

MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT: 2014 VS 2018

2014

50,327

motor vehicles stolen

39,516 passenger & light commercial vehicles

8,119 motorcycles

2,692 other vehicles

2018

53,564

motor vehicles stolen

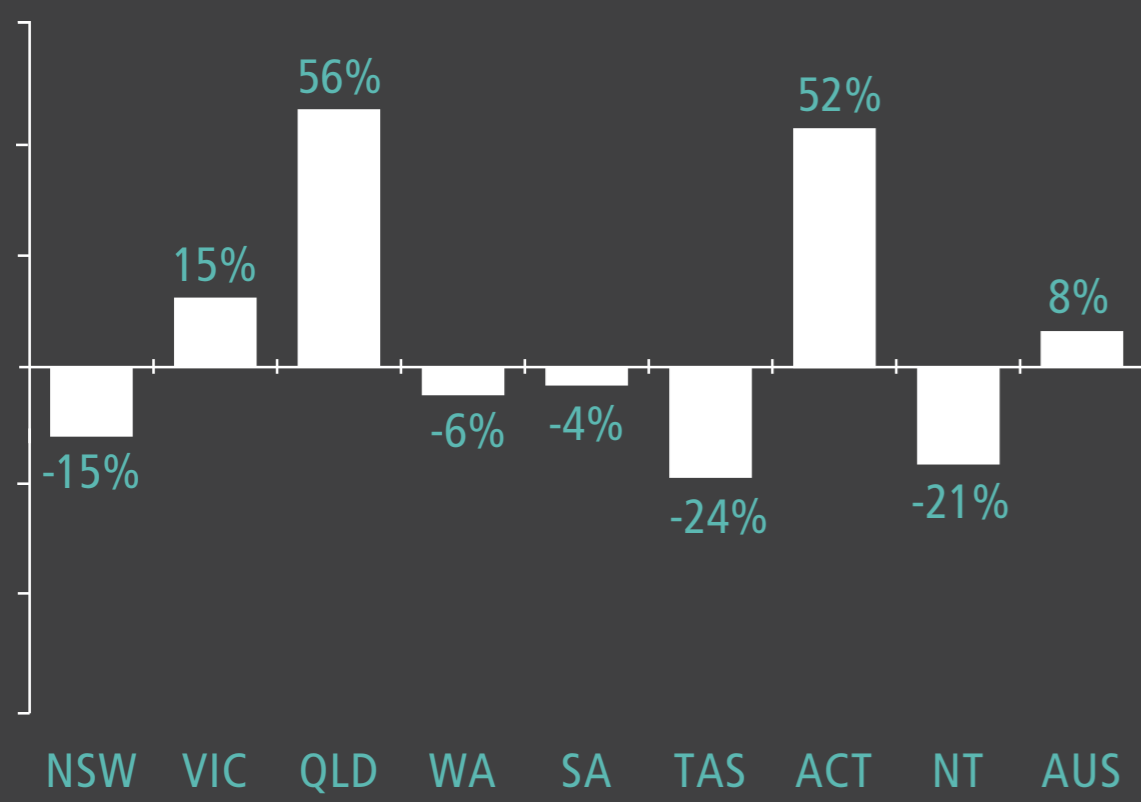
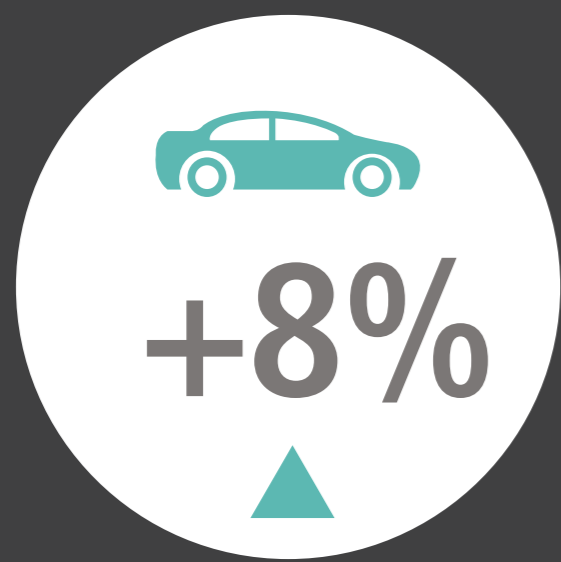
42,683 passenger & light commercial vehicles

