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# Introduction

Our 2023 Census once again collects together data from every member school in our Association, and shows, through various charts, how the boarding market looks across Australia.

The first section shows the number of boarding schools in each State. Whilst the numbers for 2011 and 2012 are quite low, this reflects the membership of ABSA at that time. Since 2013, however, we have collected from all schools, and thus the pie charts are an accurate reflection of the boarding school makeup of Australia. We are pleased to be able to include the Residential Colleges in Western Australia in this data from 2017 onwards.

Section 2 shows the number of boarders broken down by State (with the ACT and NSW combined), and also shows the split between male and female boarders, from 2012 onwards. We have also included graphs showing co-ed/male/female boarding school numbers.

Section 3 shows the makeup of Year levels in boarding per State and combined for the whole of Australia from 2014 onwards.

The 4th section shows the number of Indigenous and Overseas boarders from 2012 onwards, and the number of rural boarders from 2016 onwards. We have also developed a combined chart showing the numbers of these specific groups over the years.

Section 5 details the number of boys and girls boarding and the number of weekly and metro boarders - with the total number of boarders in the State listed on the Y Axis.

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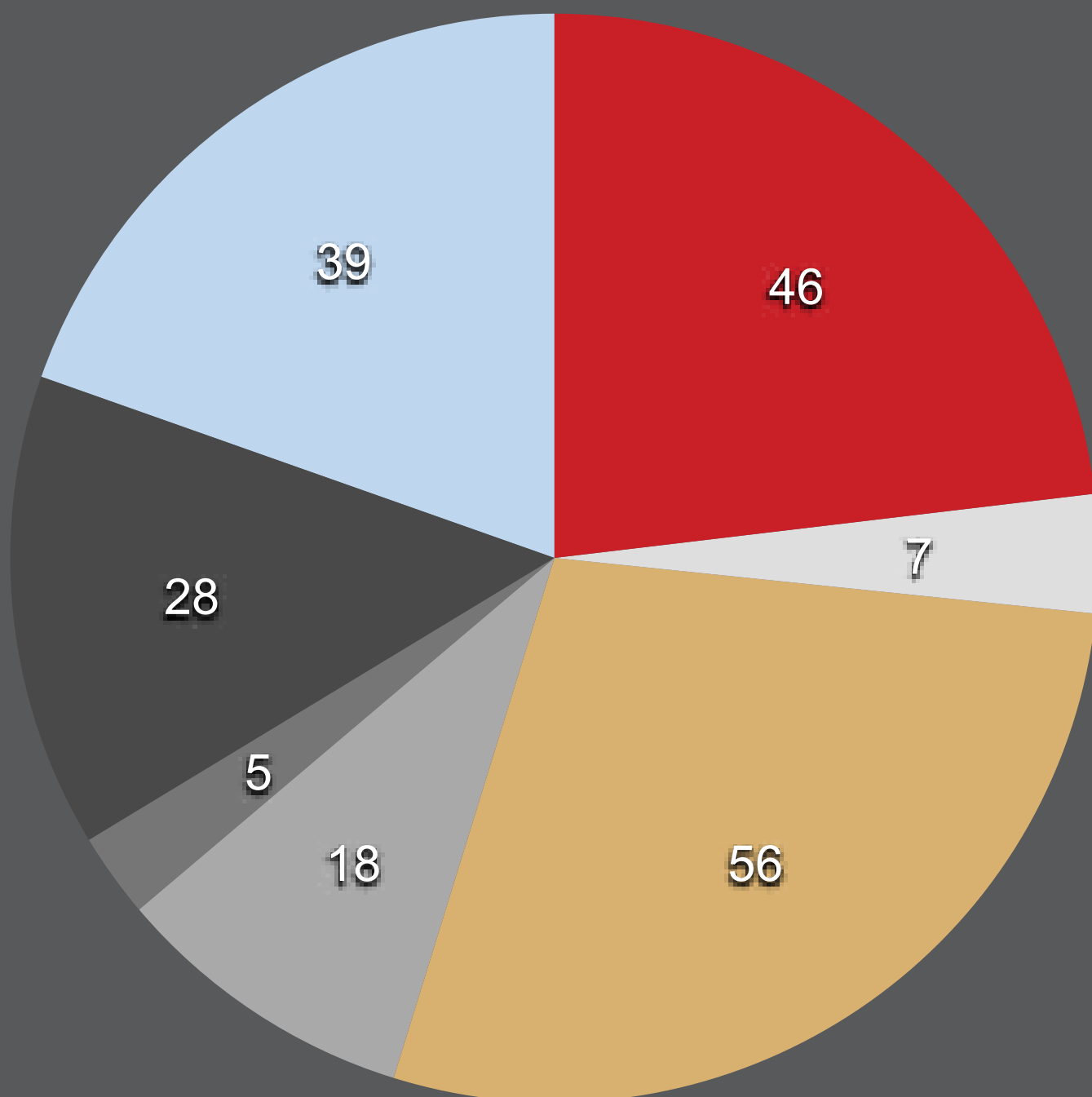
We trust you will find this information useful for your school and organisation, and ask that if you wish to publish any of this data yourself you first contact the ABSA office - [absa@boarding.org.au](mailto:absa@boarding.org.au) - and note the source of the data published.

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The number of boarding schools across Australia as members of the Australian Boarding Schools Association

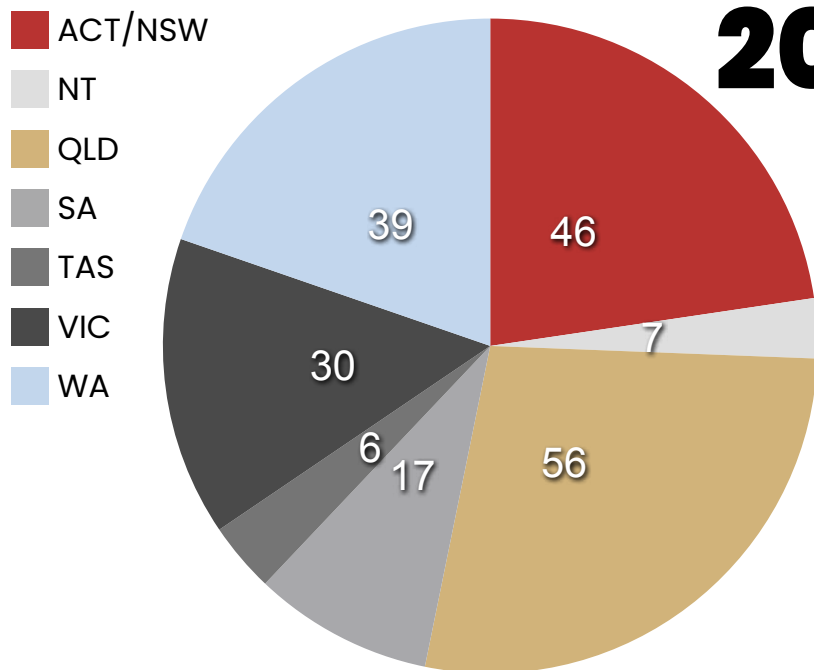
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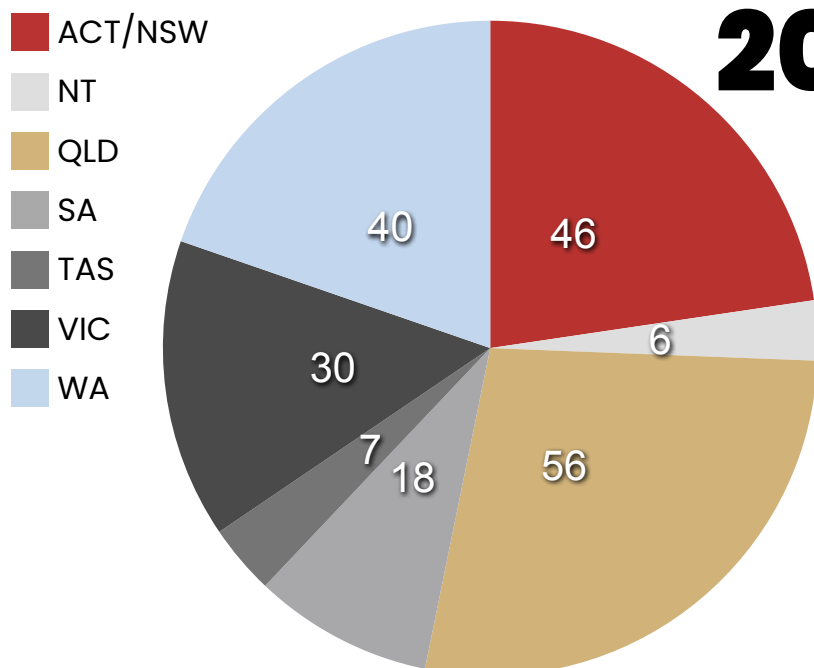
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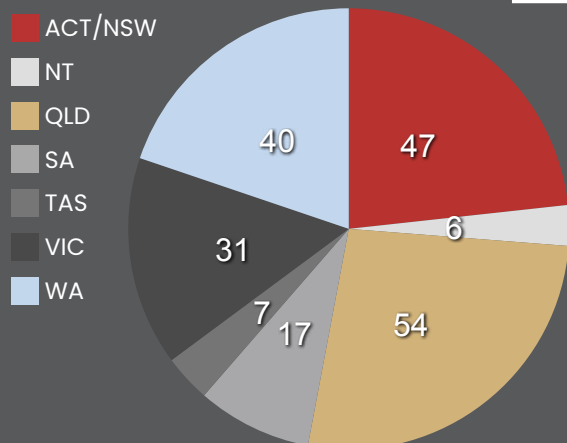
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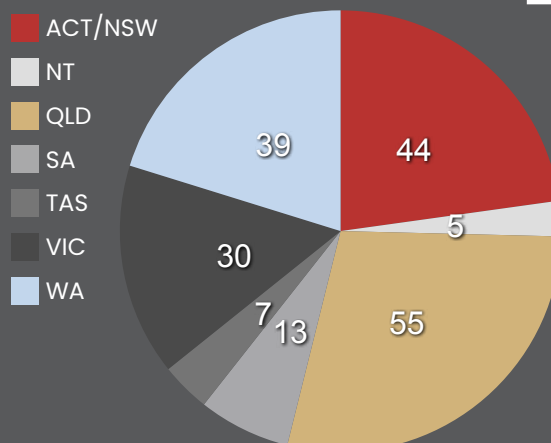
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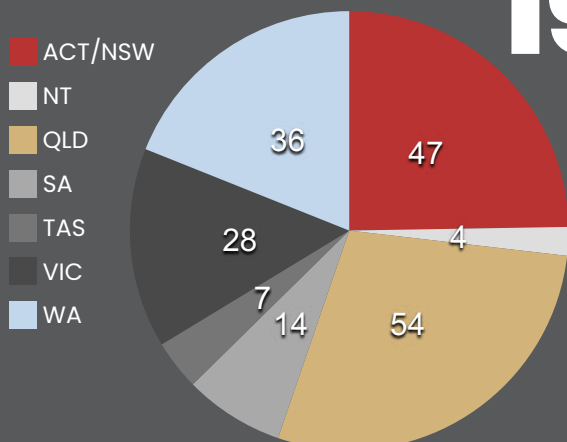
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**TOTAL  
193**



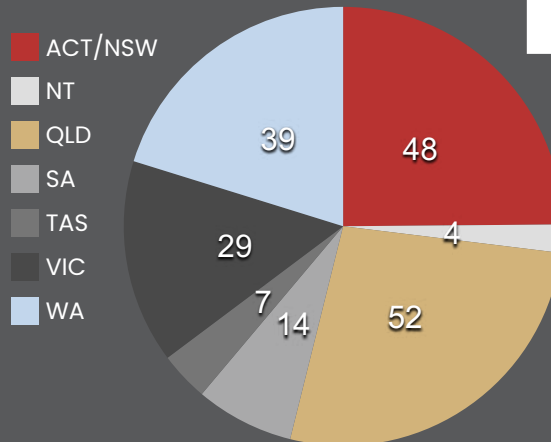
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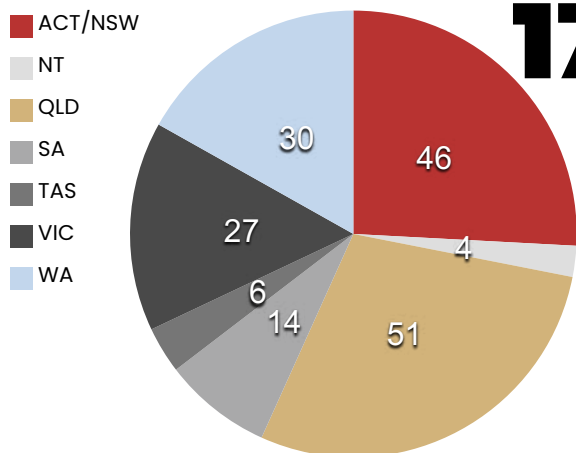
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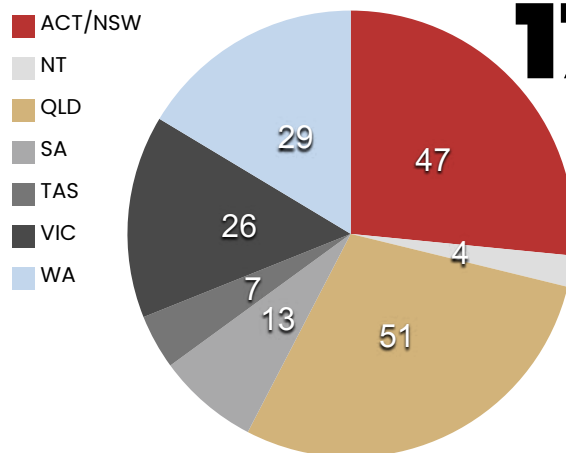
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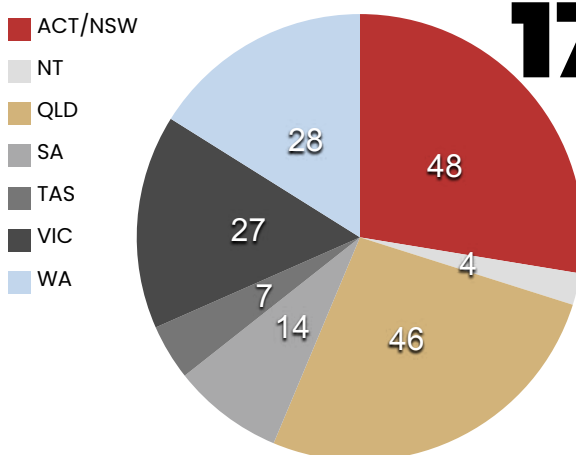
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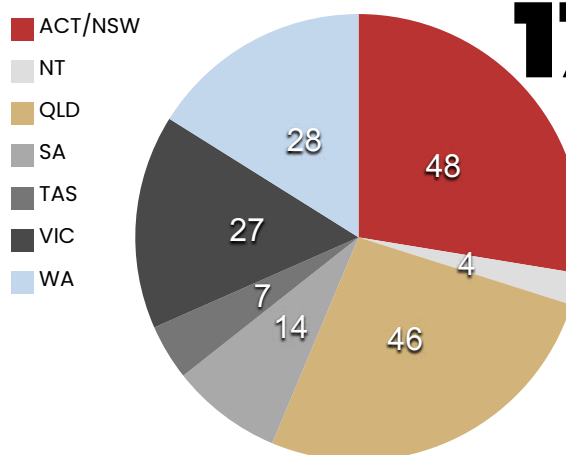
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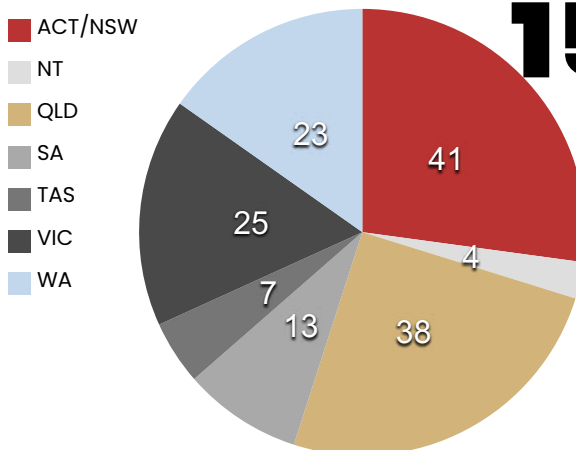
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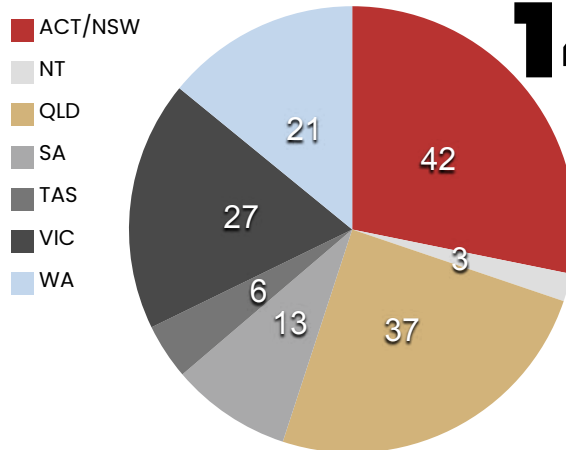
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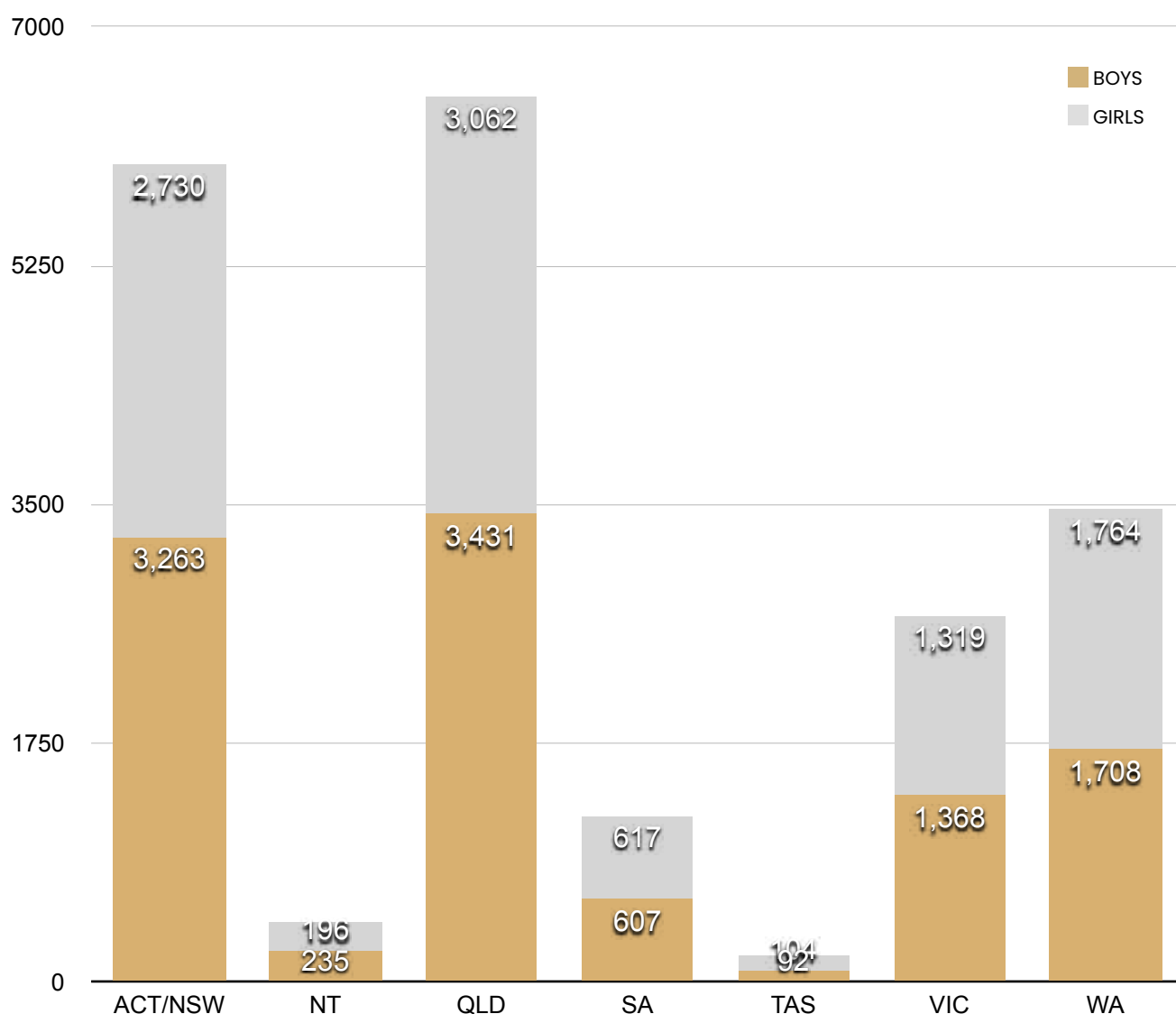
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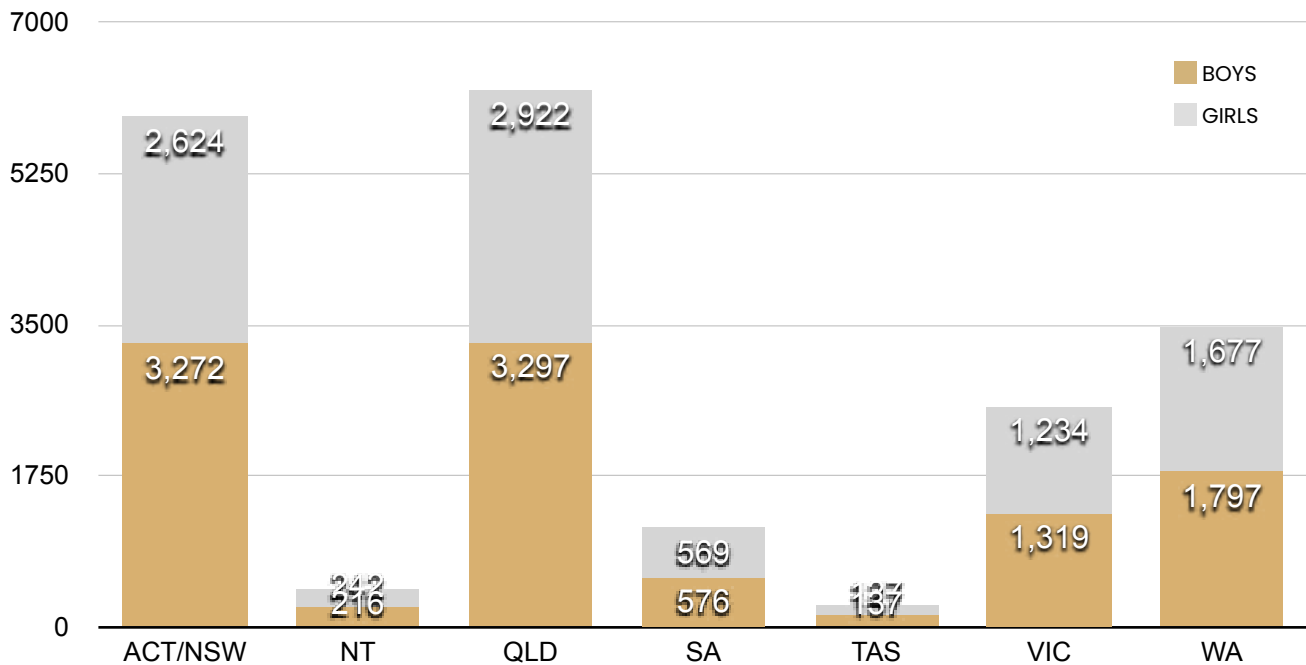
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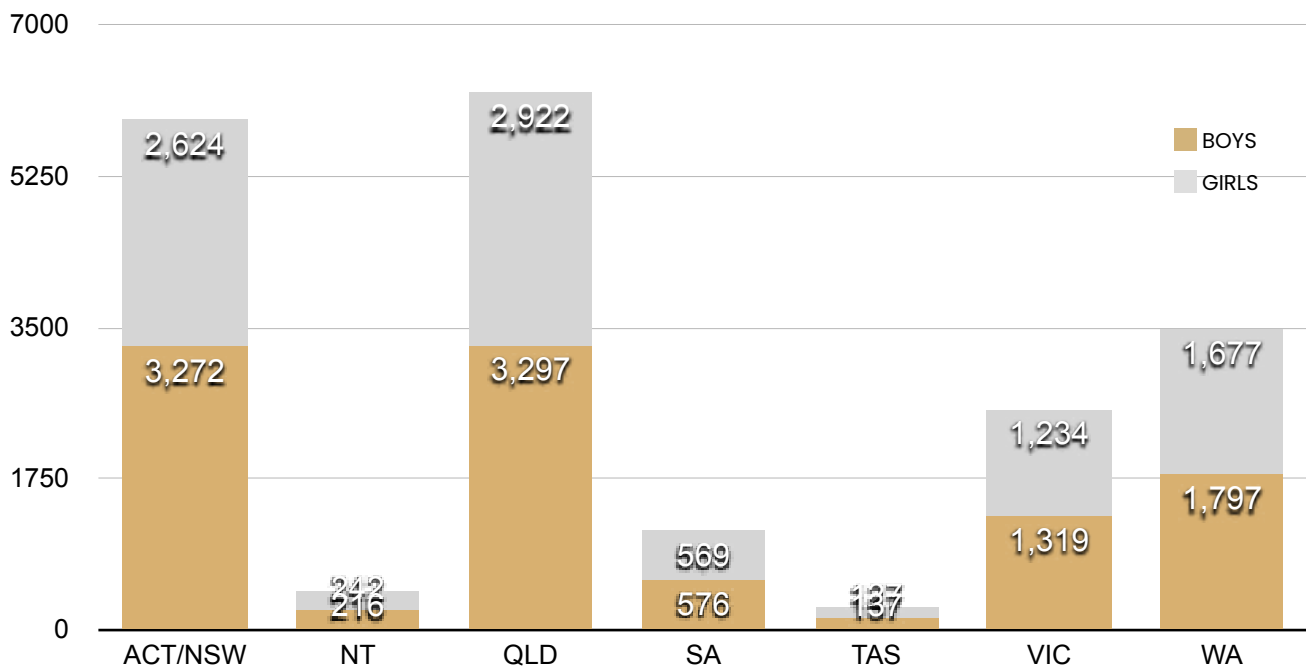




