

Costs per place and costs per prisoner

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Definitions of Prison Functions and Key Terms used in the Tables

Functions	Definitions
Male category B Male category C Female closed	Closed training prisons provide a range of facilities for Category B and Category C adult male prisoners and closed condition adult females who are serving medium to long-term sentences. Prisoners tend to be employed in a variety of activities such as prison workshops, gardens and education and in offending behaviour programmes.
Male dispersal	These prisons hold the most difficult and dangerous prisoners in England and Wales including those assessed as Category A. They serve to spread the Category A population, ensuring that the most dangerous prisoners are not concentrated in a single establishment, thereby reducing the risks involved in holding them.
Female local Male local	Local prisons serve the courts and receive remand and post conviction prisoners, prior to their allocation to other establishments.
Female open Male open	Open prisons house Category D adult male prisoners and Open condition adult females whose risk of absconding is considered to be low, or who are of little risk to the public because of the nature of their offence. Open prisons also house long-term prisoners who are coming towards the end of their sentence and who have gradually worked their way down the categories. Open prisons are part of the resettlement programme to reintegrate prisoners back into society. Whilst Open prisons may have some workshop facilities, some of the prisoners will work in the community, returning to the prison in the evening.
Male closed YOI (ages 15-21)	Young Offender Institutions (YOIs) holding Young Adults (18 to 21 years old). May also include young people (aged 15 to 17) who are held separately from adults within the establishment.
Male YOI young people (ages 15-17)	Young Offender Institutions (YOIs) holding Young People (15 to 17 years old).

Terms	Definitions
Cost per Place	Cost per place is the average cost of providing a prison place for the year. It is the Direct resource expenditure or Overall resource expenditure divided by Baseline Certified Normal Accommodation.
Cost per Prisoner	Cost per prisoner is the average cost of holding one prisoner for the year. It is the Direct resource expenditure or Overall resource expenditure divided by the average prison population
Certified Normal Accommodation	Certified Normal Accommodation (CNA), or uncrowded capacity, is the Prison Service's own measure of accommodation. CNA represents the good, decent standard of accommodation that the Service aspires to provide all prisoners.
Baseline Certified Normal Accommodation	Baseline CNA is the sum total of all certified accommodation in an establishment except, normally: cells in punishment or segregation units; healthcare cells or rooms in training prisons and YOIs that are not routinely used to accommodate long stay patients. It is not reduced for places not available for immediate use, for example damaged cells or cells affected by building works.
Average Population	The prison population average is the (mean) average of the 12-month end prison populations for the year.
Direct Resource Expenditure	Direct Resource Expenditure is net expenditure managed and recorded at each prison.
Overall Resource Expenditure	Overall Resource Expenditure also includes net expenditure met at regional or national level and recorded in the Annual accounts of the National Offender Management Service (NOMS).
Private Finance Initiative (PFI)	Prisons that are designed, constructed, managed and financed by the private sector.
Operate & Maintain Prisons	Prisons that are leased to a private sector operator who contracts directly to run the prison and maintain the buildings.
Contracted (Private Sector) Prisons	Prisons that are operated by a private sector contractor.
Public Sector Prisons	Prisons that are operated by the public sector (HMPS).

Table 1: Summary by Prison Function 2013-14

Function	Certified Normal Average		Direct Resource	Cost per	Cost per
runction	Accommodation	Population	Expenditure	Place	Prisoner
Male category B	6,251	6,215	£165,357,952	£26,455	£26,606
Male category C	28,745	29,115	£629,223,487	£21,890	£21,612
Male dispersal	3,316	3,199	£144,821,624	£43,674	£45,273
Female closed	952	698	£22,944,065	£24,101	£32,875
Female local	2,930	2,668	£99,169,491	£33,846	£37,173
Female open	248	191	£5,921,471	£23,877	£31,084
Male closed YOI (ages 15-21)	5,322	5,264	£149,306,562	£28,055	£28,366
Male YOI young people (ages 15-17)	1,275	664	£48,359,812	£37,939	£72,858
Male local	24,611	31,446	£747,088,910	£30,357	£23,758
Male open	4,478	4,339	£77,258,822	£17,251	£17,806
Totals	78,127	83,798	£2,089,452,194	£26,744	£24,935

