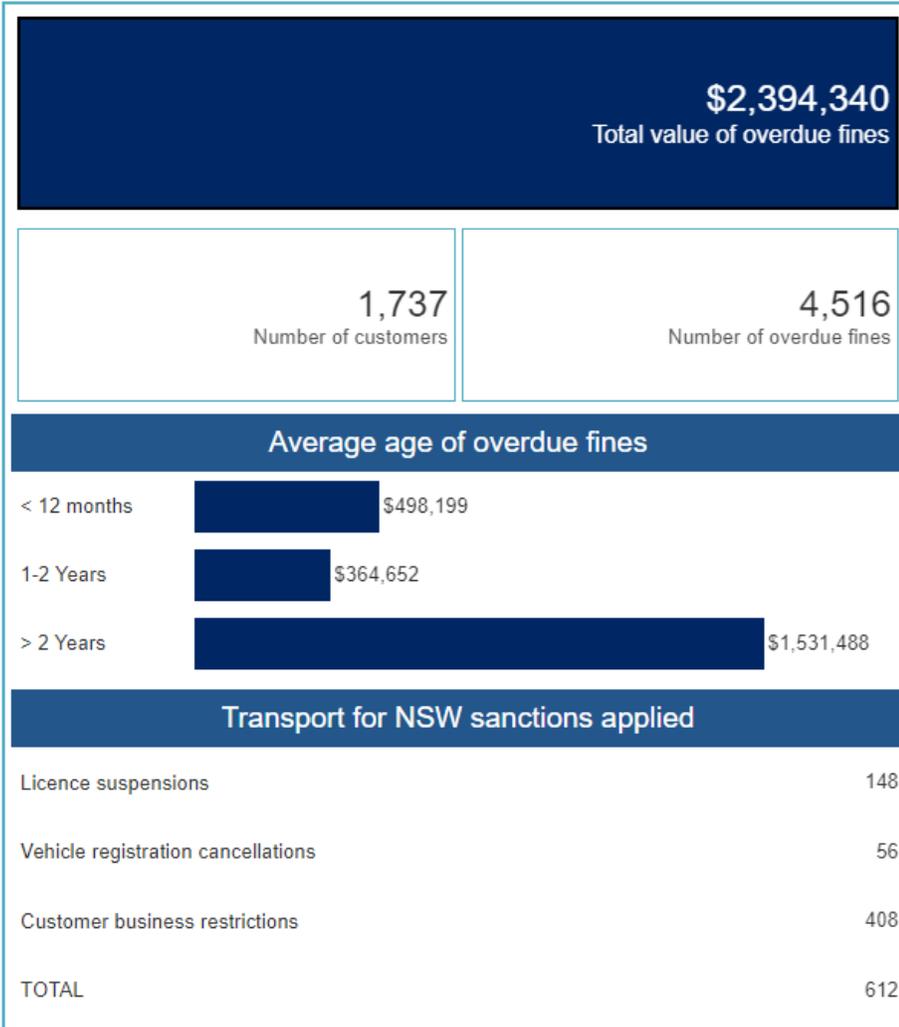
### Types of overdue fines

Number of fines	<b>3,030</b>	
Number of court fines	<b>1,241</b>	
Value of fines		<b>\$1,308,818</b>
Value of court fines		<b>\$1,335,948</b>

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# Total Overdue Fines – Postcode 2481 (Byron)



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# Total Overdue Fines – Postcode 2474 (Kyogle)

**\$449,445**  
Total value of overdue fines

<p><b>274</b> Number of customers</p>	<p><b>774</b> Number of overdue fines</p>
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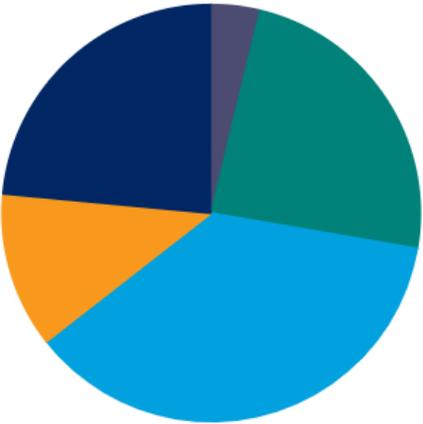
**Average age of overdue fines**

< 12 months	<div style="background-color: #003366; height: 15px; width: 100%;"></div>	\$78,108
1-2 Years	<div style="background-color: #003366; height: 15px; width: 100%;"></div>	\$76,000
> 2 Years	<div style="background-color: #003366; height: 15px; width: 100%;"></div>	\$295,337

**Transport for NSW sanctions applied**

Licence suspensions	22
Vehicle registration cancellations	
Customer business restrictions	61
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>92</b>