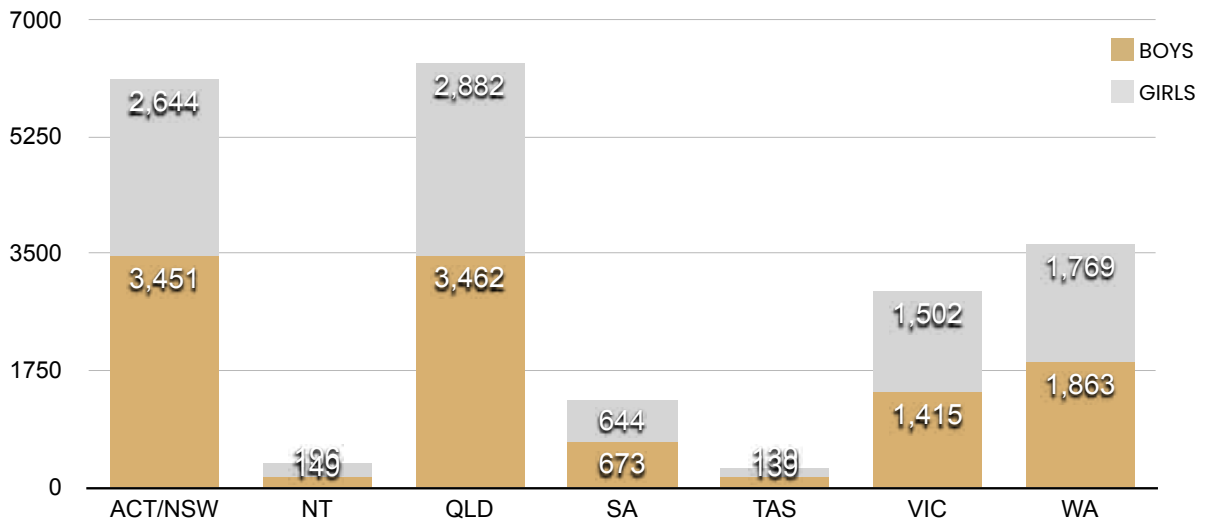
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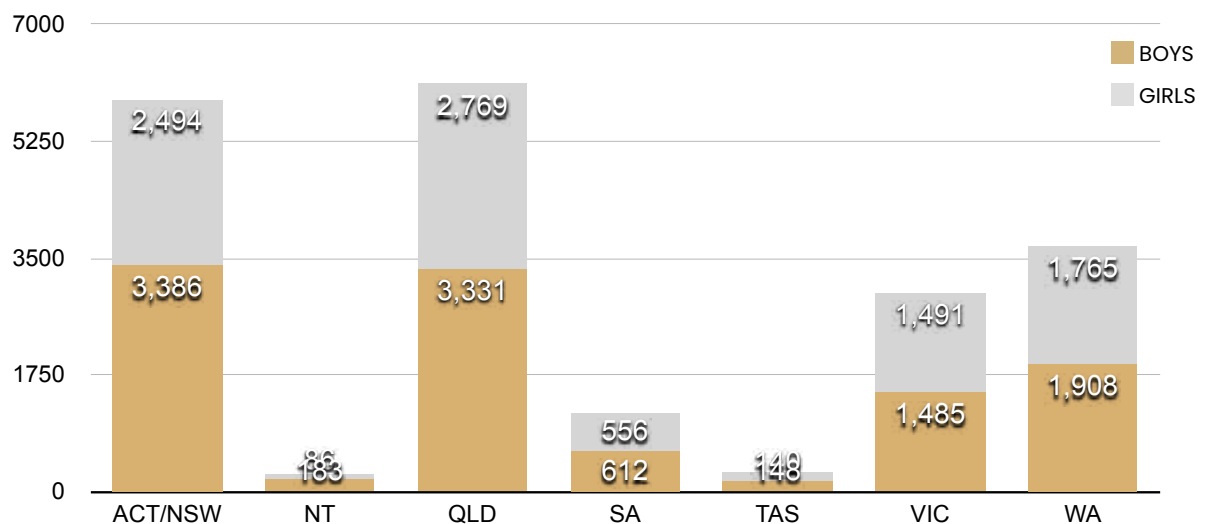
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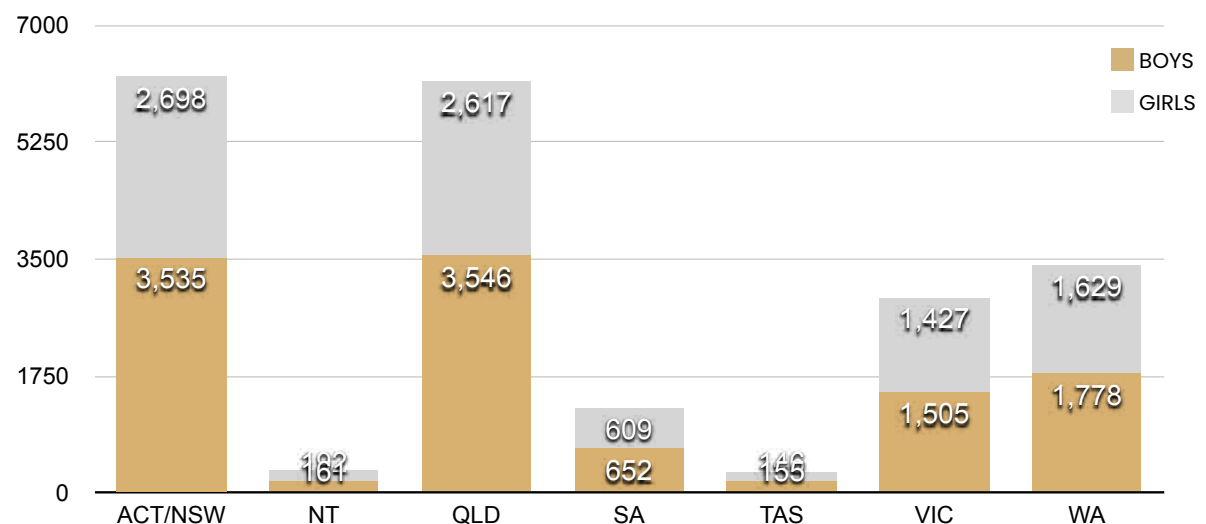
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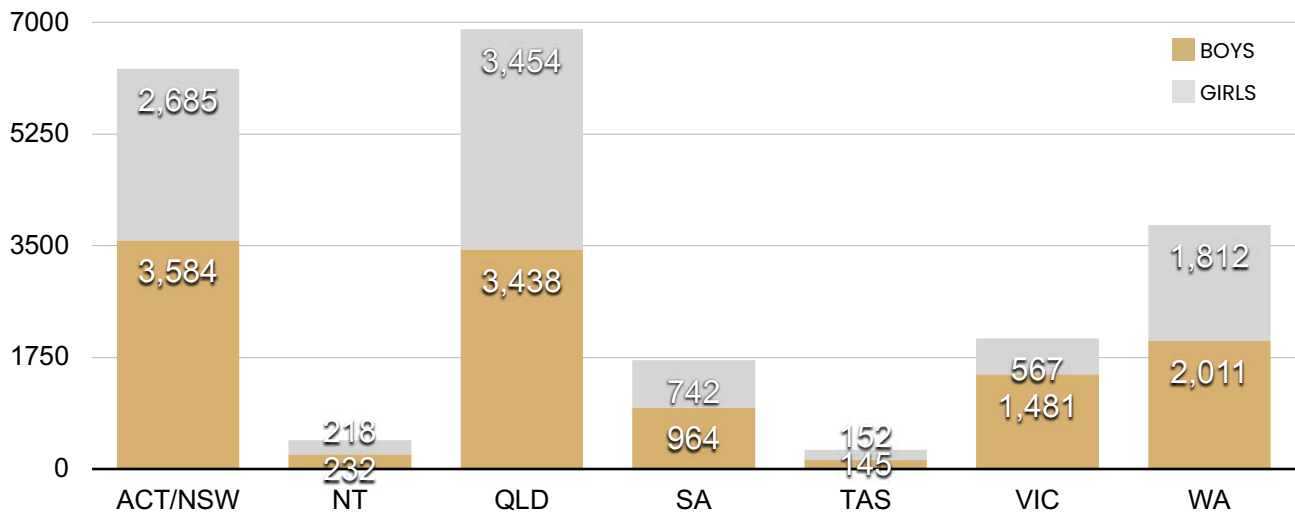
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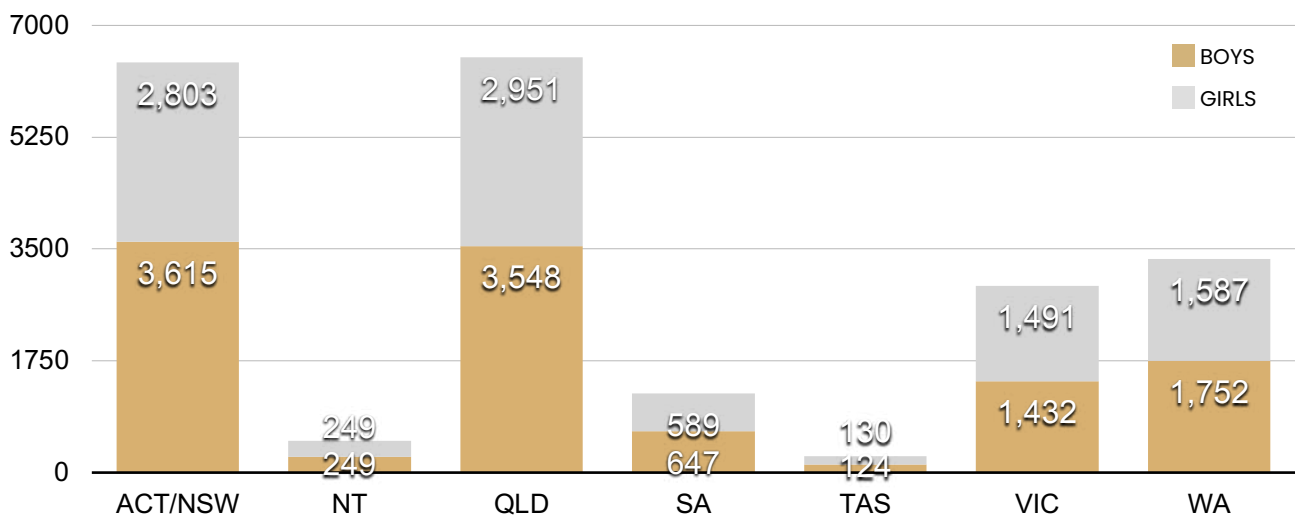
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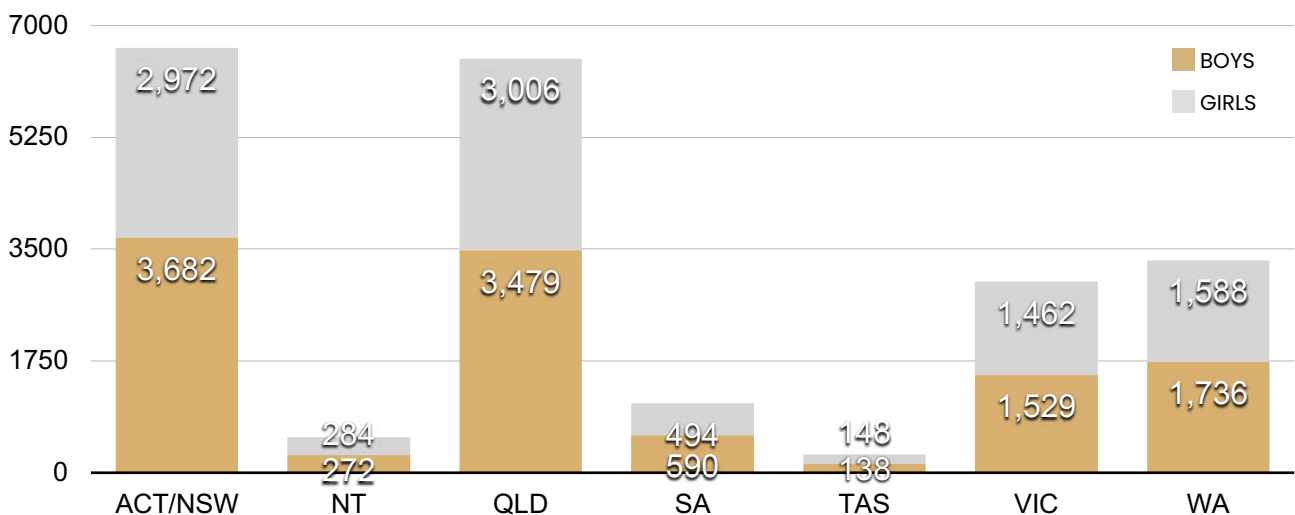
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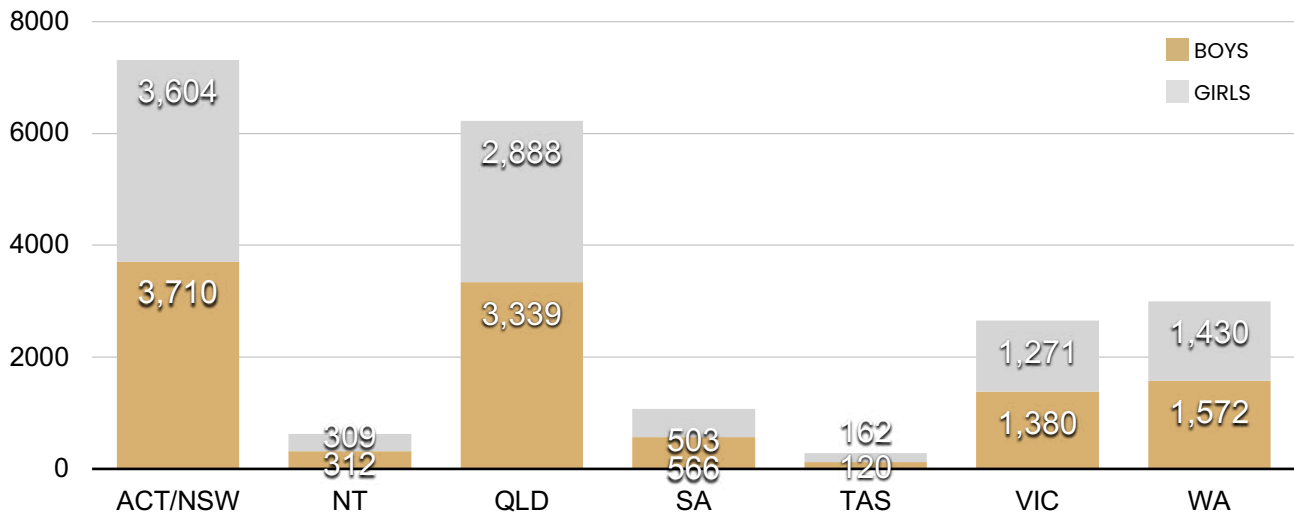
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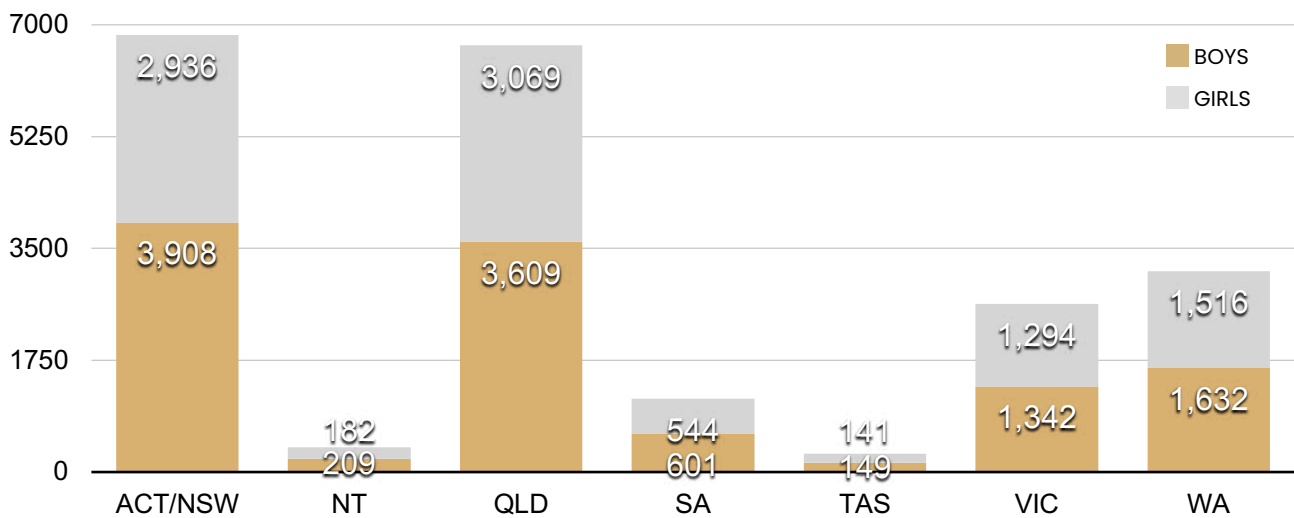
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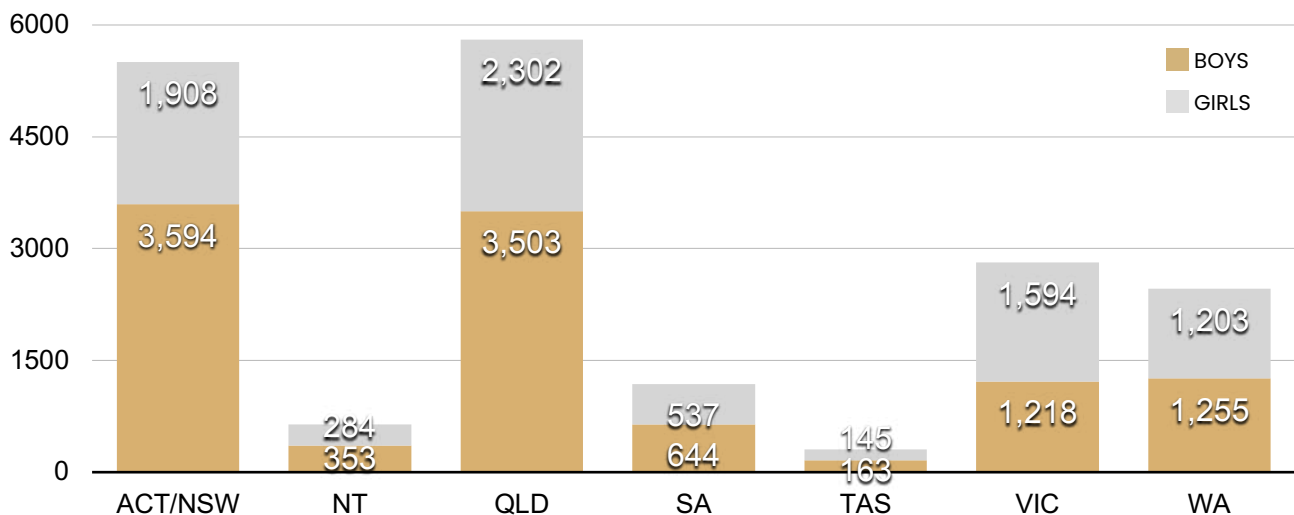
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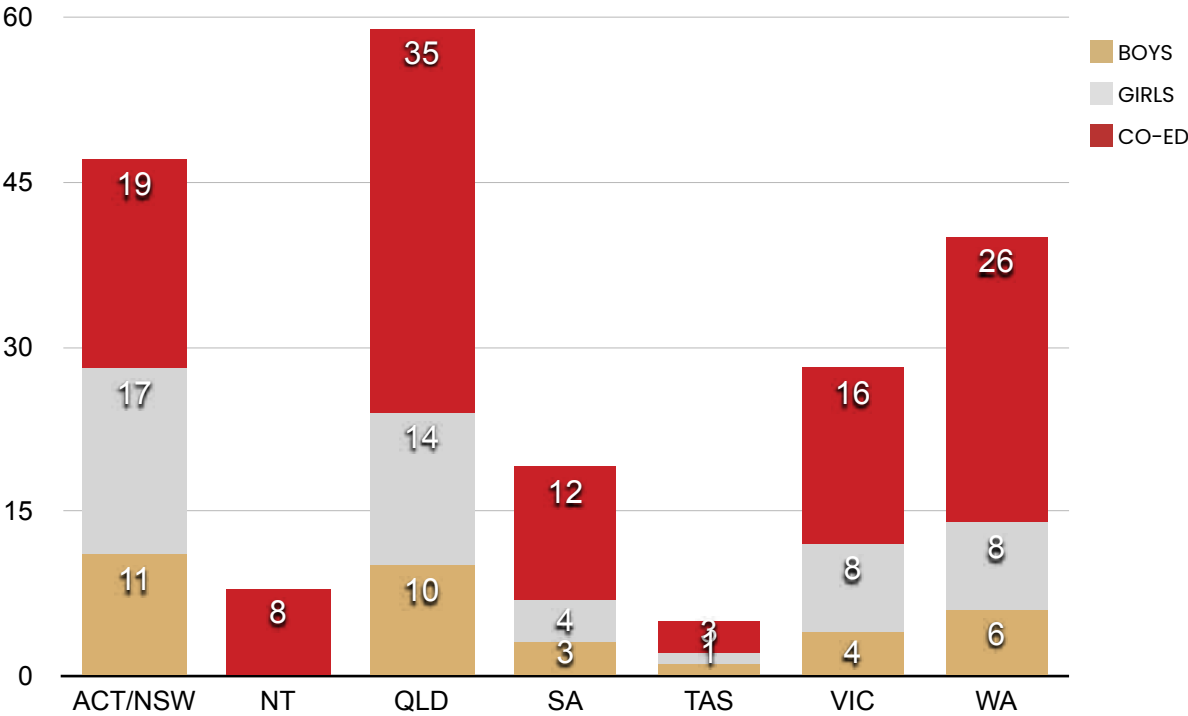
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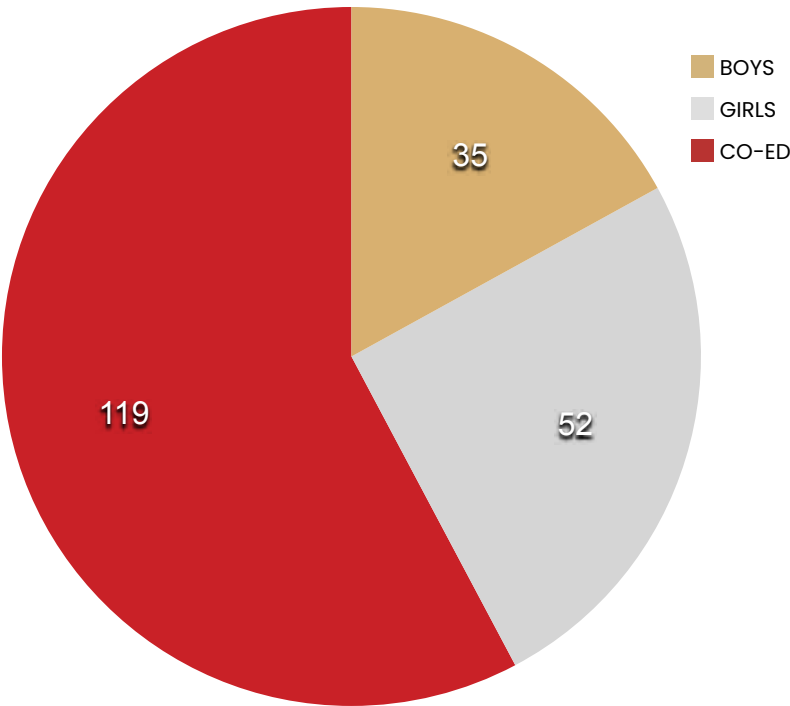
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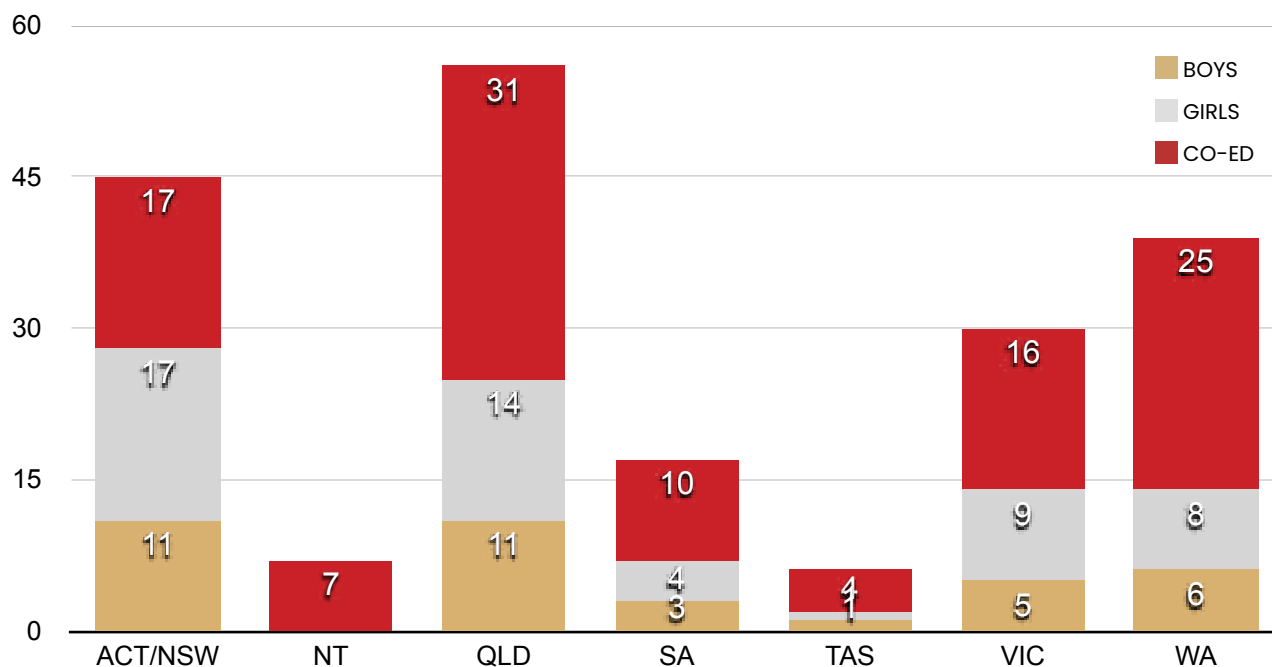
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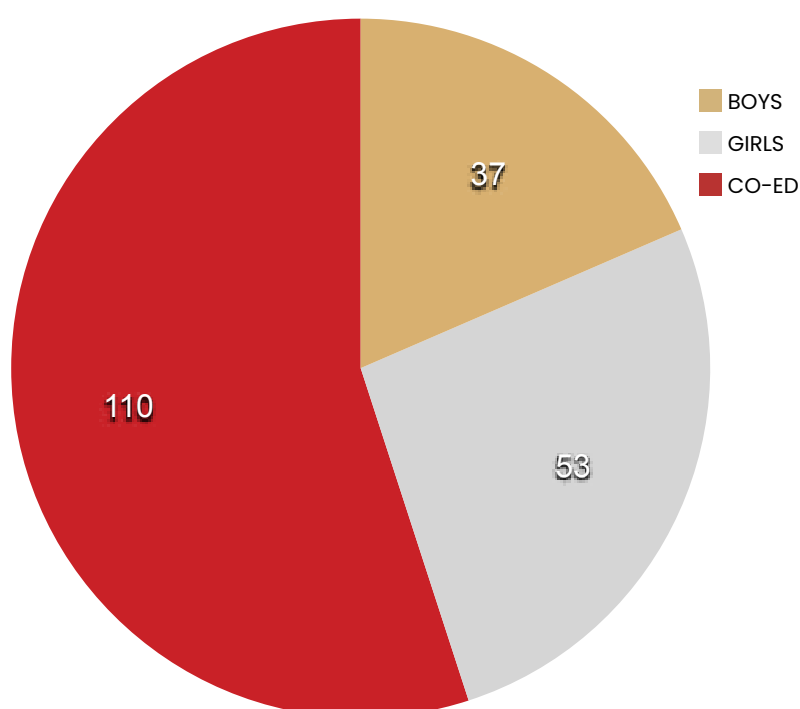


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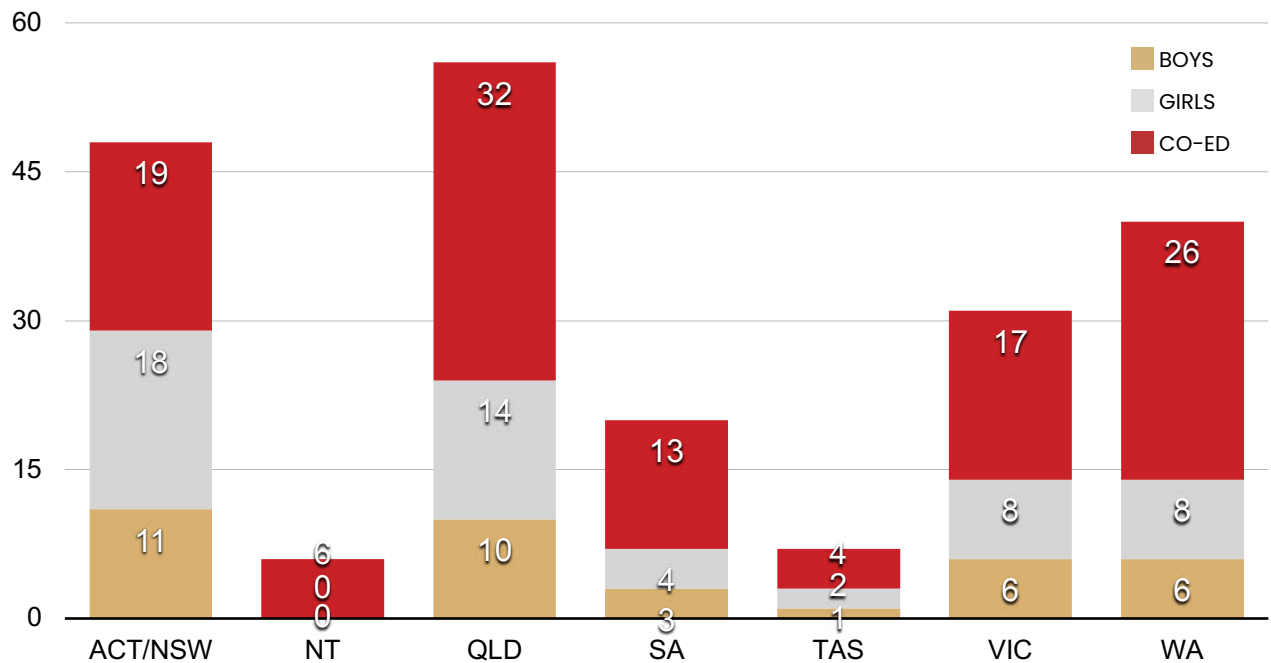


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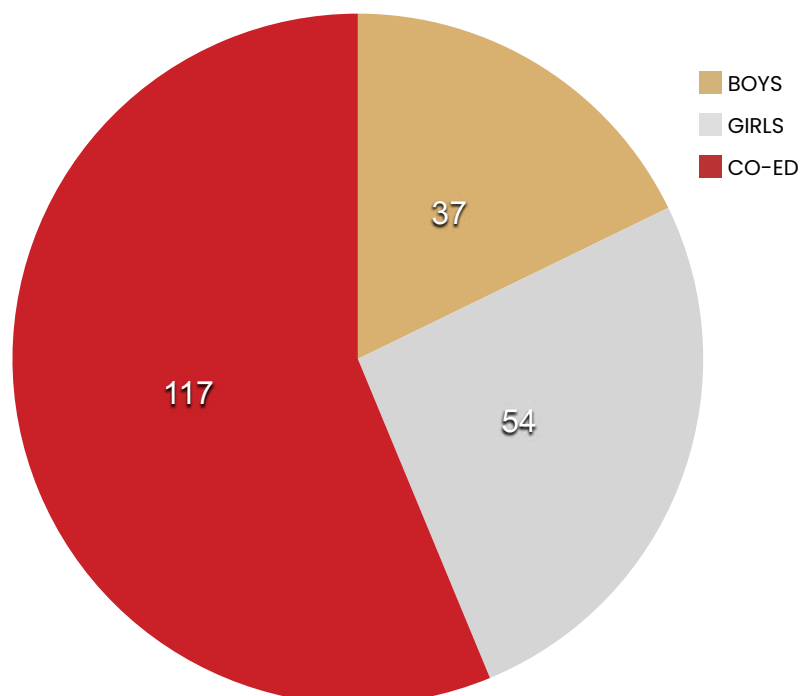


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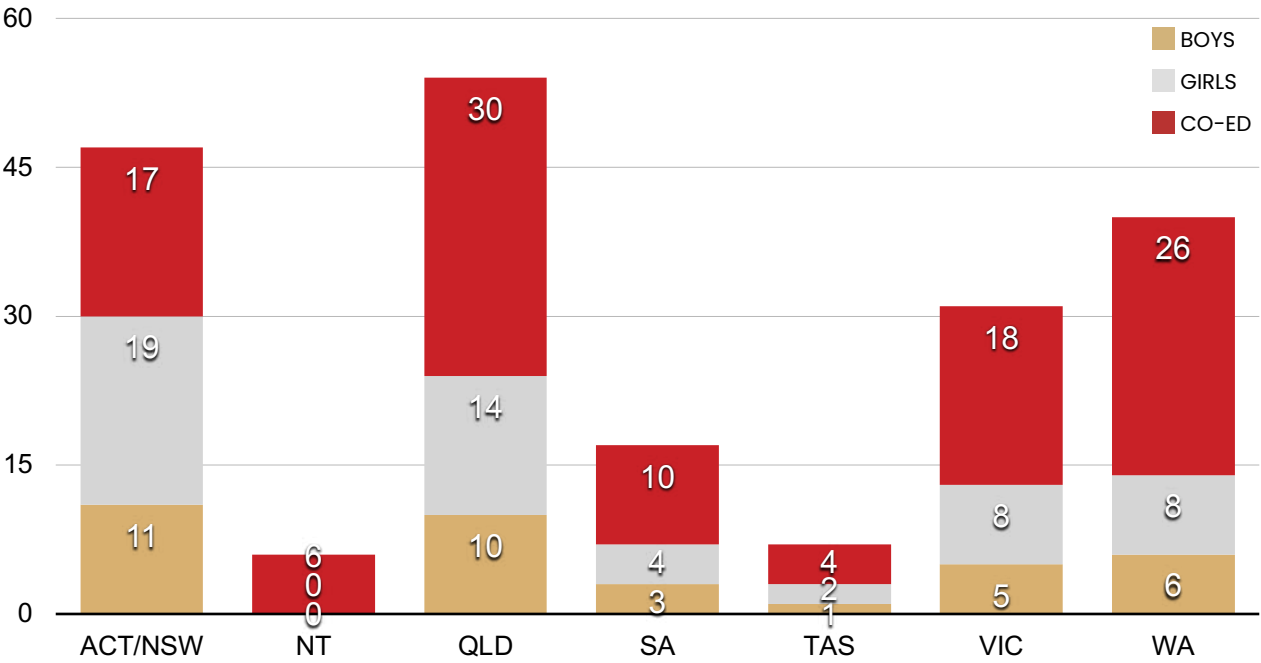