Overall Resource	Cost per	Cost per
Expenditure	Place	Prisoner
£207,315,241	£33,167	£33,356
£879,160,313	£30,585	£30,196
£190,277,929	£57,382	£59,484
£31,041,365	£32,606	£44,477
£124,636,433	£42,538	£46,720
£7,961,207	£32,102	£41,791
£208,748,985	£39,224	£39,659
£62,909,968	£49,354	£94,780
£1,005,915,621	£40,873	£31,989
£113,110,033	£25,257	£26,069
£2,831,077,096	£36,237	£33,785

Source: National Offender Management Service

Averages and Expenditure figures have been rounded to the nearest integer. Totals were formed from unrounded figures and therefore may not equal the sum of the rounded parts

Table 2a: Summary Comparison of 2013-14 with 2012-13

	Certified Normal Accommodation	Average Population	Direct Resource Expenditure	Cost per Place	Cost per Prisoner
2013-14 Totals	78,127	83,798	£2,089,452,194	£26,744	£24,935
Comparison with 2012-13 ¹					
2012-13 Totals (Published October 2013) - adjustment for transfer of CICT fixed costs budget - adjustment for gross up of income from UKBA - in year charges on injury benefit provision	80,398	85,120	£2,224,990,095 -£29,027,000	£27,675	£26,139
2012-13 Restated Totals ¹			£2,195,963,095	£27,314	£25,798
Change (in nominal terms)	-2,271	-1,323	-£106,510,901	-£569	-£864
				-2.1%	-3.3%
Restated 2012-13 expenditure ² (adjusted by GDP deflator ² to give real terms change)			£2,233,826,454	£27,785	£26,243
Change (in real terms) ²	-2,271	-1,323	-£144,374,259	-£1,040	-£1,309
Real terms percentage increase in 2013-14	-2.8%	-1.6%	-6.5%	-3.7%	-5.0%

Overall Resource Expenditure	Cost per Place	Cost per Prisoner
£2,831,077,096	£36,237	£33,785
£2,959,281,898	£36,808	£34,766
£15,094,315		
£4,716,000		
£2,979,092,213	£37,054	£34,999
-£148,015,117	-£818	-£1,214
	-2.2%	-3.5%
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£3,030,458,484	£37,693	£35,602
-£199,381,388	-£1,457	-£1,817
-6.6%	-3.9%	-5.1%

Source: National Offender Management Service

The purpose of this table is to show the real movement in unit costs between 2012-13 and 2013-14 after allowing for the effects of changes in accounting treatment and inflation.

Notes to Table 2a:

- 1. The table provides a comparison between 2013-14 and the restated 2012-13 figures. 2012-13 has been restated to enable a more fair comparison between the two years It includes the following changes:
 - Establishments were only charged their variable ICT costs from the start of April 2013, with the remaining fixed element being transferred back to CICT directorate in NOMS HQ

 This change is reflected in a reduction to the direct resource expenditure for public prisons but the overall expenditure remains unchanged as the costs have been re-apportioned back to them.
 - The gross up of income from the UKBA in respect of Foreign National Prisoners so that the corresponding expenditure by prisons is included in the costings exercise.
 - The identification of injury benefit payments, granted to current and former employees, which has led to an adjustment to recognise this prior year expense
- 2. This table also gives an adjustment by the GDP deflator to give changes in real terms between the two years, using figures published by the Office for National Statistics on 27 June 2014: 100/ 98.30€

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Table 2b: Comparison of 2013-14 with 2012-13 between Public Sector and Contracted Prisons

