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Preface

This publication has been prepared by the Prison and Probation Statistics section of Offender Management and Sentencing Analytical Services (OMSAS). It contains key statistics describing the population in prison establishments, and the workload of the Probation Service, in England and Wales. Summary statistics are also included in Chapter 1 on those held in police cells, Secure Training Centres (STCs), and Secure Children's Homes (SCHs).

Along with the tables contained in this bulletin, a full series of tables can be downloaded in Excel on the web-site below. Monthly and quarterly statistics on offender management caseloads for 2008 are also available at this web-site.

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Key points

A. Prison and probation inflows – 2008 compared to 2007

- **Increase in total number of people starting Probation Service supervision** (up 3%), made up of:
 - 1 per cent rise in number starting court order supervision (165,000 in 2008);
 - 9 per cent rise in number starting pre or post release supervision (47,000 in 2008). (*Chapters 1 and 3*)
- **Small increases in both community sentences and Suspended Sentence Orders:** the number starting community sentences rose by 800 and the number starting Suspended Sentence Orders (SSOs) increased by 1,100. (*Chapter 3*)
- **Increase in total number of court reports:** 216,000 court reports were prepared by the Probation Service during 2008, up less than 1 per cent from 2007. (*Chapter 2*)
- **Increase in remand receptions:** the number of people received into prison establishments on remand rose 3 per cent to 81,700. This was made up of a 4 per cent increase in untried receptions and a 3 per cent increase in convicted unsentenced receptions. (*Chapter 6*)
- **Increase in sentenced receptions:** 100,000 offenders were received into custody as a result of receiving a sentence in a criminal court (including fine defaulters), up 9 per cent. (*Chapter 6*)

B. Caseloads

(i) Probation

- **Increase in total Probation Service caseload but decrease in numbers under court order supervision:** although there was a less than 1 per cent increase in total caseload to 243,000 at 31 December 2008 (compared to 31 December 2007) the numbers under court order supervision decreased by 2 per cent. There was a rise of 4 per cent for those under pre or post release supervision. (*Chapters 1 and 4*)

(ii) Prisons - 30 June 2008 compared to 30 June 2007 (unless otherwise stated)

- **The prison population increased by 3,500 prisoners (4 per cent) to reach 83,200.** (*Chapter 7*)
 - The female prison population rose 5 per cent and the male population increased by 4 per cent.

- The remand population rose 5 per cent to 13,400; with increases in the untried population (4 per cent) and the convicted unsentenced population (5 per cent).
 - The sentenced population (including recalls and fine defaulters) increased 4 per cent to 68,200.
 - The largest proportionate increase was in those serving indeterminate sentences (life sentences and Indeterminate sentences for Public Protection - IPPs) which rose 20 per cent to 11,400 prisoners.
- **Continued growth in foreign national population:** up 4 per cent to 11,500 and accounting for 14 per cent of the prison population. (*Chapter 7*)
 - **There were 12,700 British Nationals in prison establishments in England and Wales from a minority ethnic group** (*Chapter 7*)
 - **England and Wales, at 153 prisoners per 100,000 general population, had the seventh highest *per capita* rate in the European Union (EU) and the second highest *per capita* rate in the EU as it existed prior to the 2004 and 2007 enlargements, after Spain (155).** (*Chapter 7*)

C. Prison and probation outflows – 2008 compared to 2007 (unless otherwise stated)

- **Over half of Community and Suspended Sentence Orders ran their full course or were terminated early for good progress in 2008.** (*Chapter 5*)
- **Increase in recalls:** a total of 11,840 determinate sentence offenders were recalled to custody during the year 2008-09, up 1 per cent from 2007-08 (11,760). (*Chapter 9*)
- **More offenders released on Home Detention Curfew (HDC):** The number of offenders released from prison on HDC rose by 3 per cent to 11,700 in 2008; and 1,400 offenders (12 per cent of the number of releases) were recalled to prison. 74 per cent of recalls were for breaching HDC conditions. (*Chapter 9*)
- **Fewer prisoners released on parole:** There was a large reduction in determinate sentence prisoners being considered for parole in 2008-09, (2,900 or 52 per cent fewer than 2007-08). The release rate decreased from just over a third to just under a quarter. Of those prisoners considered for parole, around 680 were released as compared to 2,200 in 2007/08. The release rate ten years ago in 1998-99 was 39 per cent. (*Chapter 9*)
- **End of Custody Licence (ECL) was introduced on 29 June 2007. In 2008, 31,300 people were released on this scheme.** During this period, there were 1,000 decisions to recall offenders on ECL to custody; 46 per cent of these decisions were because of alleged re-offending. (*Chapter 9*)
- **Decrease in recalls from life licence :** the number of people on life licence who were recalled to custody in 2008 fell by 19 per cent. (*Chapter 9*)

Chapter 1: Trends in Probation Service and custodial flows and caseload

Factors affecting flows and caseload

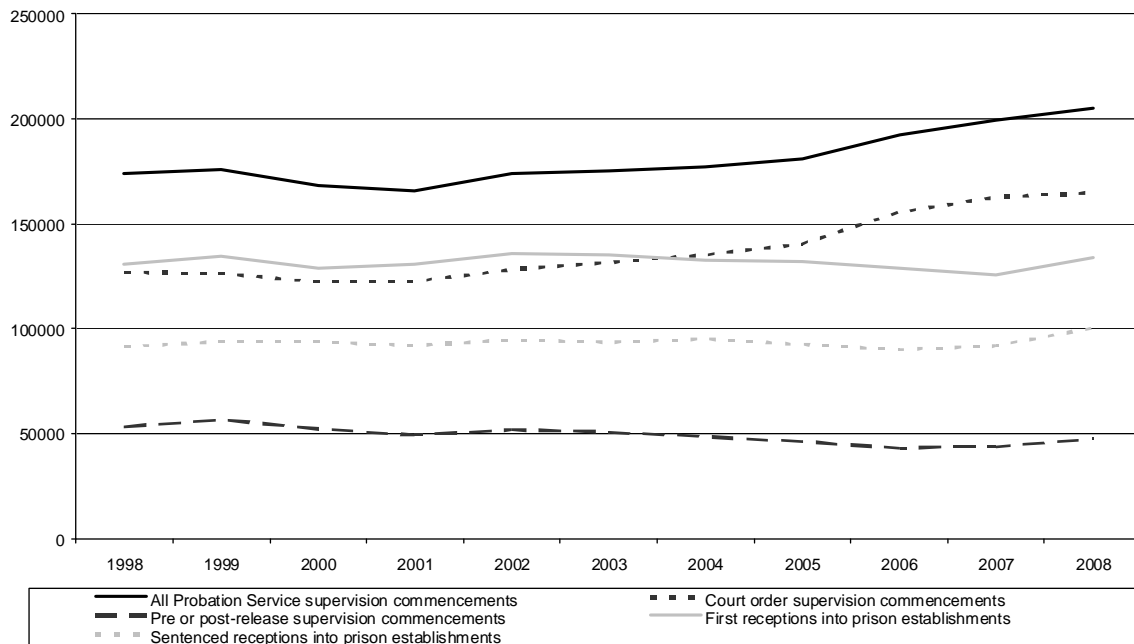
- The main factors affecting the Probation Service and custodial caseload are:
 - a) the number of cases passing through the courts and the number found guilty;
 - b) remand decisions and the length of time spent on remand;
 - c) the custody and court order rates at the courts;
 - d) average sentence length given;
 - e) release policies;
 - f) other changes to policy and legislation;
 - g) the number of offenders breaching court orders; and
 - h) the number of prisoners recalled to custody.
- Information on releases from prison and recalls is given in chapter 9 and definitions of the different types of release are given in the technical annex. Information on changes in sentencing policy can be found in the Ministry of Justice's annual Sentencing Statistics publication. It may be helpful to refer to the updated version of the Story of the Prison Population also published on 31st July 2009. This document aims to provide the public and the media with a clearly presented and digestible summary of the major factors contributing to the growth in the prison population over the longer term (last 14 years).

Flows into Probation Service supervision and prison establishments (Table 1.1; Figure 1.1)

- In 2008, 205,000 persons started **Probation Service supervision**, either under a court order or under pre or post-release supervision from custody. This was a 3 per cent increase on the number of starts in 2007, and an 18 per cent increase on 1998. The number of persons starting supervision has increased in each year since 1998, with the exception of 2000 and 2001. The number of starts overall and for court orders are now at their highest ever level.
- In 2008, 165,000 people started **court order supervision**, an increase of 1 per cent on 2007 and an increase of 30 per cent on 1998. The number of females starting court order supervision increased by 4 per cent from on 2007, compared to an increase of only 1 per cent for males.

Figure 1.1 Flows into Probation Service supervision and prison establishments

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- The number of people starting **pre or post-release supervision** increased from 53,300 in 1998 to 56,600 in 1999 and with the exception of 2002 fell each year through to 2006 when it was 43,200. In 2007 it increased slightly to 43,600 and in 2008 it increased further to 47,500.
- Decreases in the number of people starting Probation Service supervision in 2000 and 2001 were because of the transfer of youth supervision work to local Youth Offending Teams, as well as reductions in the numbers sentenced by the courts during this time. The Probation Service continues to supervise some juveniles on court orders, and these are included in the commencements and caseload figures presented in this publication. Information on the number of juveniles starting community sentences that are not supervised by the Probation Service is not included in this publication. The Youth Justice Board publishes annual statistics on the number of juveniles starting the different court orders¹.

¹ See 'Youth Justice Annual Workload Data 2007/08'; Youth Justice Board

- There were 134,000 **first receptions**² into **prison establishments** in 2008 (the highest since 2003), an increase of 7 per cent on 2007. The number of first receptions for both males and females increased by a similar margin. The number of first receptions was 2 per cent higher in 2008 than in 1998 (131,000), reflecting an increase in the custody rate³ from 23 per cent in 1998 to 24 per cent in 2007 (the latest year for which data are available).