**Status of overdue fines**



■ Work and development orders

■ Payment plan

■ Centrepay payment plan

■ Stayed

■ Enforcement processing

**Types of overdue fines**

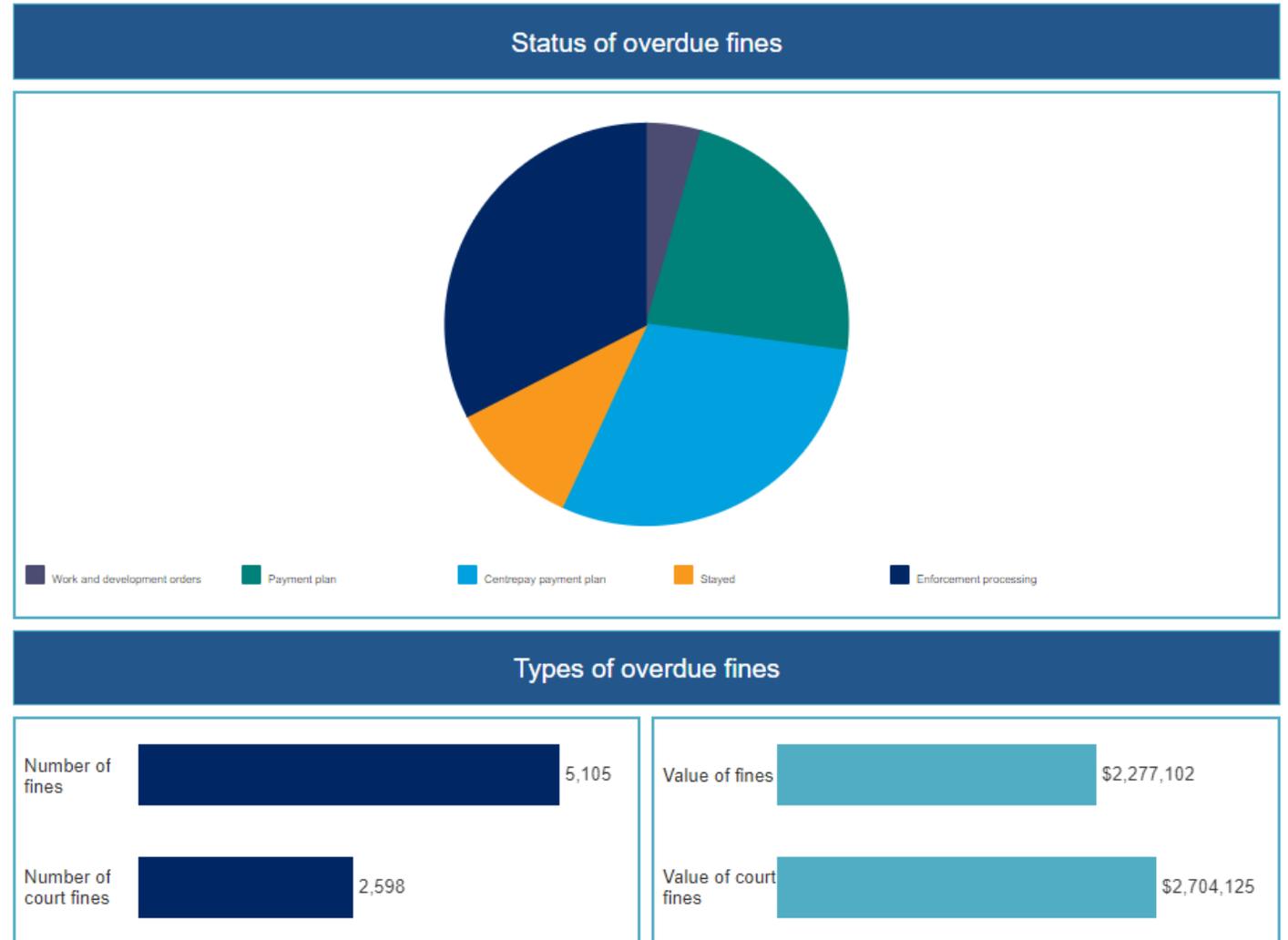
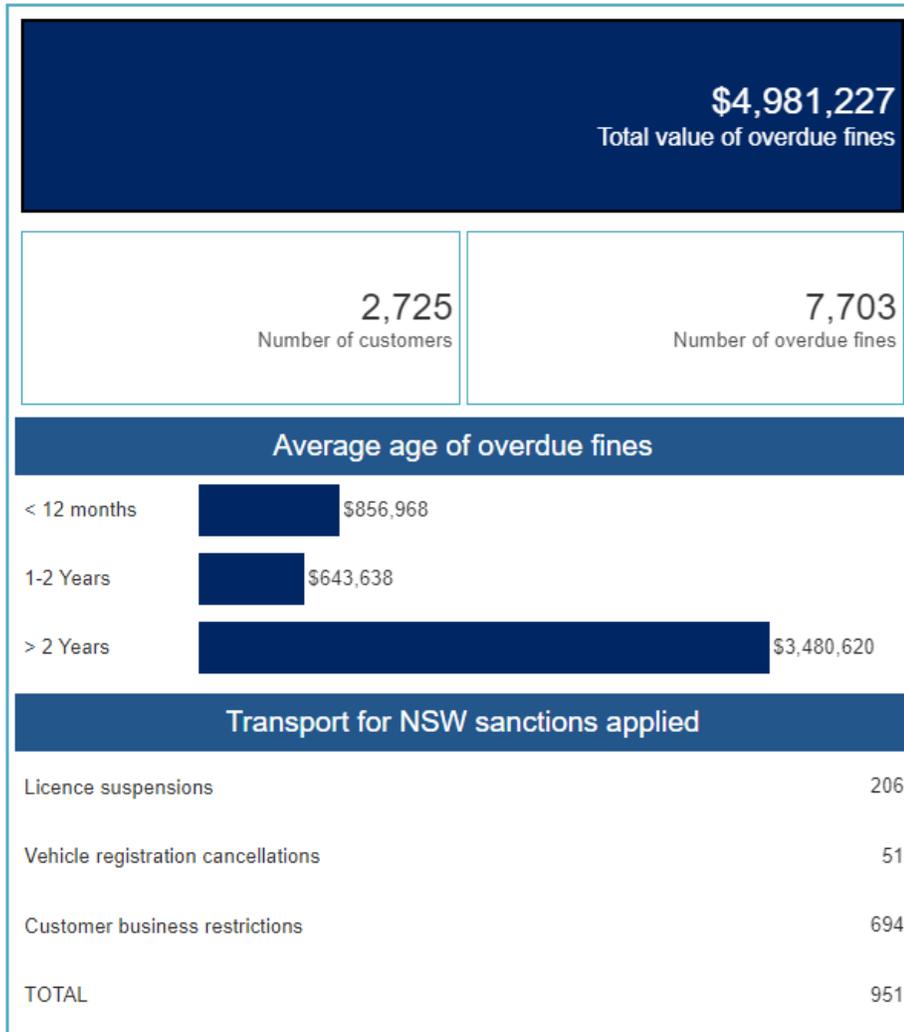
Number of fines	<div style="background-color: #003366; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div>	543
Number of court fines	<div style="background-color: #003366; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div>	231

Value of fines	<div style="background-color: #009999; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div>	\$249,156
Value of court fines	<div style="background-color: #009999; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div>	\$200,289

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# Total Overdue Fines – Postcode 2480 (Lismore)



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# Total Overdue Fines – Postcode 2472 (Richmond Valley)

## \$147,136

Total value of overdue fines

<p style="font-size: 24px; margin: 0;">95</p> <p style="margin: 0;">Number of customers</p>	<p style="font-size: 24px; margin: 0;">223</p> <p style="margin: 0;">Number of overdue fines</p>
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### Average age of overdue fines

< 12 months	<div style="background-color: #003366; height: 15px; width: 20%;"></div>	\$28,781
1-2 Years	<div style="background-color: #003366; height: 15px; width: 30%;"></div>	\$37,389
> 2 Years	<div style="background-color: #003366; height: 15px; width: 60%;"></div>	\$80,966

