



Cautions and convictions

In the past year, the number of children who received a caution or conviction has fallen by:



First time entrants

The number of 10 to 17-year-old first time entrants to the youth justice system continues to fall:

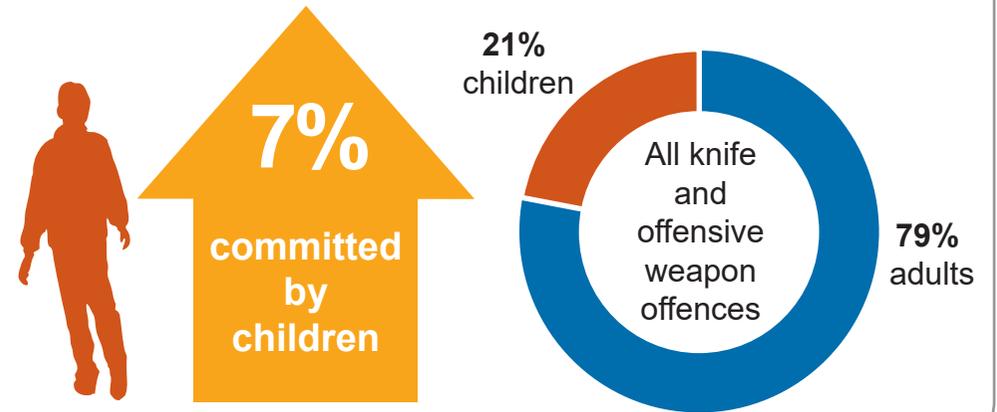
Last year it fell by:



14%

Knife and offensive weapon offences

In the past year:



The average custodial sentence length for indictable offences

increased

by almost

1
month

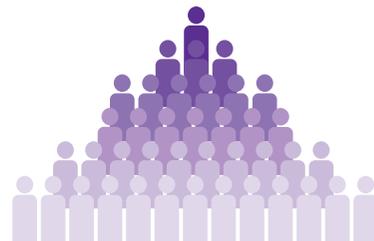
to 16.7 months in the last year

Children in custody

Between 2016/17 and 2017/18 the number of children in custody

increased

by **3%**



Behaviour management in custody

in custody

In the past year:

