MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT: 2013/14 VS 2017/18

2013/14

51,478
motor vehicles stolen

40,491 passenger & light commercial vehicles

8,280 motorcycles

2,707 other vehicles

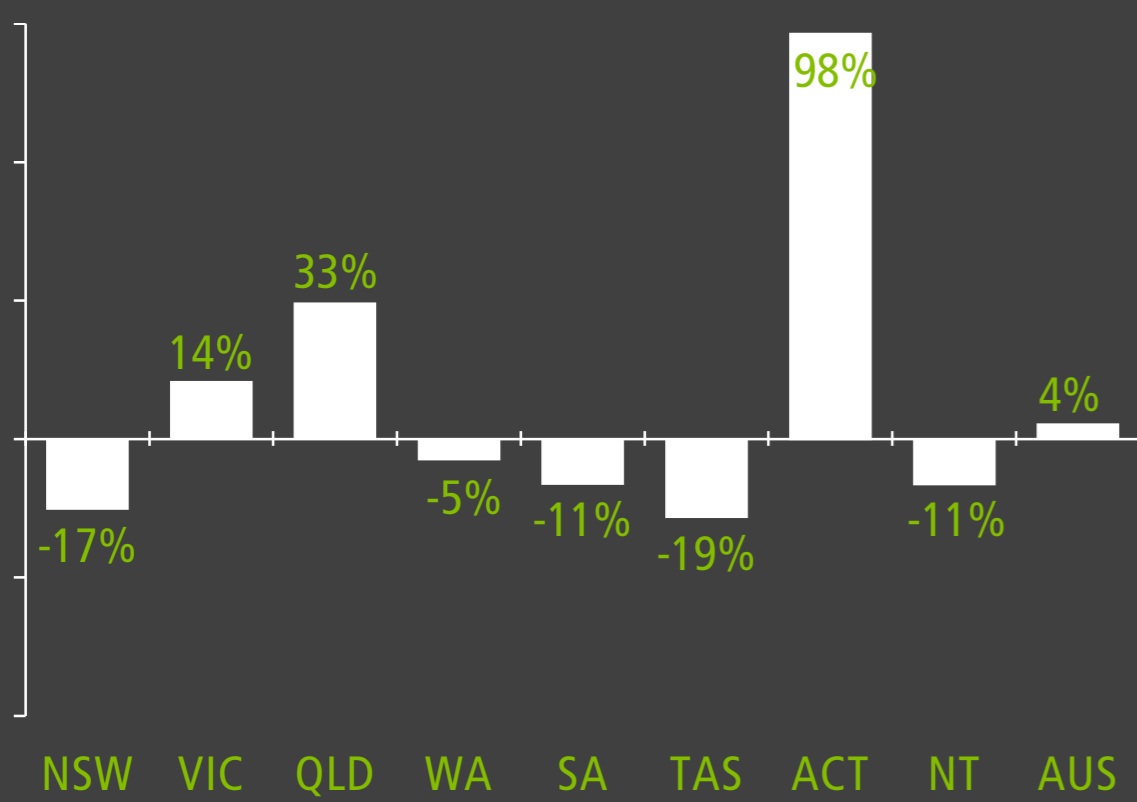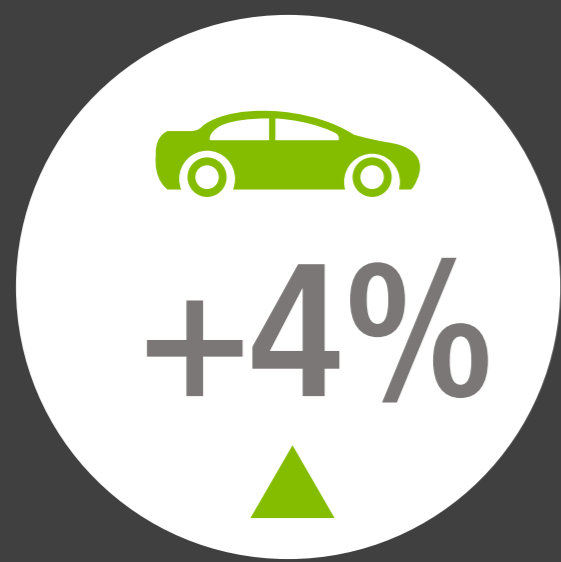**2017/18**