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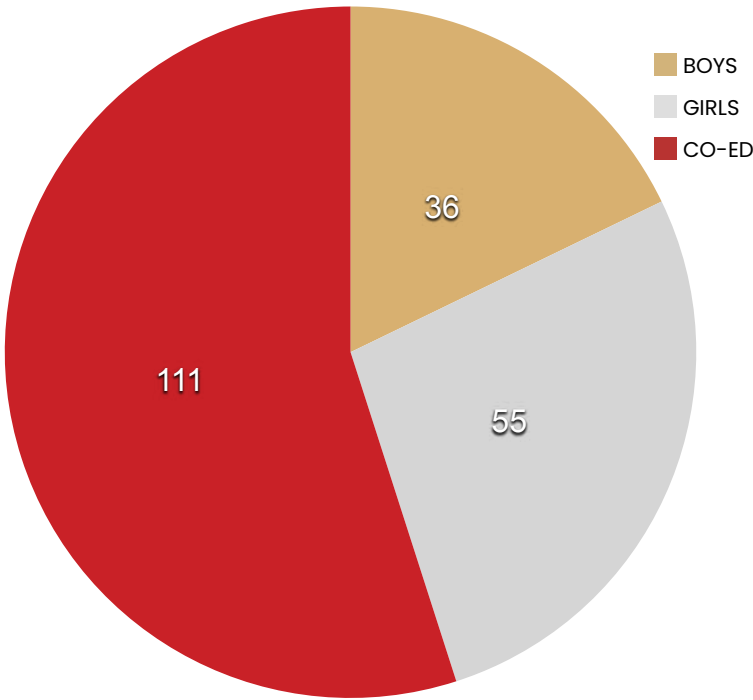
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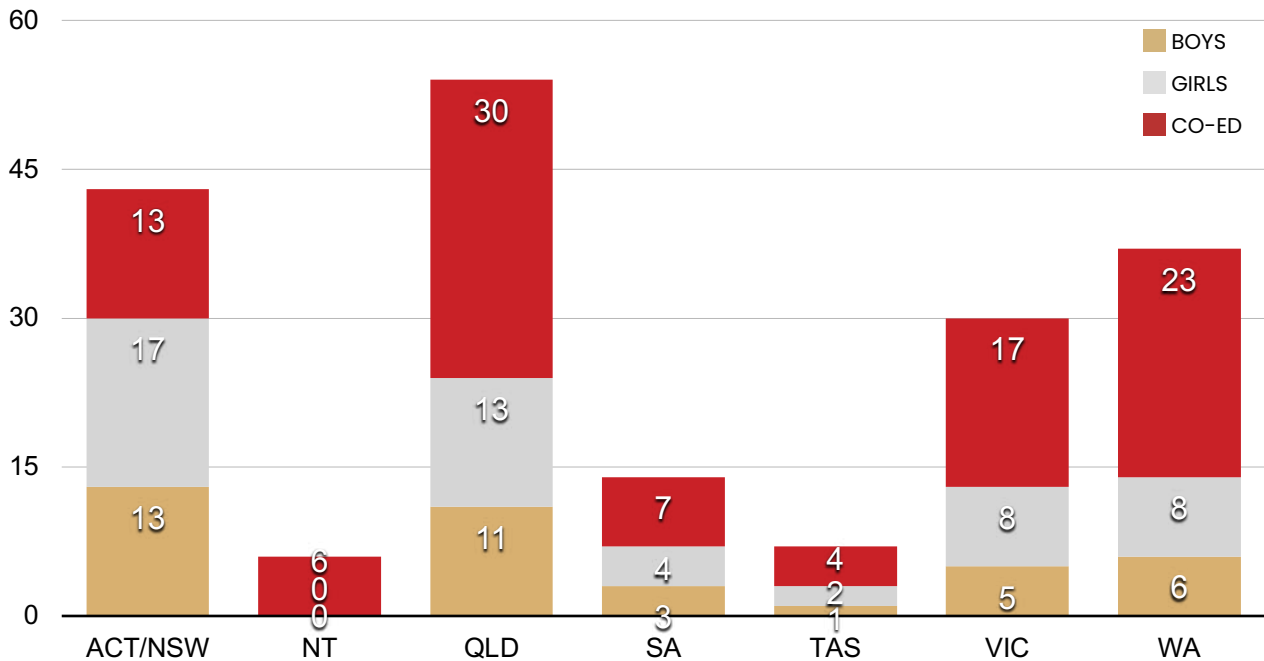


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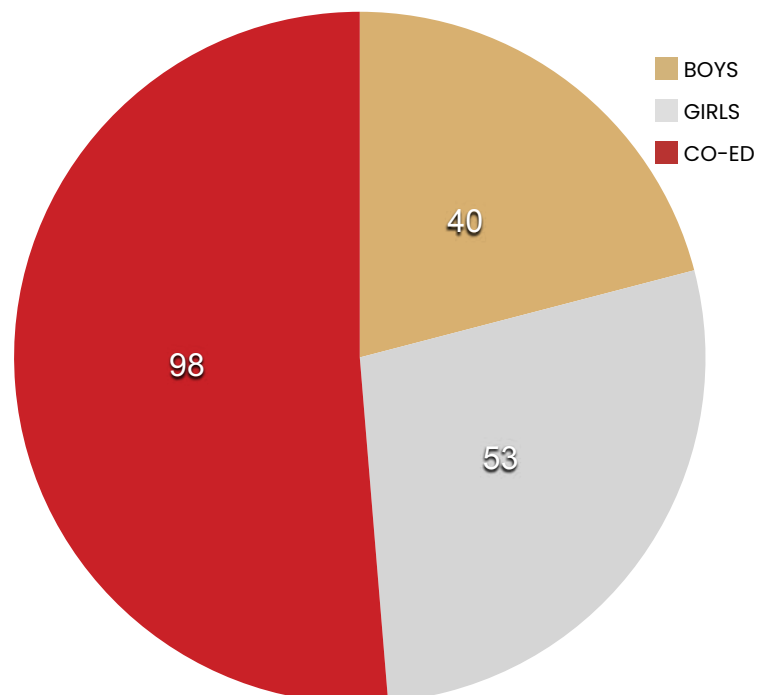


