

Inquiry into Victoria's criminal justice system

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SURVEY QUESTIONS

What best describes your interest in our inquiry

Experience of the criminal justice system

Drag the statements below to reorder them. In order of priority, please rank the themes you believe are most important for this inquiry into Victoria's criminal justice system to consider::

The level of training and expertise of judicial officers (e.g. expertise in sentencing),Judicial appointment (e.g. guidelines and selection processes for appointing judges),Alternatives to imprisonment (e.g. treatment programs or supervision orders),Policing,Specific prisoner cohorts (e.g. youth or Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander offenders),The experiences of victims of crimes in navigating the justice system,Strategies for reducing reoffending (e.g. addressing risk factors like poor mental health),Rates of criminal activity,Rates of imprisonment,Number of people on remand (awaiting trial)

YOUR SUBMISSION

Submission:

Im uncertain of its relevance but am disgusted how a criminal record in Victoria tarnishes you for life unlike other states with the 10 year rule. I could actually no longer afford to travel to Melbourne for my court case which under legislation SHOULD have occurred in Wodonga due to "place of crime" so was charged with an offence due to lack of appearing. It has caused me to be unable to gain employment and even volunteer work. The system is appalling for those who lack financial capability to have the means to defend themselves even when they have legislation that validates their argument.