### Transport for NSW sanctions applied

Licence suspensions	
Vehicle registration cancellations	
Customer business restrictions	18
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>29</b>

### Status of overdue fines

■ Work and development orders

■ Payment plan

■ Centrepay payment plan

■ Stayed

■ Enforcement processing

### Types of overdue fines

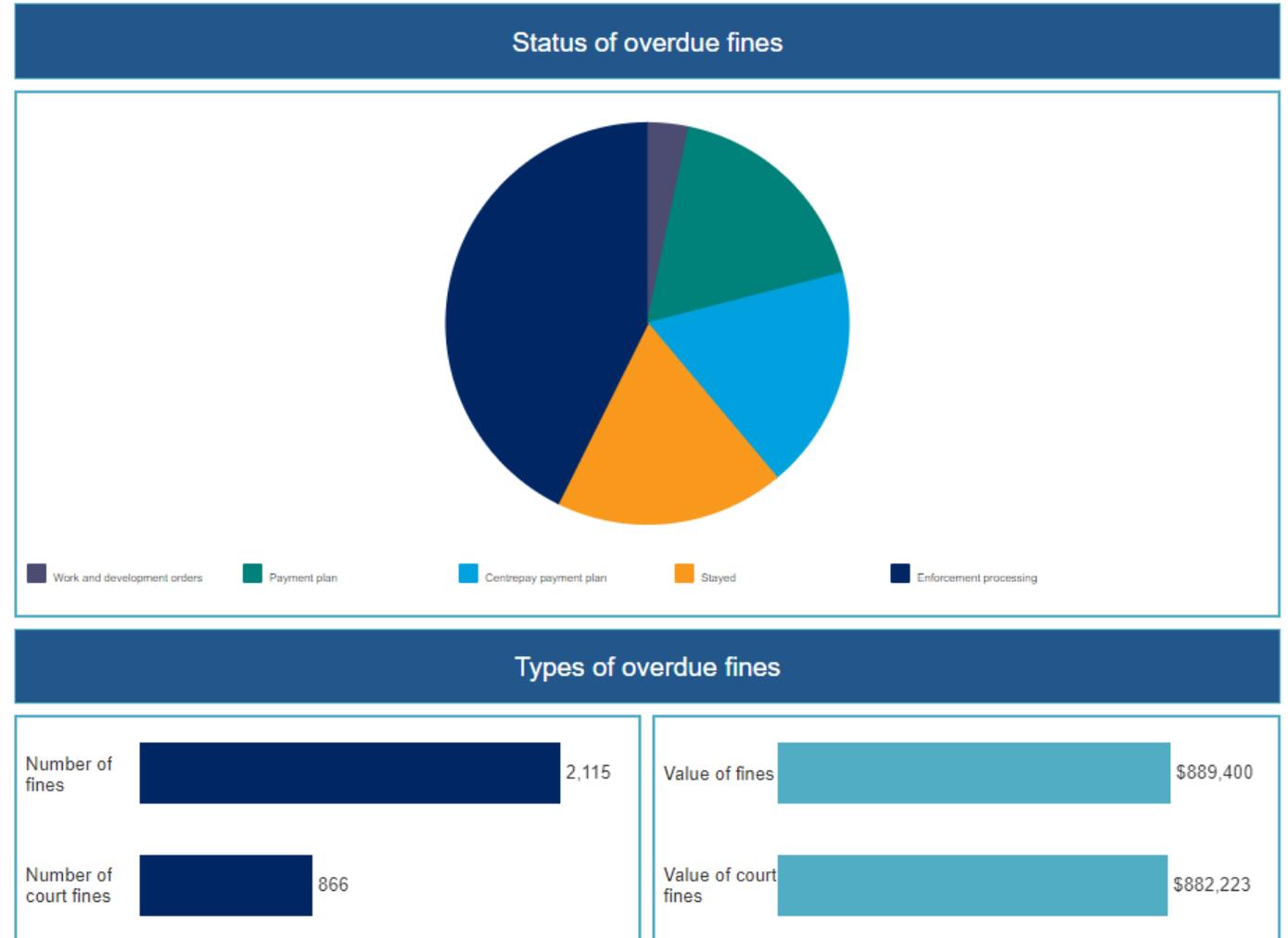
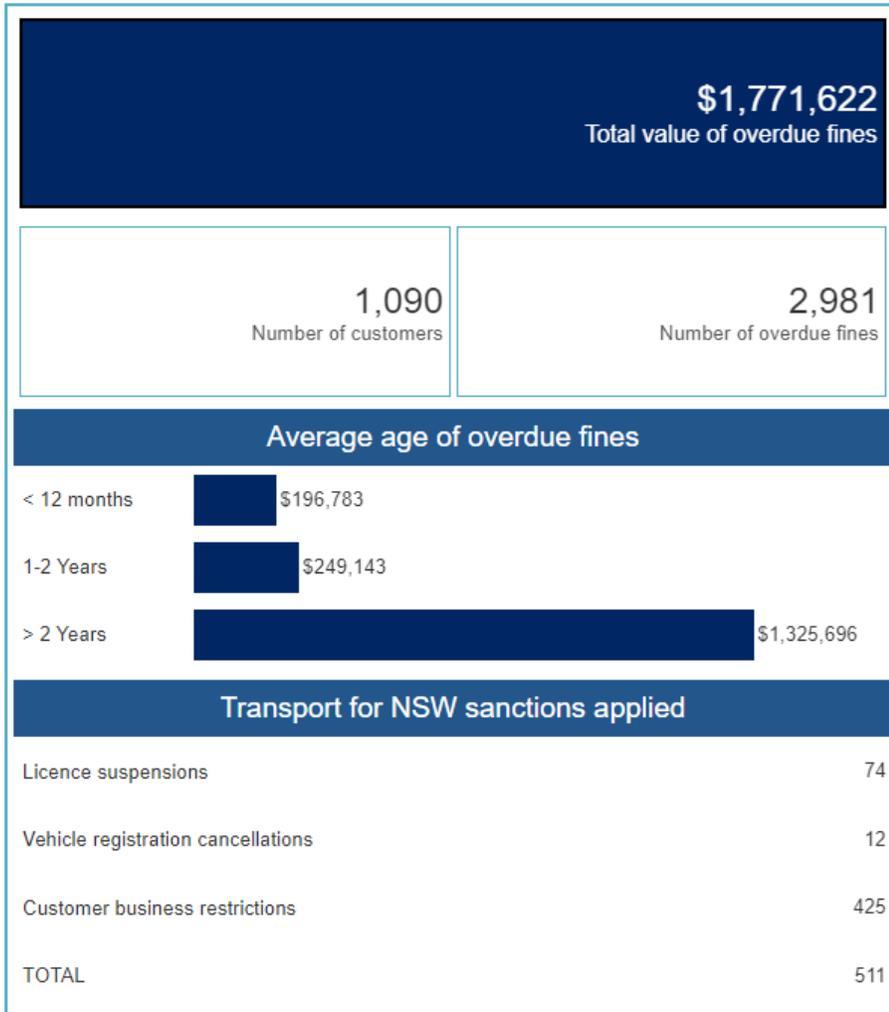
Number of fines	<div style="background-color: #003366; height: 20px; width: 80%;"></div>	167
Number of court fines	<div style="background-color: #003366; height: 20px; width: 30%;"></div>	56