Key trends in caseload (Table 1.2; figures 1.2 & 1.3)

- The number of offenders being supervised by the Probation Service under a court order decreased by 2 per cent between 2007 and 2008, to reach 147,000 in December 2008. This represents an increase of 28 per cent from 1998⁴. The number of offenders under pre or post-release supervision also increased between 1998⁴ and 2008. Some 98,500 people were under such supervision in December 2008, representing an increase of 55 per cent on 1998⁴. The increase from 2007 to 2008 was 4 per cent.
- The higher caseload under pre or post-release supervision is for a number of reasons of which two are key. Firstly, there has been a continued growth in the number of offenders serving custodial sentences of 12 months or more (up 33 per cent between 1998 and 2008) and who therefore require supervision on release from custody. Secondly, new arrangements brought in by the Criminal Justice Act 2003 mean that offenders are now spending longer periods on licence after release from custody.
- The prison population stood at 83,200 in June 2008, the highest ever, an increase of 4 per cent on June 2007 and a 27 per cent increase on June 1998. The male prison population experienced comparable increases over the same periods (from 62,600 in June 1998 to 75,500 in June 2007 and 78,700 in June 2008), however the female prison population increased at a much greater rate (up 44 per cent from 3,100 in 1998 to 4,500 in 2008).

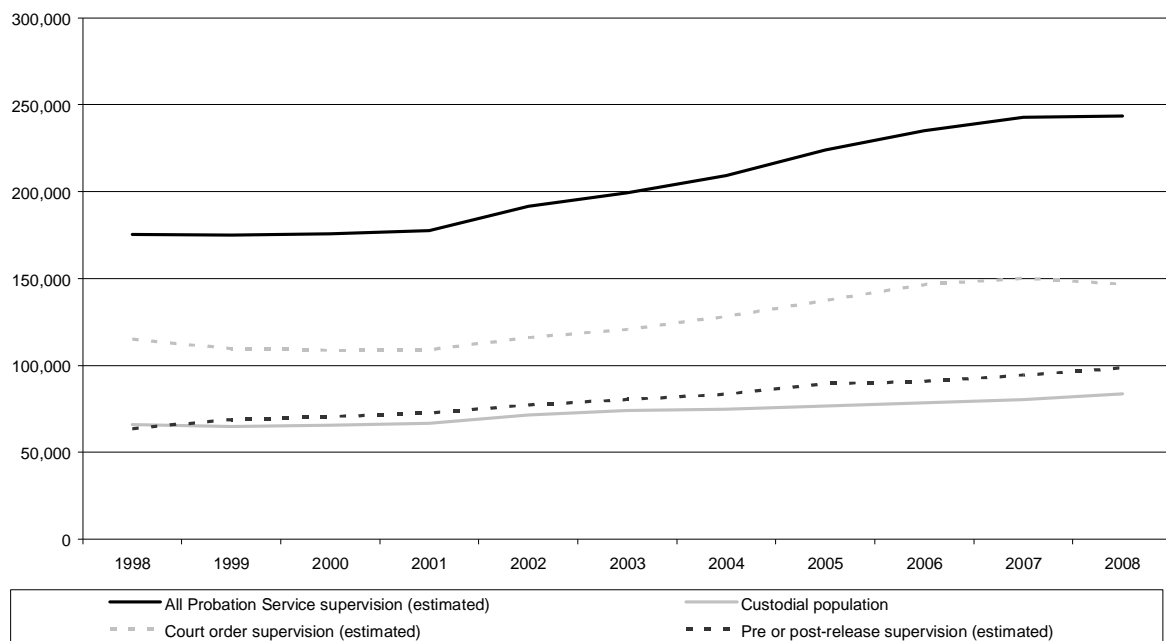
² A prisoner received into prison to serve a sentence may have previously been on remand after conviction prior to sentence and before that as a remand prisoner awaiting trial. First receptions count a prisoner once in the relevant time period in which they were first received.

³ The percentage of offenders sentenced for an indictable offence given a custodial sentence.

⁴ Using estimated figures for 1998. Estimated caseload figures have been included in Table 1.2 for years prior to 2002. This was because a change in the data collection system in 2002 revealed that the caseload figures had been inflated in the years prior to that.

Figure 1.2 Probation Service and custodial caseload⁵

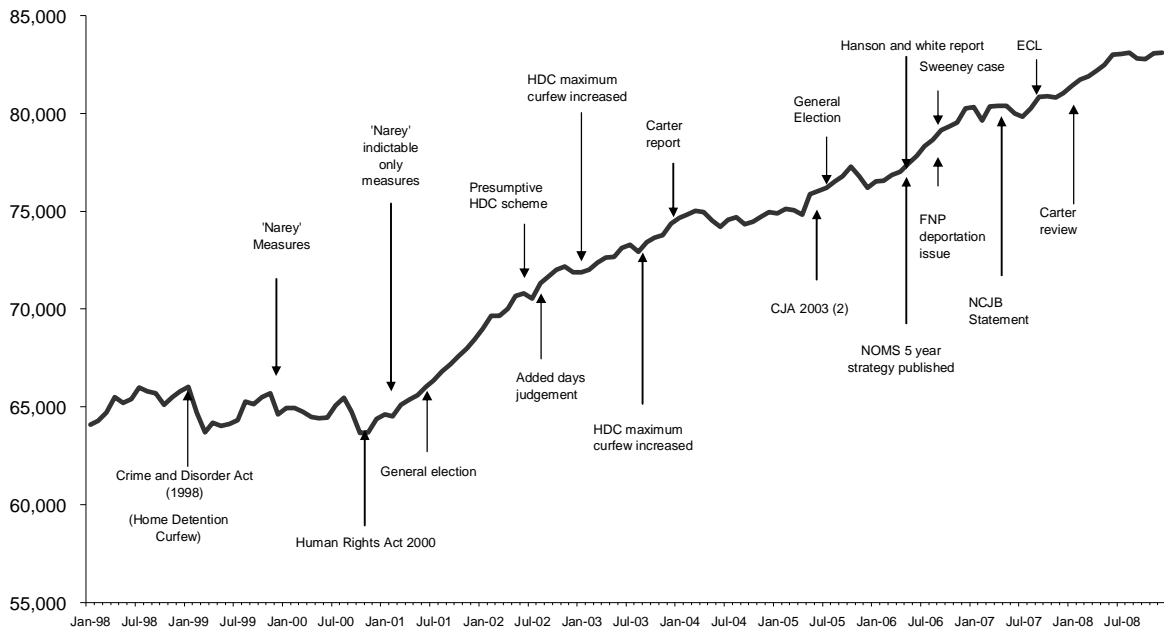
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- The sentenced prison population (including recalls and fine defaulters) increased by 31 per cent between June 1998 and June 2008. This rise is largely due to courts sentencing more offenders to prison up to 2002 and because offenders have been staying in prison for longer. From 2000 to 2008, the average time served in prison increased from 8.1 to 8.7 months for those released from determinate sentences. This was due to an increase in the average custodial determinate sentence length handed down by the courts between 2000 and 2004, and a decline in the parole release rate in 06/07 and 07/08 (which meant that offenders had served longer by the time they were released). There have also been increases in the number of prisoners being recalled to prison.
- The remand prison population increased by 5 per cent between June 2007 and June 2008; the number of prisoners received on remand during 2008 increased by 3 per cent. The average length of time spent on remand in 2008 was 59 days compared with 55 days in 2007 and 58 days in 2006.

- Figure 1.3 shows the seasonally adjusted monthly prison population between 1998 and 2008, with policy changes and events shown which may have affected the size of the prison population during this period.

Figure 1.3 Prison population⁵ - policy interventions and other key events



⁵ Seasonally adjusted time series

Table 1.1 Summary of persons starting supervision by the Probation Service or being received into prison establishments ⁽¹⁾

England and Wales		Number of persons										
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004 ⁽⁵⁾	2005	2006	2007	2008	
MALES AND FEMALES												
<u>Probation Service supervision⁽²⁾</u>												
All supervision ⁽³⁾	174,046	175,689	168,529	165,491	173,701	175,266	177,387	181,211	192,583	199,262	205,108	
Court orders	126,818	126,299	122,345	122,514	128,168	131,493	135,296	140,430	155,614	162,648	164,873	
Pre or post-release supervision	53,228	56,572	52,237	49,212	51,812	50,626	48,450	46,103	43,160	43,638	47,482	
<u>Prison establishments ⁽⁴⁾</u>												
First receptions	130,962	134,316	128,866	130,934	135,820	135,042	132,961	132,058	128,986	125,881	134,148	
Remand receptions	81,585	84,105	81,336	82,668	91,525	91,188	85,483	84,846	83,747	79,695	81,728	
Sentenced receptions	91,282	93,965	93,671	91,978	94,807	93,495	95,161	92,452	90,038	91,736	100,348	
MALES												
<u>Probation Service supervision⁽²⁾</u>												
All supervision ⁽³⁾	152,053	152,532	145,923	142,997	150,113	152,018	153,520	156,877	166,722	172,382	176,958	
Court orders	107,668	106,357	102,790	102,939	107,594	111,298	114,415	119,034	132,363	138,260	139,540	
Pre or post-release supervision	50,220	52,980	48,853	45,790	48,295	46,978	44,952	42,771	40,062	40,573	44,059	
<u>Prison establishments ⁽⁴⁾</u>												
First receptions	120,967	123,441	118,184	119,682	123,219	122,096	120,407	119,783	117,036	114,034	121,472	
Remand receptions	75,327	77,384	74,752	75,477	82,835	82,156	77,505	77,186	76,249	72,559	74,601	
Sentenced receptions	85,107	86,934	86,516	84,674	87,008	85,426	86,759	84,268	82,192	83,652	91,336	
FEMALES												
<u>Probation Service supervision⁽²⁾</u>												
All supervision ⁽³⁾	21,993	23,137	22,606	22,494	23,588	23,248	23,867	24,334	25,827	26,841	28,105	
Court orders	19,150	19,942	19,555	19,575	20,574	20,195	20,881	21,396	23,251	24,388	25,333	
Pre or post-release supervision	3,008	3,592	3,384	3,422	3,517	3,648	3,498	3,332	3,098	3,065	3,423	
<u>Prison establishments ⁽⁴⁾</u>												
First receptions	9,995	10,875	10,682	11,252	12,601	12,946	12,554	12,275	11,950	11,847	12,676	
Remand receptions	6,258	6,721	6,584	7,191	8,690	9,032	7,978	7,660	7,498	7,136	7,127	
Sentenced receptions	6,175	7,031	7,155	7,304	7,799	8,069	8,402	8,184	7,846	8,174	9,012	

(1) Total number of persons entering prison or Probation Service supervision cannot be calculated by adding together the commencements and first receptions figures. This is because many people will be included in both categories (i.e. they will be received into prison and start Probation Service supervision in the same year).

