USA vs Queensland Police

- 17,876 USA Law Enforcement Agencies - 1,076,897 officers - 367 officers per 100,000 residents
- Minnesota - Population 5.6m vs Queensland - Population 5.1m
- 448 Law Enforcement Agencies - Staff of 15,458 with 6,810 officers - 134 sworn officers per 100,000 residents
- (One of eleven States with less than 200 sworn officers/1K residents, 251 US average)
- Queensland Police Service - organisation of 15,466 with 11,750 sworn police officers - 306 per 100,000 (Australia 302)
- Minneapolis Police Department 800 police
- US Interviews Strategies - Get a Confession vs No threat, promise, inducement
- Elected Justice Officials - Sheriffs, District Attorney
All police obliged to report suspected misconduct

- Police must answer questions during discipline interview - no right to silence

- Oversight bodies - Ethical Standards Command, Crime - Misconduct Commission - Coroners Office

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Police officer dismissed, Northern Region

A 53-year-old male senior constable from Northern Region has been dismissed from the Queensland Police Service.

The officer was the subject to an investigation concerning an allegation of using excessive force on a juvenile detainee while in police custody in a Watchhouse.

The officer was initially suspended from the Queensland Police Service in April 2018.

In keeping with our commitment to high standards of behaviour, transparency and accountability, we have undertaken to inform the public when an officer has been dismissed for misconduct.

Information about the Queensland Police Service Integrity framework can be found at: https://www.police.qld.gov.au/corporatedocs/reportsPublications/other/Documents/QPS-ESC-Integrity-Framework.pdf

Information about compliments and complaints can be found at: https://www.police.qld.gov.au/online/ComplimentsandComplaints.htm

If you have information for police, contact Policelink by providing information using the online suspicious activity form 24hrs per day at www.police.qld.gov.au/reporting.

You can report information about crime anonymously to Crime Stoppers, a registered charity and community volunteer organisation, via crimestoppersqld.com.au 24hrs per day.
What can we learn from George Floyd’s death...

• Continued over representation of Indigenous persons in criminal justice system
• Use of Force? Violent Confrontations Report
• Policing of minor offences
  • Police Discretion
  • Over Policing - Indigenous Communities
  • Increasing police powers - Move On - AMP Laws
• Daniel Yock – 1993
• Cameron Doomadgee – 2004
...and what role can data and data science play in this?

- Technology
  - QLites
  - Body Worn Cameras
  - Number Plate Recognition
  - Face Recognition
  - CCTV
  - Mobile Phone Cameras

- Police Attitudes
- Toby Miles Johnson
  - Police recruit’s perceptions of policing lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) people.

- Anna Dwyer, John Scott & Zoe Staines
  - Strangers in a strange land: police perceptions of working in discrete Indigenous communities in Queensland, Australia
How can research contribute?

• Queensland Police Research - Major Research Projects

• Social Analytics Lab - Griffith Criminology Institute

• Opportunities -
  • Decision Making
  • Frontline Data
  • Ethical Standards Command - Review of Complaint system