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## **Statistical Notice**

Pre-announcing intention to publish  
interim re-conviction figures for the  
Peterborough and Doncaster  
Payment by Results pilots

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## Background

The Ministry of Justice currently has two prison based Payment by Results pilots operating in HMP Peterborough and HMP Doncaster. The outcome measure for these pilots is a real reduction in re-convictions among offenders during the 12 months following release from prison. The final results for these pilots will not be available until 2014 at the earliest (for cohort 1 of both pilots, with final results for subsequent cohorts to follow in later years). However, given the high level of public interest, we intend to publish interim re-conviction figures for both the Peterborough and Doncaster pilots.

These interim re-conviction figures will be published in an ad hoc statistical bulletin at 09:30 on Thursday 13 June 2013, and subsequently updated quarterly and published in Annex A of the Ministry of Justice's Proven Re-offending Statistics quarterly bulletin.

The final results for each of these pilots will be based on a 12 month re-conviction rate: offences committed in the 12 months following release from prison, and resulting in conviction at court either in those 12 months, or in a further 6 month period (allowing time for cases to progress through the courts).

The interim re-conviction figures will be based on periods half the length of those used for the final results: covering offences committed in the 6 months following release from prison, and resulting in conviction at court either in those 6 months, or in a further 3 month period (allowing time for cases to progress through the courts). At this stage the interim figures will not include all offenders in cohort 1 of either pilot. This is because some offenders were released from prison too recently to be measured on this basis (the 6 month re-offending window and 3 month waiting period have not yet elapsed).

Users should therefore be aware that an improvement/worsening of the 6 month re-conviction figures will not necessarily translate into an equivalent improvement/worsening once we have the final 12 month re-conviction rate for the full cohorts.



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