(2) The all supervision figures count each person only once in this total for probation service supervision even if they started several types of supervision during the year.

(3) All supervision figure includes family court supervision. Responsibility for this supervision work was transferred to CAFCASS on 1 April 2001.

(4) First receptions provide an indication of the number of new prisoners in a time period. A person received into prison to serve a sentence may previously have been on remand after conviction prior to sentence, and before that as a remand prisoner awaiting trial. First receptions will count that prisoner only once in the relevant time period in which they were first received. First receptions will count an individual more than once if they have two or more different episodes in custody covering separate charges.

(5) Figures for 2004 may be slightly understated, due to low recording of pre and post release commencement data received from London Probation Service throughout this period. About a third of the overall decrease was due to the reduction in the London figures.

Data Sources and Quality

These figures have been drawn from administrative IT systems. Care is taken when processing and analysing the returns, but the detail collected is subject to the inaccuracies inherent in any large scale recording system, and so although shown to the last individual, the figures may not be accurate to that level. See Technical appendix of report for fuller information.

Table 1.2 Summary of Probation Service⁽¹⁾ and custodial caseload

England and Wales		Number of persons										
		1998 ⁽⁷⁾	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
MALES AND FEMALES												
<u>Population under Probation Service supervision^(2,3)</u>												
	Court orders	203,743	204,144	204,879	207,426	191,394	199,237	209,461	224,094	235,029	242,722	243,434
	Pre or post-release supervision	126,876	120,945	119,904	120,174	116,125	120,734	128,217	137,377	146,532	150,179	146,725
		80,622	87,017	89,183	91,871	77,235	80,399	83,408	89,438	90,740	94,459	98,477
<u>Estimated population under Probation Service supervision - adjusted for change in data collection system in 2002</u>												
	Court orders	175,500	175,100	175,600	177,600	191,400	199,200	209,500	224,100	235,000	242,700	243,400
	Pre or post-release supervision	115,000	109,700	108,700	109,000	116,100	120,700	128,200	137,400	146,500	150,200	146,700
		63,700	68,800	70,500	72,600	77,200	80,400	83,400	89,400	90,700	94,500	98,500
<u>Custodial population</u>												
	Prison establishments ⁽⁴⁾	65,727	64,529	65,194	66,403	71,218	73,657	74,488	76,190	77,982	79,734	83,194
	Police cells ⁽⁴⁾	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	STCs ⁽⁵⁾	-	-	125	116	135	183	181	245	247	212	211
	SCHs ⁽⁶⁾	150	145	225	267	292	314	327	267	238	225	262
MALES												
<u>Population under Probation Service supervision^(2,3)</u>												
	Court orders	179,713	179,529	180,201	182,576	168,037	175,998	185,105	198,508	208,982	216,028	216,708
	Pre or post-release supervision	106,554	100,605	99,793	100,352	107,594	102,167	108,723	116,854	125,504	128,561	125,229
		76,764	82,489	84,407	86,513	72,840	75,615	78,436	84,192	85,583	89,269	93,136
<u>Custodial population</u>												
	Prison establishments ⁽⁴⁾	62,607	61,322	61,839	62,690	66,824	69,062	70,036	71,676	73,519	75,451	78,689
	Police cells ⁽⁴⁾	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	STCs ⁽⁵⁾	-	-	120	101	100	125	119	150	151	172	167
	SCHs ⁽⁶⁾	214	232	243	262	219	188	182	157	151
FEMALES												
<u>Population under Probation Service supervision^(2,3)</u>												
	Court orders	24,030	24,615	24,678	24,850	23,357	23,239	24,356	25,586	26,047	26,694	26,726
	Pre or post-release supervision	20,322	20,340	20,111	19,822	20,574	18,567	19,494	20,523	21,028	21,618	21,496
		3,858	4,528	4,776	5,358	4,395	4,784	4,972	5,246	5,157	5,190	5,341
<u>Custodial population</u>												
	Prison establishments ⁽⁴⁾	3,120	3,207	3,355	3,713	4,394	4,595	4,452	4,514	4,463	4,283	4,505
	Police cells ⁽⁴⁾	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	STCs ⁽⁵⁾	-	-	5	15	35	58	62	95	96	40	44
	SCHs ⁽⁶⁾	53	60	71	65	48	50	43	102	111

(1) Each person under Probation Service is counted only once in the total even if they were subject to several types of supervision at the year end.

(2) As at 31st December each year, Source - RDS, Home Office up to December 2006. From December 2007, RDS, Ministry of Justice. A new system for collecting data was introduced in 2002, making any comparisons with earlier years unreliable.

(3) All supervision figure includes family court supervision. Responsibility for this supervision work was transferred to CAF/CASS on 1 April 2001.

(4) As at 30th June each year. Source - RDS, Home Office up to June 2006. From June 2007, RDS, Ministry of Justice.

(5) As at 30th June each year. Source - YJB.

(6) Figures for 2000 to 2005 from YJB returns, as at 30th June each year. Figures for 1998 to 2000 from DfES returns as at 31st March each year and not available by sex.

(7) Figures for Probation Service caseload in 1998 look artificially high.

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Chapter 2: Court reports produced by the Probation Service

- In 2008 the Probation Service wrote 216,000 court reports, 0.5 per cent more than in 2007. Standard Pre Sentence Reports (PSRs) decreased by 8 per cent compared to 2007 but Fast Delivery (both written and oral) increased by 18 per cent.
- Between 1999 and 2003 there was a steady decline in the number of court reports written but since then the number has increased (the drop in the number of reports recorded in 2005 is thought to be due to a change in the data collection method). Since the new Fast Delivery PSRs were introduced their use has steadily increased while at the same time the use of Standard PSRs has dropped.
- In 2008 the proportion of Fast Delivery PSRs from the combined total of Fast Delivery and Standard PSRs was 38 per cent, compared to 32 per cent in 2007.
- Out of all Fast Delivery PSRs (both written and oral) oral reports constituted 31 per cent in 2008, compared to 24 per cent in 2007. The proportion for magistrates' courts increased from 24 per cent in 2007 to 32 per cent in 2008, but for Crown Courts oral reports constituted 12 per cent in both 2008 and 2007.
- Seventy four per cent of all reports written in 2008 were prepared for magistrates' courts and 26 per cent for the Crown Court. Between 2007 and 2008, all reports prepared for magistrates' courts fell by 1 per cent, compared to a 6 per cent rise for the Crown Court
- The level of concordance between sentences proposed and given was highest for custodial sentences at 88 per cent, compared to 71 per cent for community sentences and 52 per cent for Suspended Sentence Orders.
- Seventy-one per cent of PSRs prepared recommended a Community Sentence, while 16 per cent recommended a Suspended Sentence Order and 10 per cent custody.
- In 2008 there were 30,200 court reports written on offenders who were remanded in custody, 14 per cent of all court reports, a slight rise from 13 per cent in 2007. As might be expected the proportion of reports written on offenders remanded in custody was higher at the Crown Court than magistrates' courts (34 per cent and 7 per cent respectively).
- Standard PSRs accounted for 91 per cent of all reports written on offenders that were remanded in custody, compared to 58 per cent for those not remanded in custody.