Value of fines	<div style="background-color: #00A0A0; height: 20px; width: 90%;"></div>	\$83,184
Value of court fines	<div style="background-color: #00A0A0; height: 20px; width: 70%;"></div>	\$63,952

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# Total Overdue Fines – Postcode 2485 (Tweed Heads)



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# Total Overdue Fines, age 18-24 years – Postcode 2478 (Ballina)

## \$185,535

Total value of overdue fines

<p style="font-size: 24px; margin: 0;">139</p> <p style="margin: 0;">Number of customers</p>	<p style="font-size: 24px; margin: 0;">330</p> <p style="margin: 0;">Number of overdue fines</p>
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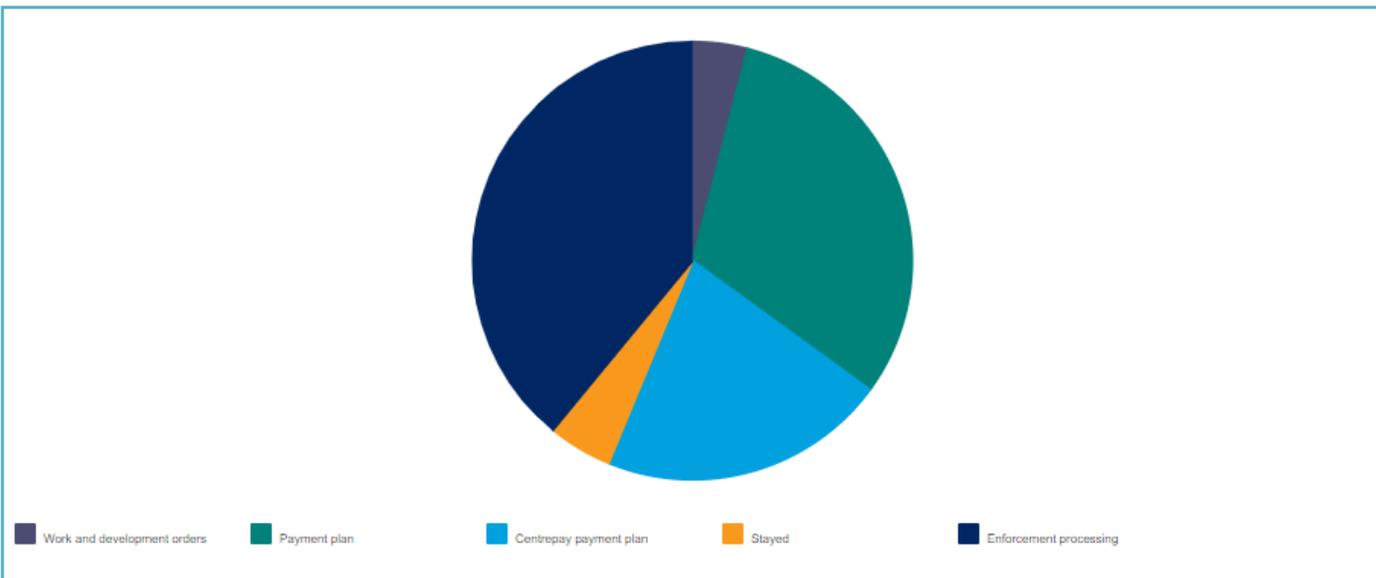
### Average age of overdue fines

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1-2 Years	<div style="background-color: #003366; height: 20px; width: 70%;"></div>	\$54,115
> 2 Years	<div style="background-color: #003366; height: 20px; width: 90%;"></div>	\$83,259

### Transport for NSW sanctions applied

Licence suspensions	
Vehicle registration cancellations	
Customer business restrictions	31
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>38</b>