	Certified Normal	Average	Direct Resource	Cost per	Cost per	Overall Resource	Cost per	Cost pe
	Accommodation	Population	Expenditure	Place	Prisoner	Expenditure	Place	Prisoner
Public Sector Prisons	00.400	70.400	04 004 000 000	205.450	600.640	00 050 400 545	005 505	000.070
2013-14 Totals	66,192	70,409	£1,664,698,203	£25,150	£23,643	£2,350,122,545	£35,505	£33,378
2012-13 Totals	69,126	72,638	£1,799,053,652	£26,026	£24,768	£2,487,417,605	£35,984	£34,244
Adjustments 2012-13 Restated Totals ¹		ŀ	-£29,027,000 £1,770,026,652	£25,606	£24,368	£19,810,315 £2,507,227,920	£36,271	£34,517
	-2,934	-2,229	-£105,328,449	-£456	-£725	-£157,105,375	-£766	-£1,139
Change (in nominal terms)	-4.2%	-3.1%	-6.0%	-1.8%	-3.0%	-6.3%	-2.1%	-3.3%
Restated 2012-13 expenditure ¹			£1,800,545,905	£26,047	£24,788	£2,550,458,186	£36,896	£35,112
Change (in real terms)			-£135,847,702	-£898	-£1,145	-£200,335,641	-£1,391	-£1,734
			-7.5%	-3.4%	-4.6%	-7.9%	-3.8%	-4.9%
Contracted Prisons (PFI)								
2013-14 Totals	7,971	8,739	£345,370,880	£43,330	£39,521	£374,158,839	£46,941	£42,815
2012-13 Totals Adjustments	7,951	8,738	£344,230,244 £0	£43,294	£39,393	£366,956,226 £0	£46,152	£41,994
2012-13 Restated Totals ¹			£344,230,244	£43,294	£39,393	£366,956,226	£46,152	£41,994
Change (in nominal terms)	20	1	£1,140,636	£36	£128	£7,202,614	£789	£821
	0.2%	0.0%	0.3%	0.1%	0.3%	2.0%	1.7%	2.0%
Restated 2012-13 expenditure ¹			£350,165,550	£44,040	£40,072	£373,283,379	£46,948	£42,718
Change (in real terms)			-£4,794,670 -1.4%	-£711 <i>-1.</i> 6%	-£552 -1.4%	£875,461 0.2%	-£6 0.0%	£97 0.2%
Contracted Prisons (Operate & Manage)	2.005	4.650	670 000 444	500.000	047.070	2402 705 740	202 000	200.000
	3,965	4,650	£79,383,111	£20,023	£17,072	£106,795,712	£26,938	£22,968
2012-13 Totals Adjustments	3,321	3,744	£81,706,199 £0	£24,602	£21,822	£104,908,068 £0	£31,588	£28,018
2012-13 Restated Totals ¹			£81,706,199	£24,602	£21,822	£104,908,068	£31,588	£28,018
Change (in nominal terms)	643	906	-£2,323,088	-£4,578	-£4,750	£1,887,644	-£4,650	-£5,051
,	19.4%	24.2%	-2.8%	-18.6%	-21.8%	1.8%	-14.7%	-18.0%
Restated 2012-13 expenditure ¹			£83,114,998	£25,026	£22,198	£106,716,920	£32,132	£28,502
Change (in real terms)			-£3,731,887	-£5,002	-£5,126	£78,792	-£5,194	-£5,534
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			-4.5%	-20.0%	-23.1%	0.1%	-16.2%	-19.4%
Fotal (as per Table 2a)								
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Notes to Table 2b:

- 1. The table provides a breakdown of the changes in nominal terms over the two years, including adjustments where appropriate, between Public Sector and Contracted Prisons.
- This table also gives an adjustment by the GDP deflator to give changes in real terms between the two years, using figures published by the Office for National Statistics on 27 June 2014: 100/ 98.305
- 2. The unit costs of public and private prisons are not directly comparable because of different methods of accounting and of scope (e.g. PFI prisons include interest charges and most private prisons include health and education costs).

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Explanatory notes

Data in this report are drawn from administrative IT systems. Although care is taken when processing and analysing the data, the level of detail collected is subject to the inaccuracies inherent in any large-scale recording system.

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