Table 2.1 Court reports written by the Probation Service by type of report and court

England and Wales										Number of reports	
	1998	1999	2000 ⁽¹⁾	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005 ⁽⁶⁾	2006	2007	2008
All court reports⁽²⁾	236,828	237,456	219,952	213,431	213,768	201,871	204,821	189,600	209,525	215,358	216,353
Standard PSRs ⁽³⁾	236,828	237,456	204,981	191,622	185,275	163,265	161,525	142,997	154,250	147,016	135,499
SSRs ⁽⁴⁾ and Fast Delivery PSRs	..	..	14,971	21,809	28,493	38,606	43,296	46,603	55,275	68,342	80,854
Standard PSR (CJA03)								103,050	153,025	145,969	134,519
Fast Delivery PSR written (CJA03)								32,981	46,751	52,177	56,046
Fast Delivery PSR oral (CJA03)								3,072	8,524	16,165	24,808
Reports by court											
Magistrates' courts	174,215	176,767	162,362	157,604	156,146	146,714	149,546	141,454	158,429	161,548	159,562
PSR (Pre CJA03)	174,215	176,767	148,375	136,537	128,463	109,356	107,586	25,599			
SSR (Pre CJA03)	..	..	13,987	21,067	27,683	37,358	41,960	10,306			
Standard PSR (CJA03)								71,915	105,087	95,481	82,798
Fast Delivery PSR written (CJA03)								30,667	45,004	50,177	52,461
Fast Delivery PSR oral (CJA03)								2,967	8,338	15,890	24,303
Crown Court	60,640	58,420	54,593	52,463	54,583	52,396	52,714	46,009	49,871	52,763	55,811
PSR (Pre CJA03)	60,640	58,420	53,609	51,721	53,773	51,148	51,378	12,211			
SSR (Pre CJA03)	..	..	984	742	810	1,248	1,336	244			
Standard PSR (CJA03)								31,135	47,938	50,488	51,721
Fast Delivery PSR written (CJA03)								2,314	1,747	2,000	3,585
Fast Delivery PSR oral (CJA03)								105	186	275	505
All courts											
PSR breach	..	..	7,961	5,765	5,452	4,626	4,854	4,080	8,344	10,865	10,874
Deferred sentence ⁽⁵⁾	1,973	2,269	2,997	3,364	3,039	2,761	2,561	2,137	1,225	1,047	980

(1) Separate collection of non-contact PSRs, PSR breach and Specific Sentence Reports (SSR) introduced from 1 January 2000.

(2) Includes deferred sentence reports but excludes no contact and breach reports.

(3) PSR = Pre Sentence Report; includes deferred sentence

(4) SSR = Specific sentence report

(5) On appearance for sentence after deferment.

(6) The Criminal Justice Act 2003 introduced revised definitions of Pre sentence reports from 1st April 2005.

PSRs became Standard PSRs and SSRs became Fast Delivery reports.

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Table 2.2 Concordance between sentences proposed and given where a PSR was written, 2008

England and Wales

	Sentence given						All
	Community Sentences	Suspended Sentence Order	Custody	Fine	Absolute/Conditional Discharge	Other	
Sentence proposed							
All Community Sentences ⁽¹⁾	94,262	21,050	13,528	1,084	1,173	2,409	133,506
Suspended Sentence Order	2,778	11,749	7,302	89	97	448	22,463
Immediate custodial sentences	632	928	15,135	50	88	454	17,287
Fine	657	175	72	1,814	203	107	3,028
All	98,329	33,902	36,037	3,037	1,561	3,418	176,284
% breakdown							
All Community Sentences ⁽¹⁾	71%	16%	10%	1%	1%	2%	100%
Suspended Sentence Order	12%	52%	33%	0%	0%	2%	100%
Immediate custodial sentences	4%	5%	88%	0%	1%	3%	100%
Fine	22%	6%	2%	60%	7%	4%	100%

(1) Includes all pre-CJA community sentences

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Table 2.3 Criminal reports written by the Probation Service by type of report, court and whether remanded in custody

England and Wales

	2006			2007			2008		
	Remanded in custody	Not remanded in custody	Total	Remanded in custody	Not remanded in custody	Total	Remanded in custody	Not remanded	Total
All court reports⁽¹⁾	24,468	185,057	209,525	28,496	186,862	215,358	30,176	186,177	216,353
Standard PSR	22,527	130,498	153,025	26,149	119,820	145,969	27,310	107,209	134,519
Fast Delivery PSR written	1,540	45,211	46,751	1,781	50,396	52,177	2,226	53,820	56,046
Fast Delivery PSR oral	373	8,151	8,524	526	15,639	16,165	618	24,190	24,808
Deferred sentence ⁽²⁾	28	1,197	1,225	40	1,007	1,047	22	958	980
Magistrates' courts	10,672	147,757	158,429	11,044	150,504	161,548	11,319	148,243	159,562
Standard PSR	9,093	95,994	105,087	9,098	86,383	95,481	9,120	73,678	82,798
Fast Delivery PSR written	1,221	43,783	45,004	1,432	48,745	50,177	1,618	50,843	52,461
Fast Delivery PSR oral	358	7,980	8,338	514	15,376	15,890	581	23,722	24,303
Crown Court	13,768	36,103	49,871	17,412	35,351	52,763	18,835	36,976	55,811
Standard PSR	13,434	34,504	47,938	17,051	33,437	50,488	18,190	33,531	51,721
Fast Delivery PSR written	319	1,428	1,747	349	1,651	2,000	608	2,977	3,585
Fast Delivery PSR oral	15	171	186	12	263	275	37	468	505
All courts									
PSR breach	19	8,325	8,344	25	10,840	10,865	29	10,845	10,874

(1) Does not include breach reports

(2) On appearance for sentence after deferment

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Chapter 3: Offenders starting Probation Service supervision

- The number of offenders starting court order supervision by the Probation Service in 2008 was 165,000, 1 per cent higher than in 2007 and 30 per cent higher than in 1998. This is the highest number so far recorded, although the increase has slowed in the last year, reflecting the slowdown in the increase of Suspended Sentence Orders. Community Orders (121,000) and Suspended Sentence Orders (45,500) each increased by 2 per cent between 2007 and 2008.
- The number of offenders starting *community sentences* in 2008 (126,170) was 1 per cent higher than in 2007, but 1 per cent lower than in 1998. *Community sentences* do not include Suspended Sentence Orders (SSOs). *Community sentences* peaked in 2005 at 136,000.
- The number of female offenders starting court orders in 2008 compared with 2007 showed a higher increase than for male offenders (4 per cent compared to 1 per cent). For SSOs the respective increases were 9 per cent and 1 per cent, compared to 5 per cent and 2 per cent for Community Orders.
- Sentencing trends show that the proportion of offenders receiving a community sentence has fallen since SSOs were introduced in April 2005, suggesting that a number of SSOs have been given to offenders who would previously have been given non-custodial sentences.
- The average sentence length for those starting Community Orders in 2008 was 14.9 months, compared to 15.7 months in 2007. The average was lower for females (13.6 months) than for males (15.2 months). The average has fallen each since 2005 when Community Orders were introduced. It is possible that SSOs have drawn in some who would previously have received longer Community Orders, partly explaining the fall in average length. The average sentence length for those starting SSOs in 2008 was 17.1 months, compared to 17.5 months in 2007. It was also lower for females than for males.
- Of those starting Community Orders in 2008, 48 per cent had committed summary offences, compared to 34 per cent for those starting SSOs. Theft and handling represented the largest specific offence group for those starting Community Orders, whereas for SSOs it was violence against the person.
- Female offenders tended to be older than male offenders starting both Community Orders and SSOs. Fifty two per cent of female offenders starting Community Orders were 30 and over compared to 44 per cent of male offenders. For SSOs the percentages were 55 and 45 respectively. For Community Orders, 19 per cent of male offenders were aged under 21, compared to 14 per cent of female offenders. For SSOs the percentages were 17 and 12 respectively.
- Fourteen per cent of those starting Community Orders and 15 per cent of those starting SSOs in 2008 were from a minority ethnic group. Black or Black British accounted for the largest single minority ethnic group – 6 per cent for Community

Orders and 7 per cent for SSOs. Fewer female offenders than male offenders were from a minority ethnic group, due mainly to them being significantly under-represented in the Asian or Asian British group.

- Half of all Community Orders starting in 2008 had just one requirement and a further 35 per cent had two requirements; for SSOs these proportions were 37 per cent and 42 per cent respectively. The proportions having each number of requirements have remained fairly stable throughout the last four years.
- Overall, supervision was the most used requirement for Community Orders started in 2008, closely followed by unpaid work. These 2 requirements accounted for 67 per cent of all requirements attached to Community Orders. They also accounted for 63 per cent of all requirements under SSOs.
- Among other requirements, use of the Alcohol Treatment requirement increased by 43 and 31 per cent under Community Orders and SSOs respectively between 2007 and 2008; and use of Curfew rose by 23 and 16 per cent respectively. Whilst most requirements had increased, supervision and unpaid work remained fairly stable, and the only significant decrease was in the use of accredited programmes.
- Stand alone unpaid work was the most common combination of requirements accounting for a third of Community Orders and 19 per cent of all SSOs starting in 2008 (for SSOs a further 15 per cent had the combination of supervision with an accredited programme, and a further 13 per cent had stand alone supervision).
- Supervision *tier* indicates the level of intervention required with offenders, with tier 1 being the lowest and tier 4 the highest. The proportions of Community Orders starting in 2008 under each supervision tier was spread fairly evenly between tiers 1, 2 and 3 (ranging between 26 and 34 per cent). For SSOs, almost half (45 per cent) were in tier 3. There were proportionately fewer females than males in the tier 3 category, and conversely the proportions of females were higher in tier 2. Compared to 2007, there were proportionately more offenders in tier 1 and fewer offenders in tier 2 in 2008. This was true for Community Orders and SSOs.
- Some 47,500 offenders started supervision either before or after release from prison in 2008, 9 per cent more than in 2007 but 11 per cent fewer than in 1998.