Self harm **+40%**

Proven assaults **+29%**

Restrictive physical interventions **+20%**

Single separation **+8%**

Reoffending

The 2016/17 aggregated cohort compared with the 2015/16 cohort

-13% offenders

-15% reoffenders

-13% reoffences

reoffending rate is now **40.9%**



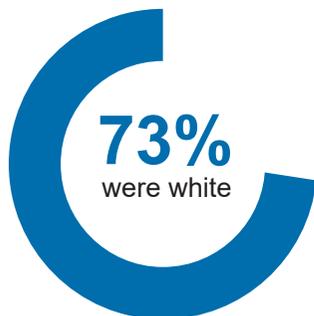
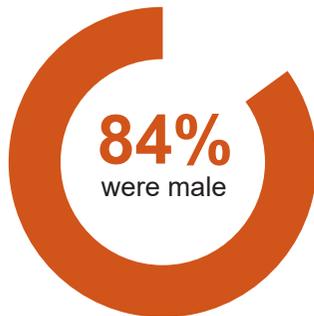
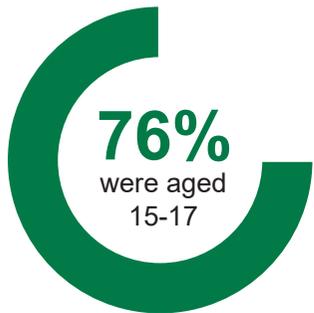
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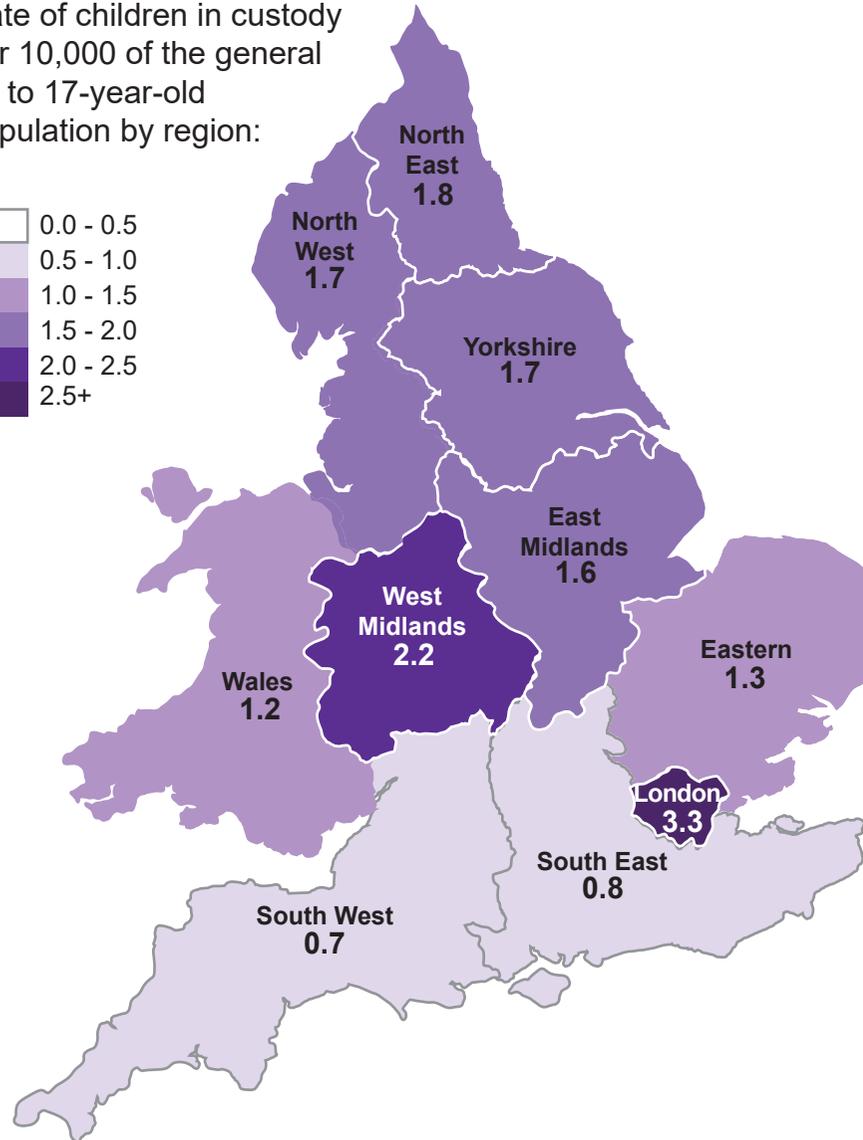
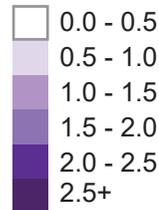
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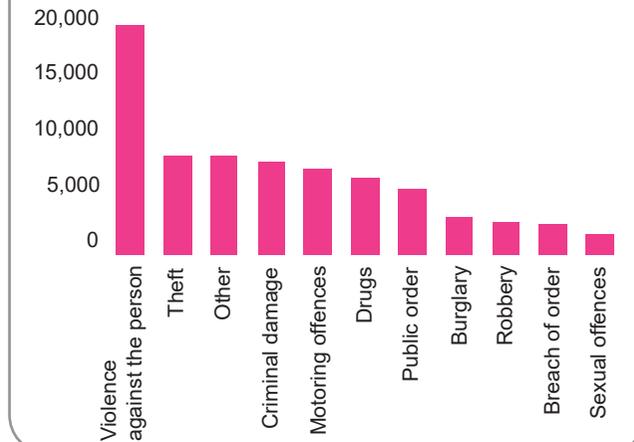
Of the **26,700** children cautioned or sentenced:



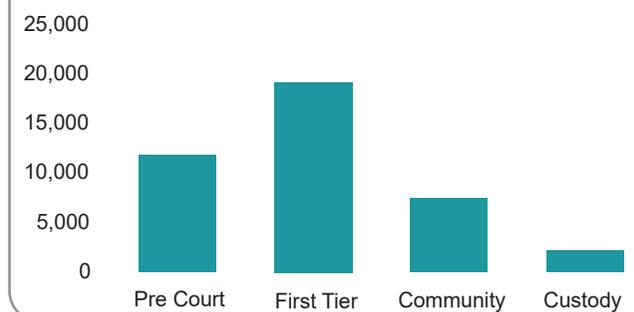
Rate of children in custody per 10,000 of the general 10 to 17-year-old population by region:



There were **70,300** offences



There were **39,200** cautions or sentences



40.9%
of children reoffended within 12 months. They committed an average of **3.92** reoffences.