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Preface

This book is a joint effort of staff of the Australian Institute of Criminology and some colleagues who work with the Institute. The editors, the Director of the Institute and the former Deputy Director, decided some time ago that a substantial handbook outlining current issues and debates in Australian Criminology and presenting current data would add value to our criminology literature. Cambridge University Press warmly welcomed the proposal, and the result is this volume. Most of the chapters are based on work currently being undertaken in the Institute, and as with all publications of this sort, views expressed within these covers do not necessarily reflect the views of the Australian Institute of Criminology or of the Commonwealth Government.

Whenever data are being prepared, there is always the temptation to wait a little longer to get the very latest data or the data that are coming out next month. An unenviable task of any author or editor is to draw the line somewhere, and risk losing something that may have been more up to date. We hope that readers will find the material here to be informative and useful, and we welcome any suggestions for additional inclusions and improvements which we could incorporate, should we decide to prepare a second edition.

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ACCC	Australian Competition and Consumer Commission
ACPR	Australasian Centre for Policing Research
ACS	Australian Customs Service
ACT	Australian Capital Territory
AFP	Australian Federal Police
AGD	Attorney-General's Department
AIATSIS	Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies
AIC	Australian Institute of Criminology
AICPA	American Institute of Certified Public Accountants
AIDR	Australian Illicit Drug Report
AIHW	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
AJJA	Australian Institute of Judicial Administration
ALRC	Australian Law Reform Commission
ANU	Australian National University
ANZSOC	Australian and New Zealand Society of Criminology
APA	American Psychiatric Association
APS	Australian Public Service
ASIC	Australian Securities and Investments Commission
ASIO	Australian Security Intelligence Organisation
ATSIC	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission
AUSTRAC	Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre
CAP	Community Aid Panel
CEO	chief executive officer
CJC	Criminal Justice Commission
COAG	Council of Australian Governments
CPTED	Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design
CRC	Criminology Research Council
CROC	Convention of the Rights of the Child (UN)
CYC	Community Youth Conferencing

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ABBREVIATIONS

DCFM	designed, constructed, financed and managed
DFYCC	Department of Families, Youth and Community Care
DIMA	Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs
DIMIA	Department of Immigration, Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs
DUMA	Drug Use Monitoring in Australia
EFT	electronic funds transfer
FBI	Federal Bureau of Investigation (USA)
FCLCV	Federation of Community Legal Centres Victoria Inc.
FGC	family group conference
HIC	Health Insurance Commission
HREOC	Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission
ICAC	Independent Commission Against Corruption
ICVS	International Crime Victim Survey
NATISIS	National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Survey
NCA	National Crime Authority
NCAVAC	National Campaign Against Violence and Crime
NCP	National Crime Prevention
NESB	non-English-speaking background
NHMP	National Homicide Monitoring Program
NIFS	National Institute of Forensic Science
NSW	New South Wales
NT	Northern Territory
POP	problem-oriented policing
POPP	problem-oriented and partnership policing
PTSD	post-traumatic stress disorder
QLD	Queensland
QPS	Queensland Police Service
RCIADIC	Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody
RISE	Re-Integrative Shaming Experiments
SA	South Australia
SACS	South Australian Correctional Services
SAJJ	South Australia Juvenile Justice
SAPOL	South Australia Police
SCRCSSP	Steering Committee for the Review of Commonwealth/State Service Provision
TAS	Tasmania
UEWI	unlawful entry with intent
UNSW	University of New South Wales
VIC	Victoria
VIPs	Volunteers in Policing
VOCAL	Victims of Crime Assistance League
VOCS	Victims of Crime Service
VRAS	Victim Referral and Assistance Service
VSS	Victim Support Service
WA	Western Australia