Table 3.1 Persons starting court order and pre and post release supervision by the Probation Service by sentence type and sex⁽¹⁾

England and Wales											Number of persons	
Type of sentence	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	
MALES AND FEMALE												
All court orders	126,818	126,299	122,345	122,514	128,168	131,493	135,296	140,430	155,614	162,648	164,873	
All community sentences	126,818	126,299	122,345	122,514	128,168	131,493	135,296	136,130	128,336	125,369	126,170	
CRO	55,514	55,854	53,930	54,470	58,478	60,614	59,485	34,261	4,645	1,179	583	
CPO ⁽²⁾	50,268	51,252	52,182	52,211	52,612	52,690	55,430	36,507	8,749	4,588	3,536	
CPO (breach)	3,176	3,775	4,584	4,455	4,613	5,042	5,175	5,163	2,676	1,111	709	
CPRO	21,170	20,476	18,570	15,503	15,741	15,673	16,721	11,318	2,520	1,539	1,299	
DTTO	*	87	324	3,724	5,116	7,006	8,309	5,574	486	57	16	
DTTO - lower intensity	*	*	*	*	*	*	179	335	72	15	5	
C&YP 1969 ⁽³⁾	2,551	2,161	428	19	14	15	13	13	23	19	16	
SSSO	542	498	455	389	368	399	355	481	271	86	44	
MPSO	3,016	2,293	1,689	1,250	1,363	1,184	705	273	88	31	40	
Community order	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	53,248	111,752	117,860	120,743	
Other sentences												
Deferred sentence	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	104	384	570	585	
Suspended sentence	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	5,848	32,727	44,421	45,502	
Pre and post release supervision	53,228	56,572	52,237	49,212	51,812	50,626	48,450	46,103	43,160	43,638	47,482	
MALES												
All court orders	107,668	106,357	102,790	102,939	107,594	111,298	114,415	119,034	132,363	138,260	139,540	
All community sentences	107,668	106,357	102,790	102,939	107,594	111,298	114,415	115,204	108,595	106,022	106,392	
CRO	44,016	43,793	42,101	43,094	46,193	48,865	48,009	27,492	3,538	914	471	
CPO ⁽²⁾	45,290	45,665	46,242	45,920	46,453	46,531	48,743	31,245	7,281	4,032	3,223	
CPO (breach)	2,991	3,535	4,262	4,129	4,276	4,657	4,833	4,751	2,418	1,027	652	
CPRO	18,968	18,301	16,607	13,849	14,099	14,224	15,206	10,205	2,168	1,381	1,172	
DTTO	*	58	271	3,085	4,180	5,665	6,591	4,448	360	39	14	
DTTO - lower intensity	*	*	*	*	*	*	127	231	50	6	4	
C&YP 1969 ⁽³⁾	2,107	1,792	338	9	11	15	11	11	18	17	15	
SSSO	333	322	310	256	235	278	216	316	190	62	28	
MPSO	2,305	1,777	1,290	957	1,033	892	520	217	64	26	32	
Community order	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	45,832	95,111	99,573	101,552	
Other sentences												
Deferred sentence	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	81	306	460	473	
Suspended sentence	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	5,125	28,446	38,470	39,026	
Pre and post release supervision	50,220	52,980	48,853	45,790	48,295	46,978	44,952	42,771	40,062	40,573	44,059	
FEMALES												
All court orders	19,150	19,942	19,555	19,575	20,574	20,195	20,881	21,396	23,251	24,388	25,333	
All community sentences	19,150	19,942	19,555	19,575	20,574	20,195	20,881	20,926	19,741	19,347	19,778	
CRO	11,498	12,061	11,829	11,376	12,285	11,749	11,476	6,769	1,107	265	112	
CPO ⁽²⁾	4,978	5,587	5,940	6,291	6,159	6,159	6,687	5,262	1,468	556	313	
CPO (breach)	185	240	322	326	337	385	342	412	258	84	57	
CPRO	2,202	2,175	1,963	1,654	1,642	1,449	1,515	1,113	352	158	127	
DTTO	*	29	53	639	936	1,341	1,718	1,126	126	18	2	
DTTO - lower intensity	*	*	*	*	*	*	52	104	22	9	1	
C&YP 1969 ⁽³⁾	444	369	90	10	3	0	2	2	5	2	1	
SSSO	209	176	145	133	133	121	139	165	81	24	16	
MPSO	711	516	399	293	330	292	185	56	24	5	8	
Community order	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	7,416	16,641	18,287	19,191	
Other sentences												
Deferred sentence	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	23	78	110	112	
Suspended sentence	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	723	4,281	5,951	6,476	
Pre and post release supervision	3,008	3,592	3,384	3,422	3,517	3,648	3,498	3,332	3,098	3,065	3,423	

(1) Each person is counted only once in the total even if they started several types of supervision in the year.

(2) Includes CPOs for persistent petty offending and CPOs for fine default from 1998 onwards.

(3) Transfer of responsibility for supervision of offenders aged 16 to 17 to Youth Offending Teams began in 2000.

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Table 3.2 Persons starting Community Order and Suspended Sentence Order supervision by the Probation Service by length of order and sex

England and Wales	Number of persons			
	2005	2006	2007	2008
Community Order				
MALES AND FEMALES	53,248	111,752	117,860	120,743
under 1 year	3,688	8,474	11,009	13,329
1 year	31,950	71,972	79,330	82,219
2 years ⁽¹⁾	12,734	26,118	23,525	21,722
3 years	4,876	5,188	3,996	3,473
Average length of order (months)	22.0	17.6	15.7	14.9
MALES	45,832	95,111	99,573	101,552
under 1 year	2,848	6,543	8,547	10,321
1 year	27,397	61,247	67,091	69,367
2 years ⁽¹⁾	11,208	22,689	20,315	18,741
3 years	4,379	4,632	3,620	3,123
Average length of order (months)	22.6	17.9	15.9	15.2
FEMALES	7,416	16,641	18,287	19,191
under 1 year	840	1,931	2,462	3,008
1 year	4,553	10,725	12,239	12,852
2 years ⁽¹⁾	1,526	3,429	3,210	2,981
3 years	497	556	376	350
Average length of order (months)	18.5	15.6	14.3	13.6
Suspended Sentence Order				
MALES AND FEMALES	5,848	32,727	44,421	45,502
under 1 year	297	1,034	1,108	923
1 year	2,765	14,065	19,196	20,675
2 years ⁽¹⁾	2,786	17,628	24,117	23,904
Average length of order (months)	18.0	17.4	17.5	17.1
MALES	5,125	28,446	38,470	39,026
under 1 year	252	850	920	739
1 year	2,402	12,152	16,535	17,617
2 years ⁽¹⁾	2,471	15,444	21,015	20,670
Average length of order (months)	18.2	17.5	17.5	17.2
FEMALES	723	4,281	5,951	6,476
under 1 year	45	184	188	184
1 year	363	1,913	2,661	3,058
2 years ⁽¹⁾	315	2,184	3,102	3,234
Average length of order (months)	16.9	17.1	17.1	16.7

(1) Includes a small number of orders for less than the full number of years.

(2) Sharp increase from 2005 reflects the fact that these orders were introduced for offences committed after 4th April 2005.

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Table 3.3 Persons starting Community Order and Suspended Sentence Order supervision by the Probation Service by type of offence and sex⁽¹⁾

England and Wales	Number of persons			
	2005	2006	2007	2008
Community Order				
MALES AND FEMALES	53,248	111,752	117,860	120,743
Violence against the person	4,821	11,150	10,794	10,786
Sexual offences	158	625	777	789
Robbery	99	355	307	282
Burglary	2,190	4,682	4,916	4,899
Theft and handling	11,052	20,494	21,363	23,390
Fraud and forgery	1,043	3,638	4,844	5,506
Criminal damage	1,658	3,635	3,804	3,804
Indictable motoring offences	433	1,069	1,092	895
Other indictable offences	3,969	10,859	11,663	12,473
Summary motoring offences	15,798	24,426	23,083	19,941
Other summary offences	12,027	30,819	35,217	37,978
MALES	45,832	95,111	99,573	101,552
Violence against the person	4,225	9,683	9,296	9,376
Sexual offences	158	611	754	773
Robbery	87	303	263	247
Burglary	2,058	4,387	4,626	4,572
Theft and handling	8,403	15,552	16,502	18,128
Fraud and forgery	698	2,304	2,903	3,303
Criminal damage	1,535	3,342	3,488	3,483
Indictable motoring offences	416	1,013	1,022	832
Other indictable offences	3,480	9,444	10,172	11,006
Summary motoring offences	14,172	21,822	20,496	17,430
Other summary offences	10,600	26,650	30,051	32,402
FEMALES	7,416	16,641	18,287	19,191
Violence against the person	596	1,467	1,498	1,410
Sexual offences	0	14	23	16
Robbery	12	52	44	35
Burglary	132	295	290	327
Theft and handling	2,649	4,942	4,861	5,262
Fraud and forgery	345	1,334	1,941	2,203
Criminal damage	123	293	316	321
Indictable motoring offences	17	56	70	63
Other indictable offences	489	1,415	1,491	1,467
Summary motoring offences	1,626	2,604	2,587	2,511
Other summary offences	1,427	4,169	5,166	5,576
Suspended Sentence Order				
MALES AND FEMALES	5,848	32,727	44,421	45,502
Violence against the person	781	5,334	7,555	7,984
Sexual offences	28	226	378	384
Robbery	308	234	436	435
Burglary	22	1,790	2,626	2,649
Theft and handling	921	5,104	6,538	6,950
Fraud and forgery	103	1,098	2,124	2,881
Criminal damage	108	619	836	830
Indictable motoring offences	95	658	895	788
Other indictable offences	479	4,031	6,447	6,994
Summary motoring offences	1,962	6,904	7,237	5,783
Other summary offences	1,041	6,729	9,349	9,824
MALES	5,125	28,446	38,470	39,026
Violence against the person	661	4,740	6,722	7,074
Sexual offences	27	215	360	359
Robbery	287	209	362	381
Burglary	19	1,674	2,485	2,497
Theft and handling	702	3,893	5,109	5,460
Fraud and forgery	72	714	1,359	1,869
Criminal damage	90	568	752	753
Indictable motoring offences	93	628	841	755
Other indictable offences	420	3,413	5,560	6,007
Summary motoring offences	1,833	6,461	6,720	5,302
Other summary offences	921	5,931	8,200	8,569
FEMALES	723	4,281	5,951	6,476
Violence against the person	120	594	833	910
Sexual offences	1	11	18	25
Robbery	21	25	74	54
Burglary	3	116	141	152
Theft and handling	219	1,211	1,429	1,490
Fraud and forgery	31	384	765	1,012
Criminal damage	18	51	84	77
Indictable motoring offences	2	30	54	33
Other indictable offences	59	618	887	987
Summary motoring offences	129	443	517	481
Other summary offences	120	798	1,149	1,255

(1) Sharp increase from 2005 reflects the fact that these orders were not introduced until 4 April 2005.