## Status of overdue fines



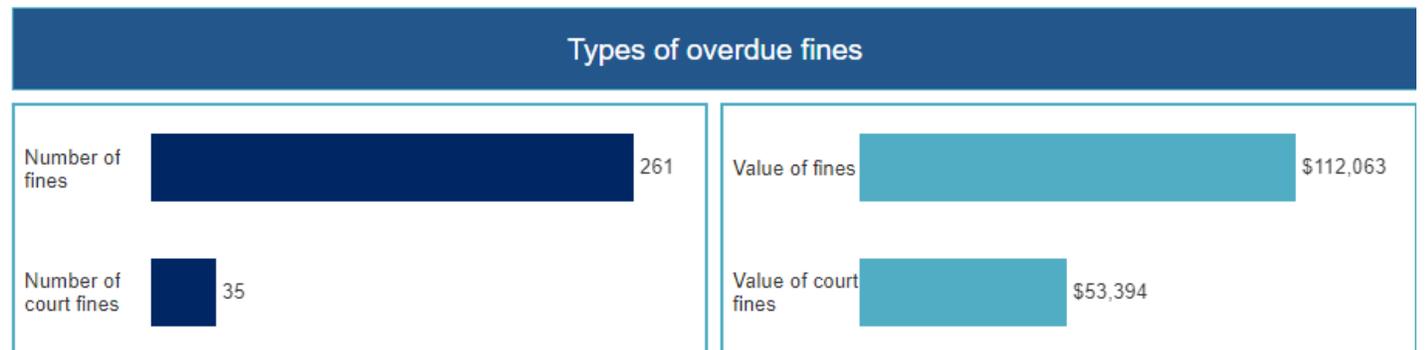
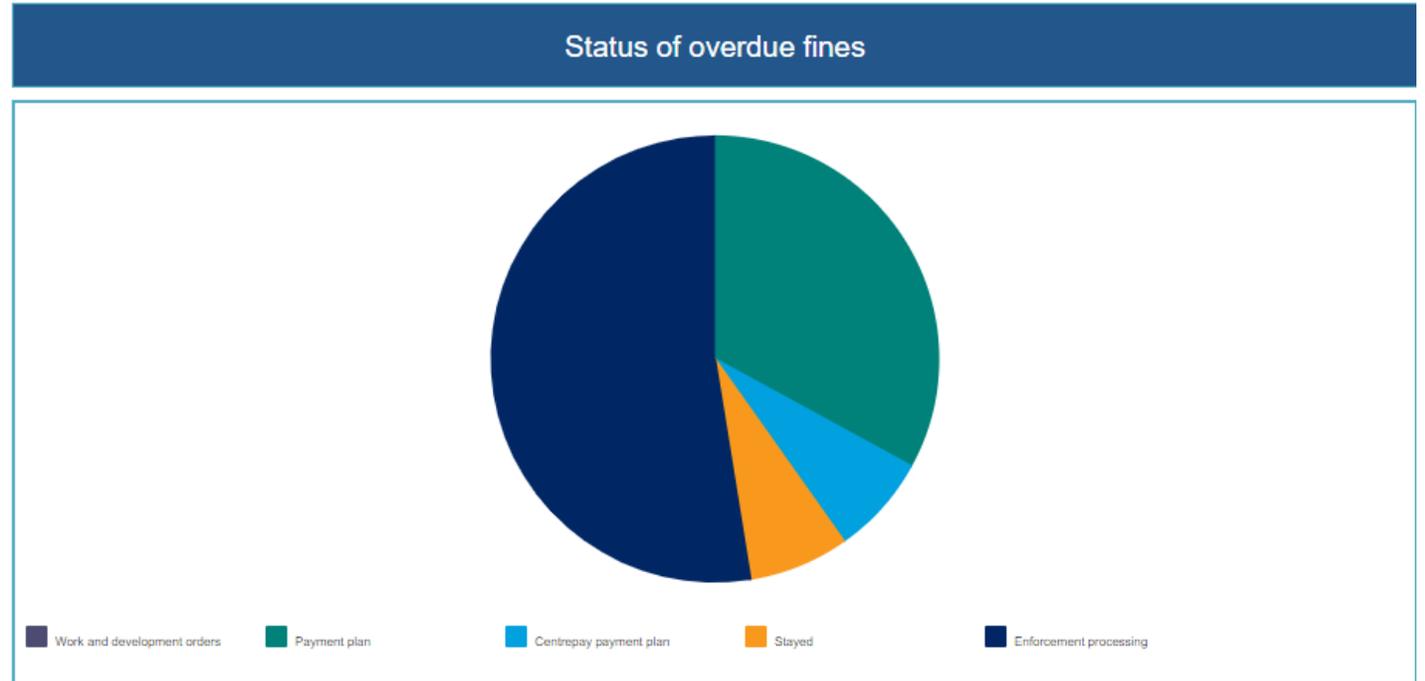
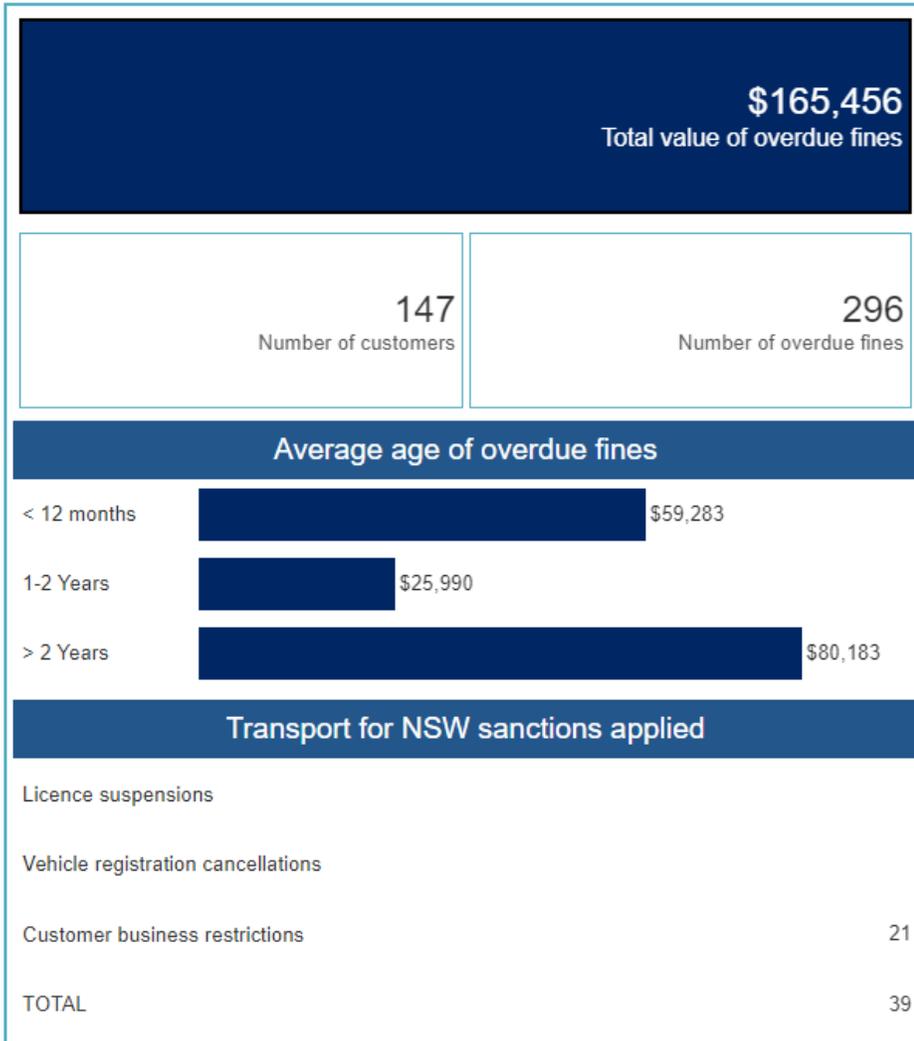
## Types of overdue fines

