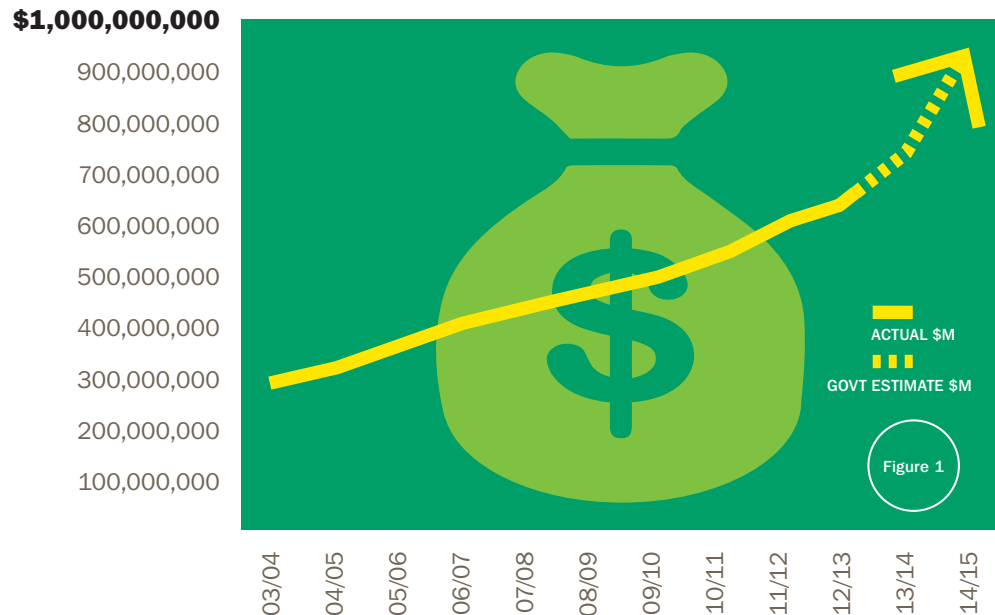


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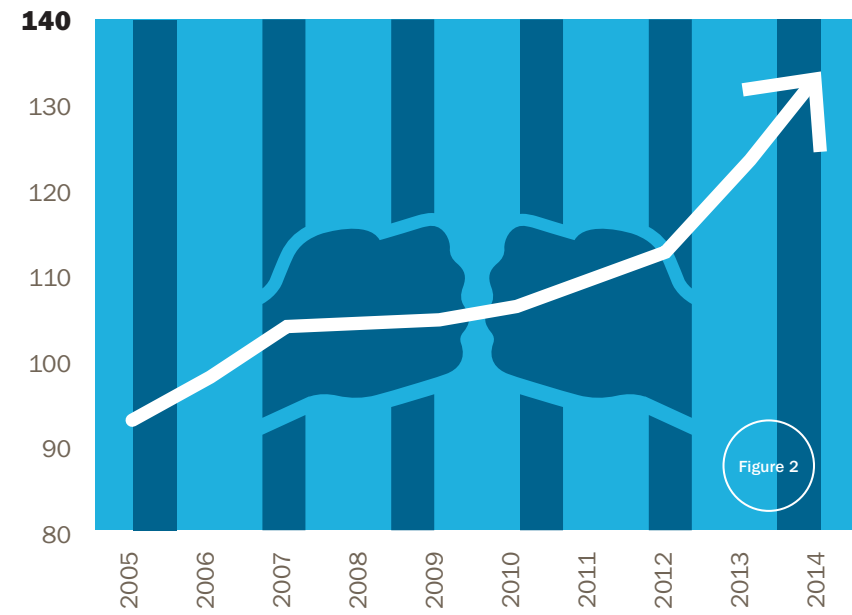
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It's promoting **reoffending** > leading to **more victims** > and the massive growth in prison population is **costing us \$billions**

Cost of running prisons in Victoria



Imprisonment rates per 100,000



The Victorian Government has invested more than \$1 billion over the last three-and-a-half-years to upgrade and increase the capacity of Victoria's prison system.[#]

FIGURE 1 | Source: Department of Treasury and Finance, Victorian Budget 2005/06 – 2014/15, Budget Paper No.3: Service Delivery

FIGURE 2 | Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, *Corrective Services* 4512.0

[#] Minister for Corrections 2014, Maximum security expansion opens at the Metropolitan Remand Centre, media release, 15 August, last viewed 29 September 2014 <<http://www.premier.vic.gov.au/media-centre/media-releases/10692-maximum-security-expansion-opens-at-the-metropolitan-remand-centre.html>>.