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Table 3.4 Persons starting Community Order and Suspended Sentence Order supervision by the Probation Service by age and sex

England and Wales	Number of persons			
	2005	2006	2007	2008
Community order				
MALES AND FEMALES	53,248	111,752	117,860	120,743
18-20	10,222	21,501	21,971	21,631
21-24	10,182	21,347	21,914	22,536
25-29	9,489	19,756	21,046	22,011
30-39	14,151	28,947	30,336	30,662
40-49	6,852	15,192	16,725	17,899
50-59	1,947	4,107	4,785	4,859
60 and over	405	902	1,083	1,145
MALES	45,832	95,111	99,573	101,552
18-20	9,052	18,941	19,343	18,891
21-24	8,840	18,568	18,947	19,533
25-29	8,142	16,801	17,773	18,576
30-39	11,970	24,060	24,989	25,213
40-49	5,798	12,516	13,569	14,349
50-59	1,667	3,442	3,980	4,009
60 and over	363	783	972	981
FEMALES	7,416	16,641	18,287	19,191
18-20	1,170	2,560	2,628	2,740
21-24	1,342	2,779	2,967	3,003
25-29	1,347	2,955	3,273	3,435
30-39	2,181	4,887	5,347	5,449
40-49	1,054	2,676	3,156	3,550
50-59	280	665	805	850
60 and over	42	119	111	164
Suspended Sentence Order				
MALES AND FEMALES	5,848	32,727	44,421	45,502
18-20	790	4,929	7,066	7,268
21-24	1,061	6,351	8,586	8,651
25-29	1,161	6,087	8,197	8,583
30-39	1,676	8,973	11,521	11,693
40-49	837	4,675	6,527	6,751
50-59	249	1,337	1,991	1,960
60 and over	74	375	533	596
MALES	5,125	28,446	38,470	39,026
18-20	702	4,384	6,353	6,519
21-24	931	5,652	7,631	7,693
25-29	1,025	5,315	7,172	7,378
30-39	1,459	7,677	9,755	9,760
40-49	714	3,935	5,431	5,574
50-59	223	1,147	1,657	1,603
60 and over	71	336	471	526
FEMALES	723	4,281	5,951	6,476
18-20	88	545	713	749
21-24	130	699	955	958
25-29	136	772	1,025	1,205
30-39	217	1,296	1,766	1,933
40-49	123	740	1,096	1,204
50-59	26	190	334	357
60 and over	3	39	62	70

(1) Age at start of order.

(2) Sharp increase from 2005 reflects the fact that these orders were not introduced until 4 April 2005.

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Table 3.5 Persons starting Community Order and Suspended Sentence Order supervision by the Probation Service by ethnic group and sex, January to December 2008

England and Wales

Number	Ethnic group						
	Missing	White	Mixed	Asian or Asian British	Black or Black British	Chinese or Other ethnic group	Not Stated
MALES AND FEMALES							
Community order	1,664	100,324	2,927	5,239	6,925	1,480	2,184
Suspended sentence order	452	37,093	1,187	2,203	3,024	562	981
MALES							
Community order	1,365	83,788	2,447	4,946	5,901	1,289	1,816
Suspended sentence order	363	31,739	977	2,053	2,558	493	843
FEMALES							
Community order	299	16,536	480	293	1,024	191	368
Suspended sentence order	89	5,354	210	150	466	69	138

Percentage of those with ethnic group recorded (including Not Stated)

	Ethnic group						
	Missing	White	Mixed	Asian or Asian British	Black or Black British	Chinese or Other ethnic group	Not Stated
MALES AND FEMALES							
Community order	1%	84%	2%	4%	6%	1%	2%
Suspended sentence order	1%	82%	3%	5%	7%	1%	2%
MALES							
Community order	1%	84%	2%	5%	6%	1%	2%
Suspended sentence order	1%	82%	3%	5%	7%	1%	2%
FEMALES							
Community order	2%	88%	3%	2%	5%	1%	2%
Suspended sentence order	1%	84%	3%	2%	7%	1%	2%

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Table 3.6 Persons starting Community Order and Suspended Sentence Order supervision by tier and sex, January - December 2008

England and Wales

Number	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3	Tier 4	Not Stated
MALES AND FEMALES					
Community order	40,281	31,892	41,640	4,727	2,203
Suspended sentence order	9,167	12,010	20,697	2,999	629
MALES					
Community order	33,866	25,273	36,189	4,421	1,803
Suspended sentence order	7,709	9,761	18,229	2,811	516
FEMALES					
Community order	6,415	6,619	5,451	306	400
Suspended sentence order	1,458	2,249	2,468	188	113
Percentage	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3	Tier 4	Not Stated
MALES AND FEMALES					
Community order	33%	26%	34%	4%	2%
Suspended sentence order	20%	26%	45%	7%	1%
MALES					
Community order	33%	25%	36%	4%	2%
Suspended sentence order	20%	25%	48%	7%	1%
FEMALES					
Community order	33%	34%	28%	2%	2%
Suspended sentence order	23%	35%	38%	3%	2%

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Table 3.7 Persons starting Community Order and Suspended Sentence Order supervision by the Probation Service by region and area

England and Wales					Number of persons			
Probation area	2005	2006	2007	2008	2005	2006	2007	2008
	Community order				Suspended Sentence Order			
North East	3,098	7,086	7,790	8,106	375	1,705	2,506	2,761
Durham	614	1,434	1,726	1,708	132	367	564	631
Northumbria	1,568	3,840	4,073	4,202	124	725	1,247	1,366
Teesside	916	1,812	1,991	2,196	119	613	695	764
North West	8,346	18,492	19,228	19,518	901	5,399	7,430	7,461
Cheshire	800	2,065	2,161	2,292	69	521	829	784
Cumbria	647	1,226	1,314	1,407	39	195	437	373
Lancashire	1,793	3,791	4,225	4,219	137	1,060	1,518	1,584
Greater Manchester	3,532	7,445	7,574	7,420	536	2,783	3,352	3,232
Merseyside	1,574	3,965	3,954	4,180	120	840	1,294	1,488
Yorkshire & Humberside	6,551	13,164	13,633	13,917	668	3,551	4,446	4,245
Humberside	1,009	1,927	1,992	2,098	155	825	1,032	993
North Yorkshire	884	1,453	1,394	1,509	64	424	529	494
South Yorkshire	1,615	3,346	3,554	3,653	264	1,193	1,418	1,446
West Yorkshire	3,043	6,438	6,693	6,657	185	1,109	1,467	1,312
East Midlands	4,290	9,215	9,789	9,981	489	2,802	3,812	3,959
Derbyshire	812	1,854	2,133	2,276	102	639	865	1,051
Leicestershire	1,013	2,135	2,130	2,113	177	638	937	962
Lincolnshire	494	1,125	1,127	1,222	61	414	512	480
Northamptonshire	537	1,217	1,416	1,372	6	156	404	476
Nottinghamshire	1,434	2,884	2,983	2,998	143	955	1,094	990
West Midlands	6,361	12,665	13,021	12,414	606	3,508	5,151	5,266
Staffordshire	994	2,234	2,227	2,173	78	568	845	933
Warwickshire	436	910	1,083	1,001	17	208	267	263
West Mercia	910	1,913	2,077	2,114	79	592	841	739
West Midlands	4,021	7,608	7,634	7,126	432	2,140	3,198	3,331
Eastern	4,611	9,195	10,058	10,738	599	3,172	4,009	3,985
Bedfordshire	461	1,005	1,039	1,160	72	309	368	346
Cambridgeshire	783	1,493	1,466	1,541	52	409	600	708
Essex	1,312	2,795	3,199	3,385	196	1,099	1,302	1,154
Hertfordshire	862	1,581	1,949	2,056	67	453	591	619
Norfolk	628	1,318	1,403	1,446	90	442	603	670
Suffolk	565	1,003	1,002	1,150	122	460	545	488
London	6,737	14,981	15,504	15,724	677	4,275	5,908	6,509
South East	6,234	13,125	14,079	14,591	593	3,710	5,336	5,437
Hampshire	1,976	3,711	3,773	4,008	197	950	1,296	1,336
Kent	1,250	2,599	2,778	3,012	108	863	1,282	1,207
Surrey	599	1,245	1,395	1,499	69	353	448	494
Sussex	1,013	2,291	2,649	2,658	41	577	1,086	1,031
Thames Valley	1,396	3,279	3,484	3,414	178	967	1,224	1,369
South West	3,572	7,138	7,715	8,138	392	2,022	2,538	2,741
Avon & Somerset	1,038	2,101	2,529	2,750	116	631	774	829
Devon & Cornwall	1,234	2,123	2,128	2,078	120	584	784	768
Dorset	459	1,078	1,108	1,150	50	324	412	490
Gloucestershire	438	870	1,017	1,125	65	252	305	369
Wiltshire	403	966	933	1,035	41	231	263	285
Wales	3,448	6,691	7,043	7,616	548	2,583	3,285	3,138
Dyfed-Powys	479	896	930	857	53	242	370	384
Gwent	608	1,414	1,401	1,409	41	409	541	513
North Wales	698	1,508	1,584	1,695	111	483	620	617
South Wales	1,663	2,873	3,128	3,655	343	1,449	1,754	1,624
All areas	53,248	111,752	117,860	120,743	5,848	32,727	44,421	45,502