<p>Number of fines <div style="background-color: #003366; height: 20px; width: 80%; display: inline-block;"></div> 230</p>	<p>Value of fines <div style="background-color: #009999; height: 20px; width: 90%; display: inline-block;"></div> \$103,587</p>
<p>Number of court fines <div style="background-color: #003366; height: 20px; width: 30%; display: inline-block;"></div> 100</p>	<p>Value of court fines <div style="background-color: #009999; height: 20px; width: 80%; display: inline-block;"></div> \$81,948</p>

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# Total Overdue Fines, age 18-24 years – Postcode 2481 (Byron)



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# Total Overdue Fines, age 18-24 years – Postcode 2474 (Kyogle)

**\$35,305**  
Total value of overdue fines

<p><b>30</b> Number of customers</p>	<p><b>66</b> Number of overdue fines</p>
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**Average age of overdue fines**

< 12 months	<div style="background-color: #003366; height: 15px; width: 100%;"></div>	\$16,393
1-2 Years	<div style="background-color: #003366; height: 15px; width: 80%;"></div>	\$9,325
> 2 Years	<div style="background-color: #003366; height: 15px; width: 60%;"></div>	\$9,587

**Transport for NSW sanctions applied**

Licence suspensions	
Vehicle registration cancellations	
Customer business restrictions	
<b>TOTAL</b>	

**Status of overdue fines**

■ Work and development orders

■ Payment plan

■ Centrepay payment plan

■ Stayed

■ Enforcement processing

**Types of overdue fines**

Number of fines	<div style="background-color: #003366; height: 15px; width: 100%;"></div>	50
Number of court fines	<div style="background-color: #003366; height: 15px; width: 30%;"></div>	16

Value of fines	<div style="background-color: #008080; height: 15px; width: 100%;"></div>	\$26,437
Value of court fines	<div style="background-color: #008080; height: 15px; width: 30%;"></div>	\$8,868

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# Total Overdue Fines, age 18-24 years – Postcode 2480 (Lismore)

**\$378,783**  
Total value of overdue fines

**319**  
Number of customers

**690**  
Number of overdue fines

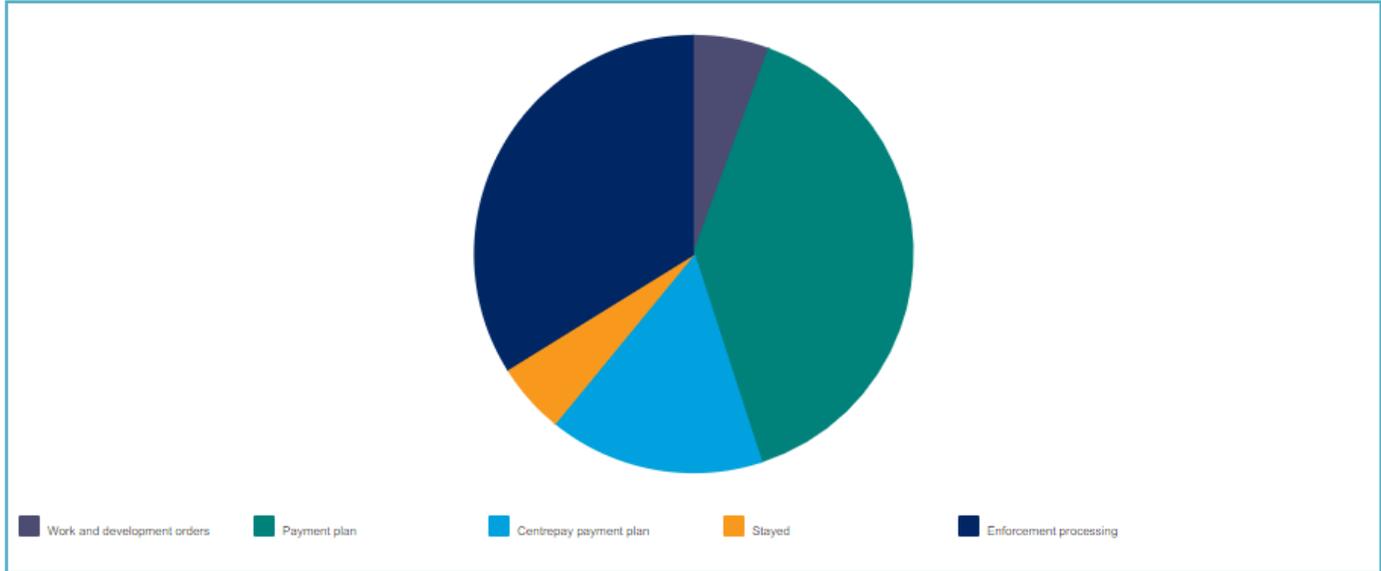
## Average age of overdue fines



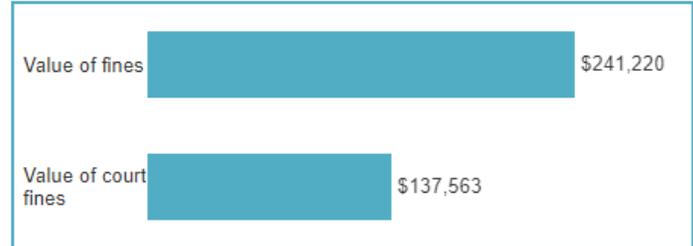
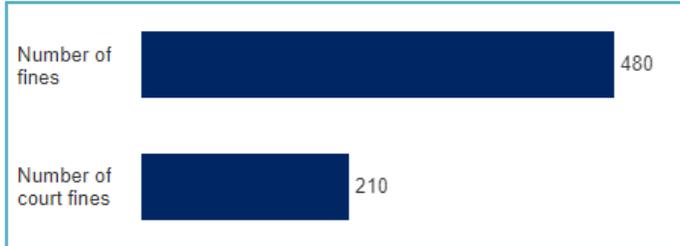
## Transport for NSW sanctions applied

Licence suspensions	31
Vehicle registration cancellations	
Customer business restrictions	65
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>103</b>

