

9.—First Offenders and Repeaters of Major Offences, 1937-46

Year	Total Delinquents	First Offenders	Repeaters					Total	Percentage of Total Delinquents
			Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth or More			
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.		
1937.....	5,224	3,637	787	359	197	244	1,587	30.38	
1938.....	5,055	3,537	767	357	144	250	1,518	30.03	
1939.....	5,018	3,588	709	306	192	223	1,430	28.50	
1940.....	5,298	3,711	813	357	190	227	1,587	29.95	
1941.....	6,204	4,356	994	396	199	259	1,848	29.79	
1942.....	6,920	5,577	669	348	144	182	1,343	19.41	
1943.....	6,494	4,831	865	386	183	229	1,663	25.61	
1944.....	6,529	4,665	943	429	221	271	1,864	28.55	
1945.....	5,758	4,231	812	337	137	241	1,527	26.52	
1946.....	4,949	3,430	799	344	155	221	1,519	30.69	

Disposition of Cases of Major Offenders.—The disposition of cases by the various courts depends on the practices within the courts and on the facilities for court supervision, for institutional care and for other services for children. Placing the child on probation of the court or his parents and suspended sentences accounted for more than half of the disposition of cases for major offences in 1946. The cases sent to training schools represented 14.5 p.c.

10.—Disposition of Delinquents Convicted of Major Offences, with Percentages of Total Major Offences, Years Ended Sept. 30, 1937-46

NOTE.—Figures for the years 1922-36 are given at pp. 259-260 of the 1947 Year Book.

Year	Reprimanded		Probation of Court		Protection of Parents		Fined or Made Restitution		Detained Indefinitely		Sent to Training School		Sentence Suspended		Corporal Punishment	
	No.	p.c.	No.	p.c.	No.	p.c.	No.	p.c.	No.	p.c.	No.	p.c.	No.	p.c.	No.	p.c.
1937.....	474	9.1	2,510	48.1	37	0.7	346	6.6	39	0.8	568	10.8	1,201	23.0	49	0.9
1938.....	383	7.6	1,949	38.6	38	0.8	301	6.0	36	0.7	614	12.1	1,686	33.3	48	0.9
1939.....	404	8.0	1,631	32.5	28	0.6	228	4.5	119	2.4	639	12.7	1,941	38.7	28	0.6
1940.....	296	5.6	2,108	39.8	33	0.6	281	5.3	111	2.1	785	14.8	1,643	31.0	41	0.8
1941.....	422	6.8	2,836	45.7	130	2.1	411	6.7	108	1.7	820	13.2	1,442	23.2	35	0.6
1942.....	432	6.2	1,984	28.7	83	1.2	854	12.3	96	1.5	847	12.2	2,573	37.2	51	0.7
1943.....	464	7.1	1,798	27.7	140	2.2	1,001	15.4	92	1.4	906	14.0	2,041	31.4	52	0.8
1944.....	395	6.0	1,745	26.7	112	1.7	1,545	23.7	83	1.3	838	12.8	1,747	26.8	64	1.0
1945.....	352	6.1	1,581	27.5	109	1.9	1,514	26.3	54	0.9	753	13.1	1,372	23.8	23	0.4
1946.....	233	4.7	1,433	29.0	67	1.3	1,207	24.4	48	1.0	720	14.5	1,213	24.5	28	0.6

Subsection 3.—Minor Offences

Convictions for minor offences, like those for major offences, have declined steadily since 1942, the decrease in 1946 from 1945 being 7.8 p.c. Table 11 gives a summary of convictions of juveniles for minor offences by types of offence for the years 1937-46.