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Table 3.8 Persons starting Community Order and Suspended Sentence Order supervision by number of requirements

England and Wales				
	2005	2006	2007	2008
Community Orders	53,248	111,752	117,860	120,743
1	25,913	53,042	57,699	60,503
2	18,137	40,132	41,235	42,428
3	7,836	15,854	16,033	15,073
4	1,198	2,381	2,542	2,393
5 or more	164	343	351	346
Average (mean)	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7
Suspended Sentence Orders	5,848	32,727	44,421	45,502
1	2,177	11,970	16,234	17,032
2	2,594	13,867	18,555	19,119
3	942	5,891	8,123	7,911
4	122	894	1,310	1,266
5 or more	13	105	199	174
Average (mean)	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9
Community Orders	100%	100%	100%	100%
1	49%	47%	49%	50%
2	34%	36%	35%	35%
3	15%	14%	14%	12%
4	2%	2%	2%	2%
5 or more	0%	0%	0%	0%
Suspended Sentence Orders	100%	100%	100%	100%
1	37%	37%	37%	37%
2	44%	42%	42%	42%
3	16%	18%	18%	17%
4	2%	3%	3%	3%
5 or more	0%	0%	0%	0%

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Table 3.9 Number of requirements commenced under Community Orders and Suspended Sentence Orders

England and Wales				
	2005	2006	2007	2008
Community Orders	96,133	211,905	223,511	226,234
Supervision	34,741	76,234	78,102	77,777
Unpaid Work	29,947	66,937	74,779	74,629
Accredited Programme	17,440	34,287	30,143	26,483
Curfew	3,209	9,615	12,608	15,526
Drug treatment	5,853	11,895	12,145	13,153
Specified Activity	2,638	7,706	8,763	9,639
Alcohol treatment	1,356	2,439	3,267	4,664
Residential	268	762	930	956
Prohibited Activity	130	483	847	1,116
Exclusion	195	510	845	1,029
Mental Health	262	750	652	739
Attendance Centre	94	287	430	523
Suspended Sentence Orders	10,643	62,216	85,901	86,980
Supervision	4,674	25,845	34,002	33,433
Unpaid Work	1,911	13,554	20,703	21,634
Accredited Programme	2,443	12,576	15,211	13,767
Curfew	526	3,341	5,434	6,309
Drug treatment	453	2,761	4,087	4,304
Specified Activity	264	2,108	2,869	3,055
Alcohol treatment	194	821	1,441	1,881
Residential	40	293	636	850
Prohibited Activity	40	341	603	797
Exclusion	54	376	610	659
Mental Health	34	177	253	222
Attendance Centre	10	23	52	69
Community Orders	100%	100%	100%	100%
Supervision	36%	36%	35%	34%
Unpaid Work	31%	32%	33%	33%
Accredited Programme	18%	16%	13%	12%
Curfew	3%	5%	6%	7%
Drug treatment	6%	6%	5%	6%
Specified Activity	3%	4%	4%	4%
Alcohol treatment	1%	1%	1%	2%
Residential	0%	0%	0%	0%
Prohibited Activity	0%	0%	0%	0%
Exclusion	0%	0%	0%	0%
Mental Health	0%	0%	0%	0%
Attendance Centre	0%	0%	0%	0%
Suspended Sentence Orders	100%	100%	100%	100%
Supervision	44%	42%	40%	38%
Unpaid Work	18%	22%	24%	25%
Accredited Programme	23%	20%	18%	16%
Curfew	5%	5%	6%	7%
Drug treatment	4%	4%	5%	5%
Specified Activity	2%	3%	3%	4%
Alcohol treatment	2%	1%	2%	2%
Residential	0%	0%	1%	1%
Prohibited Activity	0%	1%	1%	1%
Exclusion	1%	1%	1%	1%
Mental Health	0%	0%	0%	0%
Attendance Centre	0%	0%	0%	0%

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Table 3.10 Most frequently used combinations of requirements for Community Orders and Suspended Sentence Orders

England and Wales

	2005	2006	2007	2008
Community Orders	53,248	111,752	117,860	120,743
Unpaid Work	17,096	35,361	38,093	39,825
Supervision	7,162	14,516	15,511	15,093
Supervision & Accredited Programme	8,298	16,362	13,768	12,533
Supervision & Unpaid Work	3,677	8,369	9,216	9,278
Supervision & Drug Treatment	2,382	5,367	5,586	6,620
Supervision, Unpaid Work & Accredited Programme	3,490	6,142	5,231	4,191
Unpaid Work & Unpaid Work ⁽¹⁾	742	2,297	3,281	2,855
Curfew ⁽²⁾	504	1,962	3,050	4,385
Supervision & Specified Activity	592	2,009	2,301	2,430
Supervision, Accredited Programme & Drug Treatment	1,298	2,484	2,266	1,777
All other combinations of requirements	8,007	16,883	19,557	21,756
Suspended Sentence Orders	5,848	32,727	44,421	45,502
Unpaid Work	696	4,948	7,746	8,790
Supervision & Accredited Programme	1,425	6,529	7,342	6,713
Supervision	1,119	5,451	6,515	6,051
Supervision & Unpaid Work	473	3,255	4,815	4,951
Supervision, Unpaid Work & Accredited Programme	365	2,293	2,930	2,607
Supervision & Drug Treatment	203	1,332	1,997	2,361
Supervision & Curfew	117	687	1,005	1,155
Supervision, Accredited Programme & Drug Treatment	117	716	1,001	782
Curfew ⁽²⁾	74	514	966	1,256
Unpaid Work & Curfew	63	509	853	1,080
All other combinations of requirements	1,196	6,493	9,251	9,756

(1) Unpaid work may be given at sentence and again on breach.

(2) Does not include all standalone curfews, as most of these are not supervised by the Probation Service.

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Table 3.11 Persons starting court order supervision by the Probation Service in 2008, by ethnic group and region/area

England and Wales		Percentage of persons					
		% of those with ethnic group recorded (incl Not Stated)					
Probation Region/area	Missing	White	Mixed	Asian or Asian British	Black or Black British	Chinese or Other ethnic group	Not Stated
North East	2%	97%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%
Durham	1%	99%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Northumbria	3%	95%	1%	2%	1%	1%	0%
Teesside	1%	96%	1%	2%	1%	1%	0%
North West	2%	91%	1%	4%	2%	1%	1%
Cheshire	1%	98%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%
Cumbria	2%	99%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%
Lancashire	1%	92%	1%	6%	0%	0%	0%
Greater Manchester	1%	85%	2%	5%	4%	2%	2%
Merseyside	3%	94%	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%
Yorkshire & Humberside	2%	89%	2%	5%	3%	1%	0%
Humberside	2%	96%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%
North Yorkshire	2%	98%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%
South Yorkshire	1%	90%	2%	3%	3%	1%	0%
West Yorkshire	4%	83%	3%	9%	4%	1%	0%
East Midlands	1%	88%	3%	5%	5%	1%	0%
Derbyshire	2%	91%	2%	3%	2%	1%	0%
Leicestershire	1%	79%	4%	12%	5%	1%	0%
Lincolnshire	0%	98%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%
Northamptonshire	0%	89%	2%	2%	6%	0%	0%
Nottinghamshire	2%	86%	3%	3%	7%	1%	0%
West Midlands	1%	75%	3%	8%	6%	1%	6%
Staffordshire	0%	93%	1%	3%	2%	1%	0%
Warwickshire	2%	93%	2%	3%	2%	1%	0%
West Mercia	5%	95%	2%	2%	1%	1%	0%
West Midlands	0%	63%	5%	12%	9%	1%	11%
Eastern	2%	89%	2%	3%	4%	1%	0%
Bedfordshire	0%	69%	4%	13%	12%	1%	0%
Cambridgeshire	1%	90%	2%	3%	3%	1%	1%
Essex	3%	92%	2%	1%	4%	1%	0%
Hertfordshire	0%	86%	3%	4%	6%	1%	1%
Norfolk	1%	96%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%
Suffolk	2%	91%	2%	1%	3%	3%	1%
London	2%	49%	6%	10%	25%	4%	7%
South East	1%	90%	2%	3%	3%	1%	1%
Hampshire	1%	94%	2%	2%	2%	1%	0%
Kent	0%	93%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%
Surrey	2%	89%	2%	3%	3%	1%	2%
Sussex	1%	92%	2%	2%	3%	1%	1%
Thames Valley	1%	80%	4%	8%	6%	1%	1%
South West	2%	93%	2%	1%	3%	1%	1%
Avon & Somerset	1%	89%	3%	2%	5%	1%	1%
Devon & Cornwall	2%	97%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%
Dorset	3%	95%	1%	1%	2%	0%	0%
Gloucestershire	0%	91%	3%	1%	4%	1%	2%
Wiltshire	2%	93%	2%	1%	3%	1%	0%
Wales	2%	95%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%
Dyfed-Powys	3%	98%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
Gwent	0%	95%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%
North Wales	4%	98%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
South Wales	2%	94%	2%	2%	2%	1%	0%
All areas	2%	84%	3%	5%	6%	1%	2%

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Table 3.12 Persons starting pre or post release supervision by the Probation Service in 2008, by ethnic group and region/area