52,722
motor vehicles stolen

42,145 passenger & light commercial vehicles

8,471 motorcycles

2,106 other vehicles

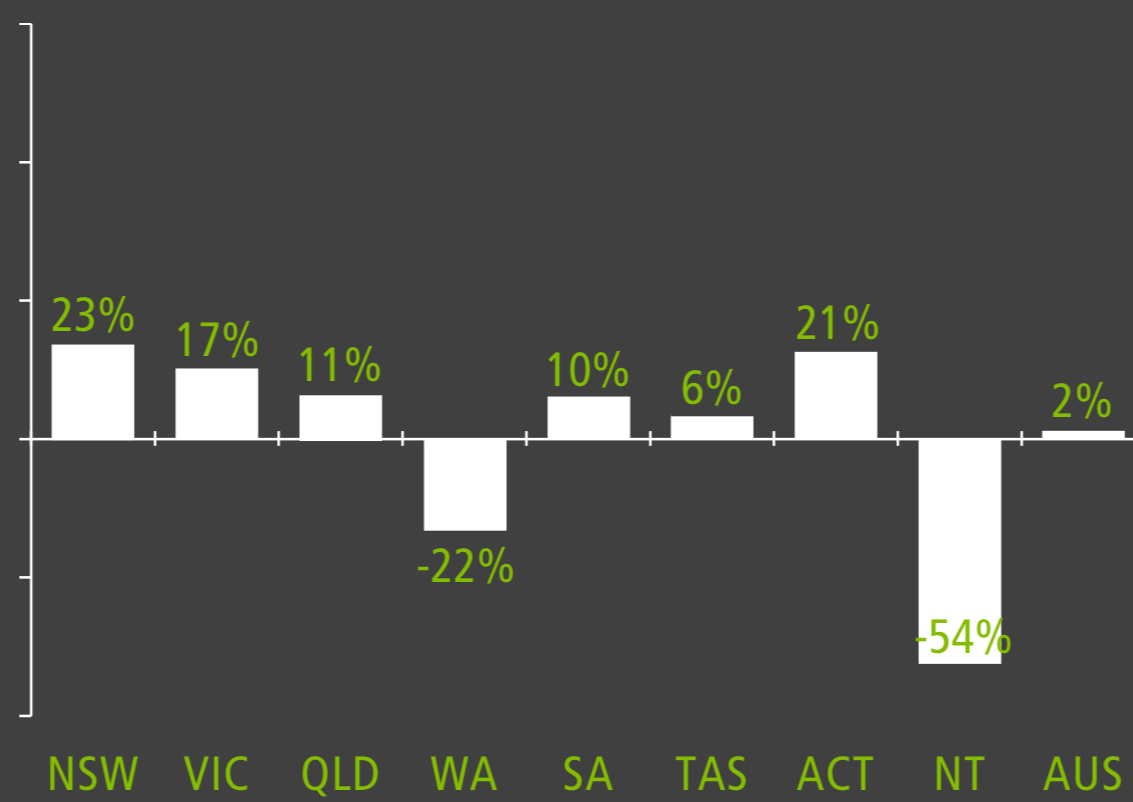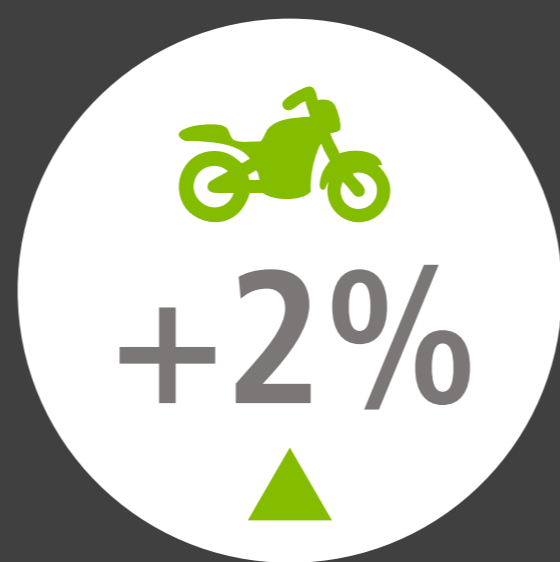## 5 year proportional change in theft by vehicle type and jurisdiction:

Passenger & light commercial vehicles

+4% ▲

NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	AUS
-17%	14%	33%	-5%	-11%	-19%	98%	-11%	4%

There have been strong five year reductions in PLC thefts in Tasmania (-19%), New South Wales (-17%), South Australia (-11%) and Northern Territory (-11%).