## Status of overdue fines



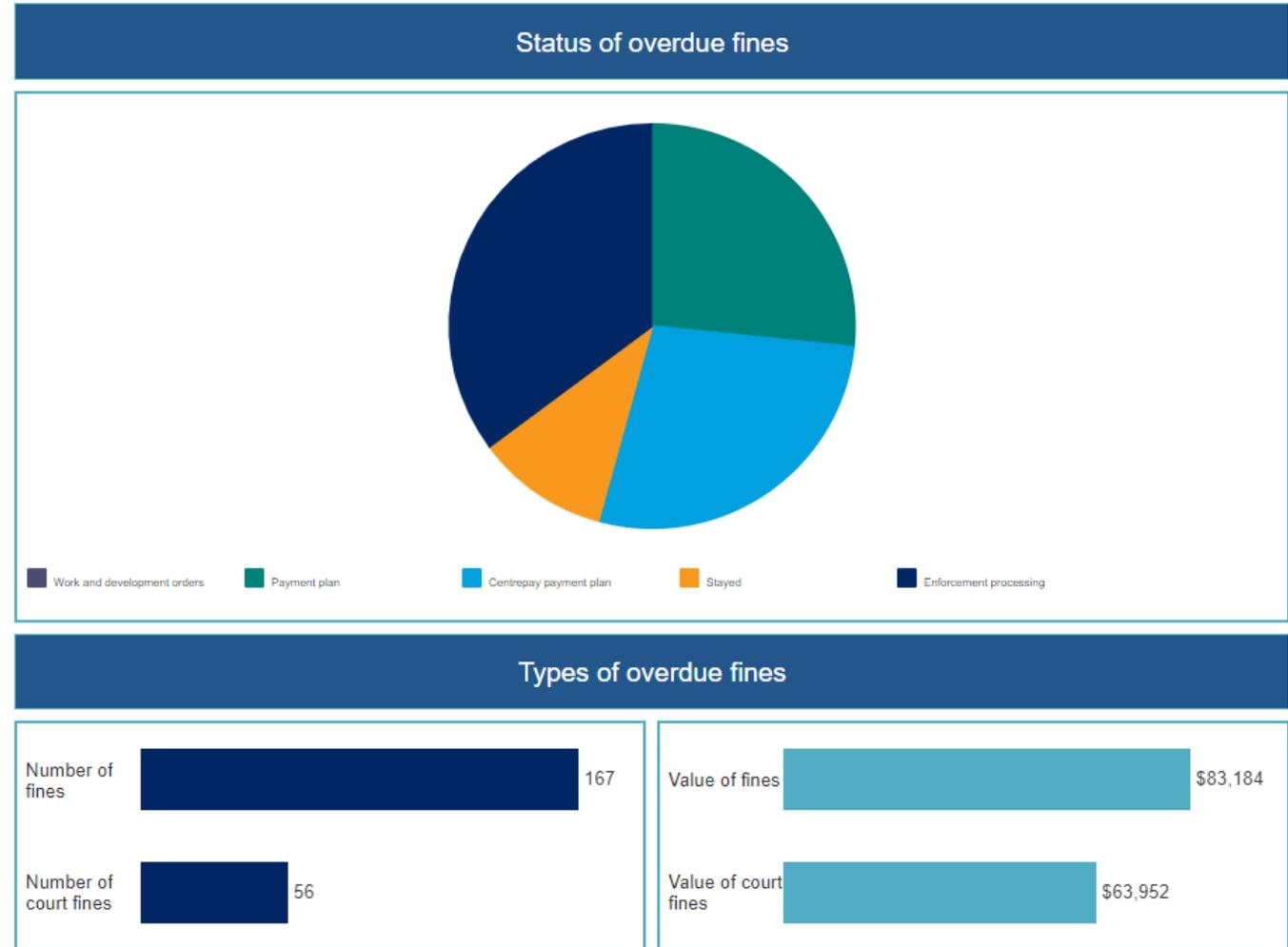
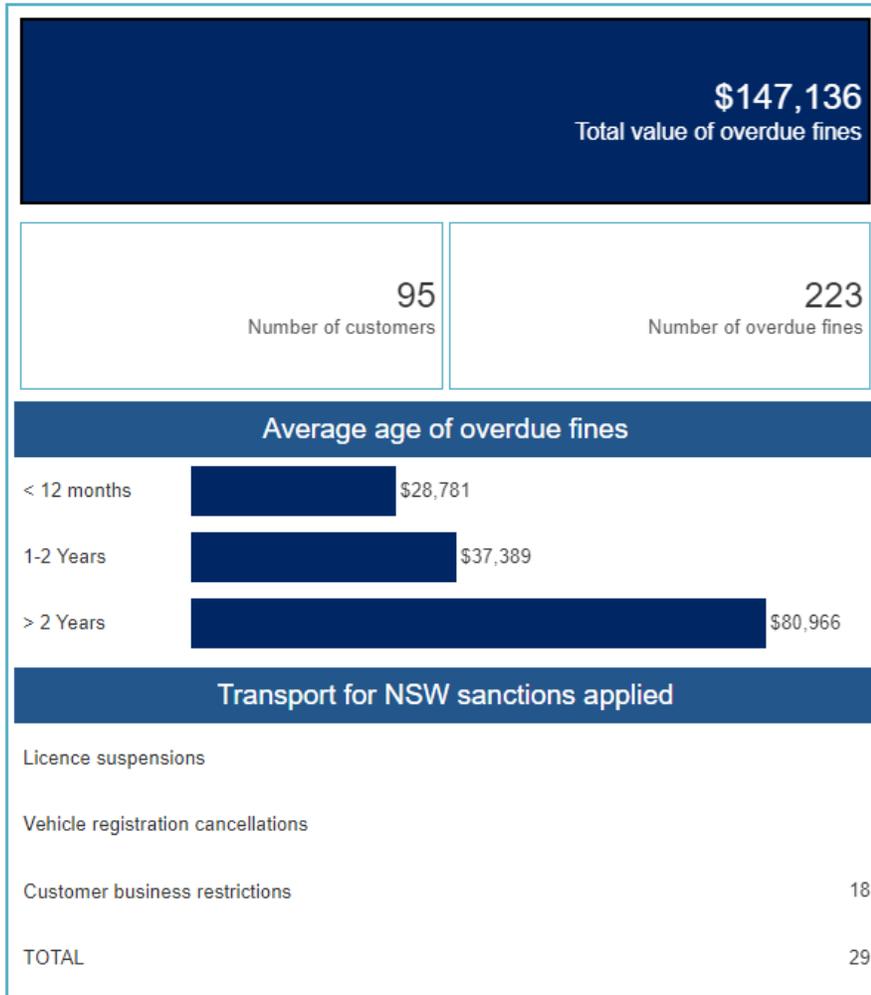
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