

# Department for Reformatory Schools, Colony of Victoria

1887 – 1900

## Details

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In 1887 following the proclamation of the Neglected Children's Act (No.941) and the Juvenile Offenders' Act (No.951) responsibility for 'neglected' children was assumed by a Department for Neglected Children while the Department for Reformatory Schools assumed responsibility for convicted juveniles.

## More info

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### Chronology

- Department of Industrial and Reformatory Schools, Colony of Victoria (1864 - 1887)
  - **Department for Reformatory Schools, Colony of Victoria (1887 – 1900)**
    - Department for Reformatory Schools, State Government of Victoria (1901 - 1954)

### Related Entries

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- [Government Reformatory for Girls, Coburg \(1875 - 1893\)](#)  
Date: 1887 - 1893
- [Woodlands Home \(1886 - 1889\)](#)
- [Ballarat Probationary School for Boys, Alfredton \(1890 - c.1893\)](#)
- [Ballarat Boys' Reformatory \(1879 - 1893\)](#)

#### Related Organisations

- [Department for Neglected Children, Colony of Victoria \(1887 - 1900\)](#)  
In 1887, the Department for Industrial and Reformatory Schools was split into two separate government agencies - the Department for Neglected Children was responsible for neglected children, and the Department for Reformatory Schools was responsible for juvenile offenders.

#### Related Legislation

- [The Juvenile Offenders' Act 1887, Victoria \(1888 - 1890\)](#)  
The Department for Reformatory Schools came into being under the Juvenile Offenders' Act 1887, assuming responsibility for convicted juveniles.

### Resources

- Department for Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools, [Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year ... / Department for Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools.](#), 1896 - 1924

- Victoria. Children's Welfare Department and Reformatory Schools, [\*Report of the Secretary / Department for Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools\*](#), 1887 - 1895

# Records

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## Records

- [Victorian Government Wardship and/or Out of Home Care Records \(1864 - current\)](#)
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