Increases were recorded in the Australian Capital Territory (+98%), Queensland (+33%) and Victoria (+14%).
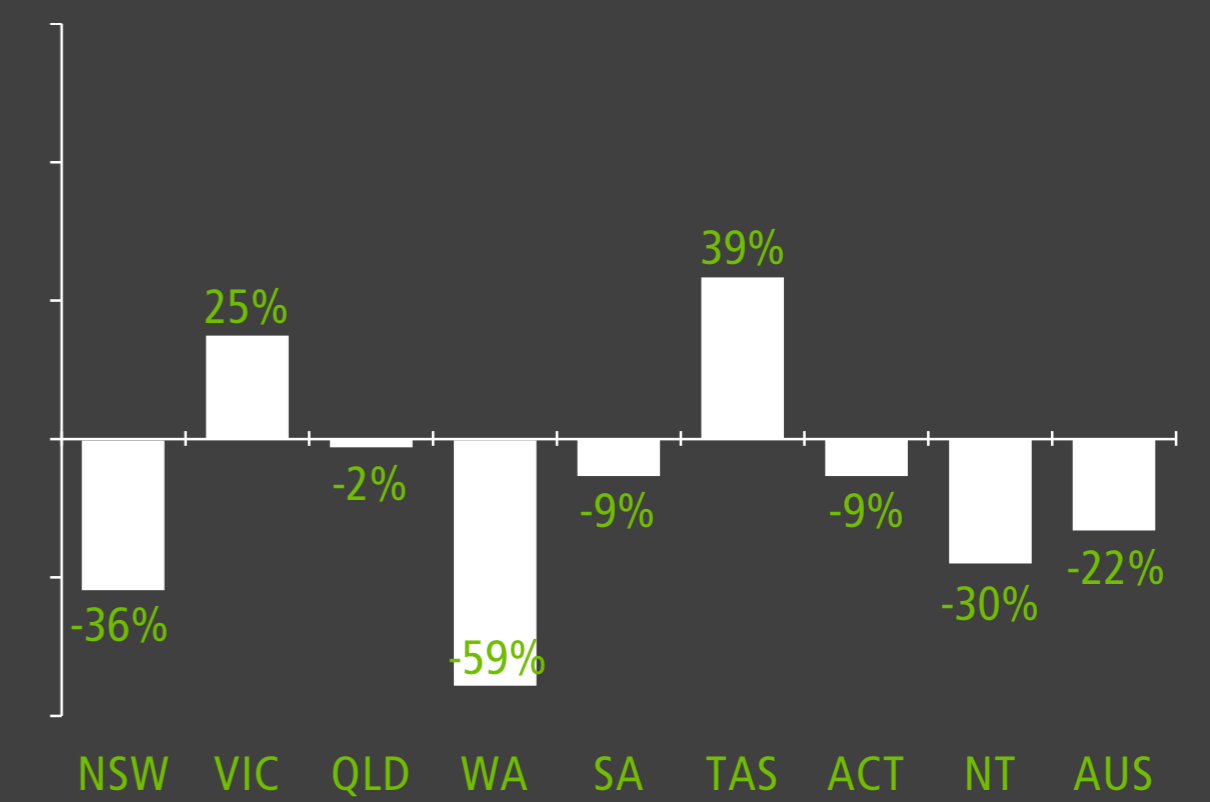
Motorcycles

+2% ▲

NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	AUS
23%	17%	11%	-22%	10%	6%	21%	-54%	2%

Motorcycle thefts increased in most jurisdictions between 2013/14 and 2017/18. Large increases were recorded in New South Wales (+23%), the Australian Capital Territory (+21%) and Victoria (+17%).

By contrast the Northern Territory (-54%) and Western Australia (-22%) recorded large reductions.

Other vehicles

-22% ▼

NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	AUS
-36%	25%	-2%	-59%	-9%	39%	-9%	-30%	-22%

Overall 'other vehicle' thefts have reduced by 22% over the last five years with reductions in six jurisdictions including Western Australia (-59%), New South Wales (-36%)and the Northern Territory (-30%).

The only increases were record in Tasmania (+39%) and Victoria (+25%).

53% of motor vehicle thefts were stolen from a residential location followed by 24% from the street.

On average passenger & light commercial vehicles stolen in 2017/18 were recovered 30 kms away, which is 3 kms further than vehicles stolen in 2013/14.

Motorcycles were recovered 17 kms away from the theft location in 2017/18 compared to 30 kms for passenger & light commercial vehicles.

The estimated average vehicle value of PLCs stolen increased from $11,019 in 2013/14 to $12,002 in 2017/18.

Between 2013/14 and 2017/18 there was a 4% increase in PLC theft, but a 13% increase in total stolen PLC vehicle value.

$506 million = The value of PLCs stolen in 2017/18 in Australia

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