8,746 motorcycles

2,135 other vehicles

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

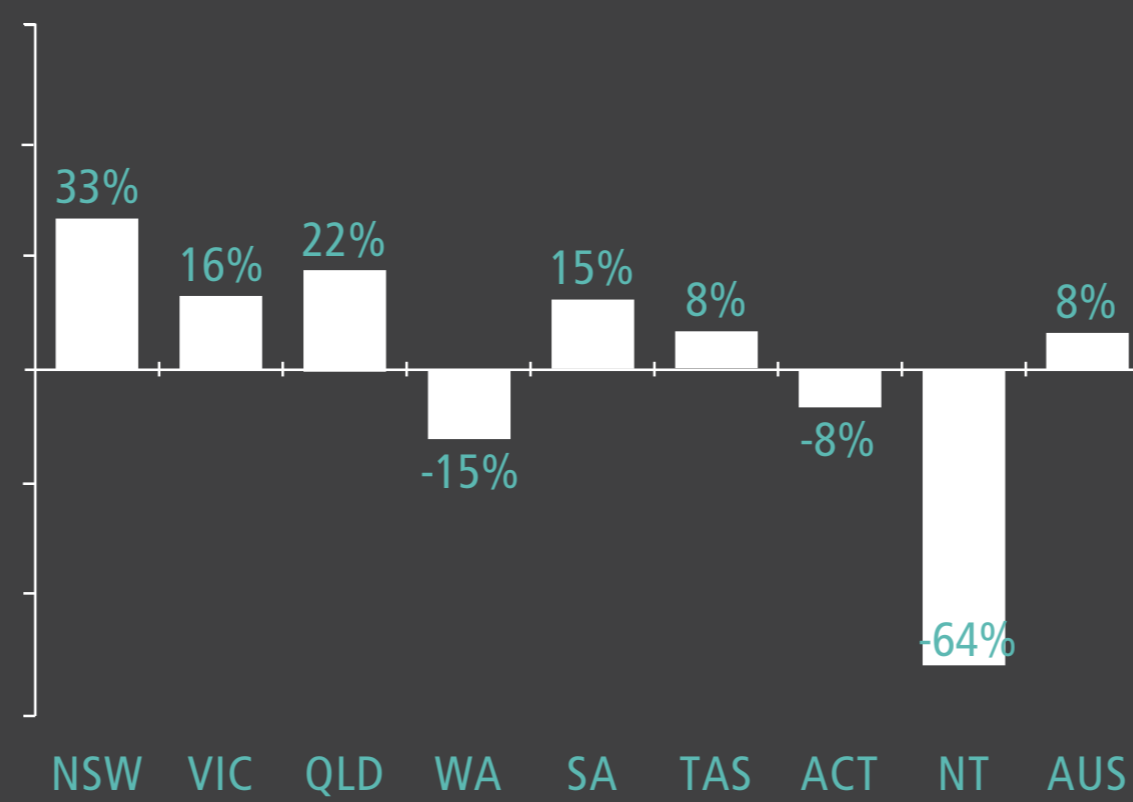
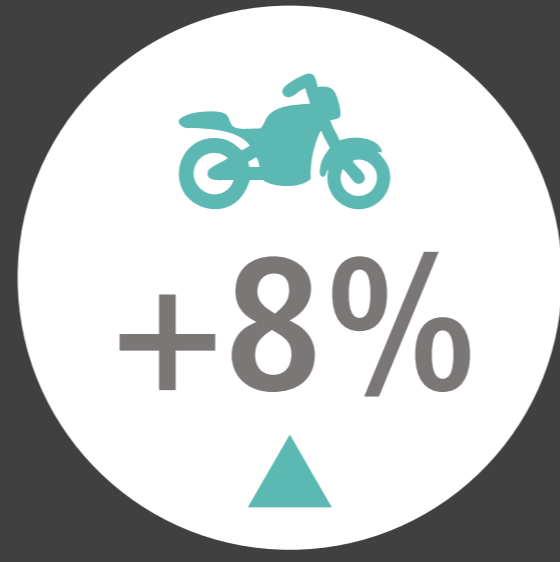
Passenger & light commercial vehicles



There have been strong five year reductions in PLC thefts in Tasmania (-24%), Northern Territory (-21%), New South Wales (-15%), Western Australia (-6%) and South Australia (-4%).

Increases were recorded in Queensland (+56%), Australian Capital Territory (+52%) and Victoria (+15%).