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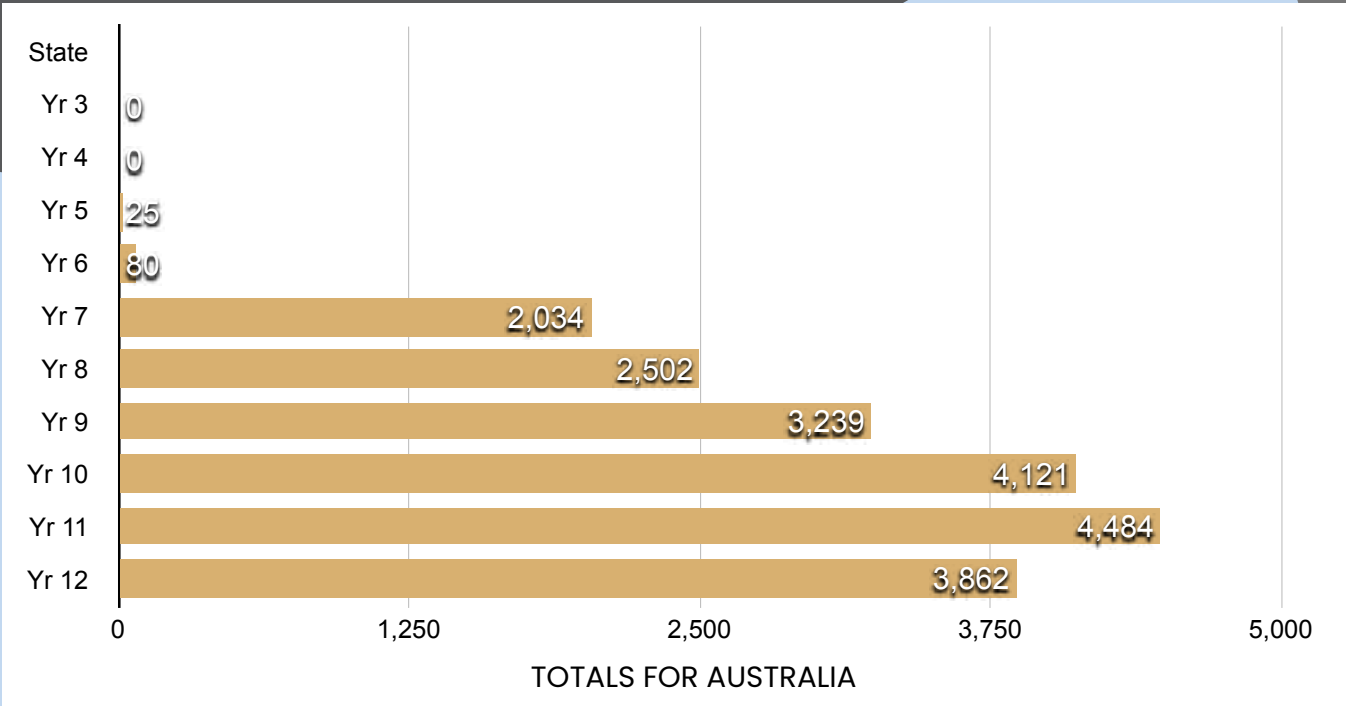
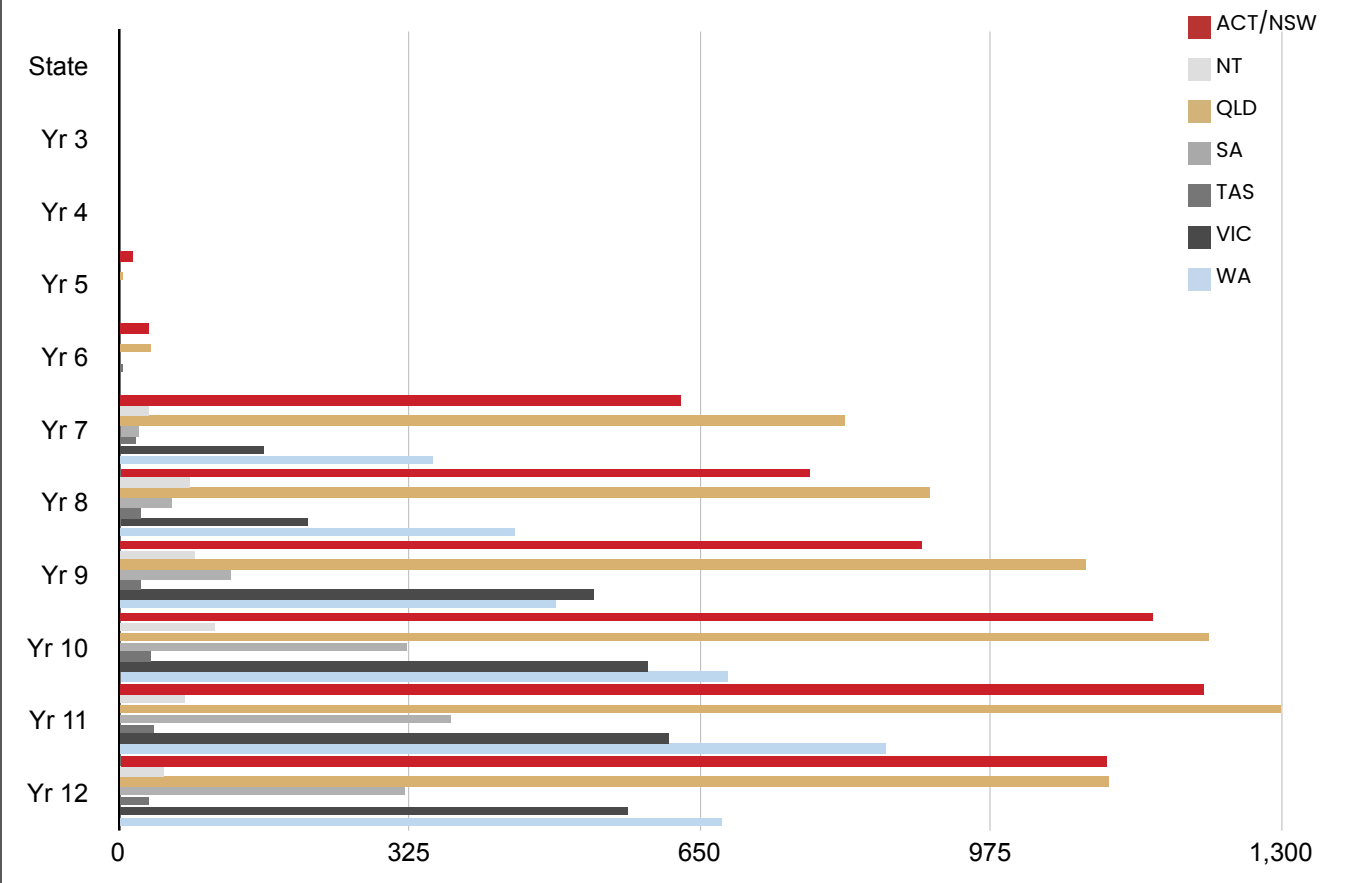
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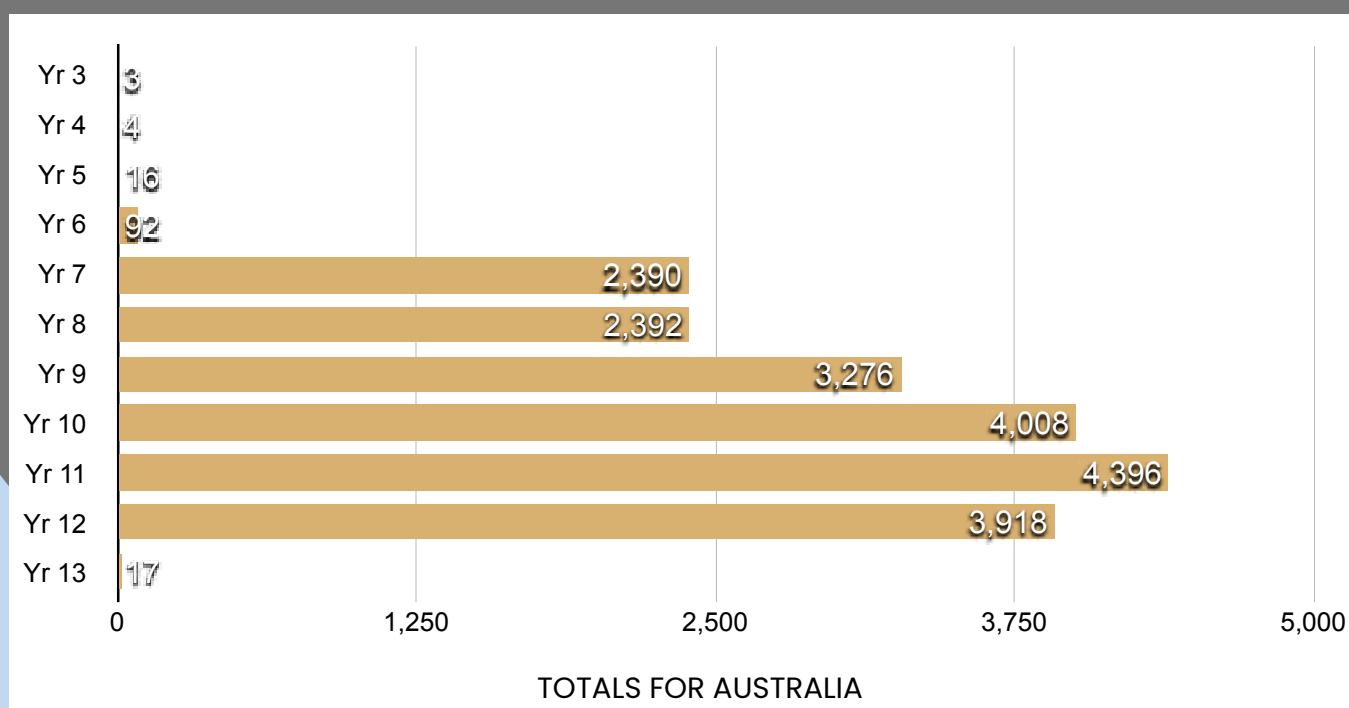
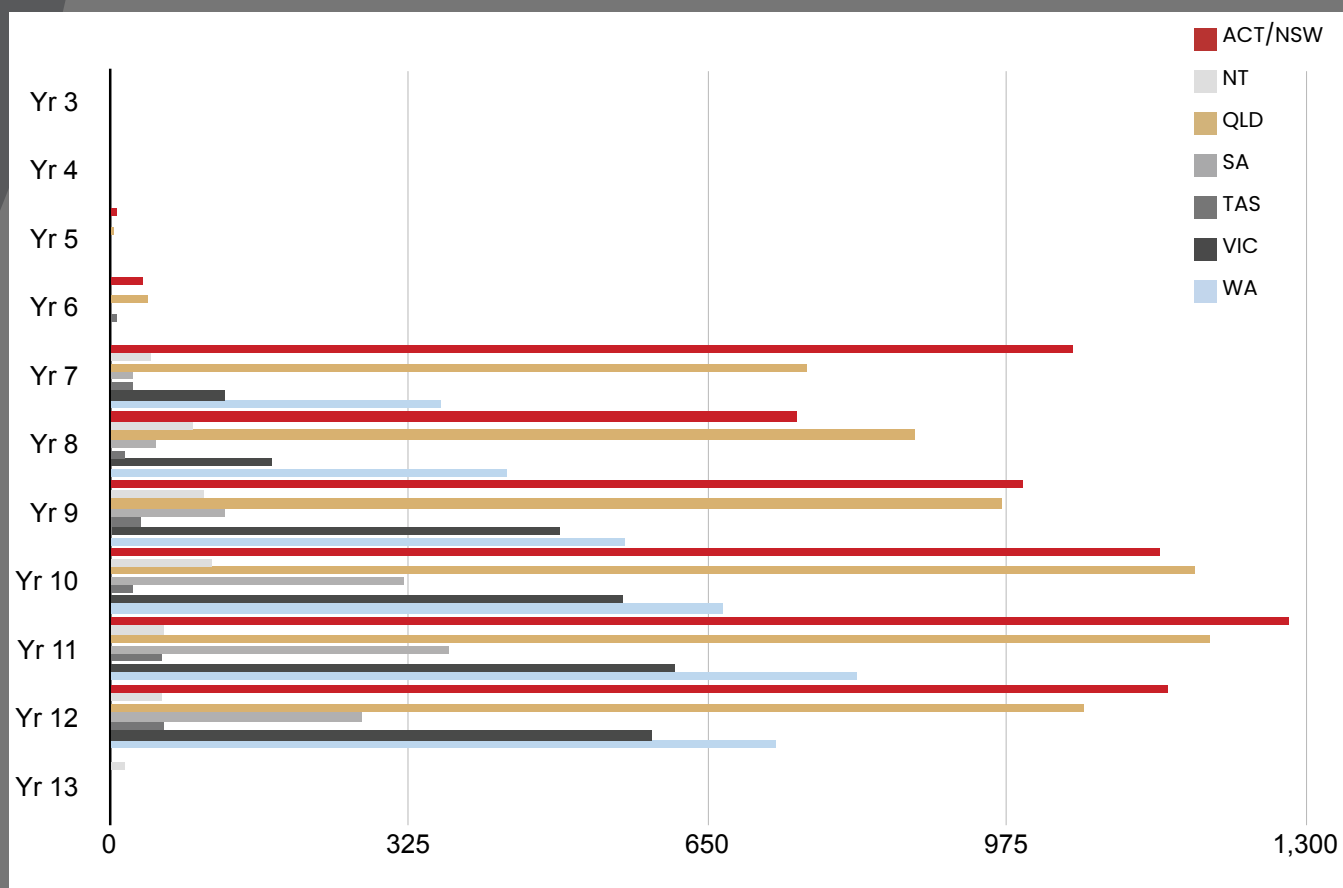
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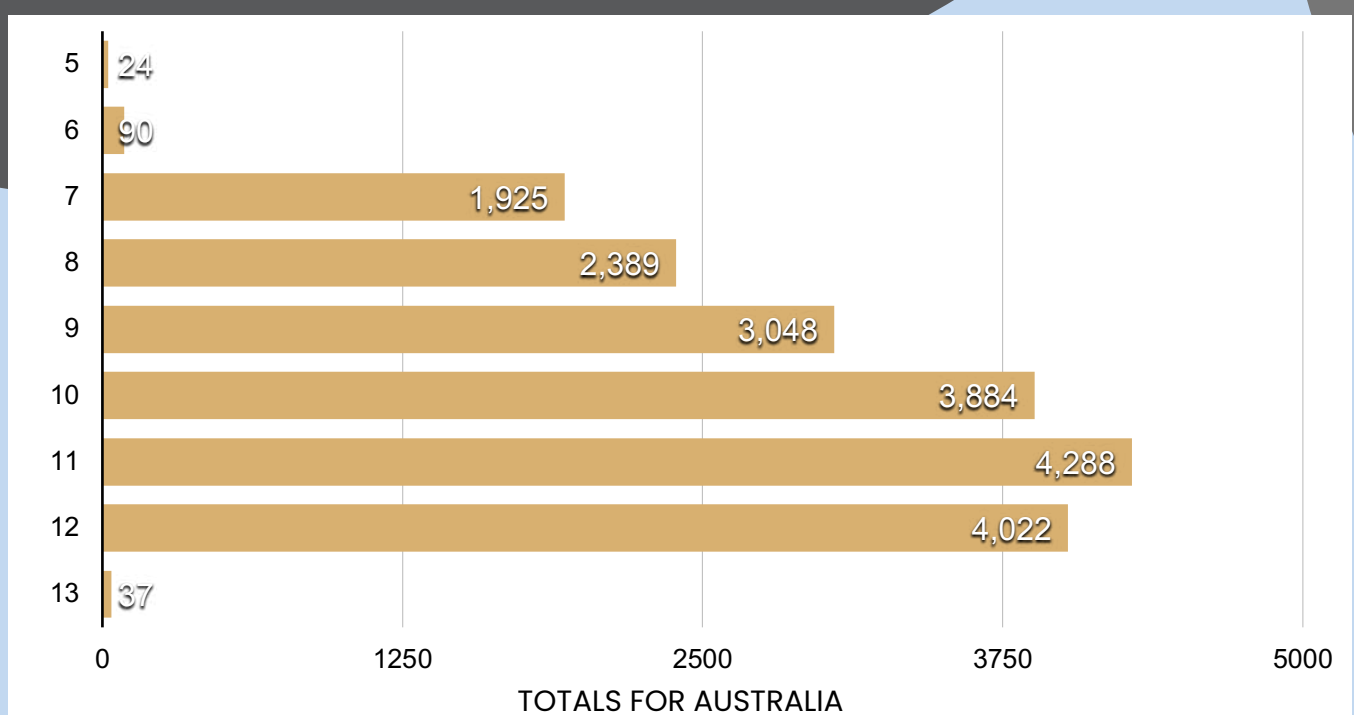
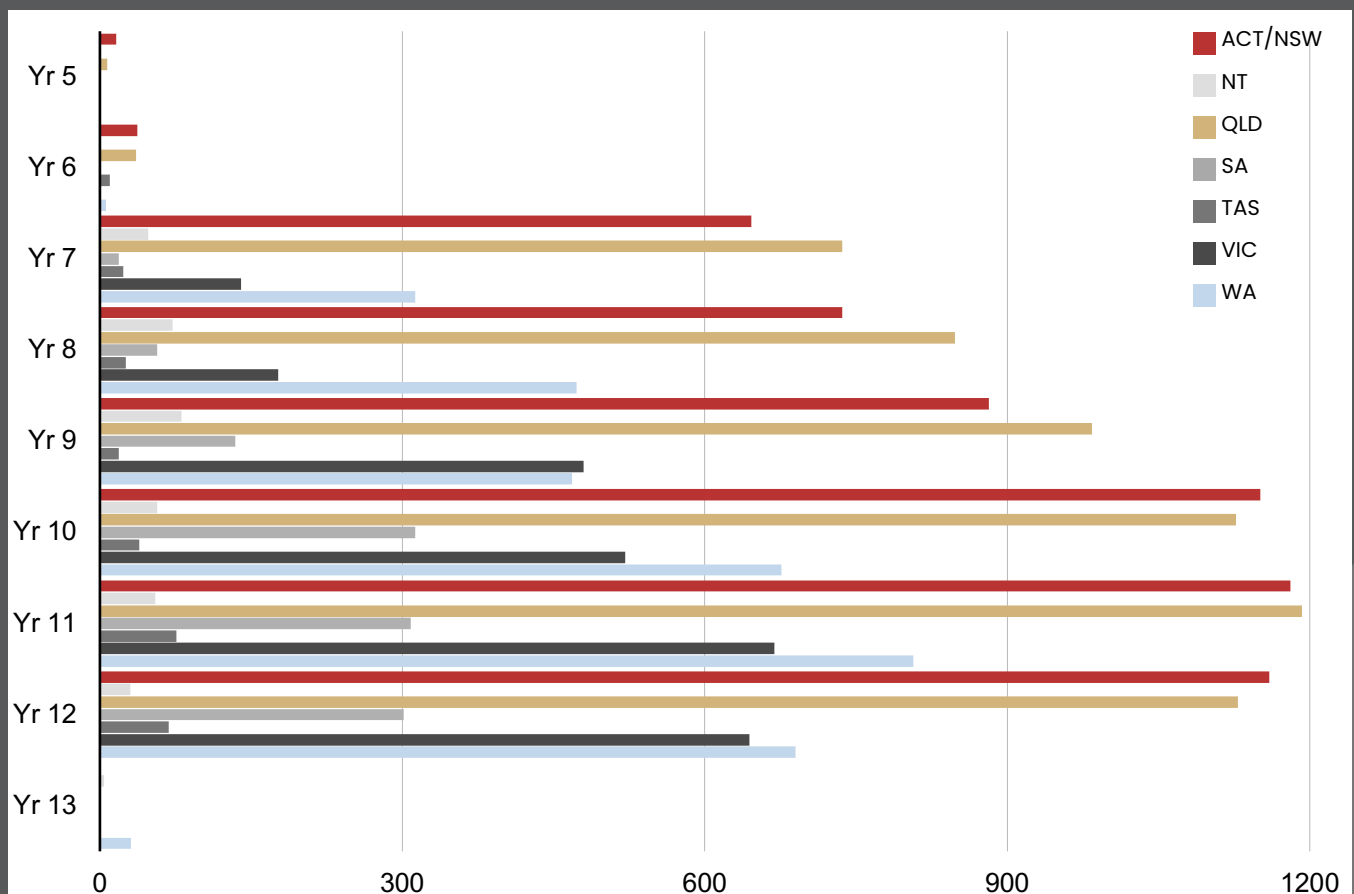
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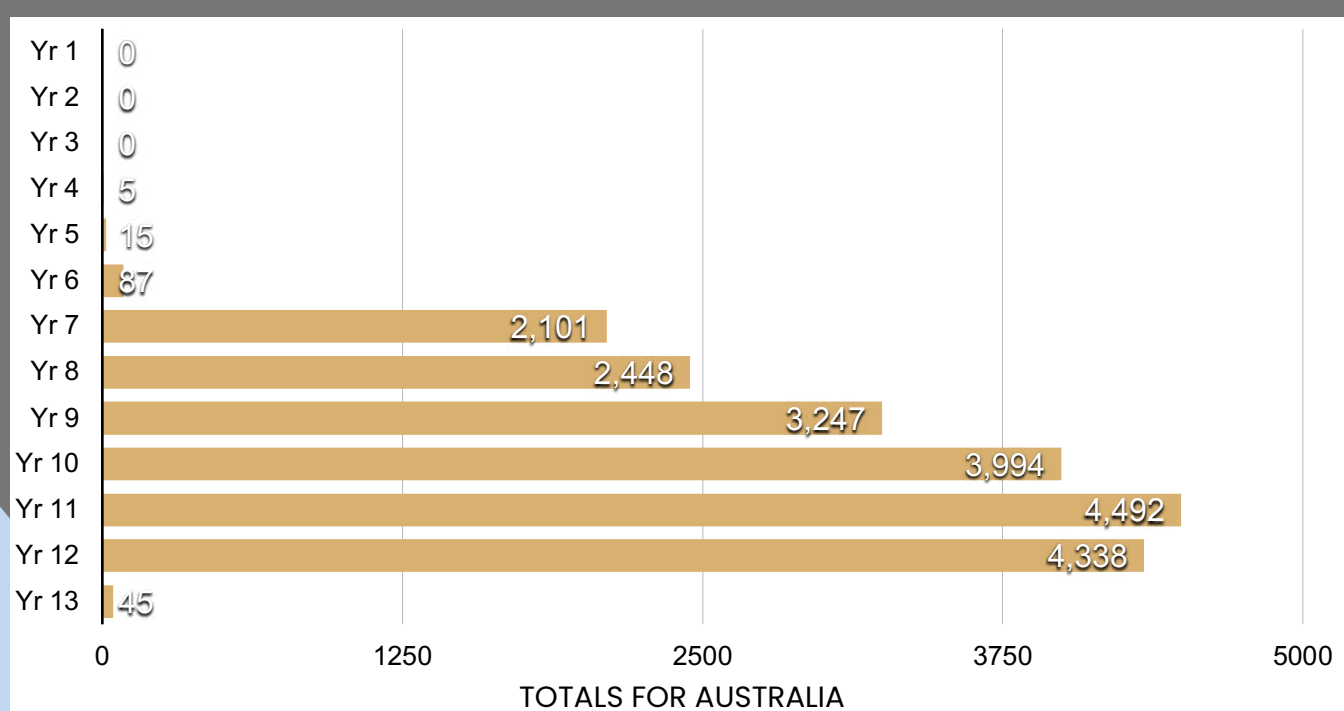
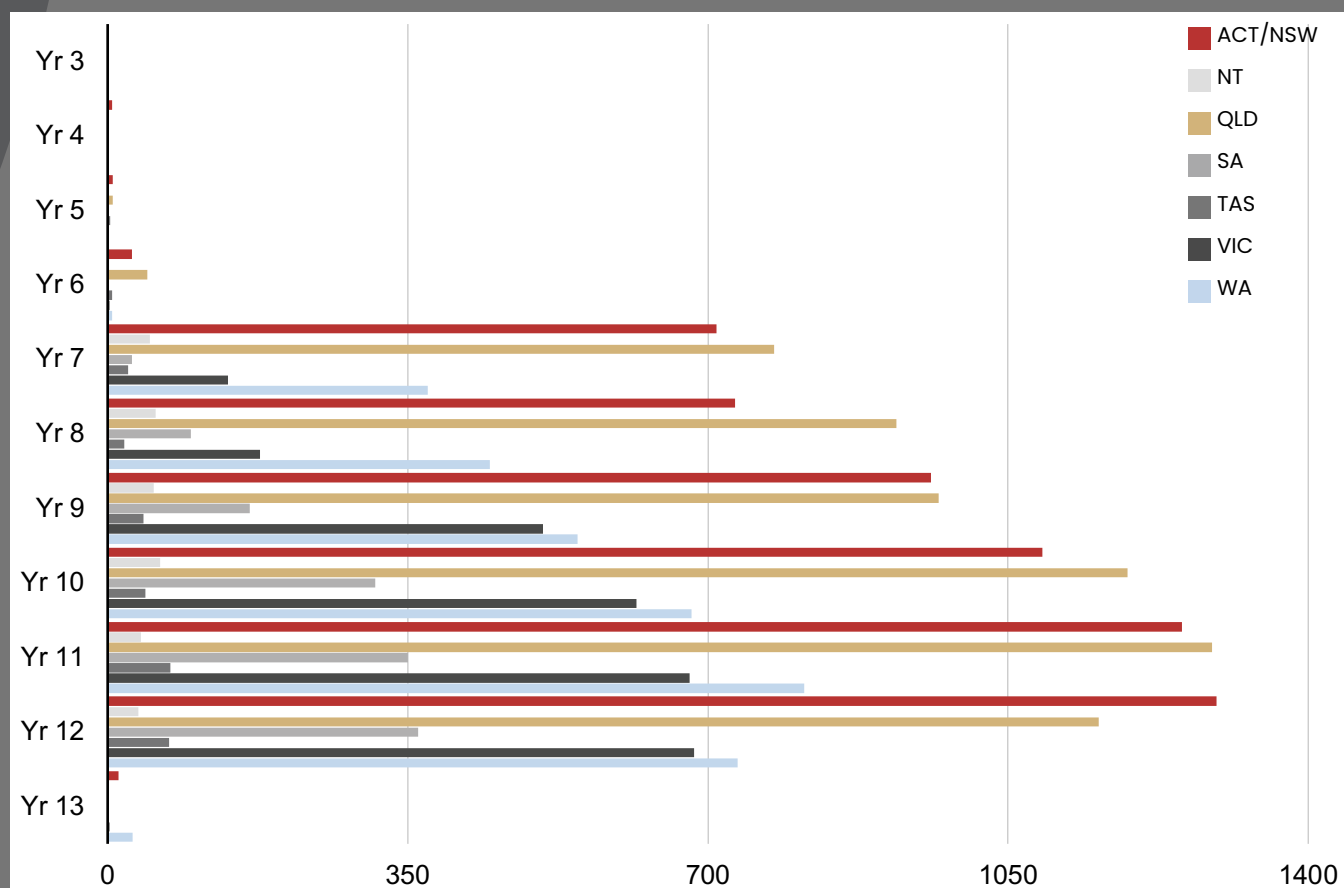
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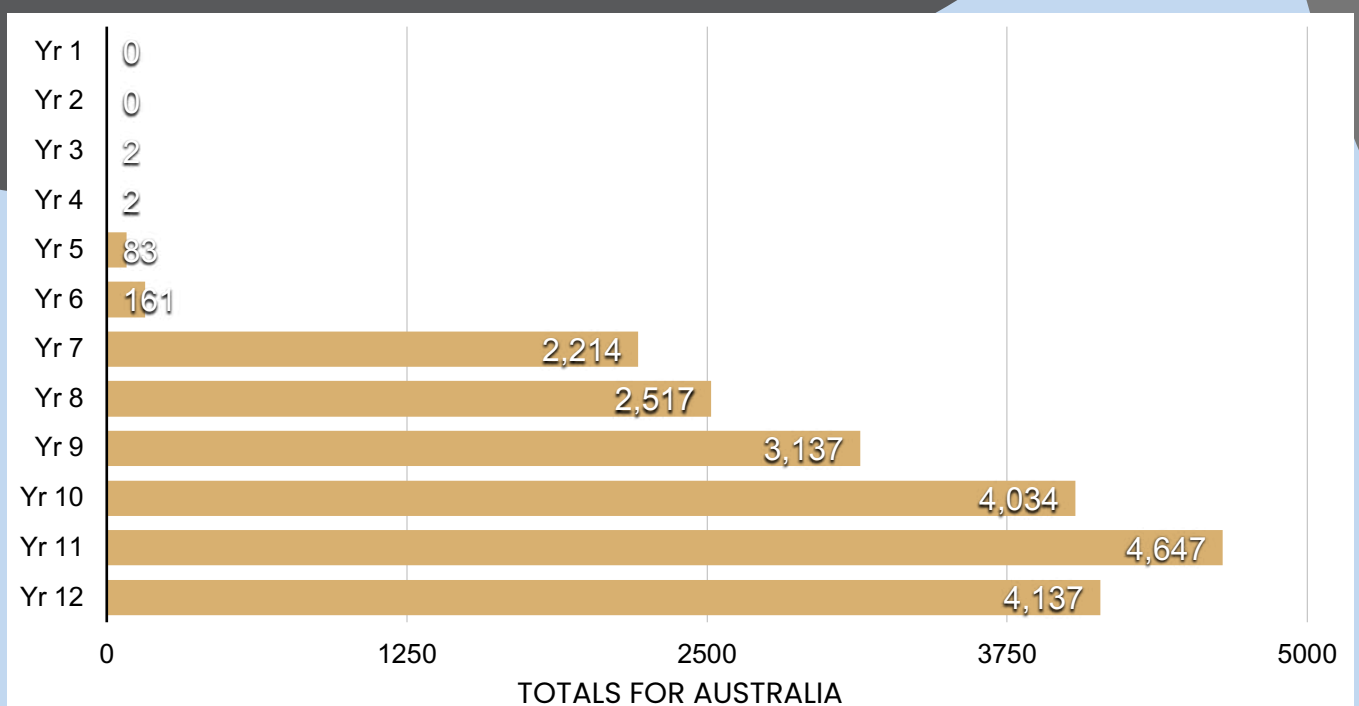
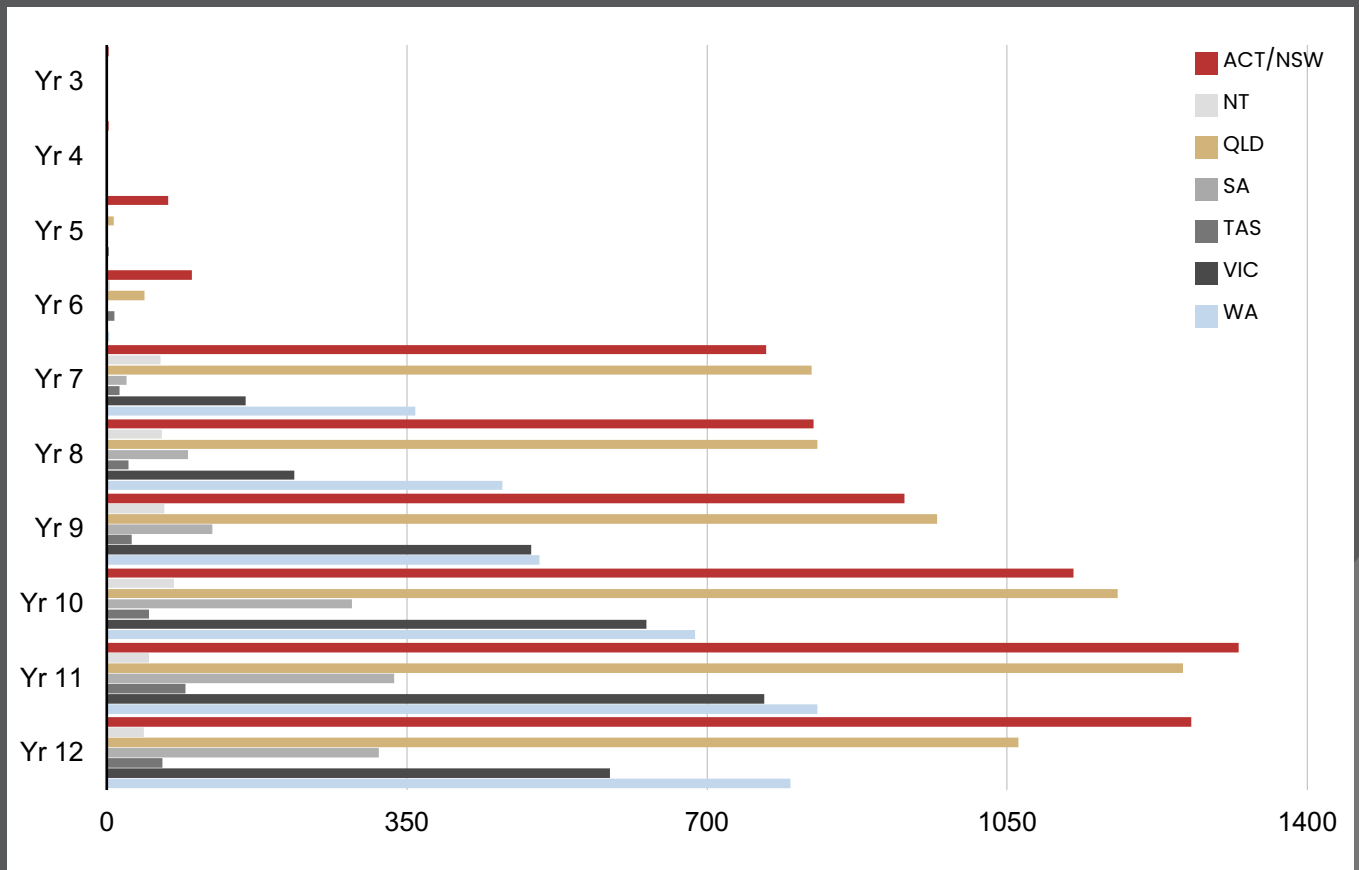
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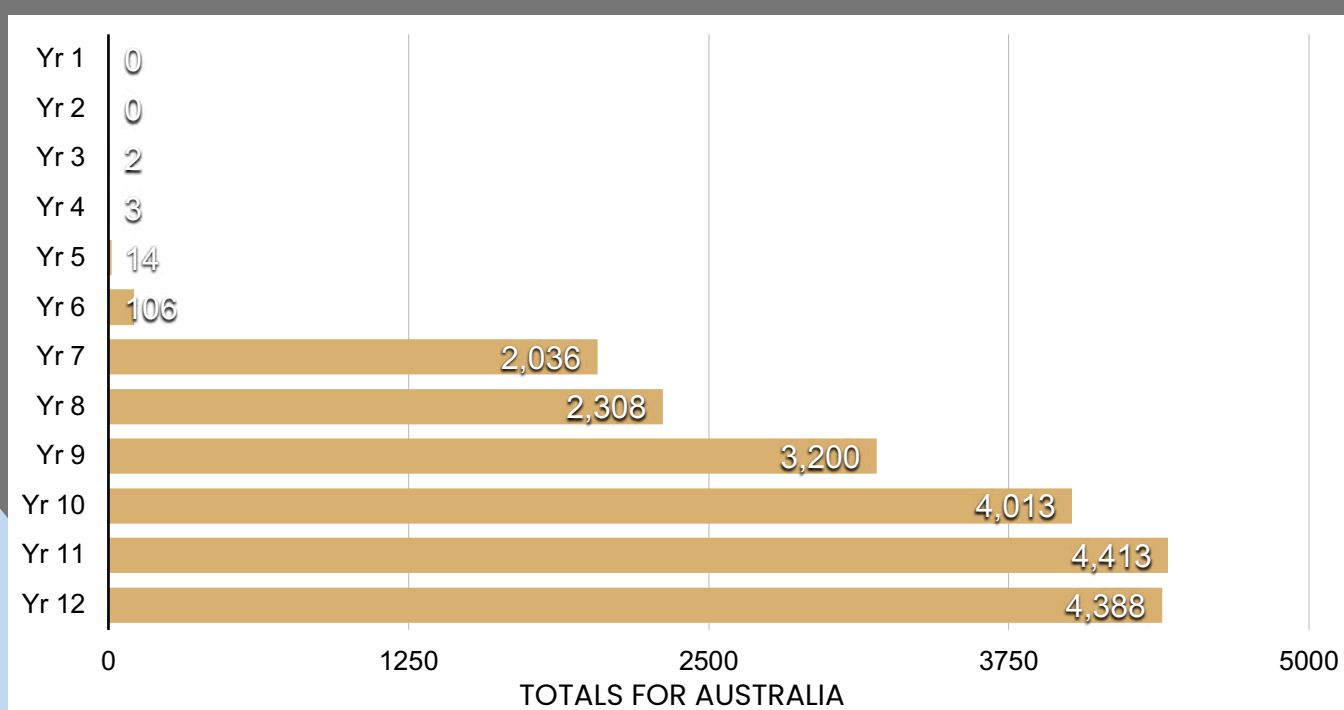
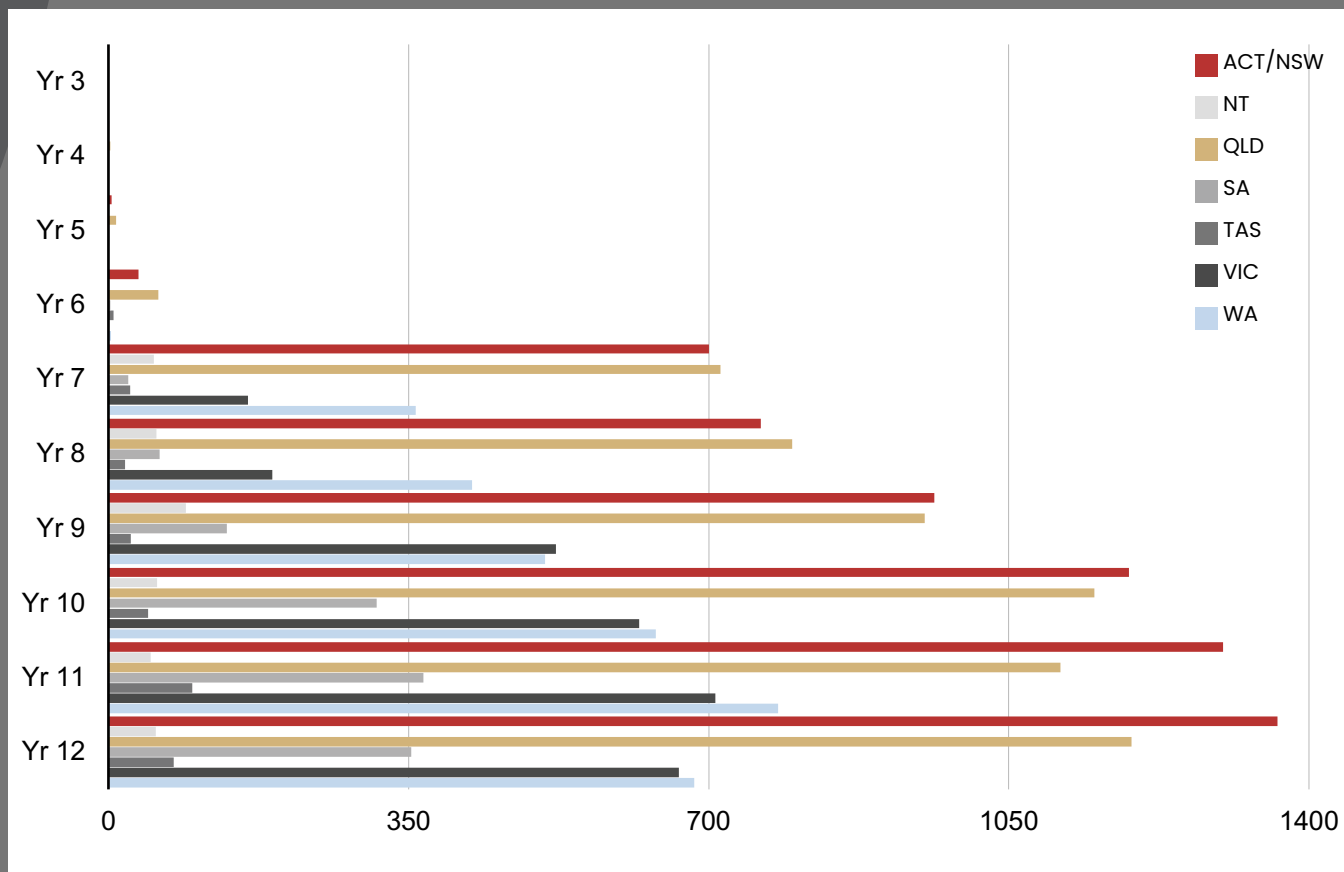
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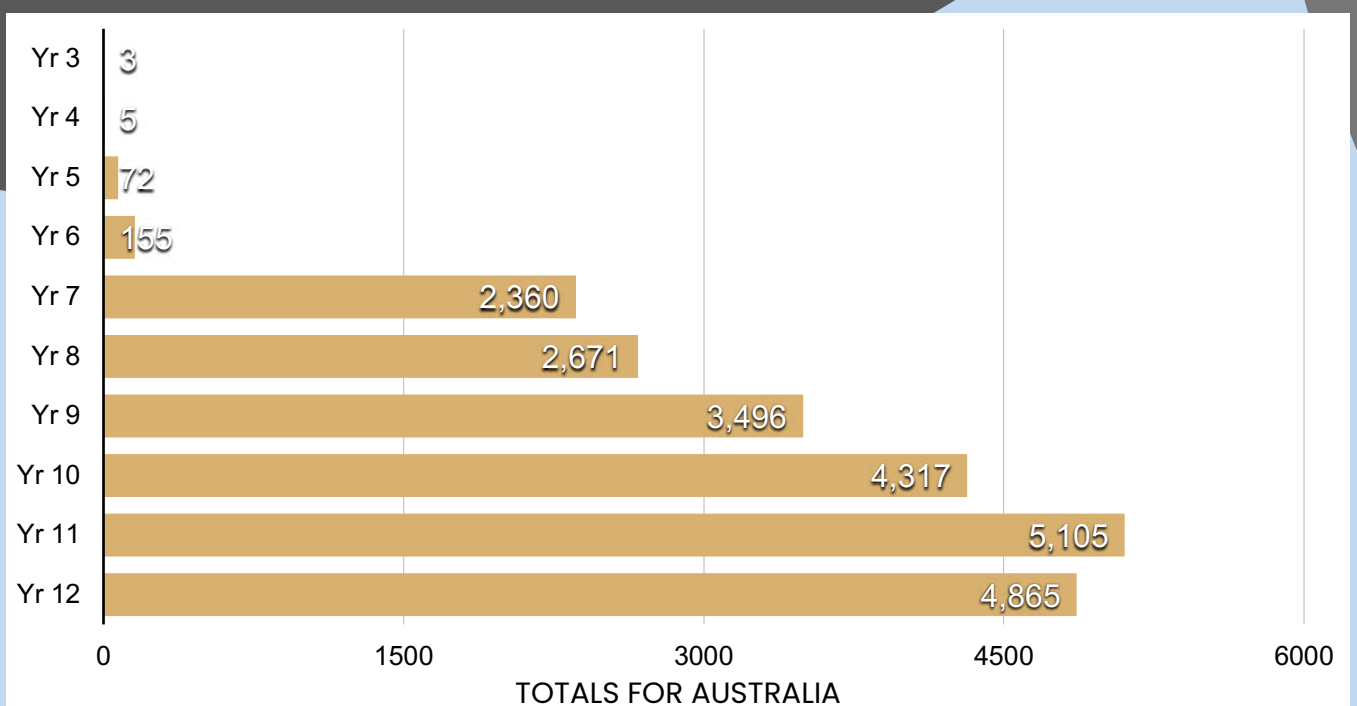
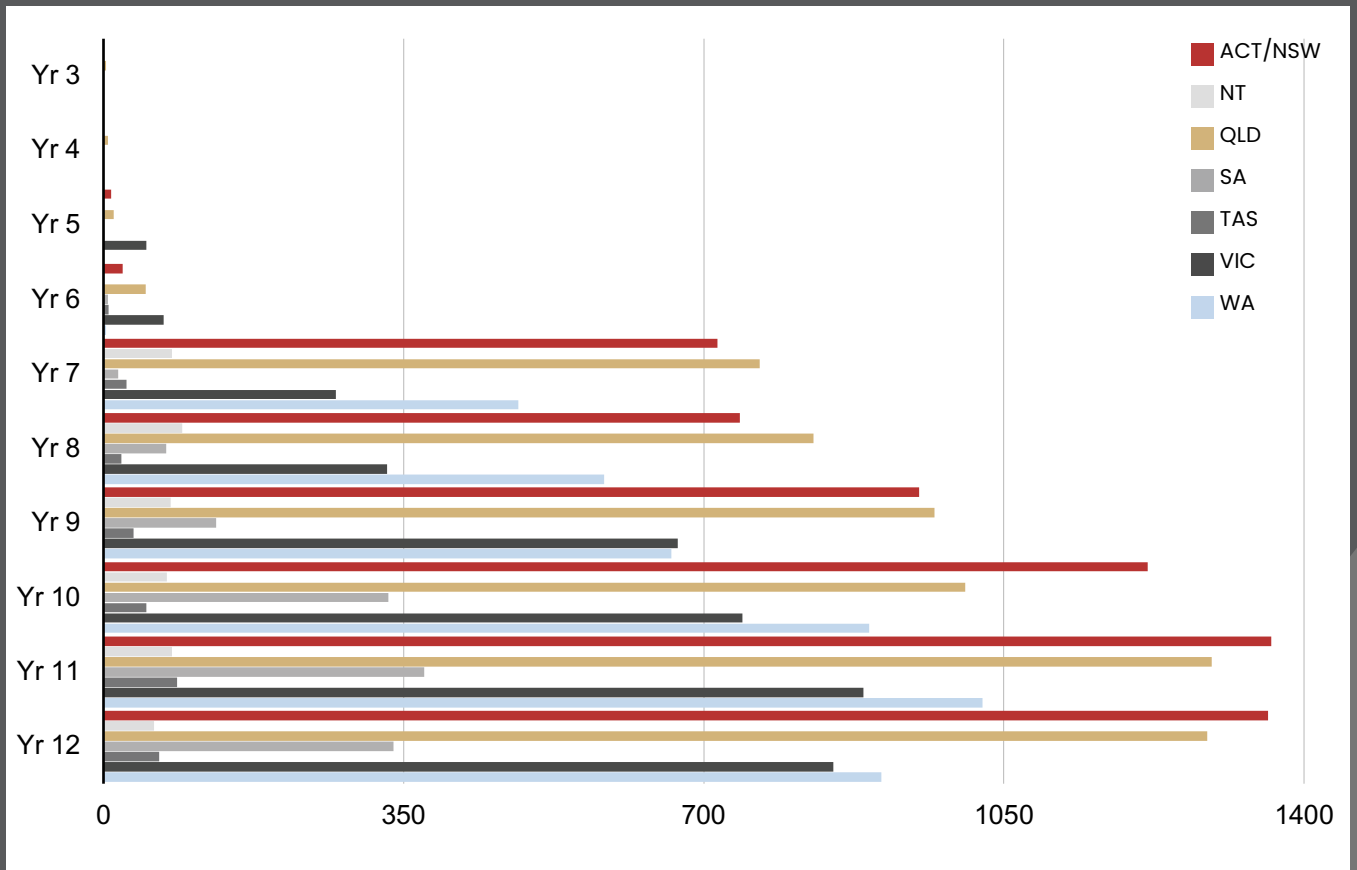
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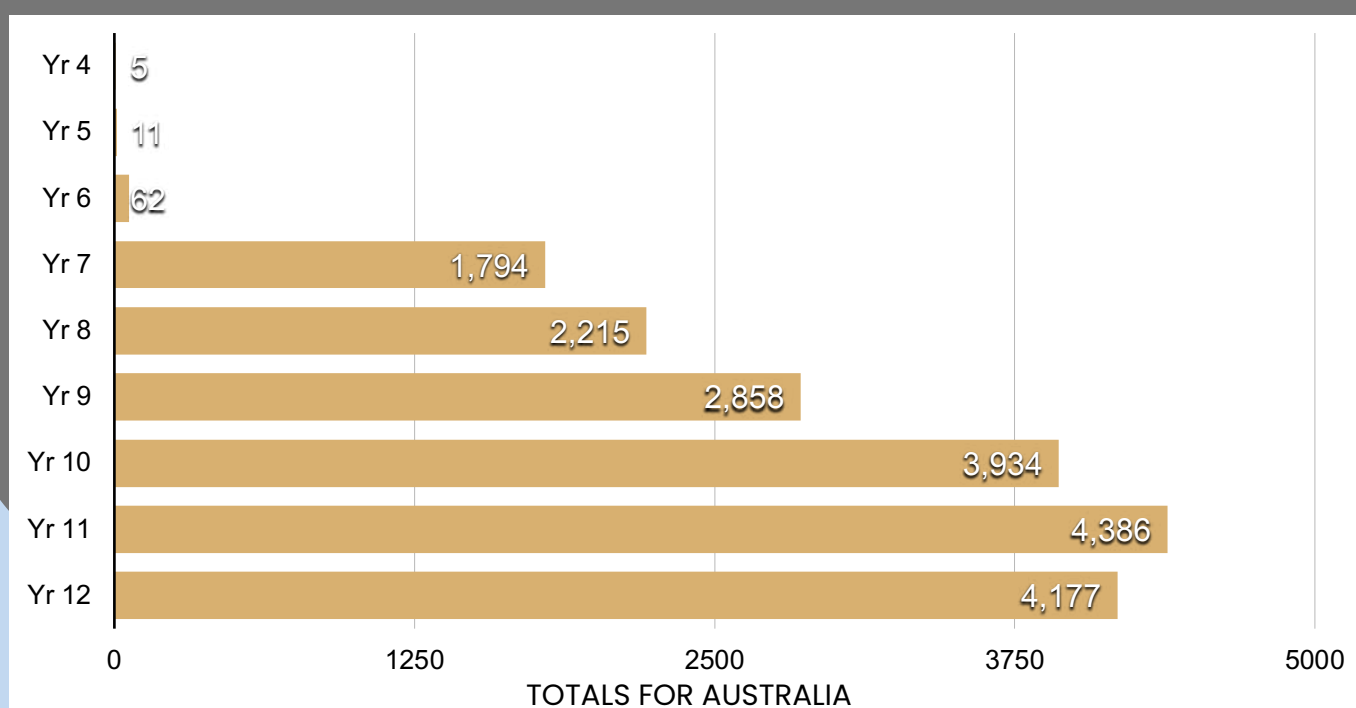
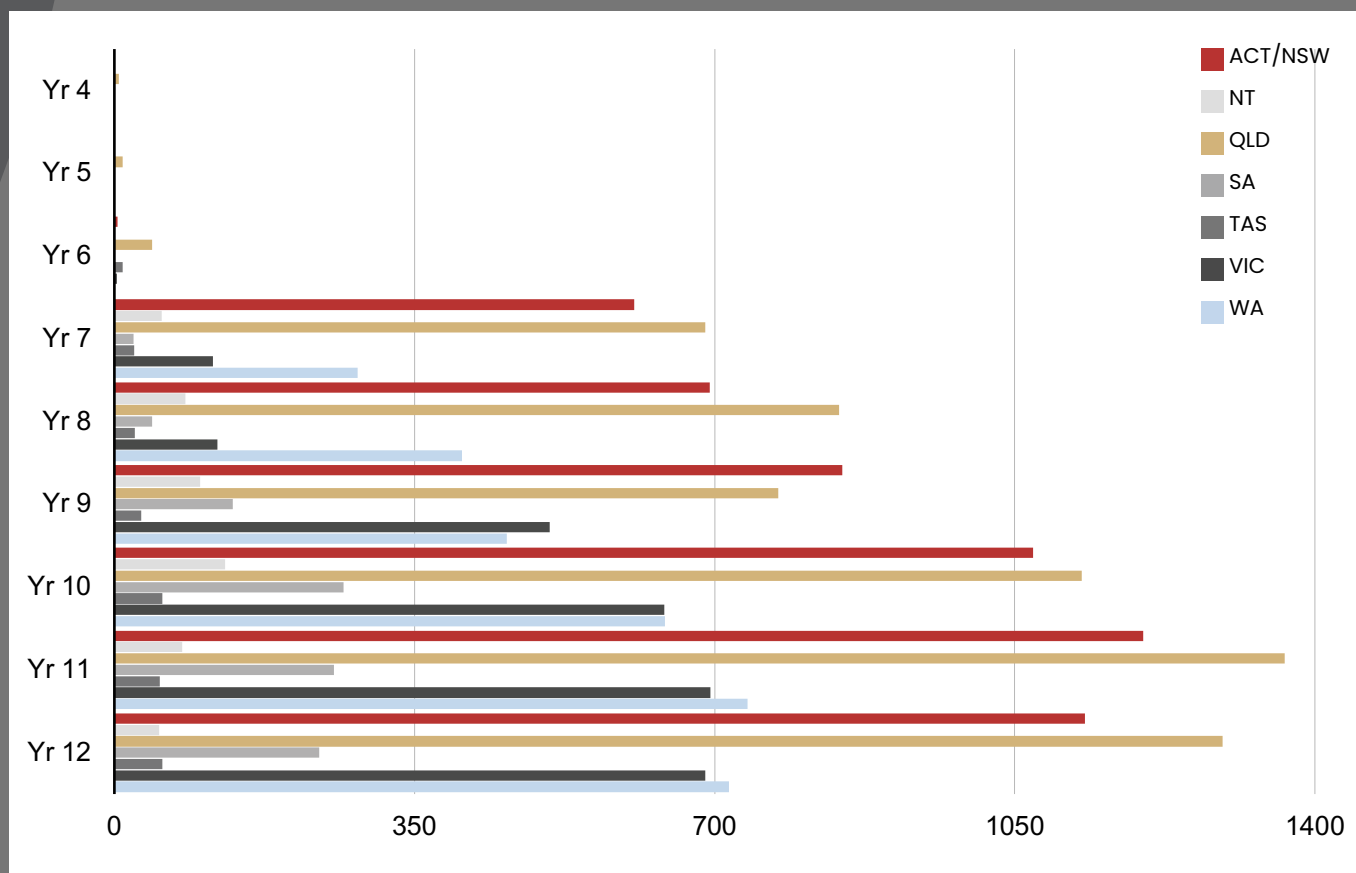


