

## **Media Release**

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## WORKCOVER RECOGNISES AND REWARDS SAFETY FIRST AT ARTHUR GORRIE

WorkCover Queensland has recognised Arthur Gorrie Correctional Centre as one of the safest prisons in the state.

Despite being a high security remand facility, the privately-managed prison has almost a third less days lost due to staff injury than the average of all other prisons in Queensland.

Apart from less injuries (and less severe injuries), Arthur Gorrie has an impressive 100 per cent return to work rate — which is also above the industry average.

As a result, WorkCover Queensland has determined the prison's premium rate to be less than half of the Queensland corrections industry rate.

Arthur Gorrie Correctional Centre general manager Troy Ittensohn said the WorkCover determination reflected the company's emphasis on workplace safety and staff following strict safety protocols.

"We inject almost \$40 million into the Queensland economy through wages," he said.

"This positive WorkCover Queensland grading is further recognition of our safety record."

Managed by The GEO Group Australia, Arthur Gorrie is a high security remand facility with capacity for more than 1100 prisoners.

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