



Statistics on Race and the Criminal Justice System, 2018

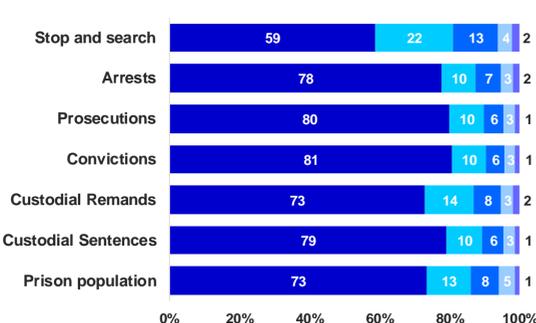
England and Wales

Ethnic groups:

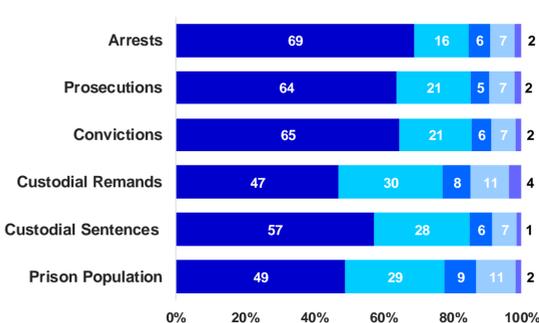


Overview

Adults (aged 18 and over)

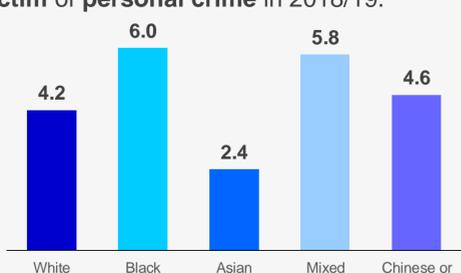


Children (aged 17 and under)



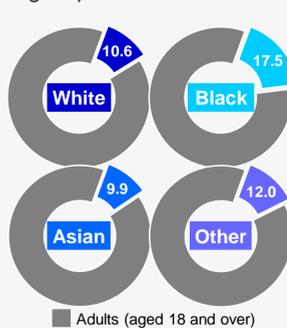
Victims of crime

A lower proportion of Asian adults were a victim of personal crime in 2018/19.



% of adults who were victims of personal crime in the past year (Crime Survey for England and Wales).

In the Black ethnic group, a larger proportion of homicide victims were children compared to other ethnic groups.

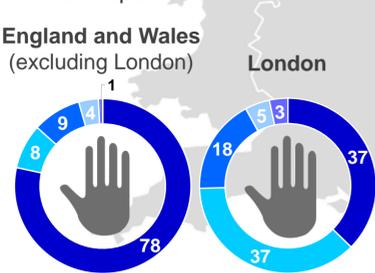


% of homicide victims who were children, 2015/16 to 2017/18.

Stop and searches

48% of all stop and searches¹ were conducted in London.

The proportion of stop searches in London involving Black suspects was equal to the proportion involving White suspects.



¹ in England and Wales, where ethnicity is known.
² England and Wales excluding London.

Arrests

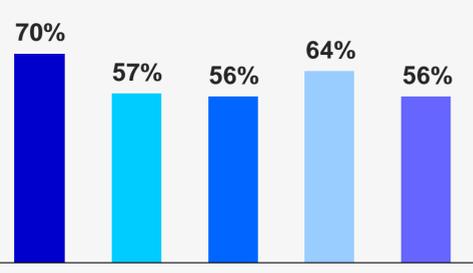
Just over half of adults arrested in London were from minority ethnic groups.



Two thirds of children arrested in London were from minority ethnic groups.

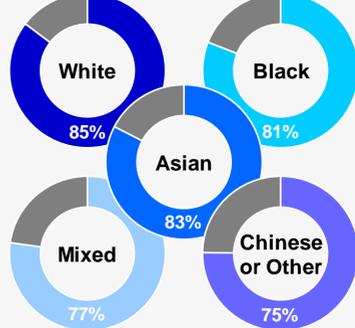
At the criminal courts

White defendants consistently had the highest guilty plea rate since 2012.

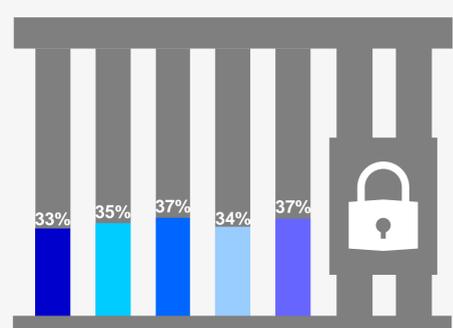


% of defendants who pleaded guilty at Crown Court in 2018.