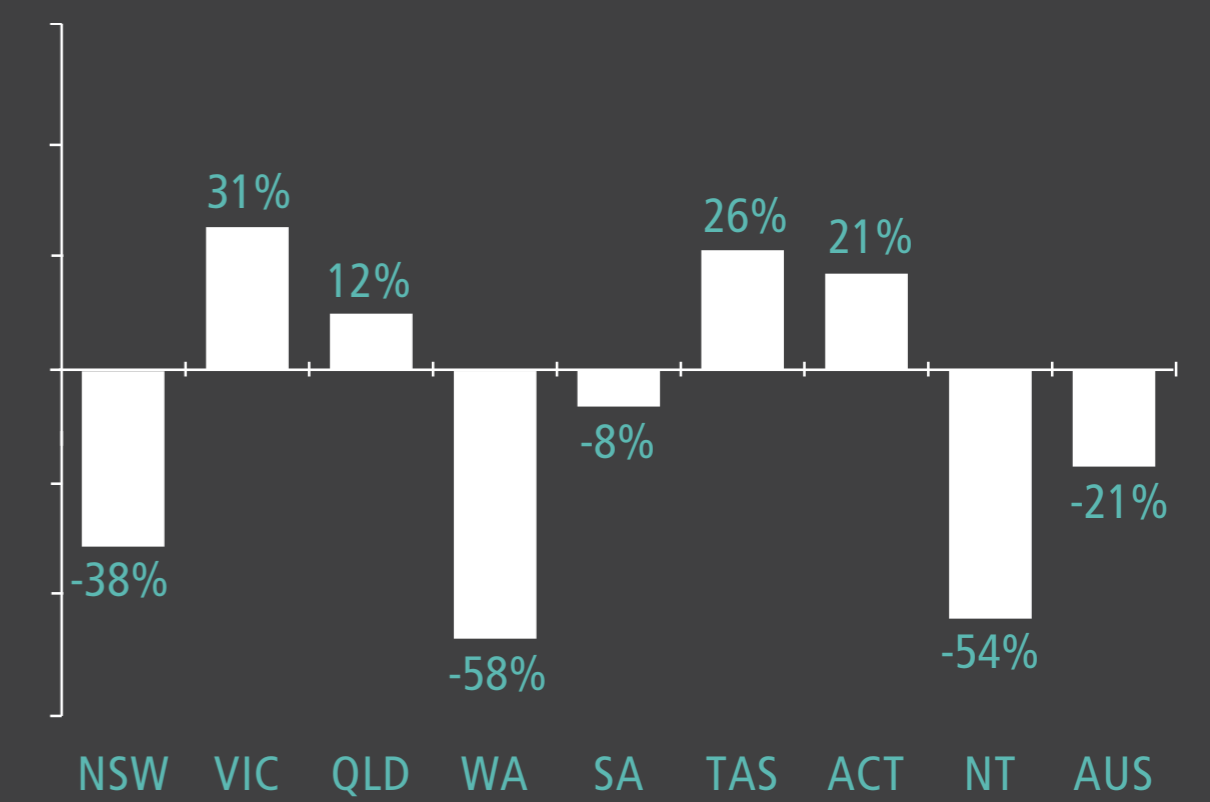
Motorcycles



Motorcycle thefts increased in most jurisdictions between 2014 and 2018. Large increases were recorded in New South Wales (+33%), Queensland (+22%), Victoria (+16%), South Australia (+15%) and Tasmania (+8%).

By contrast, Western Australia (-15%) and the Australian Capital Territory (-8%) recorded reductions.

Other vehicles



Overall 'other vehicle' thefts have reduced by 21% over the last five years with reductions in four jurisdictions including Western Australia (-58%), Northern Territory (-54%), New South Wales (-38%) and South Australia (-8%).

Large increases were recorded in Victoria (+31%) and Tasmania (+26%).



53% of motor vehicle thefts were stolen from a residential location followed by 26% from the street.



On average passenger & light commercial vehicles stolen in 2018 were recovered 29 kms away, which is 3 kms further than vehicles stolen in 2014.



Motorcycles were recovered 16 kms away from the theft location in 2018 compared to 29 kms for passenger & light commercial vehicles.



The estimated average vehicle value of PLCs stolen increased from \$10,826 in 2014 to \$12,268 in 2018.

Between 2014 and 2018 there was a 8% increase in PLC theft, but a 22% increase in total stolen PLC vehicle value.

\$524 million



The value of PLCs stolen in 2018 in Australia