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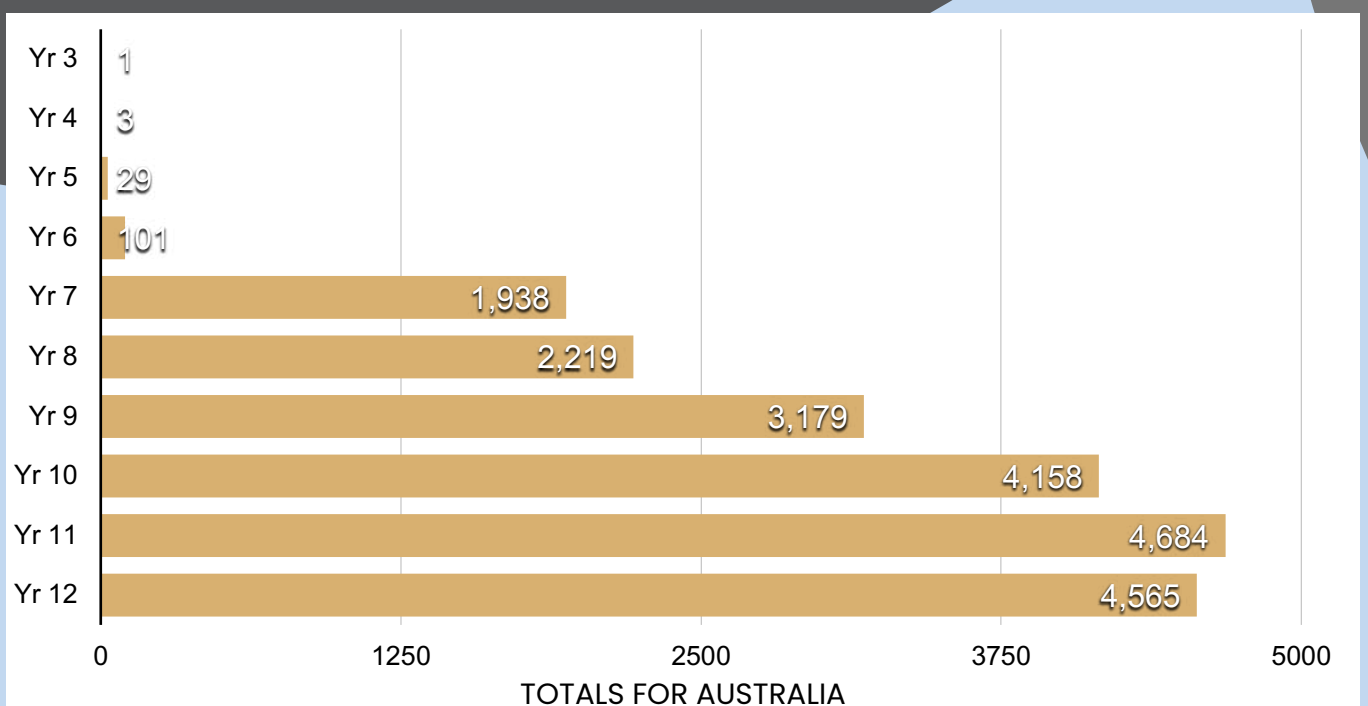
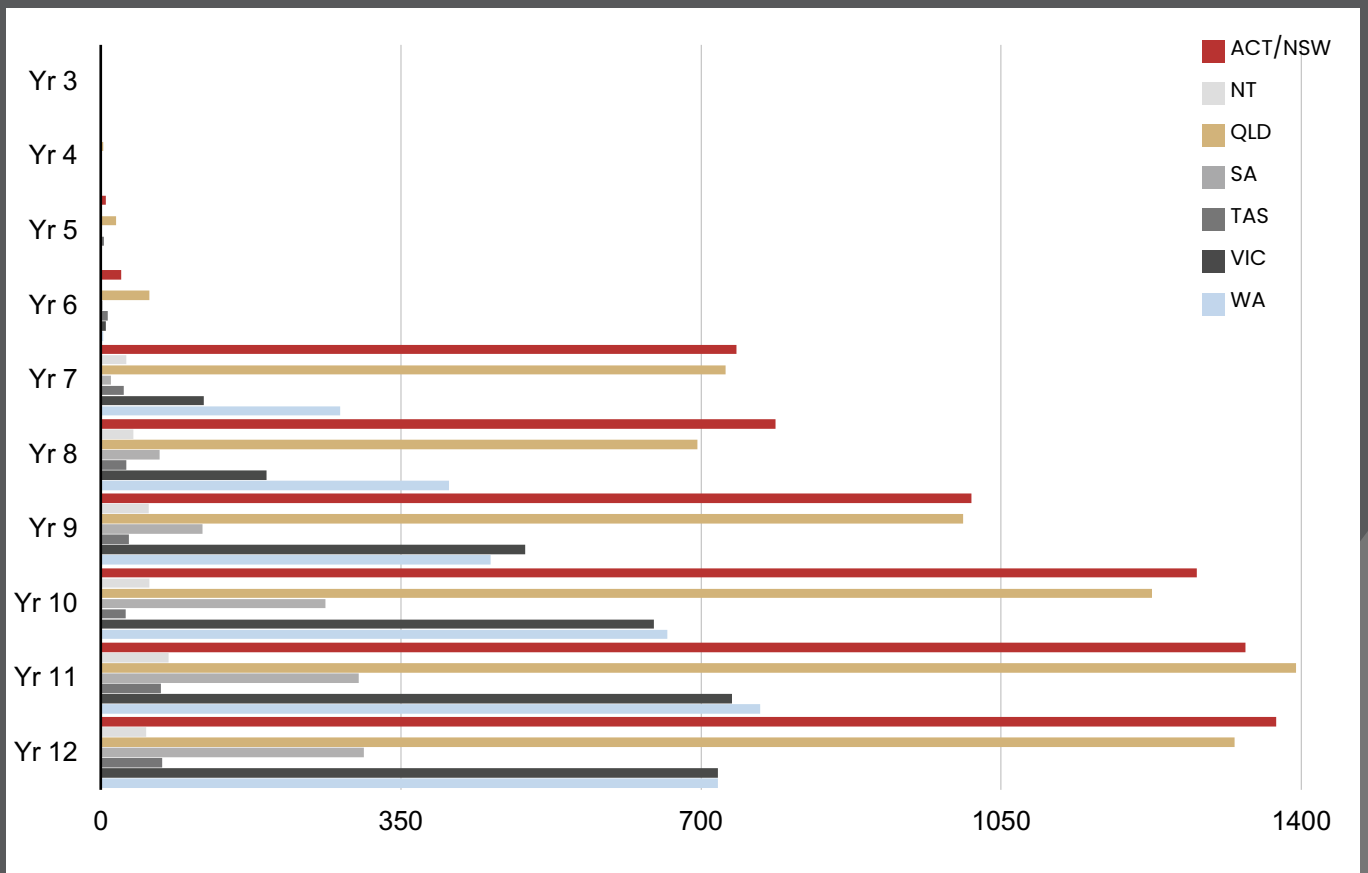




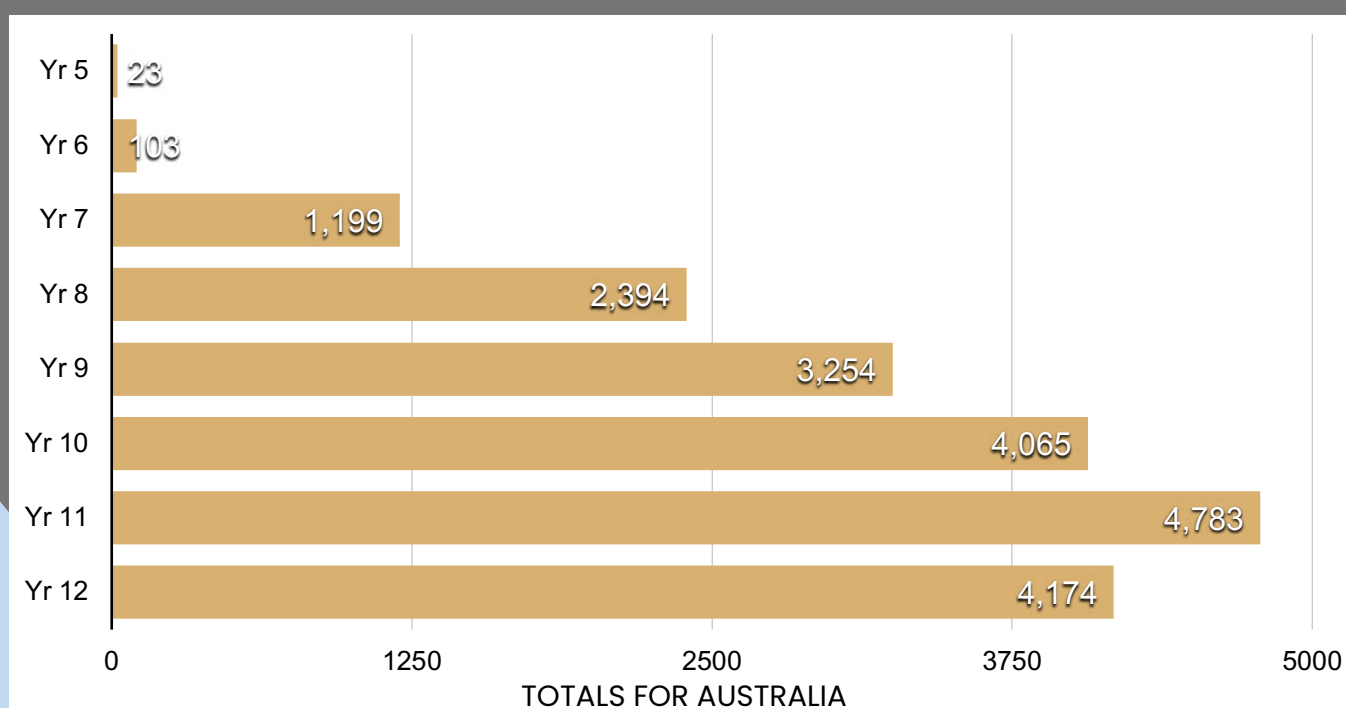
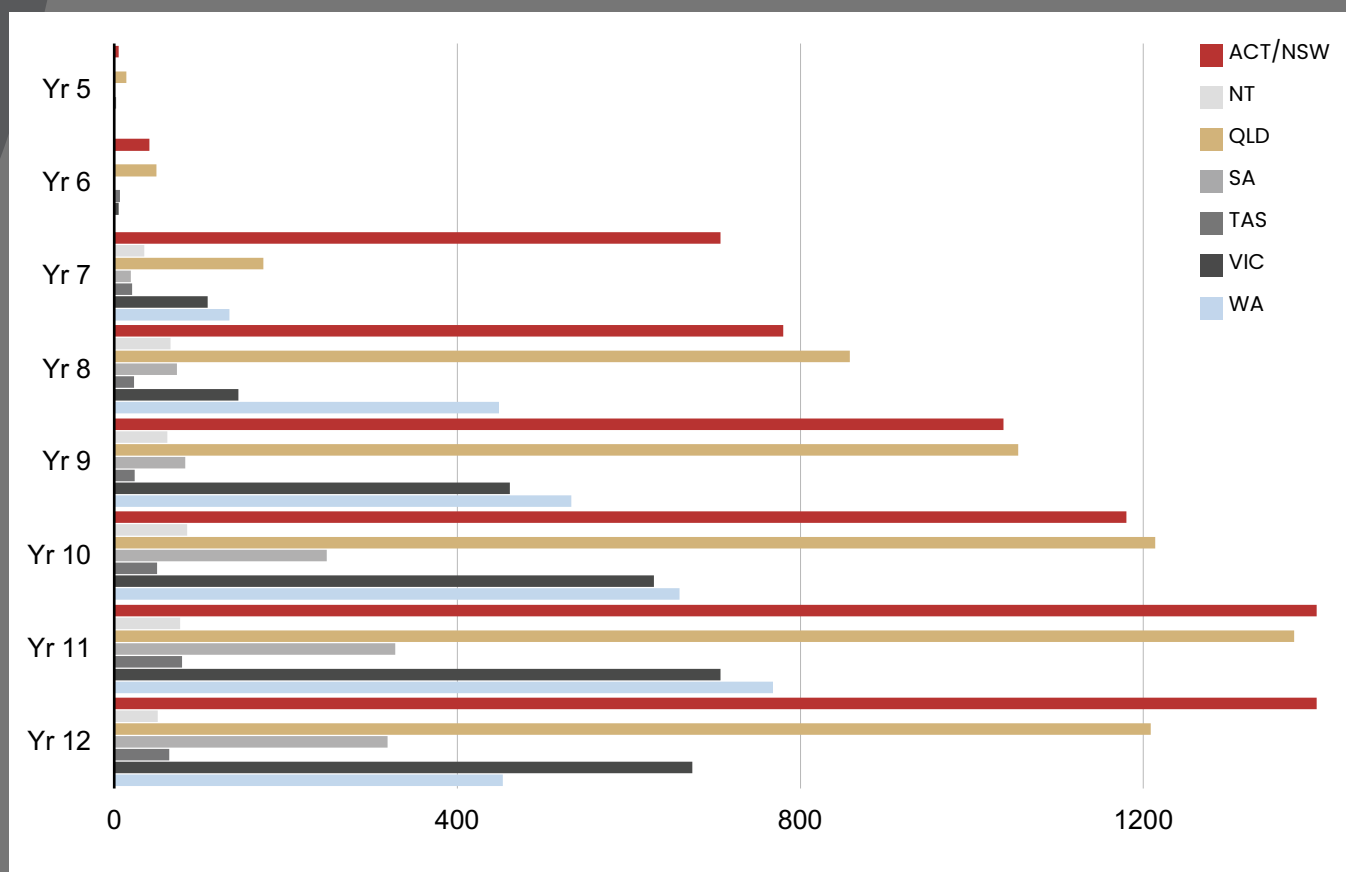
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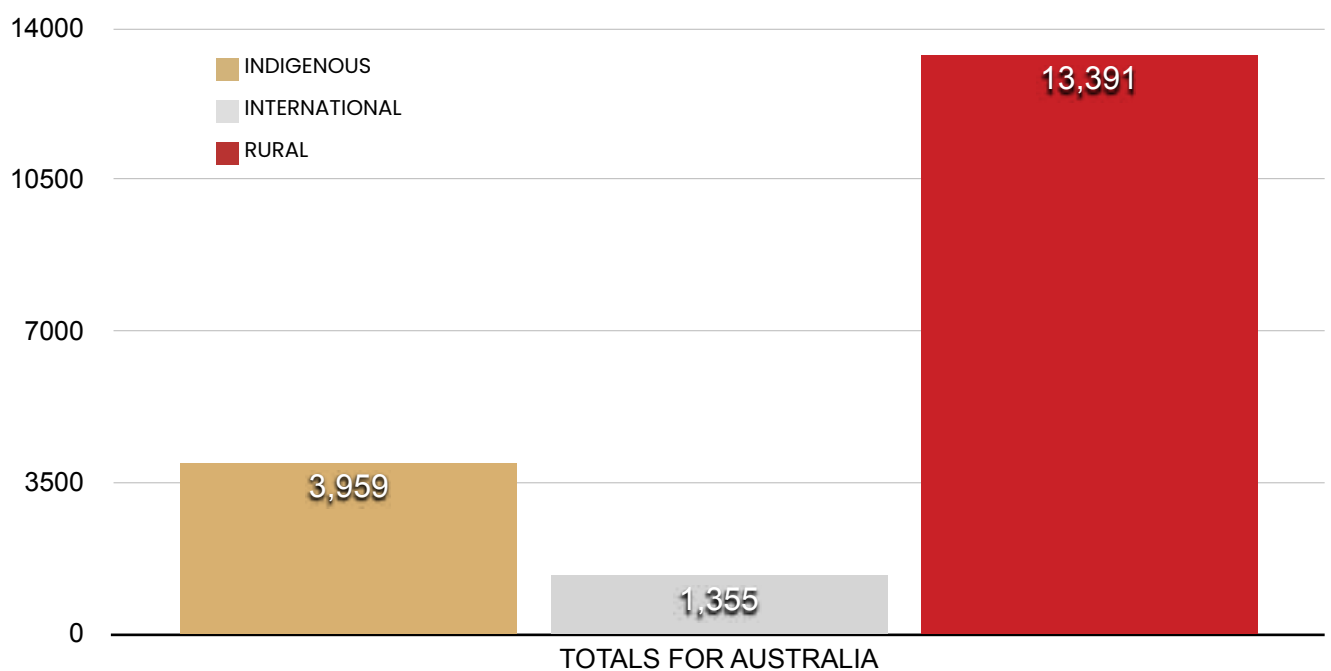
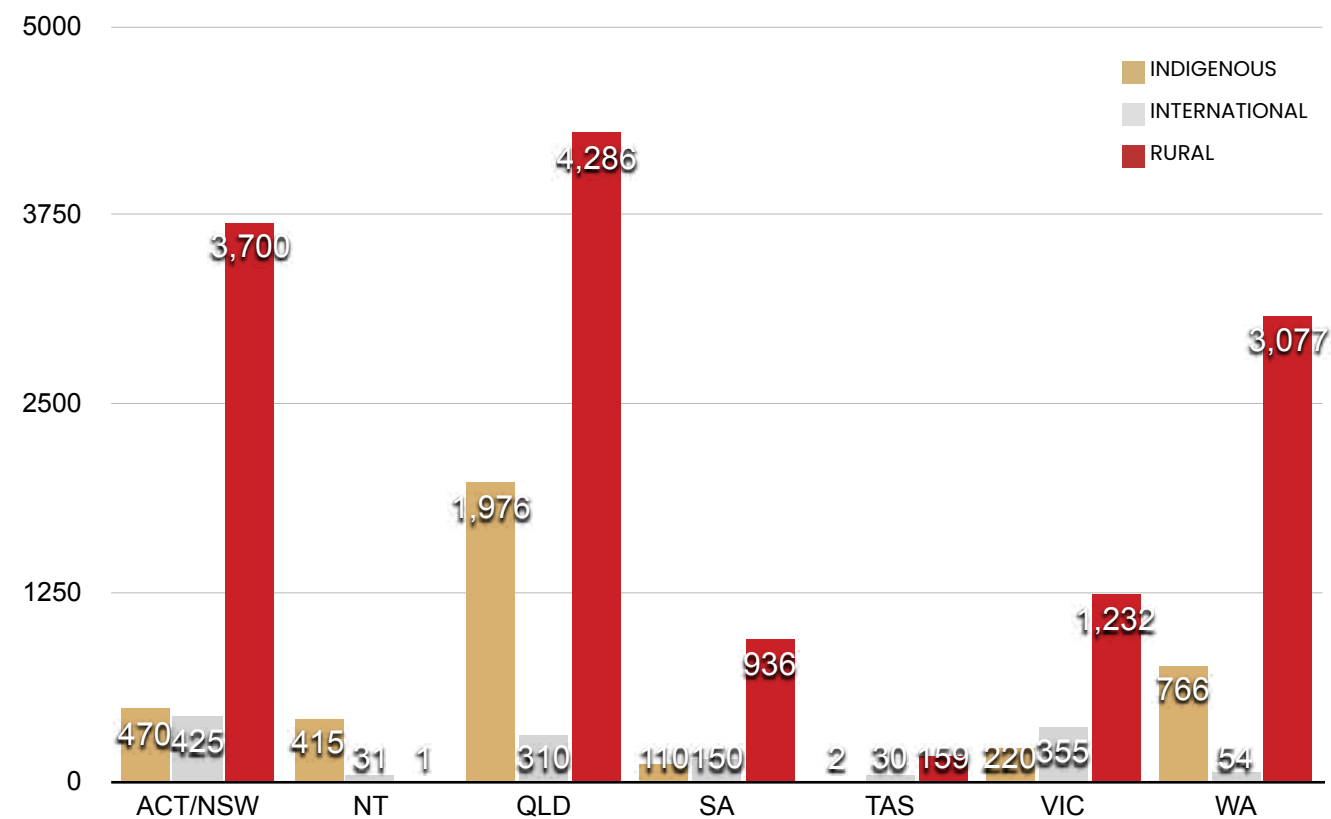
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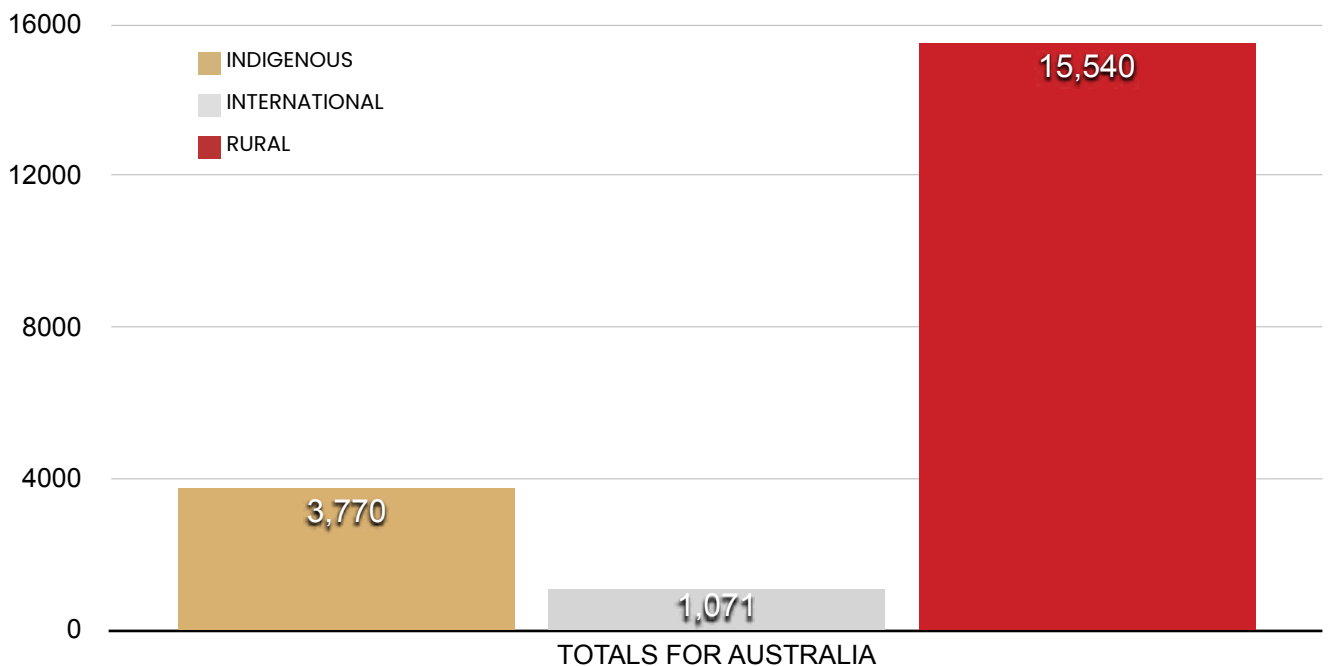
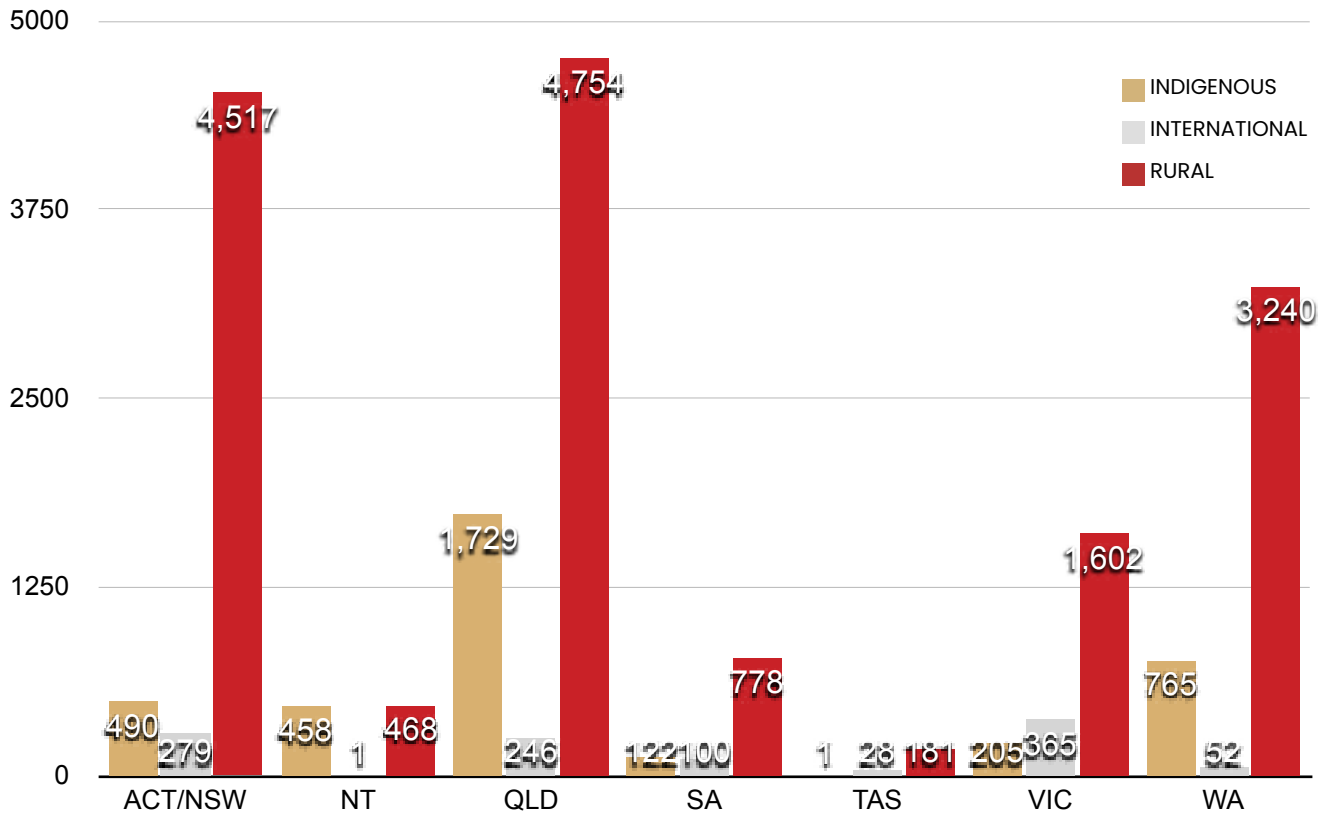
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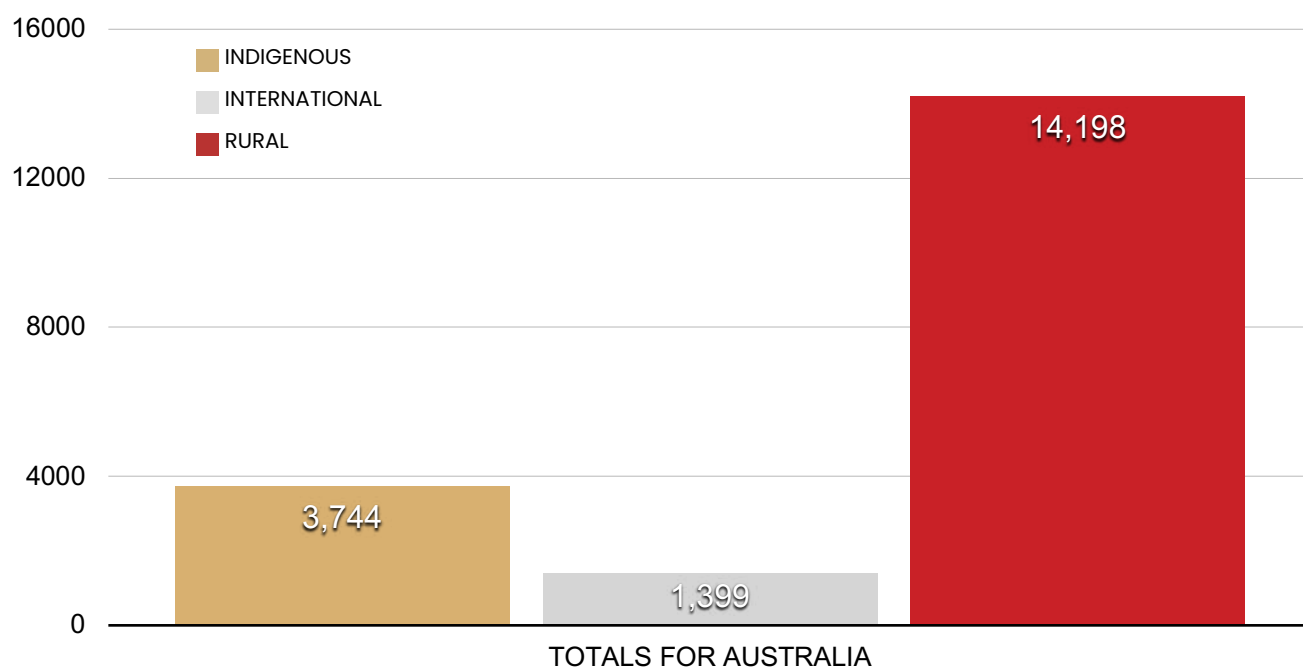
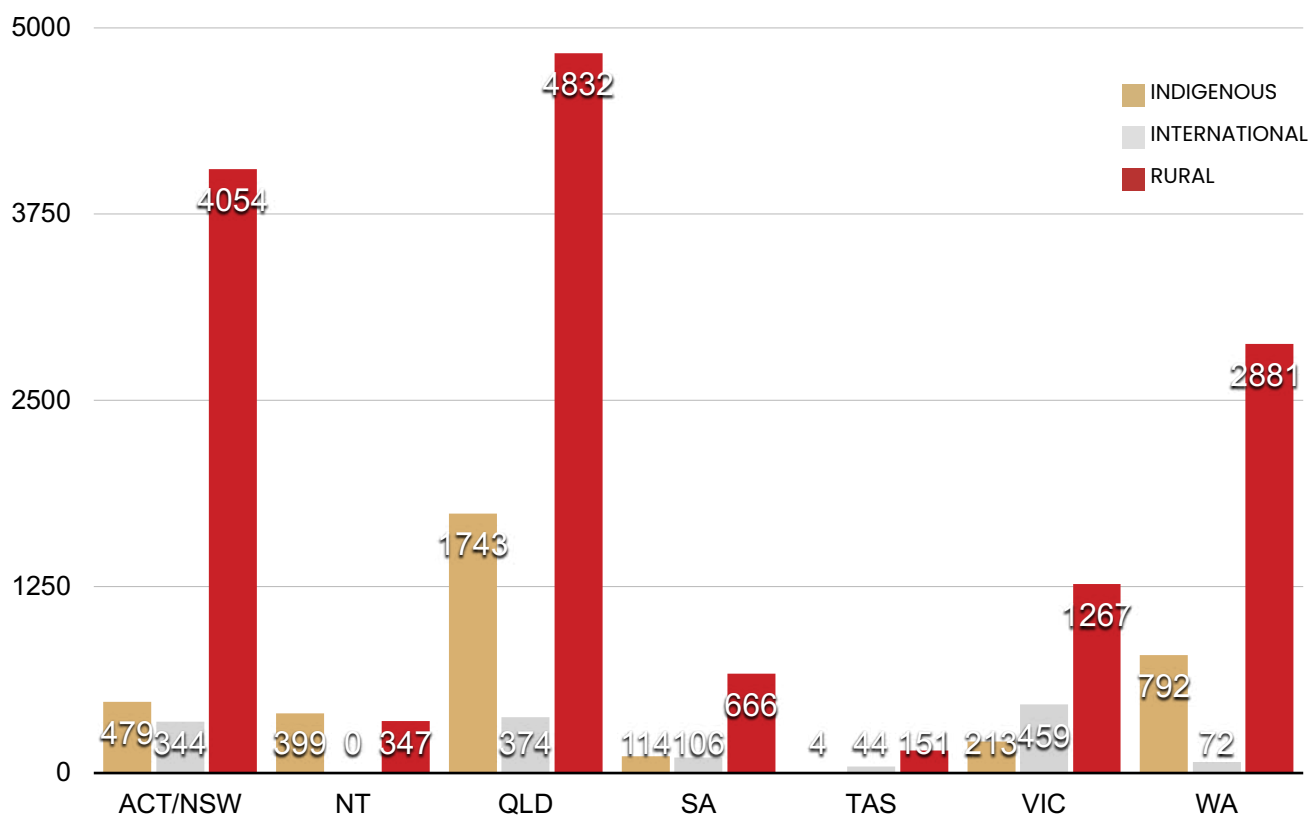
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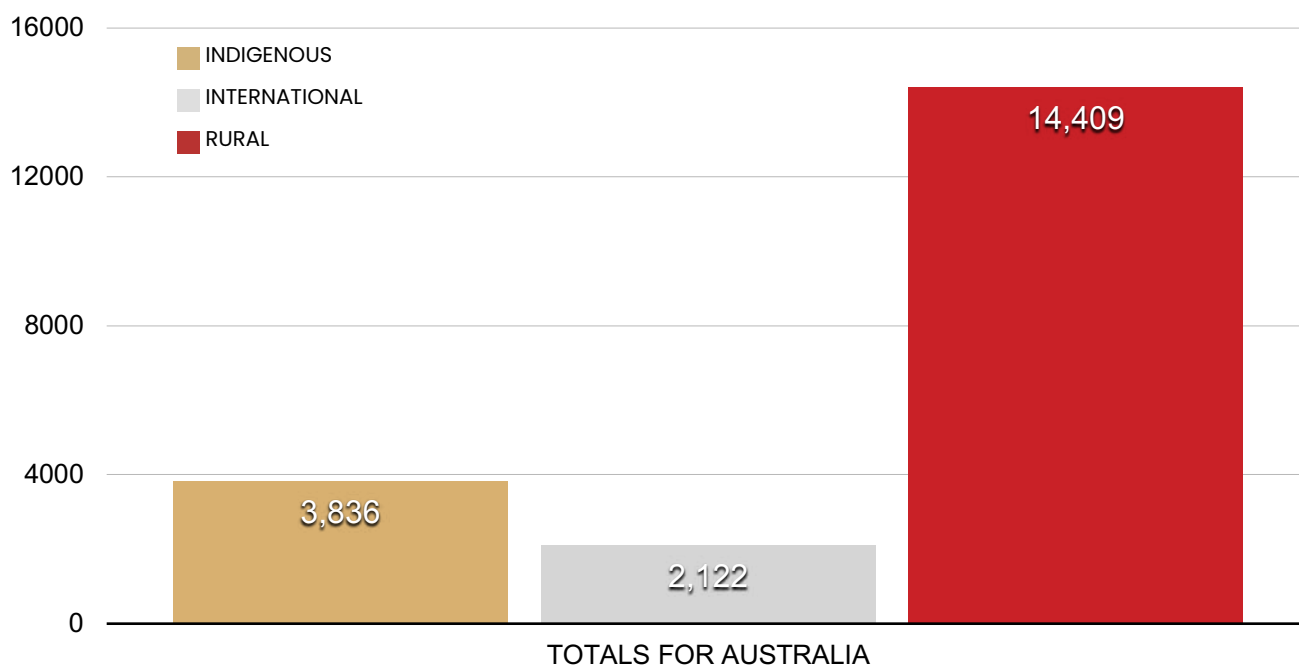
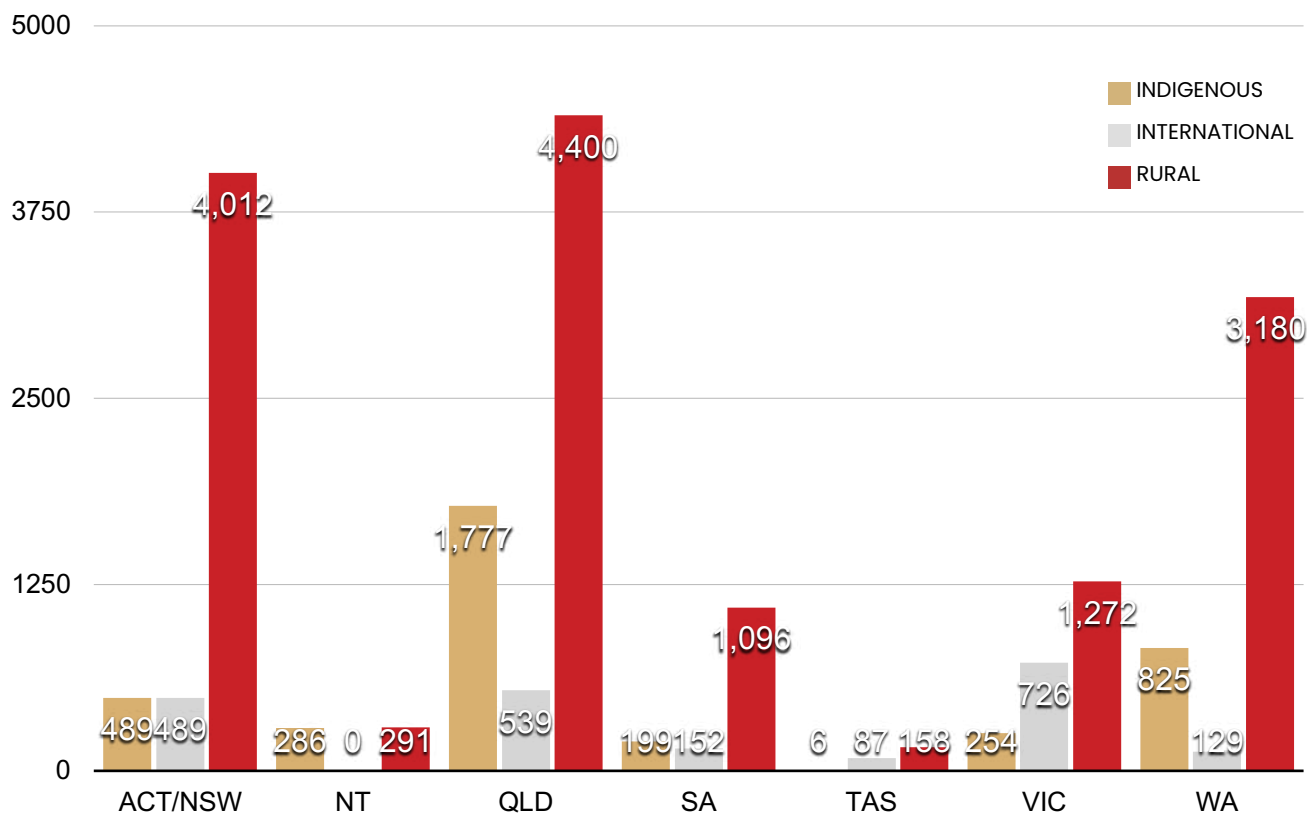
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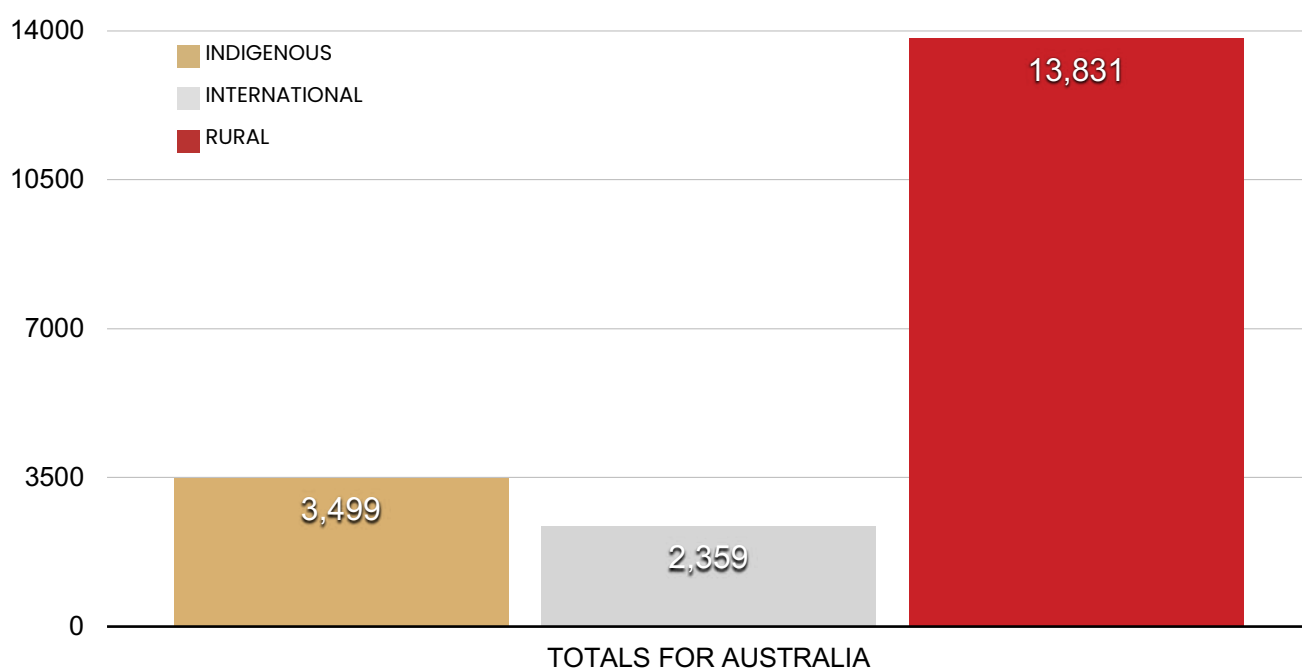
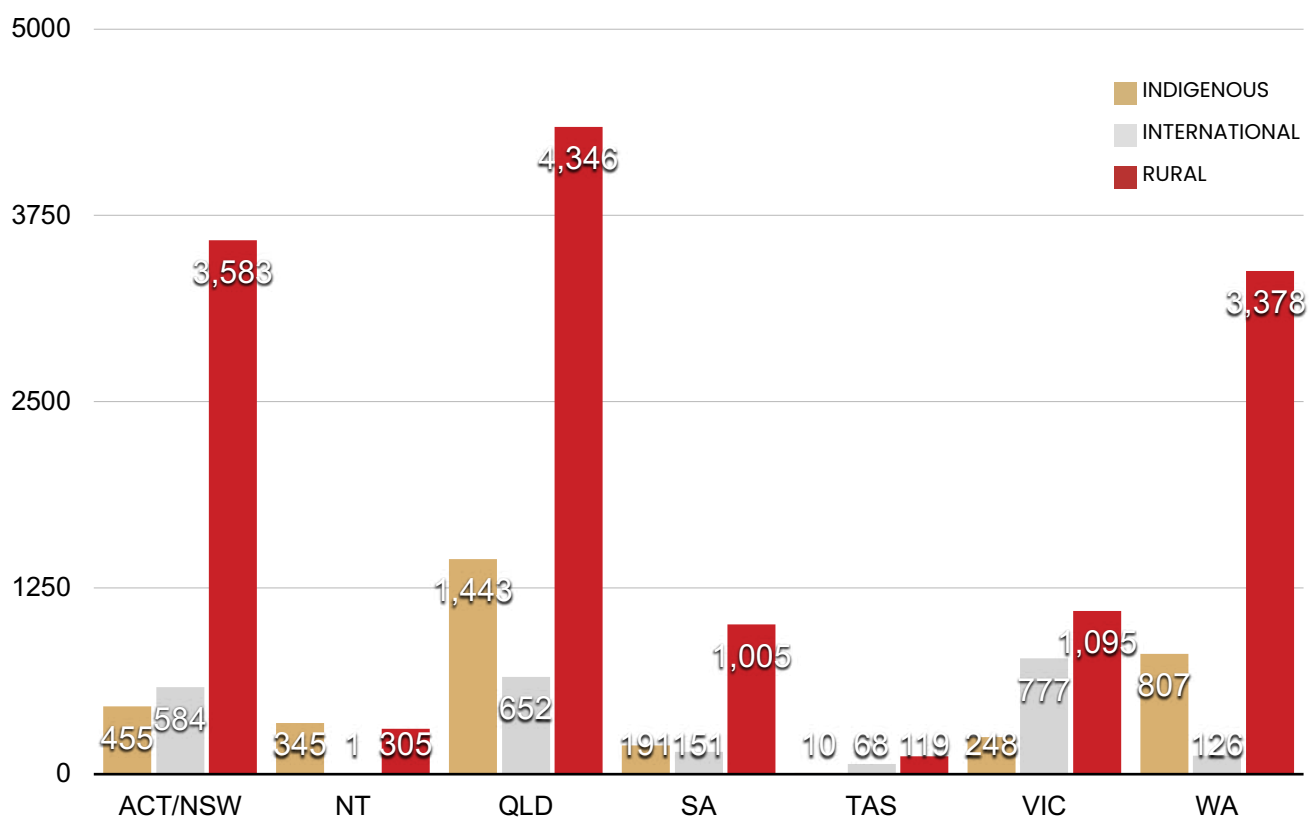
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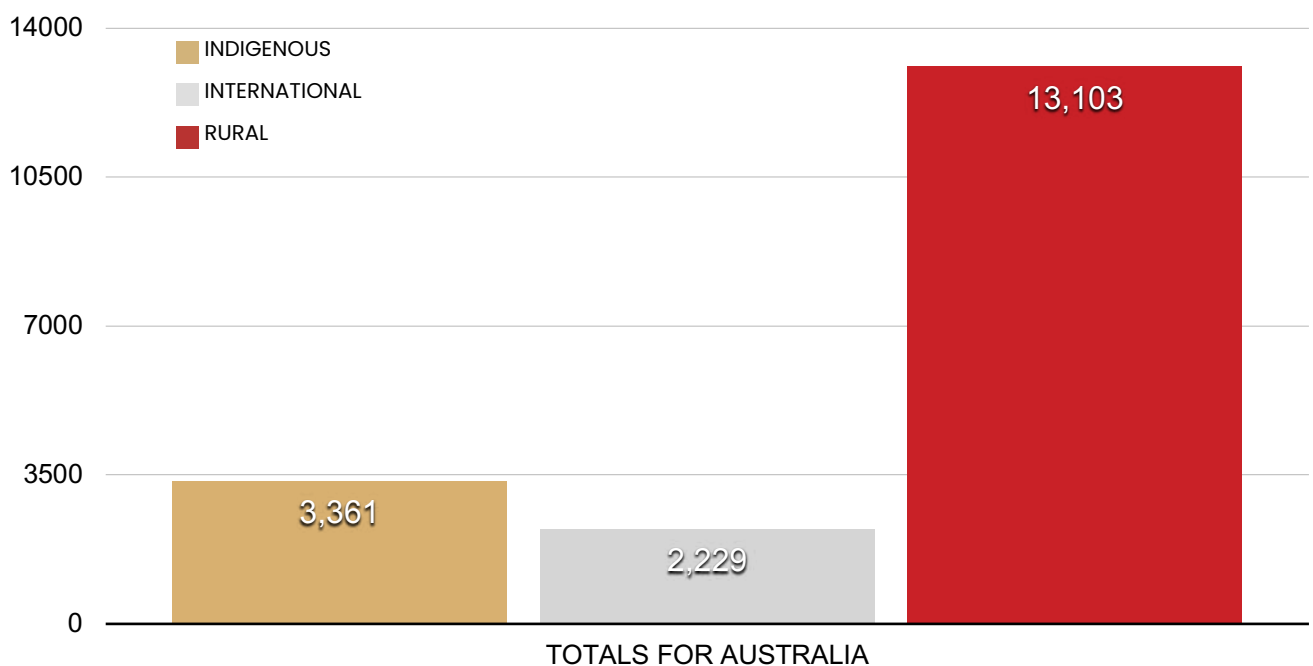
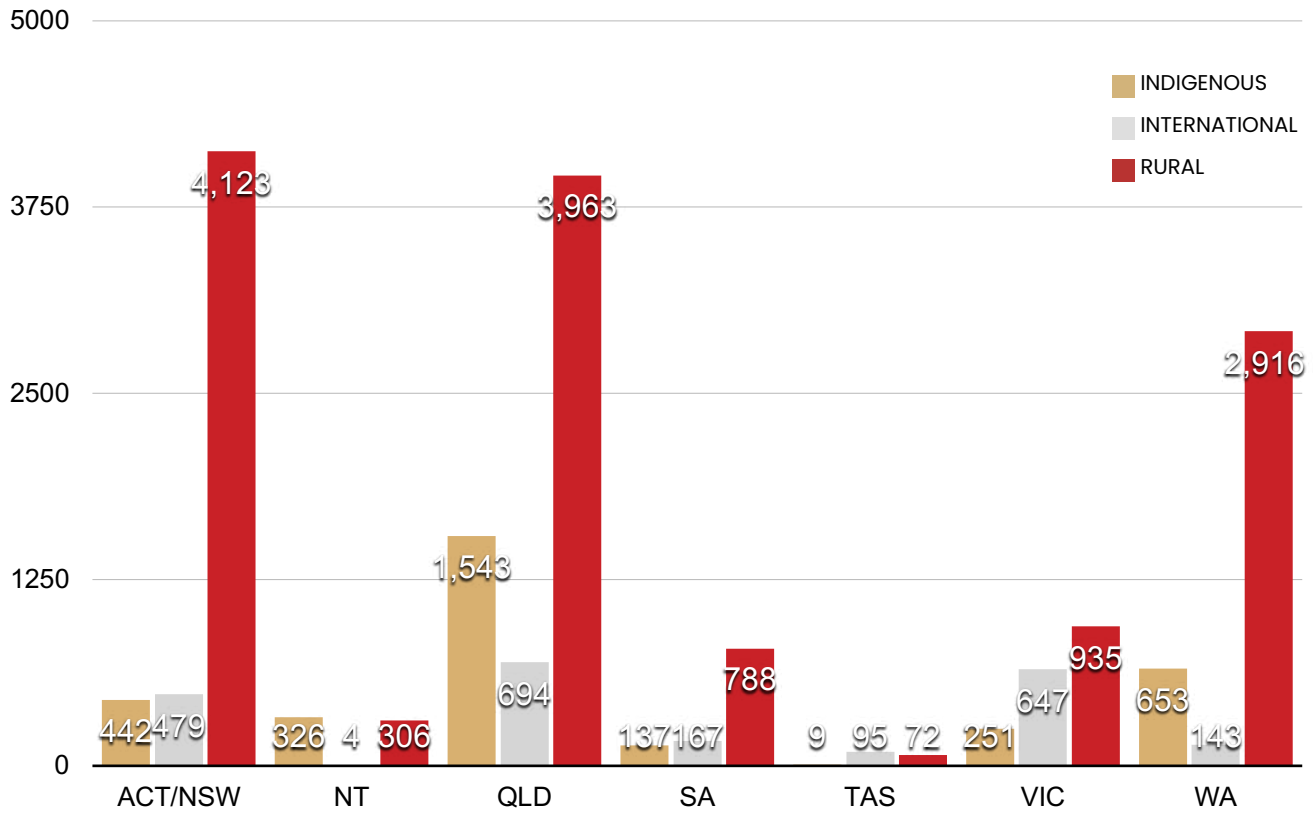