White defendants consistently had the highest conviction ratio for indictable offences over the last 5 years (with the exception of 2015).

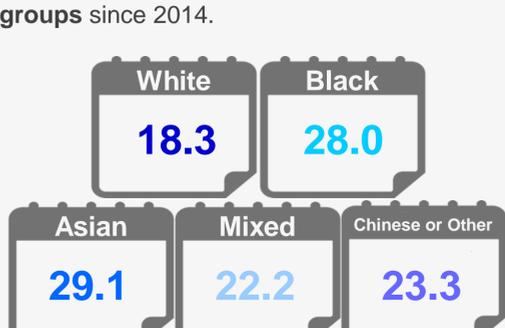


Custody rates for indictable offences have been converging for all ethnic groups over the last 5 years.



% of offenders sentenced to immediate custody.

White defendants have had a consistently lower average custodial sentence length for indictable offences than all other ethnic groups since 2014.



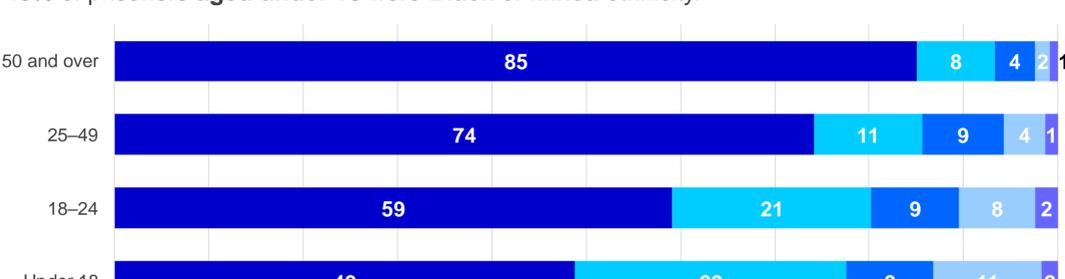
Average custodial sentence length in months.

Offenders in prison

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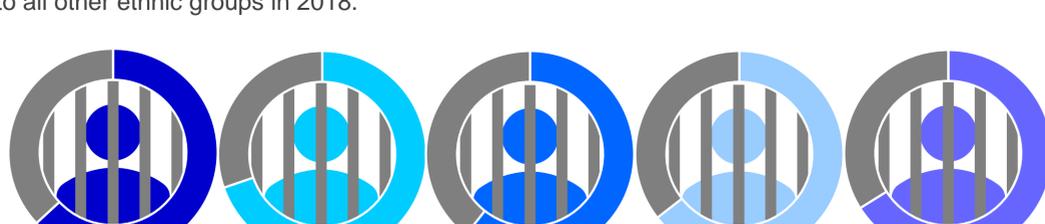


A greater number of children in prison were from minority ethnic groups as at 30 June 2018; 40% of prisoners aged under 18 were Black or Mixed ethnicity.



% of inmates by age, rounded to nearest percentage.

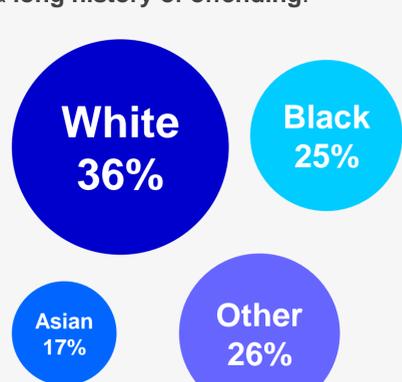
Black prisoners served a greater proportion of their determinate sentences in custody compared to all other ethnic groups in 2018.



For prisons data, inmates recorded as Chinese have been included in the Asian ethnic group in line with the 2011 Census classification.

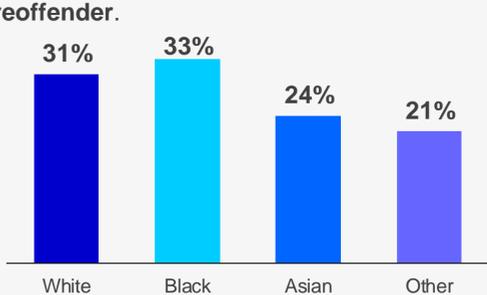
Offender characteristics

In 2018, a higher proportion of White offenders had a long history of offending.



% of offenders with 15 or more previous convictions or cautions.

The Black ethnic group had the highest reoffending rate and White reoffenders had the highest number of reoffences per reoffender.



Reoffending rate and average reoffences per reoffender (2016/17 offender cohort).

Practitioners

The proportion of staff and practitioners in criminal justice system organisations from White ethnic groups has slightly decreased over the last 5 years with equivalent increases seen across most minority ethnic groups.