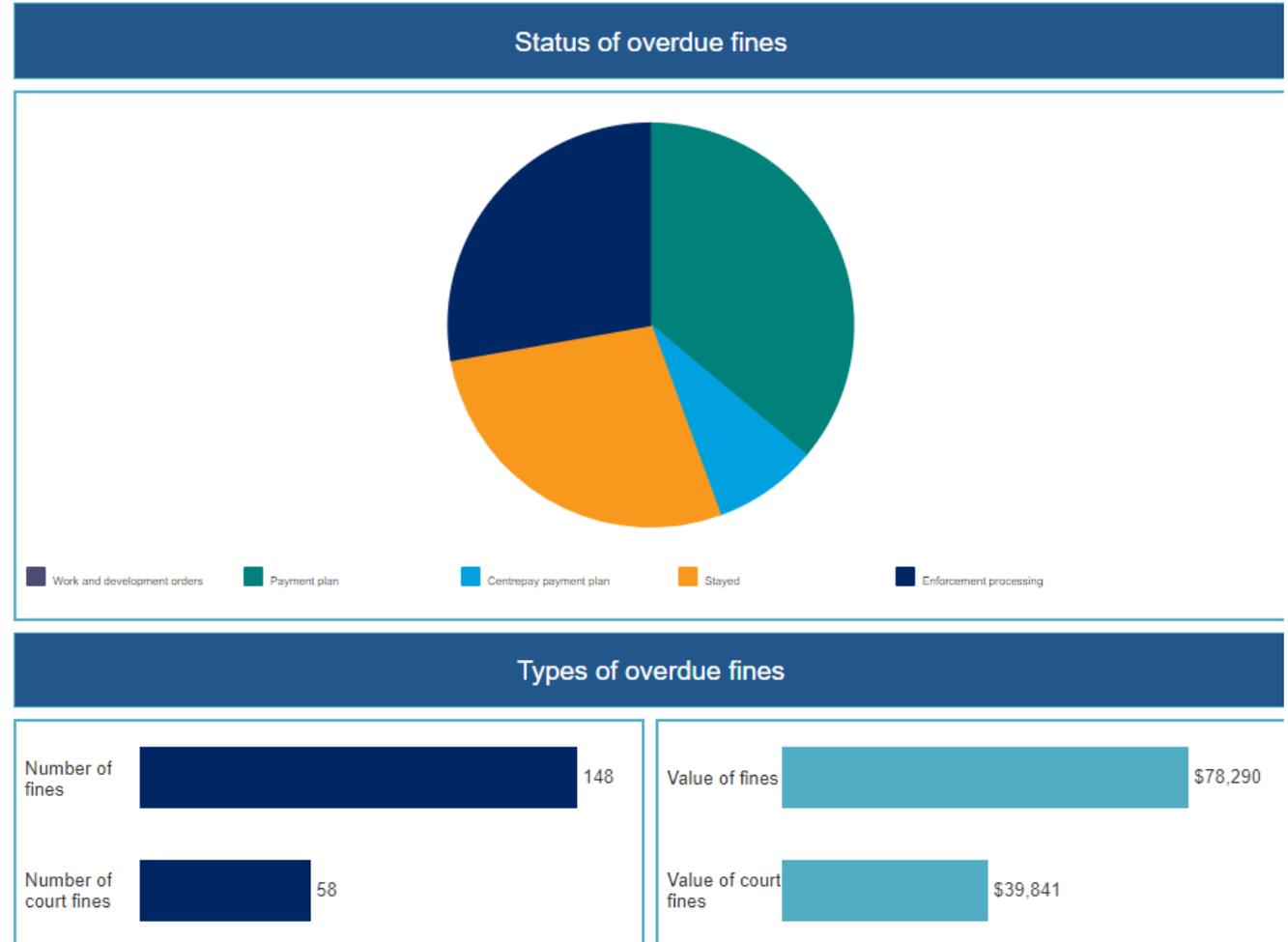
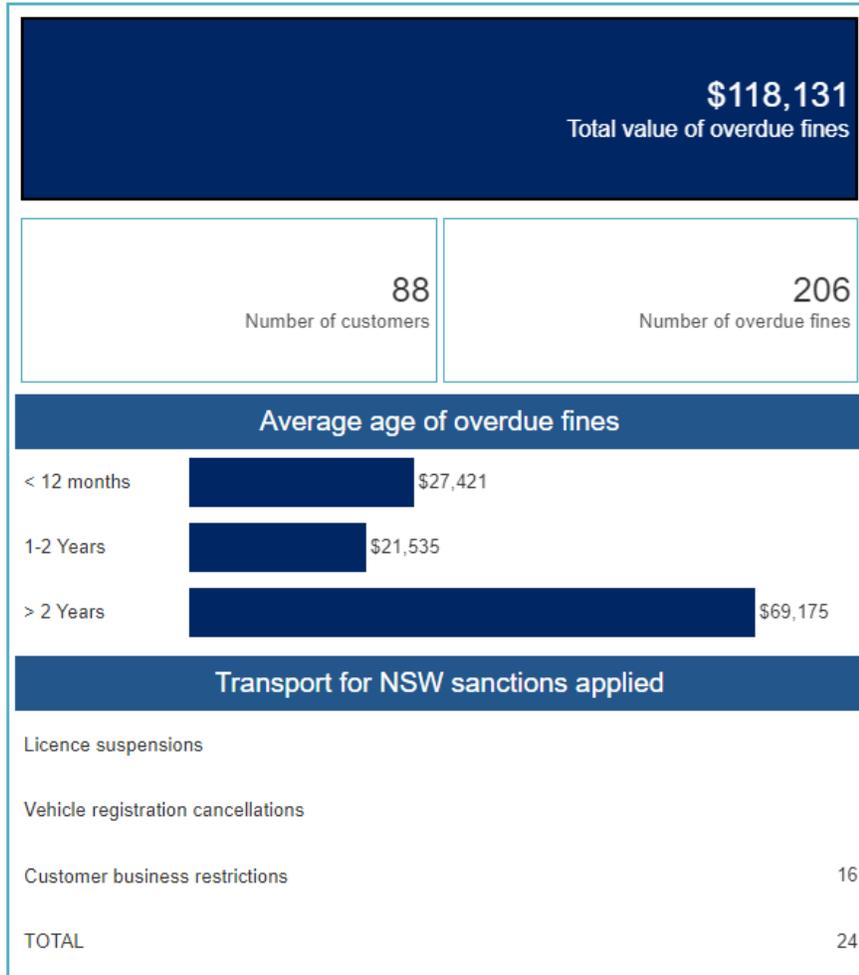
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