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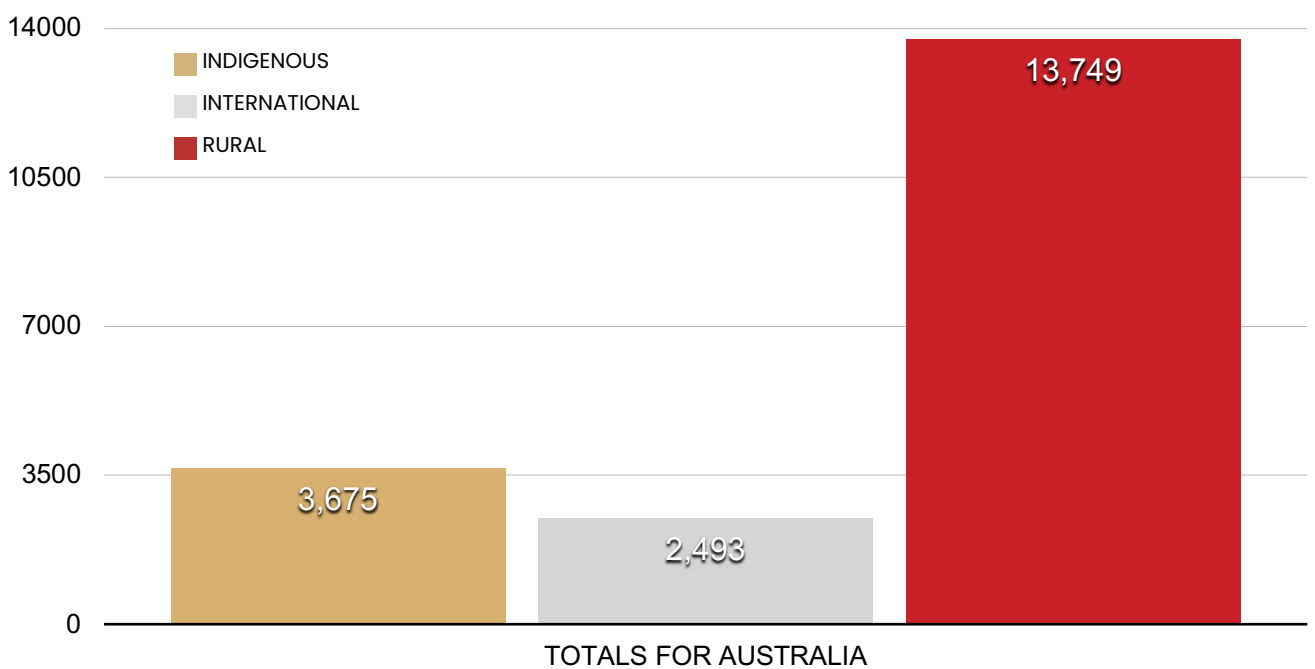
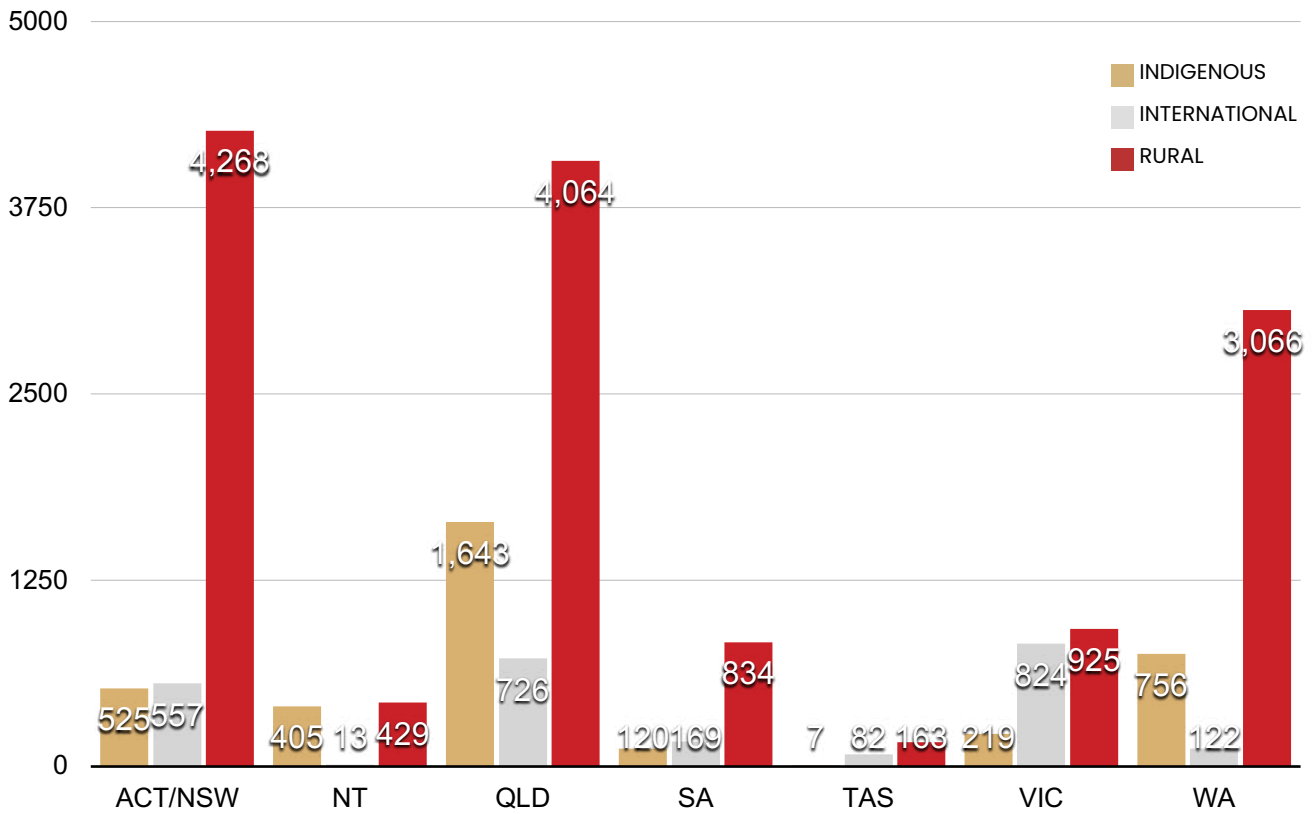




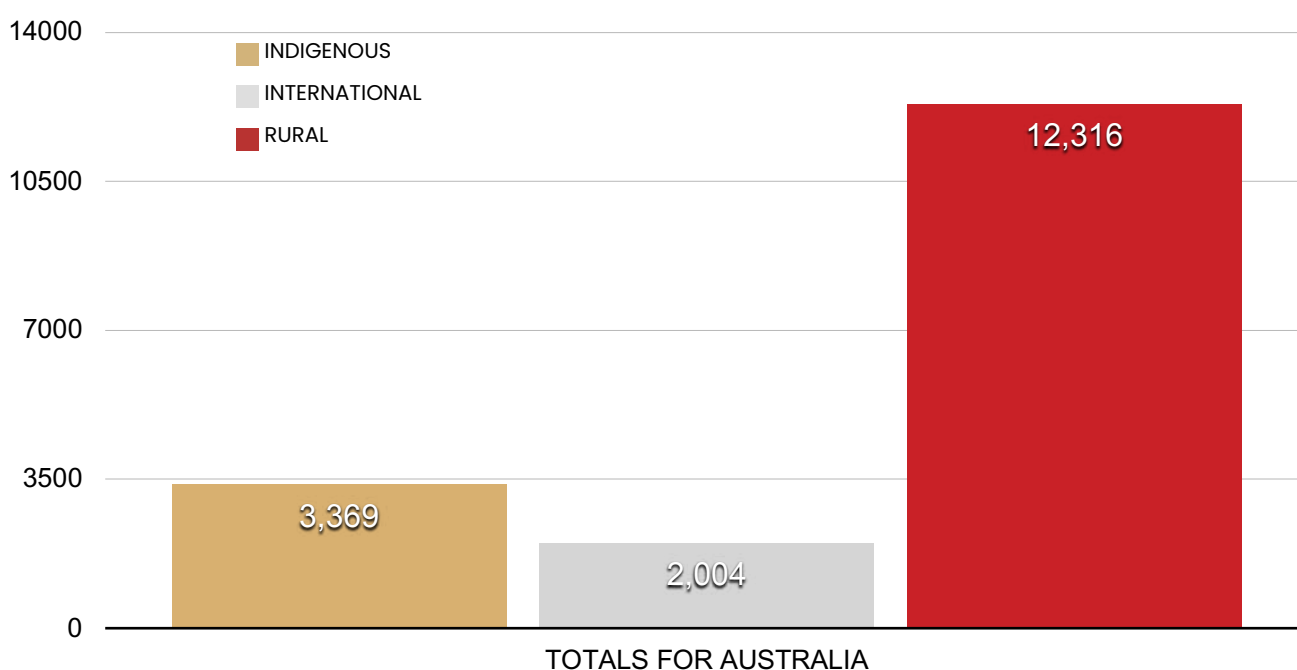
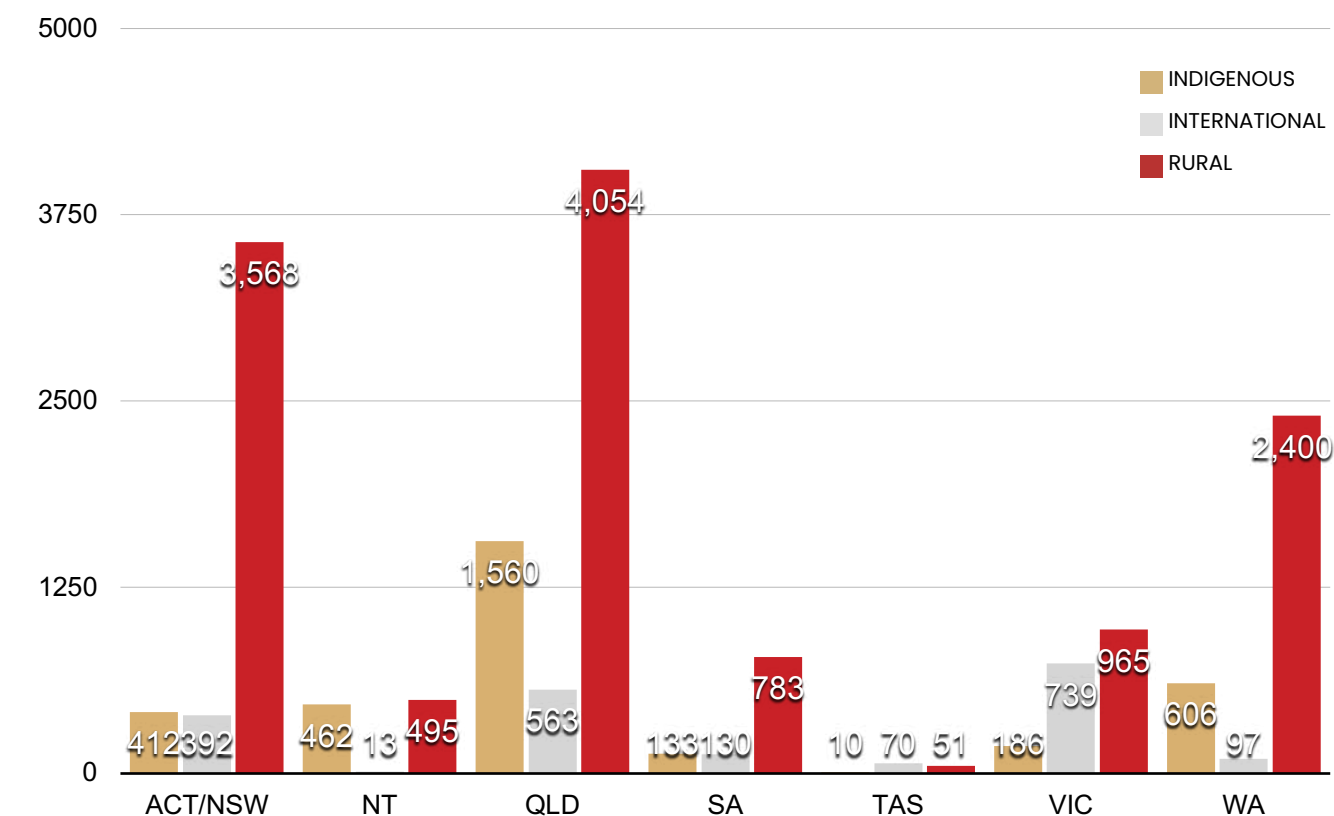
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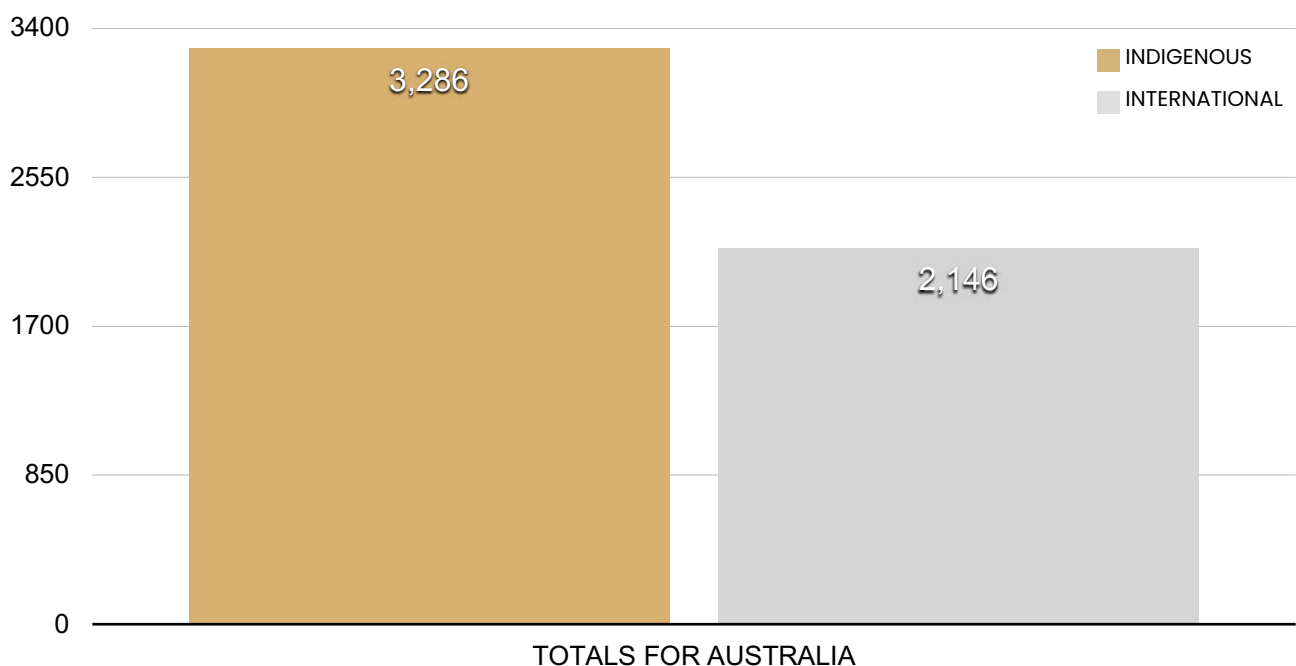
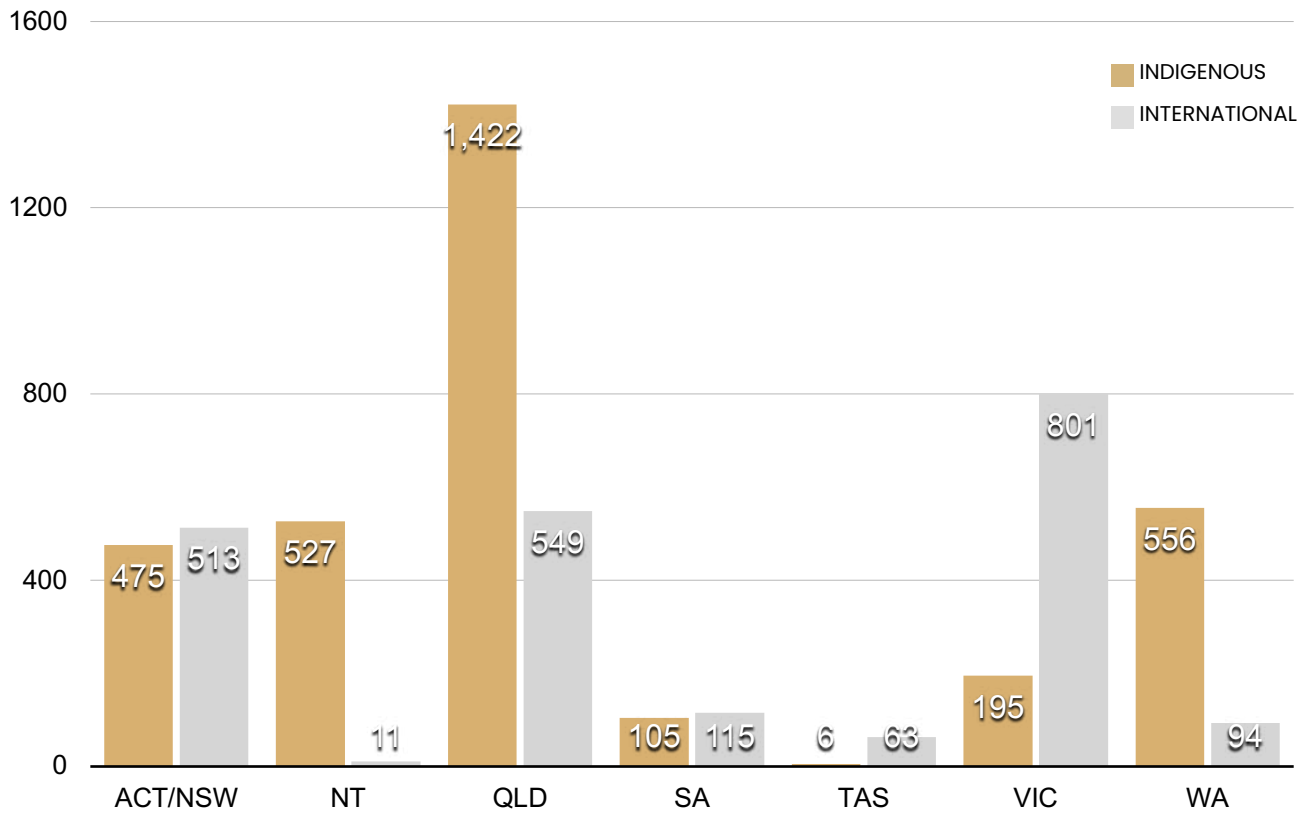
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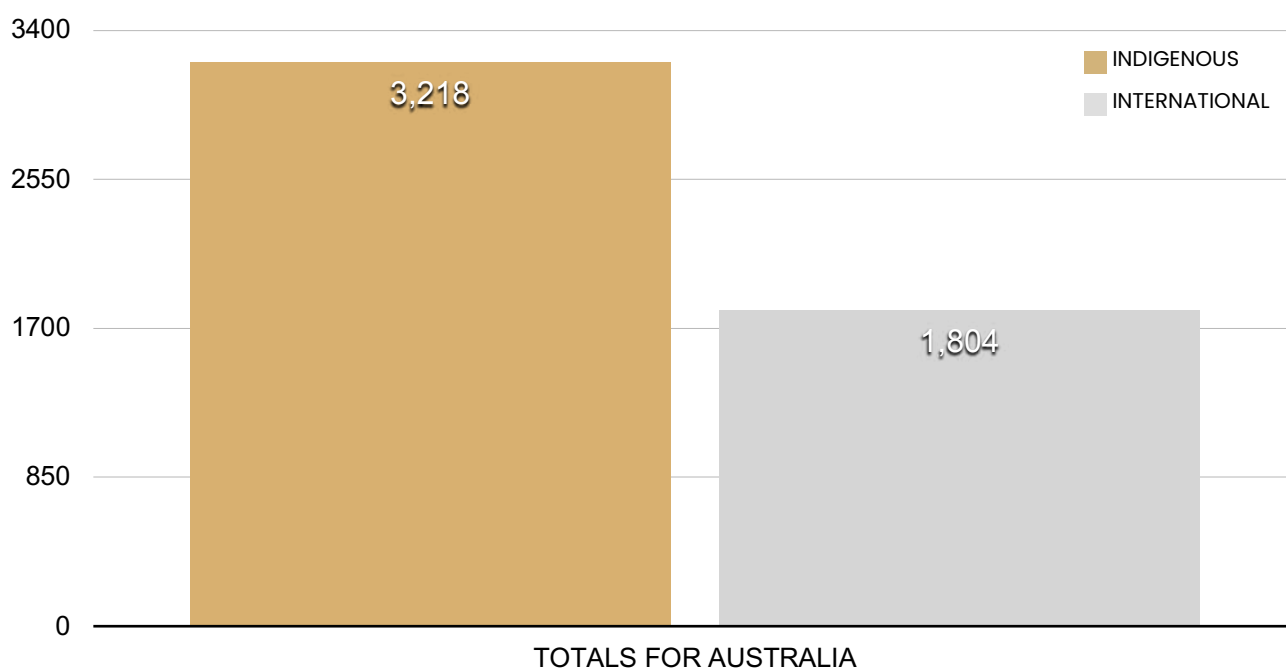
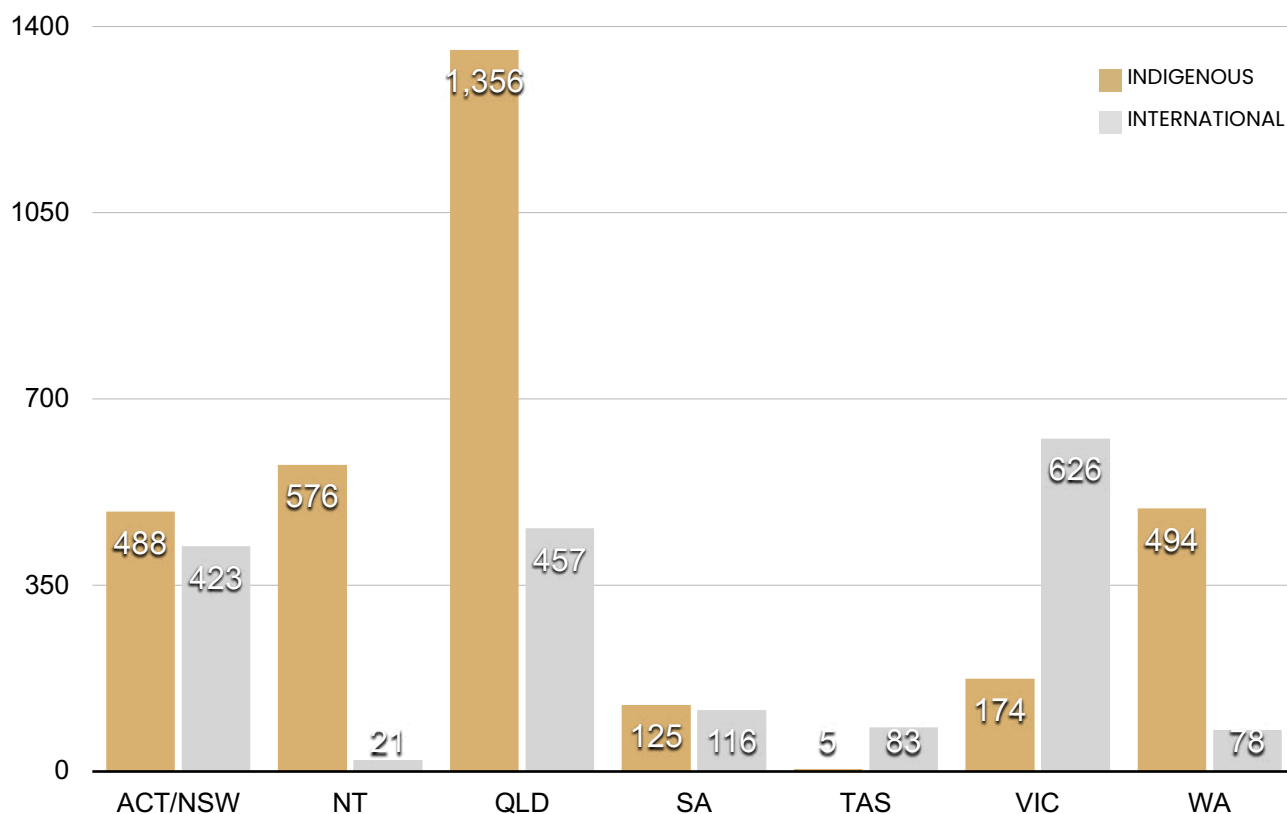
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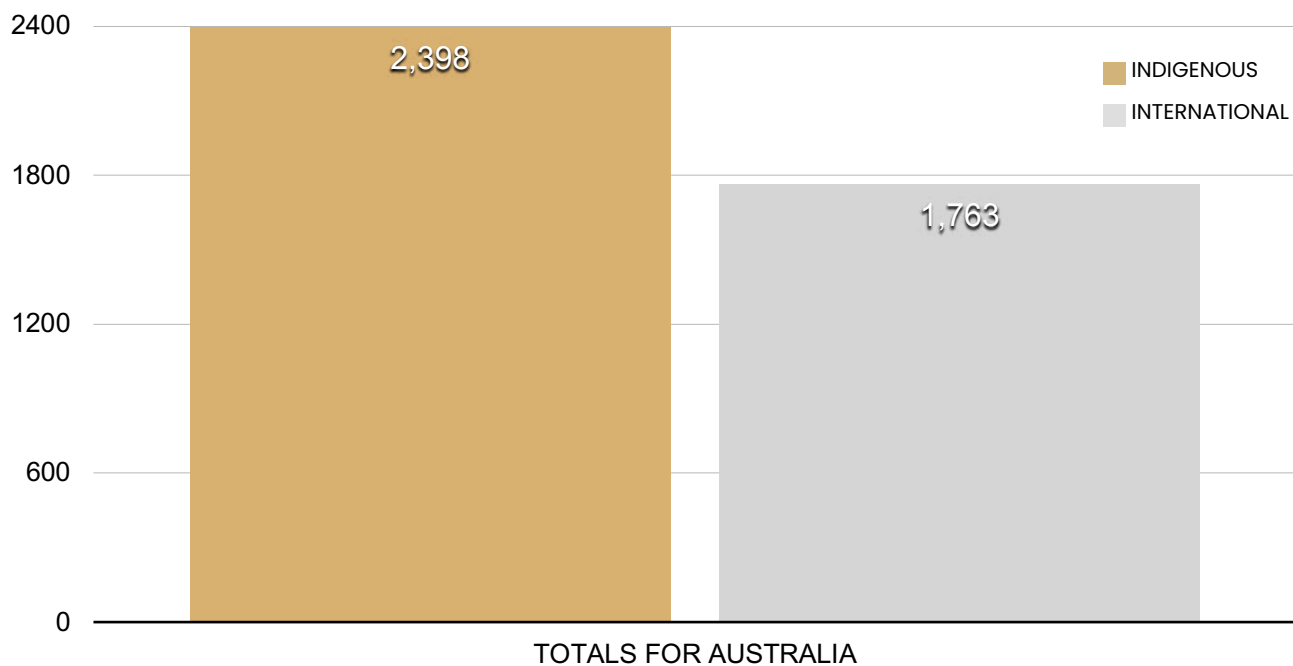
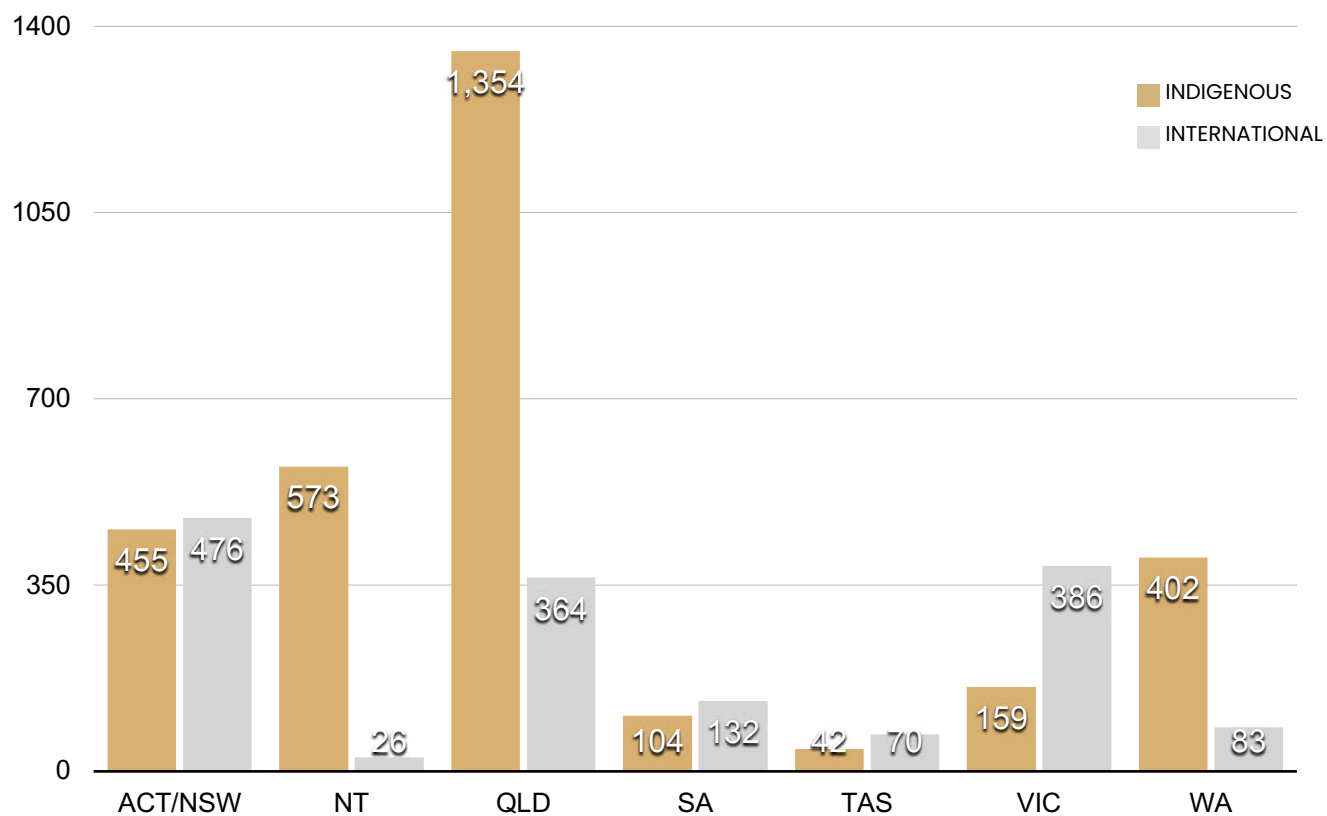
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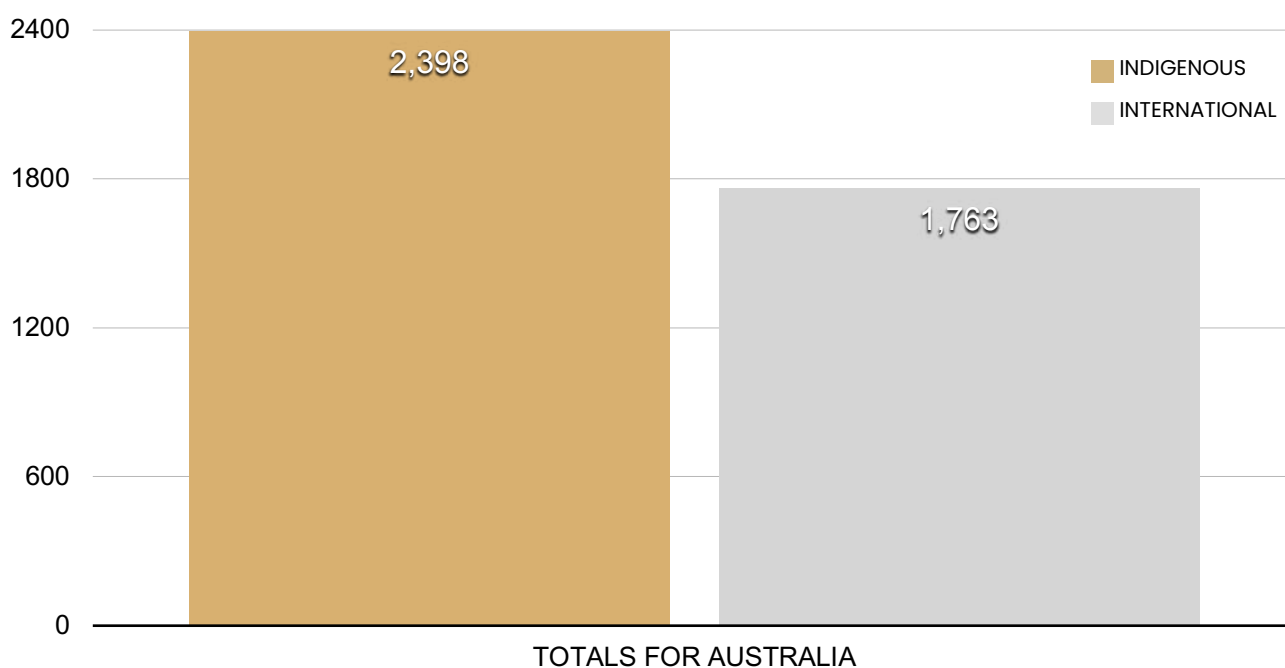
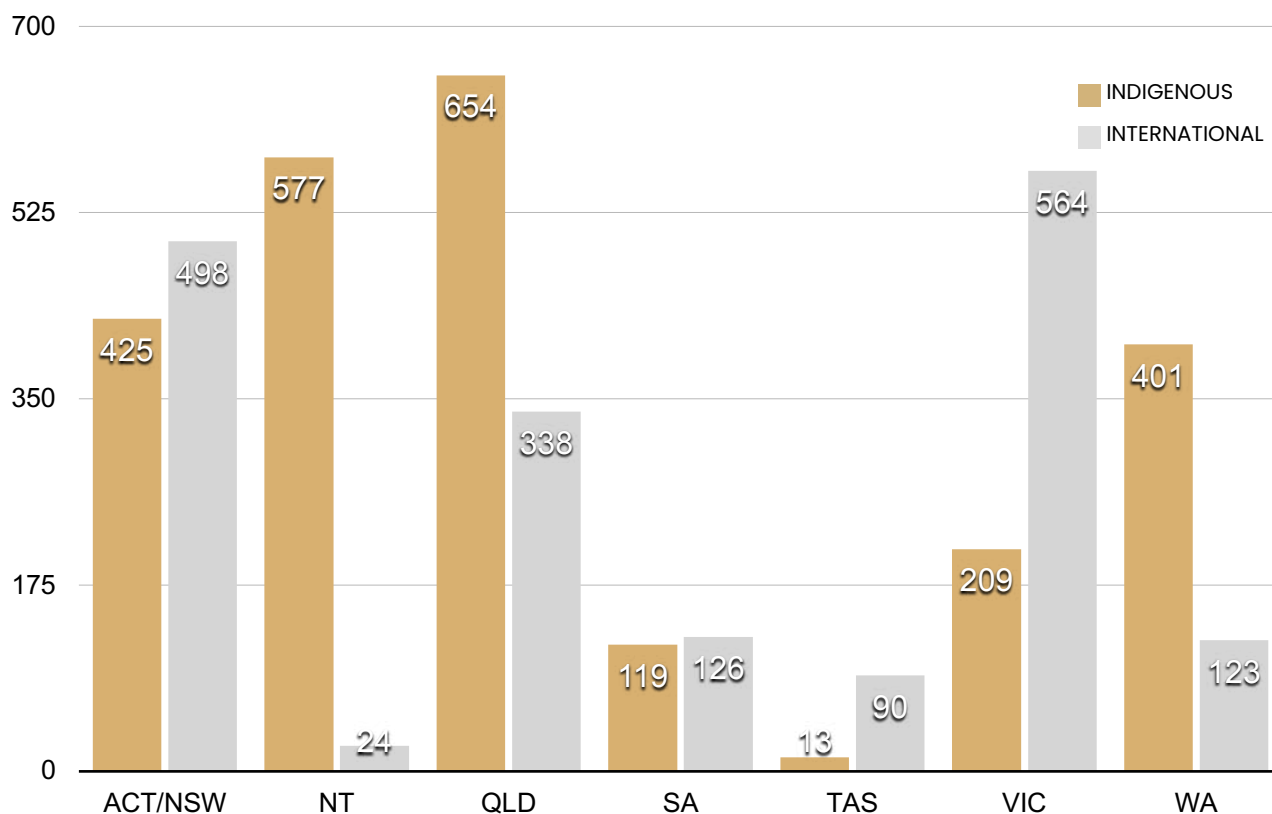
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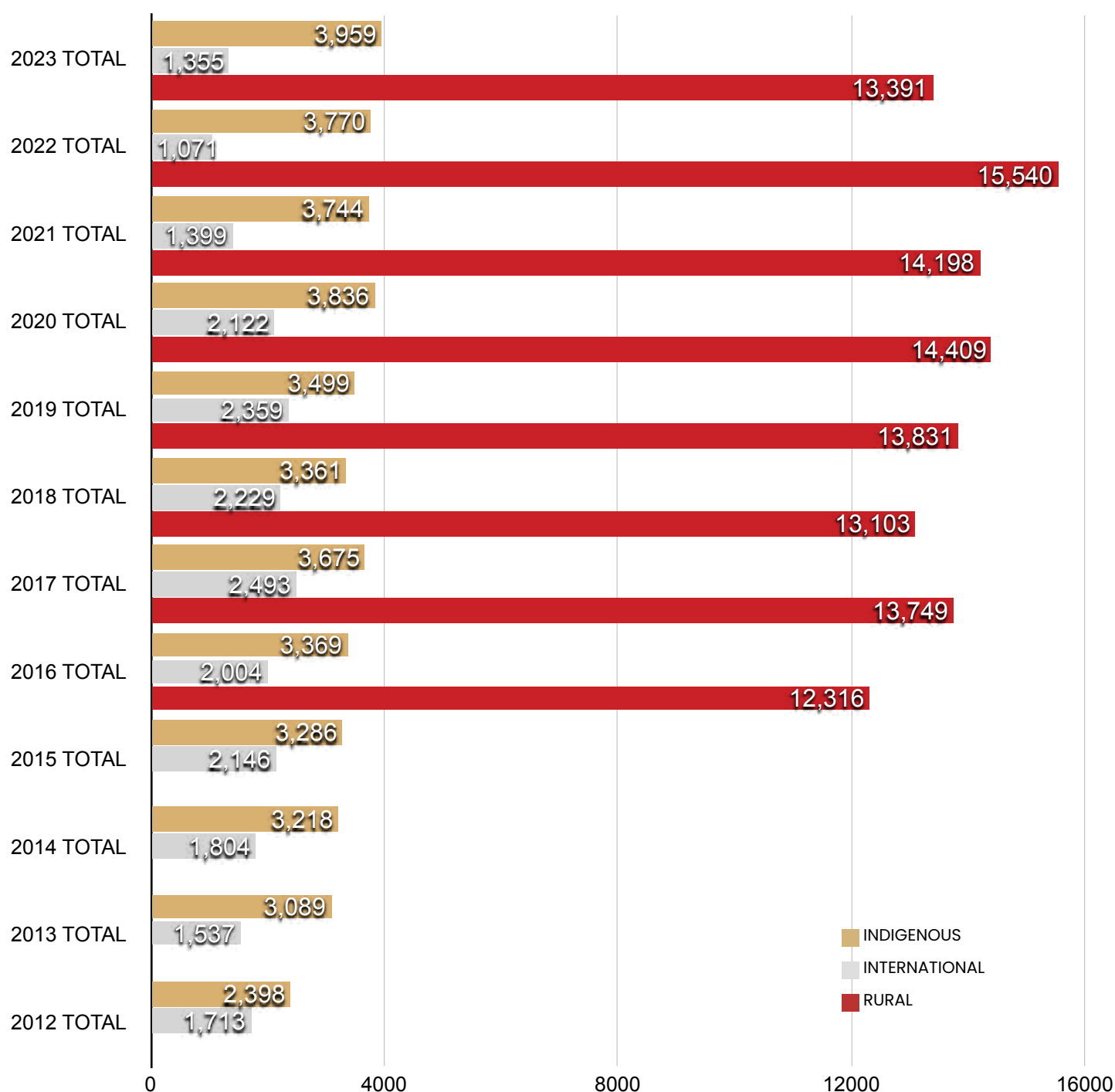
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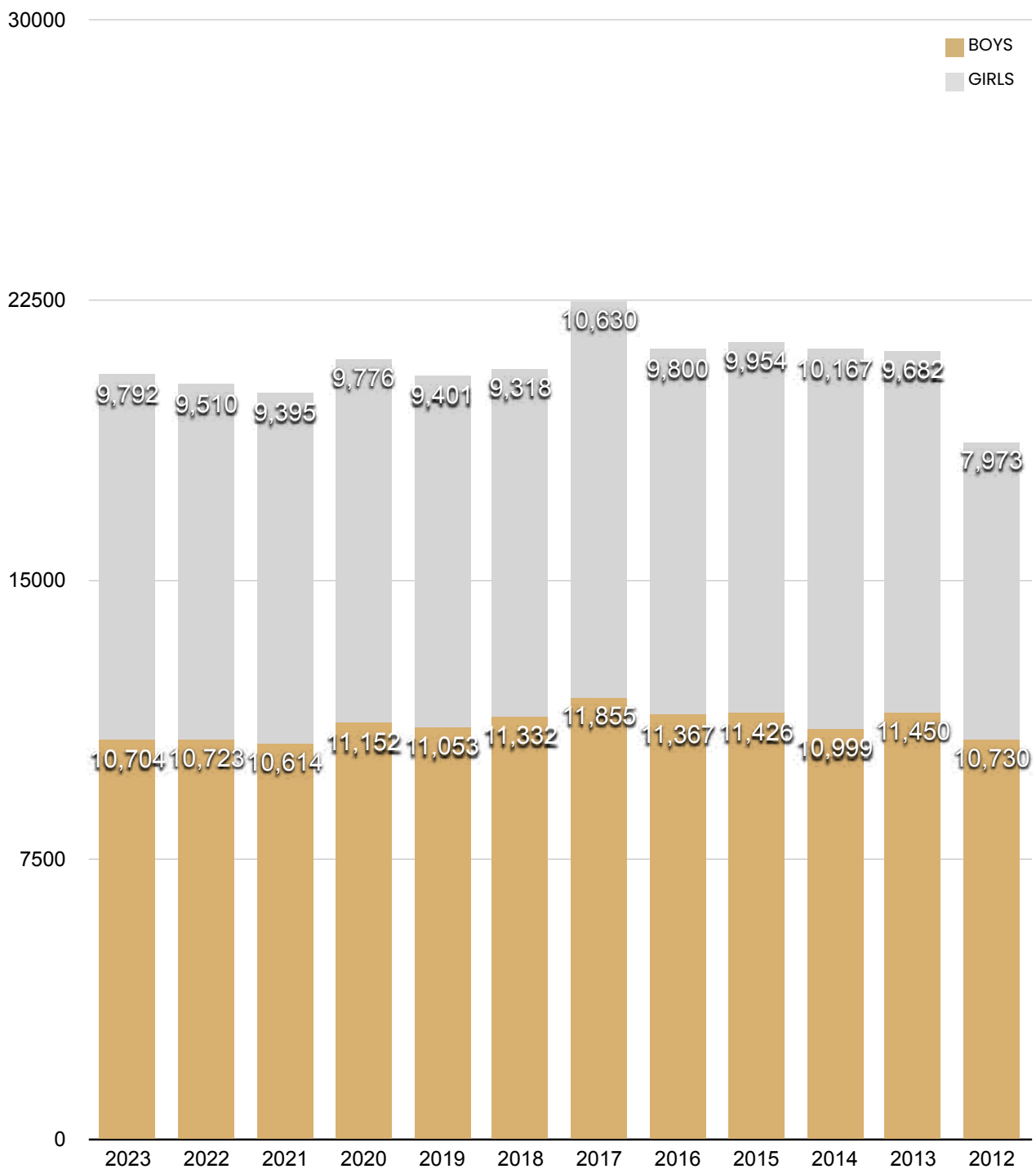




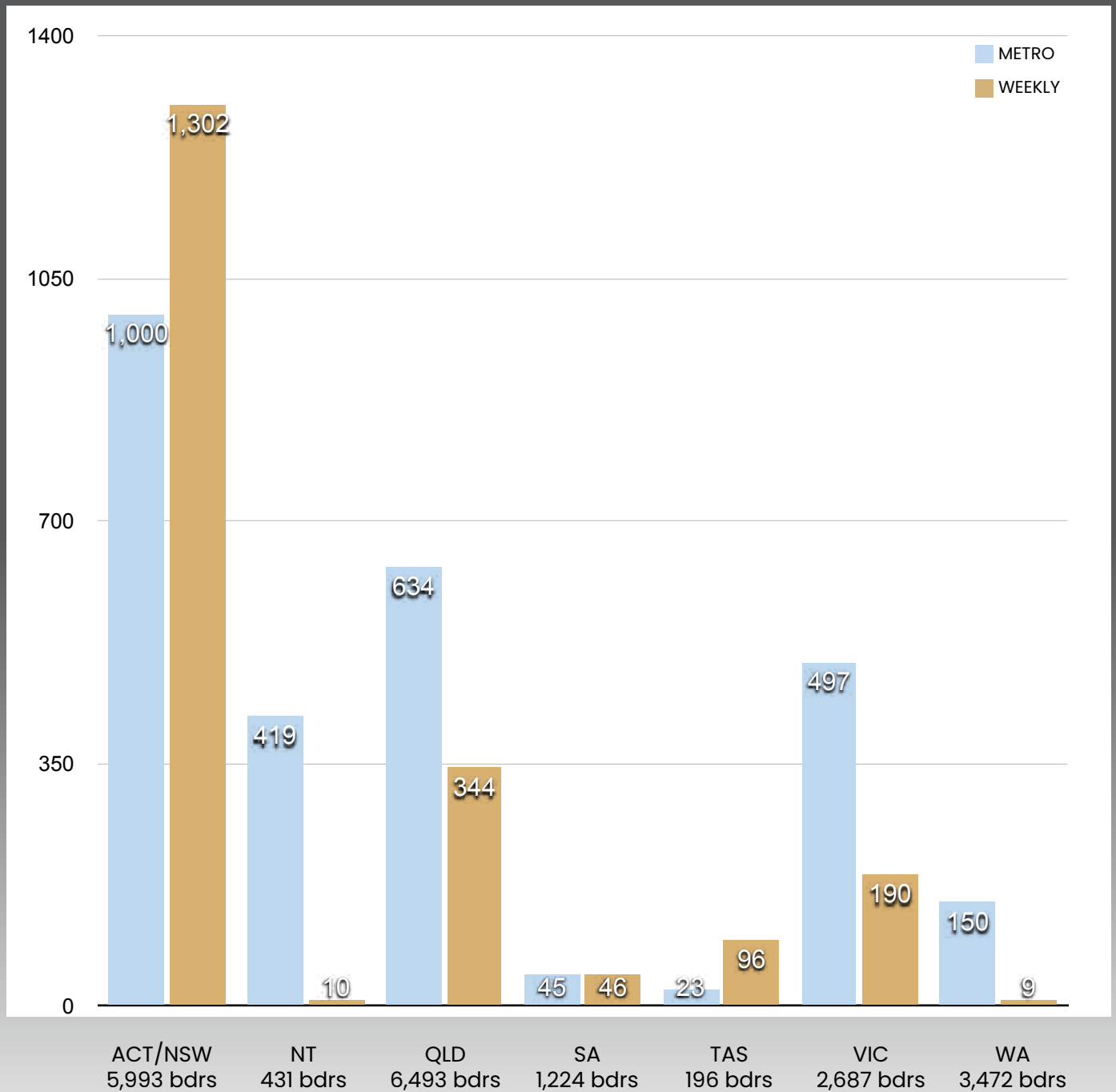
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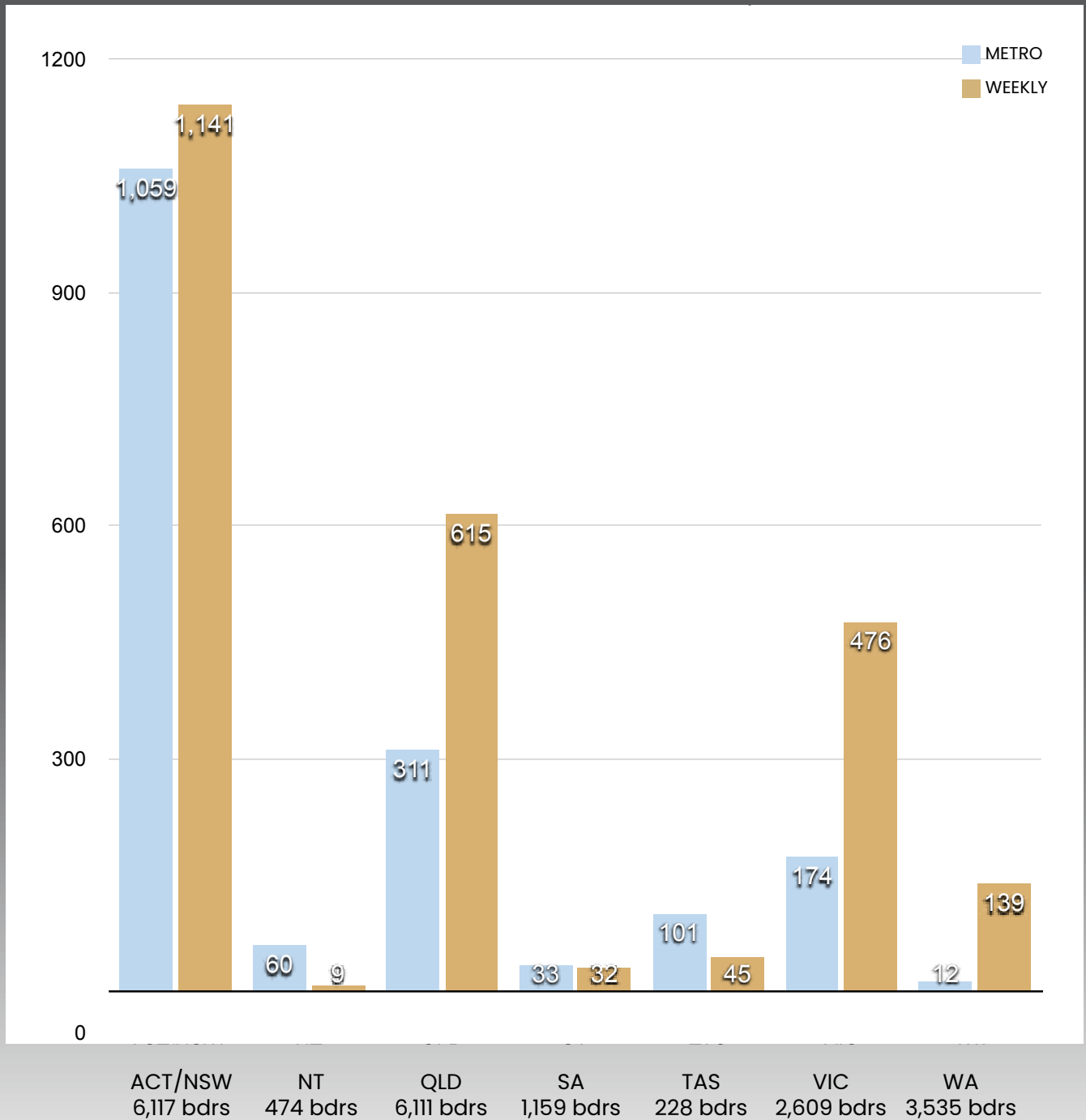
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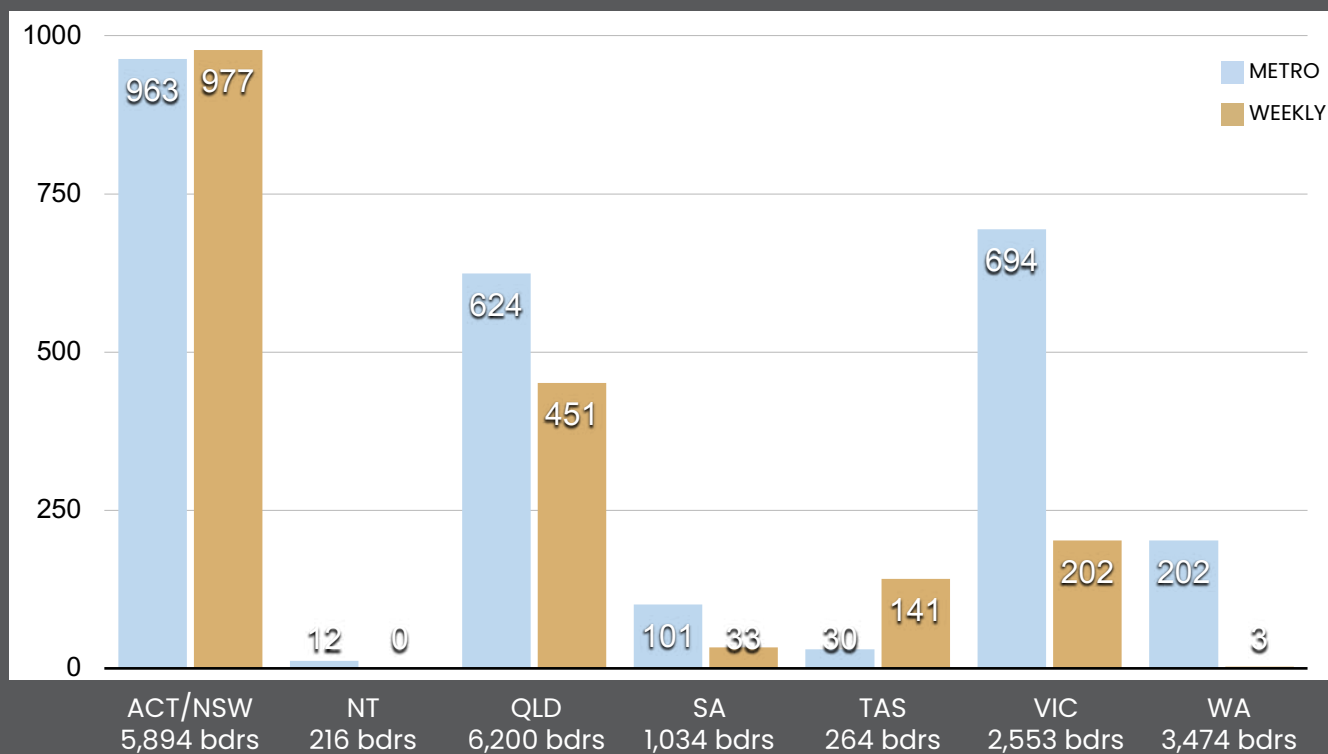
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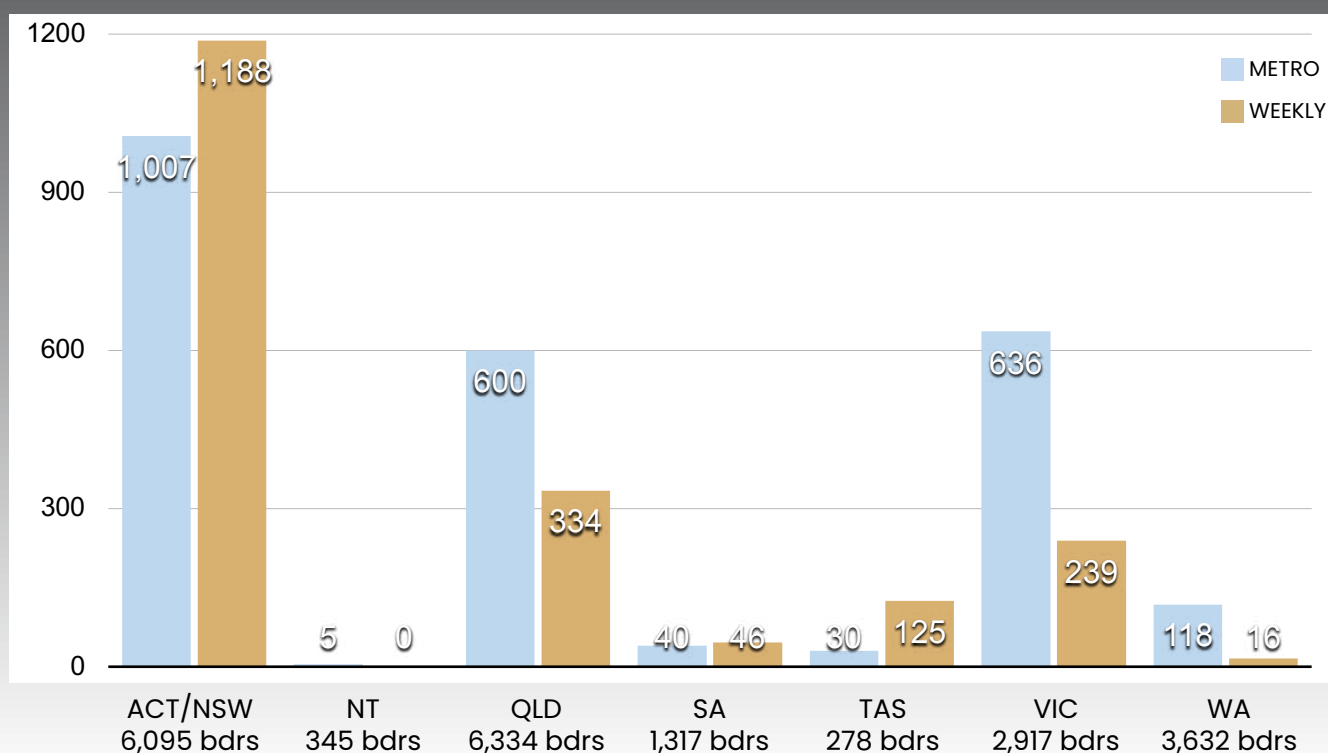
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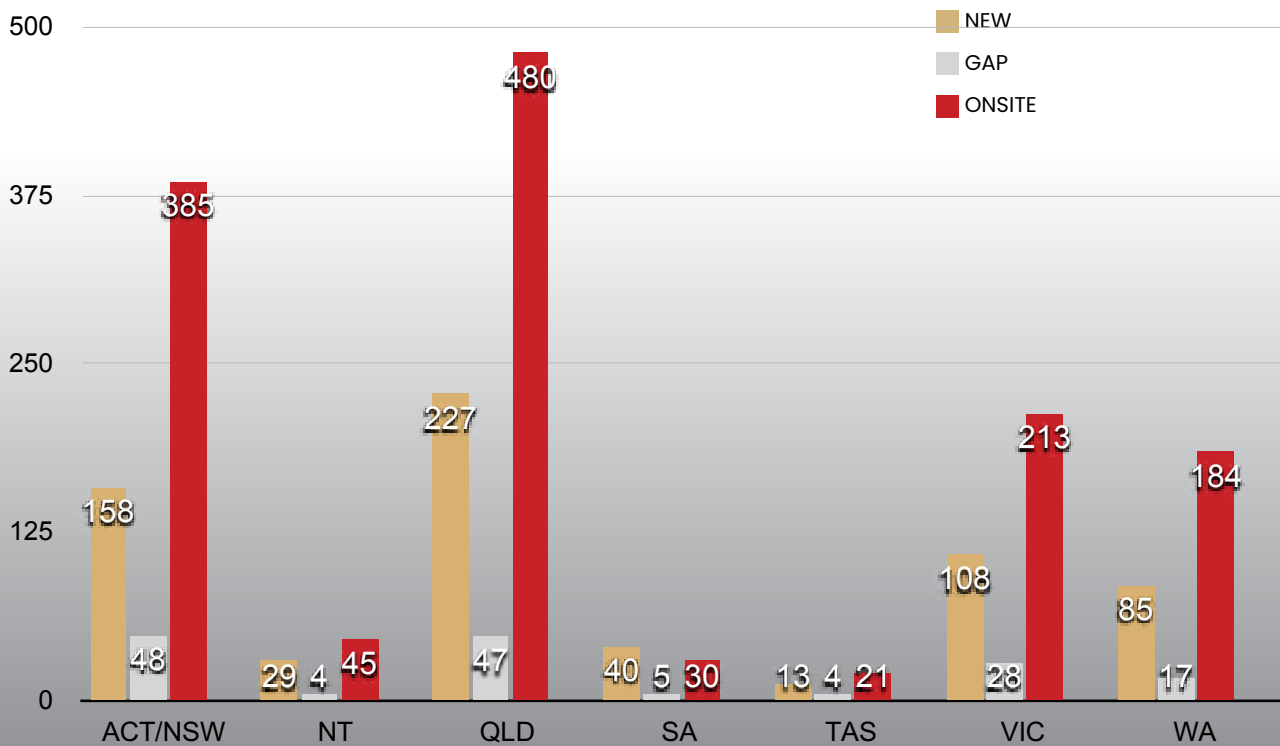
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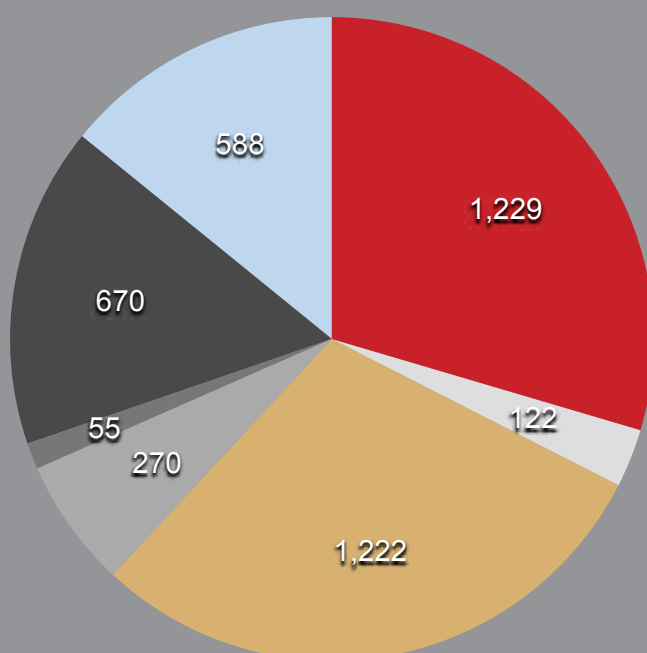
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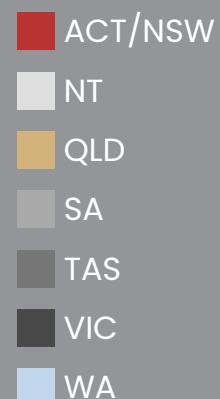
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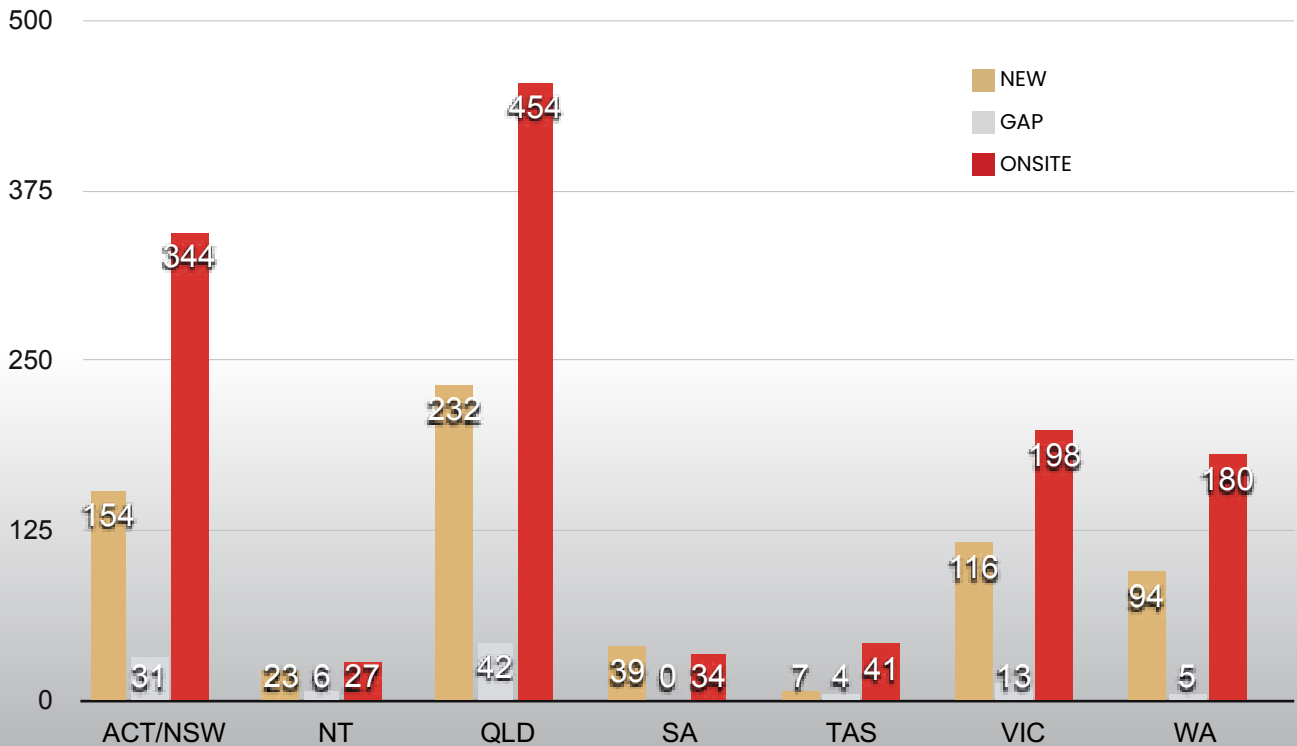
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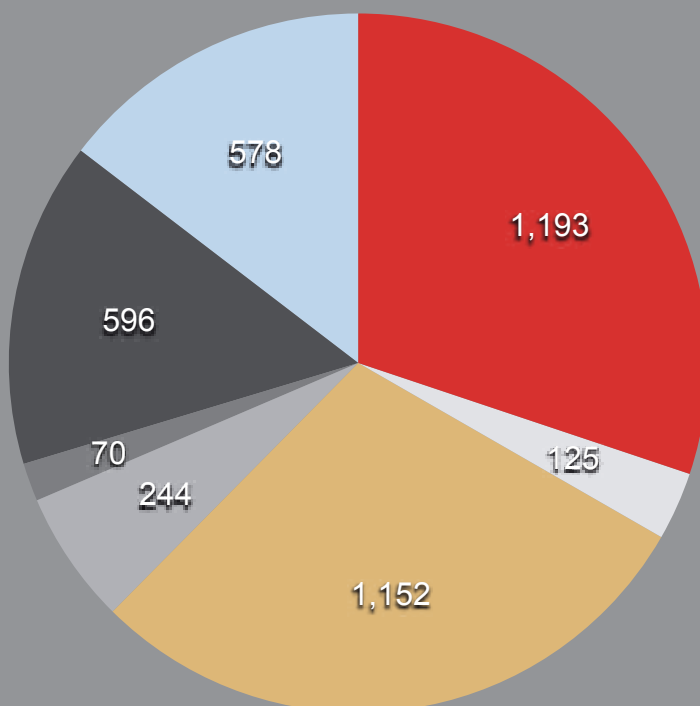
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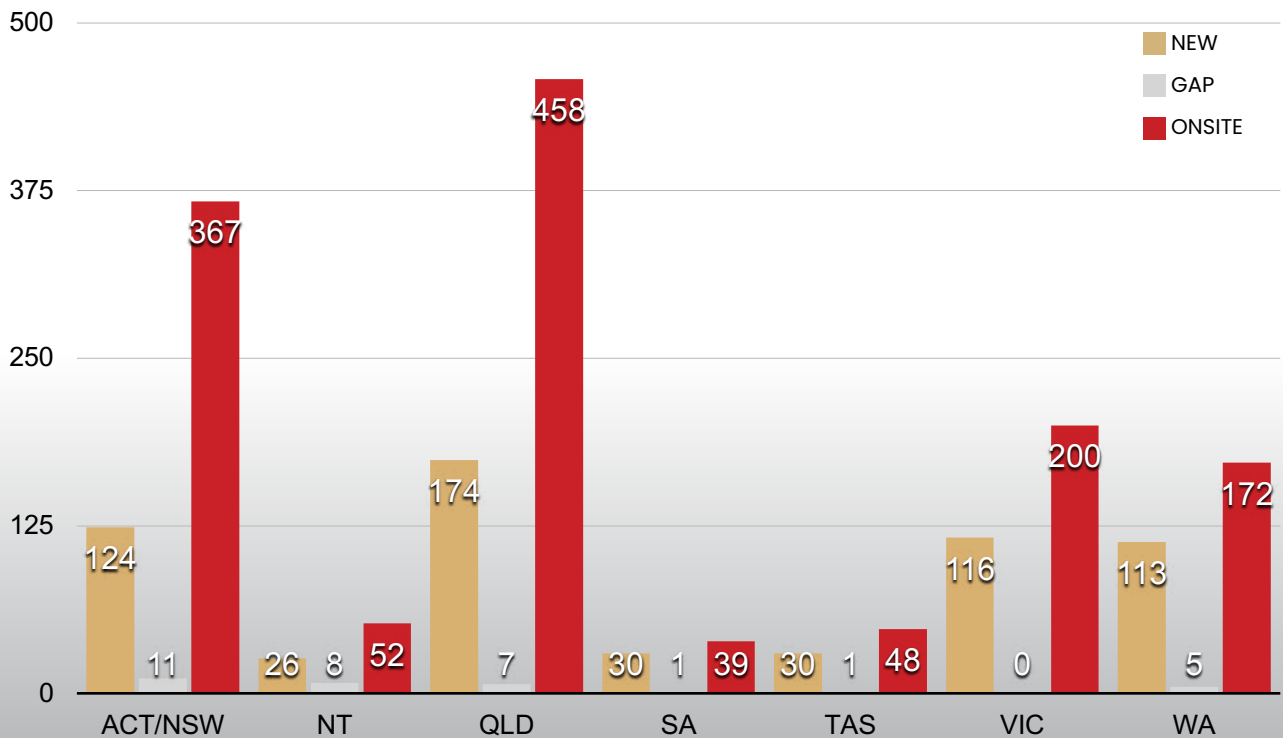
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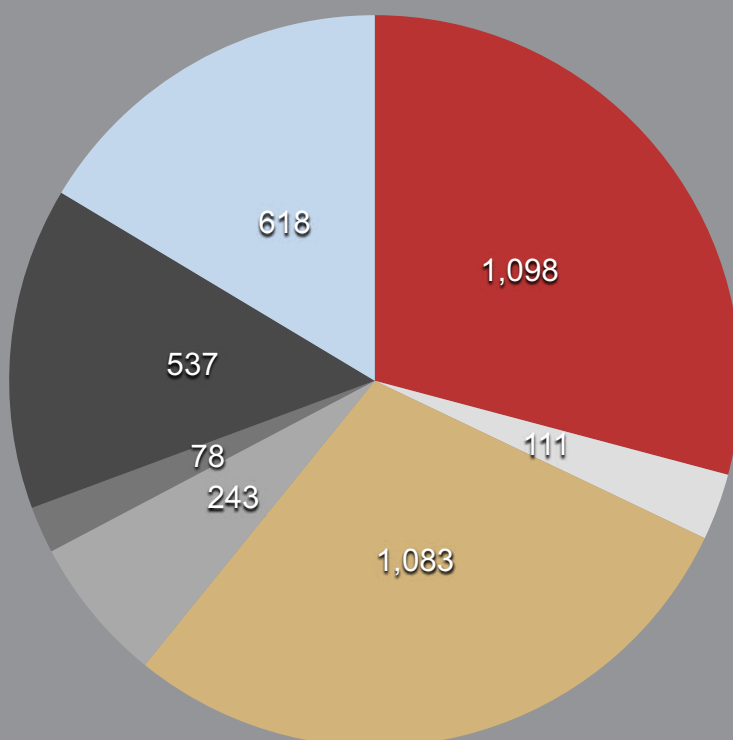
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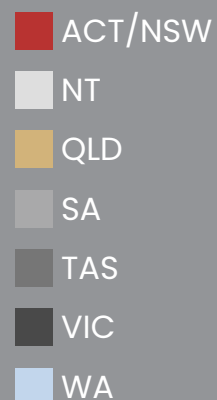
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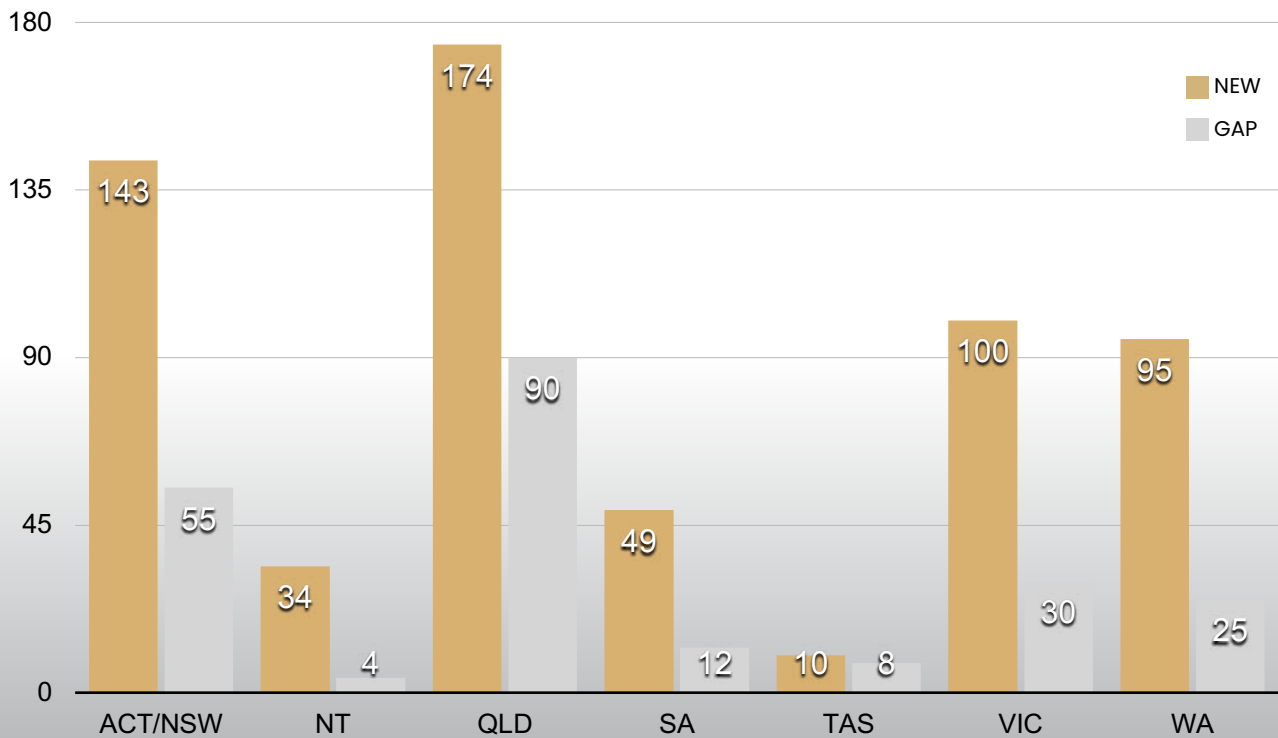
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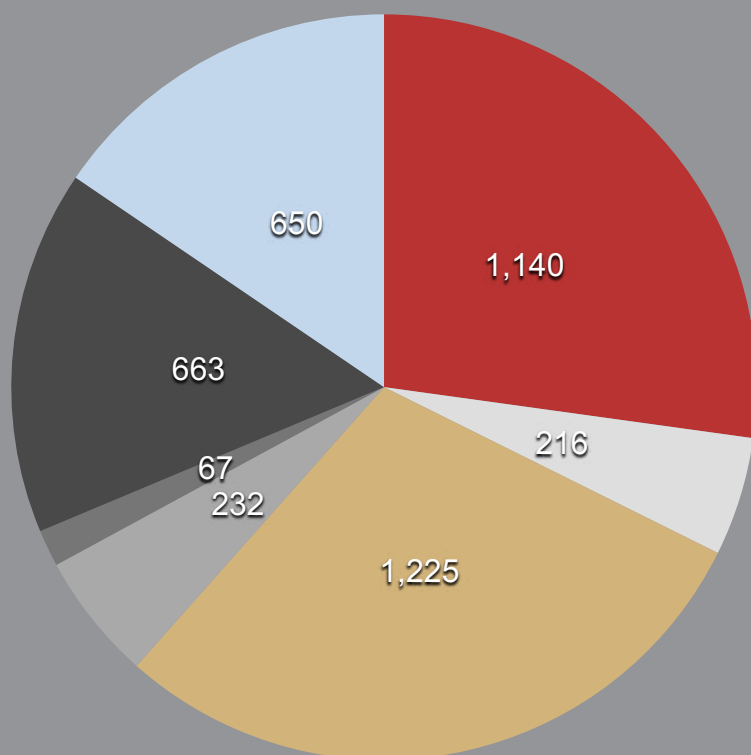
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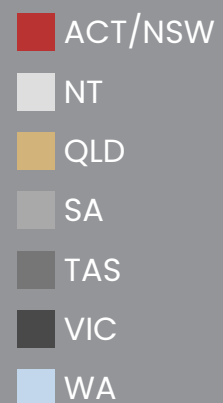
## BOARDING STAFF 2020



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