England and Wales		Percentage of persons					
		% of those with ethnic group recorded (incl Not Stated)					
Probation area	Missing	White	Mixed	Asian or Asian British	Black or Black British	Chinese or Other ethnic group	Not Stated
North East	1%	94%	1%	2%	1%	2%	0%
Durham	0%	98%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%
Northumbria	2%	94%	1%	2%	1%	3%	0%
Teesside	1%	91%	1%	4%	2%	2%	0%
North West	4%	87%	2%	4%	3%	2%	2%
Cheshire	1%	95%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%
Cumbria	3%	98%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%
Lancashire	2%	89%	1%	8%	1%	1%	0%
Greater Manchester	4%	79%	3%	6%	6%	2%	3%
Merseyside	7%	92%	1%	0%	2%	2%	3%
Yorkshire & Humberside	2%	82%	3%	8%	4%	2%	1%
Humberside	1%	95%	1%	1%	1%	2%	0%
North Yorkshire	2%	97%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%
South Yorkshire	1%	84%	4%	4%	6%	2%	0%
West Yorkshire	3%	72%	5%	14%	6%	2%	1%
East Midlands	1%	83%	4%	5%	7%	2%	0%
Derbyshire	1%	87%	2%	5%	5%	1%	0%
Leicestershire	1%	70%	7%	12%	10%	2%	0%
Lincolnshire	0%	98%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%
Northamptonshire	1%	86%	3%	3%	5%	3%	0%
Nottinghamshire	2%	81%	4%	2%	10%	2%	1%
West Midlands	1%	67%	5%	10%	9%	2%	8%
Staffordshire	1%	87%	3%	5%	3%	3%	0%
Warwickshire	5%	87%	3%	4%	4%	2%	0%
West Mercia	2%	92%	2%	3%	1%	1%	0%
West Midlands	1%	60%	5%	12%	12%	2%	10%
Eastern	4%	82%	3%	5%	6%	3%	1%
Bedfordshire	2%	59%	6%	18%	14%	2%	1%
Cambridgeshire	4%	88%	2%	4%	4%	2%	1%
Essex	7%	88%	2%	2%	5%	3%	1%
Hertfordshire	0%	77%	4%	8%	8%	3%	1%
Norfolk	2%	91%	2%	2%	2%	3%	0%
Suffolk	1%	86%	3%	2%	5%	4%	0%
London	4%	37%	6%	8%	28%	9%	12%
South East	3%	81%	3%	5%	5%	2%	4%
Hampshire	6%	92%	3%	1%	3%	1%	0%
Kent	0%	79%	2%	2%	4%	1%	12%
Surrey	3%	85%	2%	5%	4%	1%	2%
Sussex	0%	74%	2%	3%	9%	2%	9%
Thames Valley	2%	68%	5%	12%	9%	2%	3%
South West	3%	87%	3%	1%	6%	2%	1%
Avon & Somerset	3%	81%	4%	2%	9%	2%	1%
Devon & Cornwall	2%	96%	2%	1%	1%	0%	0%
Dorset	2%	89%	2%	1%	4%	4%	0%
Gloucestershire	1%	86%	3%	1%	7%	2%	1%
Wiltshire	4%	85%	4%	3%	6%	1%	1%
Wales	2%	92%	2%	3%	2%	1%	0%
Dyfed-Powys	2%	99%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
Gwent	0%	90%	1%	4%	3%	2%	0%
North Wales	3%	97%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%
South Wales	3%	88%	3%	4%	3%	2%	0%
All areas	3%	75%	3%	6%	9%	3%	4%

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Chapter 4: Offenders on the Probation Service caseload

- On 31 December 2008, there were 147,000 offenders being supervised under court orders by the Probation Service, 2 per cent fewer than at the end of 2007 but 26 per cent more than at the end of 2002.
- Between 2002 and 2008, the court order caseload increased by 29 per cent for male offenders, compared to 13 per cent for female offenders.
- The Probation Service was supervising 107,000 people under *community sentences* at the end of 2008, 4 per cent fewer than a year earlier. There was an 8 per cent fall in *Community Sentences* being supervised at the end of the year between 31 December 2002 and 31 December 2008. [*Community sentences* do not include Suspended Sentence Orders (SSOs).]
- There were 101,000 people being supervised under Community Orders at the end of 2008, a 1 per cent fall on 2007; and 44,000 were supervised under SSOs, a 2 per cent increase on 2007.
- Sentencing trends show that the proportion of offenders receiving a community sentence has fallen since SSOs were introduced in April 2005, suggesting that a number of SSOs have been given to offenders who would previously have been given non-custodial sentences.
- The average length of a Community Order for those being supervised at the end of 2008 was 15.4 months, compared to 17.3 months in 2007. This average has fallen year on year. For SSOs the average length on caseload was 18.5 months. This has remained fairly stable in each of the last 4 years.
- Of those supervised under Community Orders in 2008, 49 per cent had committed summary offences, compared to 35 per cent for those under SSOs. These percentages are slightly lower than in 2007.
- Women tended to be older than men among the court order caseload. Fifty-two per cent of women under Community Orders on 31 December 2008 were aged 30 plus, compared to 45 per cent of men. For SSOs the percentages were 55 and 46 respectively. For Community Orders, 17 per cent of men were aged under 21, compared to 15 per cent of women. For SSOs the equivalent percentages were 16 and 12.
- Fifteen per cent of those under Community Orders and 16 per cent of those under SSOs on 31 December 2008 were from a minority ethnic group. The largest single minority ethnic group was Black or Black British, accounting for 6 per cent and 7 per cent respectively under Community Orders and SSOs. For both orders males were represented more highly than females among the Asian or Asian British group in particular.

- Supervision *tier* indicates the level of intervention required with offenders, with tier 1 being the lowest and tier 4 the highest. Forty-one per cent of offenders supervised under Community Orders at the end of 2008 were supervised under tier 3 and 27 per cent were under each of tier 1 and tier 2. The equivalent percentages for SSOs were 50 in tier 3, 28 in tier 2 and 17 in tier 1. For both order types, there were proportionately far more females than males under tier 2, and conversely far fewer under tier 3. Compared to 2007, there were proportionately more offenders in tier 1 and fewer offenders in tier 2 in 2008. This was true for Community Orders and SSOs.
- There were 98,500 offenders receiving pre or post release supervision by the Probation Service on 31 December 2008, an increase of 4 per cent on 2007 and 28 per cent on 2002. Post release caseload increased by 12 per cent between 2007 and 2008, compared to just 1 per cent for pre release caseload. The post release increase is due partly to changes brought in by the Criminal Justice Act 2003, which mean that offenders now spend longer on licence than in the past.
- Thirteen per cent of offenders under the supervision of the probation service at the end of 2008 had no previous convictions or cautions recorded on the Police National Computer, whilst 19 per cent had 15 or more. Seventeen per cent of offenders serving Community Orders had 15 or more previous convictions or cautions compared with 19 per cent for Suspended Sentence Orders and 25 per cent for those under post release supervision.
- Male offenders on the probation service caseload were more likely to have previous convictions or cautions than female offenders; at the end of 2008 23 per cent of female offenders had no previous recorded convictions or cautions compared with 11 per cent for males.
- Those offenders with the most substantial criminal history are likely to be those with the most requirements associated with their court orders. Of the offenders on the caseload at the end of 2008 with one requirement, 18 per cent had no previous convictions or cautions. In contrast, only 3 per cent of offenders with 5 or more requirements had no previous convictions or cautions.

Table 4.1 Persons supervised⁽¹⁾ by the Probation Service under court orders and pre and post release by sentence type and sex

England and Wales, 31st December							Number of persons	
Type of sentence	2002	2003	2004 ⁽⁴⁾	2005	2006	2007	2008 ⁽⁵⁾	
MALES AND FEMALES								
All court orders	116,125	120,734	128,217	137,377	146,532	150,179	146,725	
All community sentences	116,125	120,734	128,217	132,877	121,367	111,454	106,714	
Community order	*	*	*	46,846	93,895	101,858	101,153	
CRO	61,294	62,552	64,155	44,792	14,132	3,774	1,447	
CPO ⁽²⁾	34,331	36,649	40,288	25,392	7,945	3,260	2,231	
CPO (breach)	2,505	2,664	2,669	2,533	1,181	572	304	
CPRO	18,075	18,030	19,388	15,288	5,817	2,492	1,739	
DTTO	3,912	5,373	6,722	4,702	823	131	84	
C&YP 1969 ⁽³⁾	29	28	22	27	36	41	55	
SSSO	576	582	580	687	478	170	89	
MPSO	2,330	1,979	1,705	1,196	607	273	173	
Other court orders								
Deferred sentence	*	*	*	42	69	111	90	
Suspended sentence	*	*	*	5,383	28,364	42,912	43,977	
All pre and post release supervision	77,235	80,399	83,408	89,438	90,740	94,459	98,477	
Pre release supervision	55,732	59,821	61,328	64,682	65,378	66,381	66,864	
Post release supervision	22,000	21,106	22,739	25,603	26,096	28,721	32,220	
MALES								
All court orders	97,050	102,167	108,723	116,854	125,504	128,561	125,229	
All community sentences	97,050	102,167	108,723	112,921	103,635	95,165	90,970	
Community order	*	*	*	40,356	80,652	86,952	86,066	
CRO	48,649	50,571	52,160	36,626	11,580	3,142	1,227	
CPO ⁽²⁾	30,773	33,009	36,125	22,274	6,886	2,909	2,044	
CPO (breach)	2,309	2,474	2,478	2,322	1,081	546	283	
CPRO	16,107	16,283	17,576	13,806	5,125	2,198	1,561	
DTTO	3,195	4,332	5,334	3,772	638	98	67	
C&YP 1969 ⁽³⁾	24	26	20	23	31	35	49	
SSSO	373	397	363	436	315	120	60	
MPSO	1,762	1,482	1,254	884	447	199	123	
Other court orders								
Deferred sentence	*	*	*	33	49	86	77	
Suspended sentence	*	*	*	4,727	24,698	37,091	37,759	
All pre and post release supervision	72,840	75,615	78,436	84,192	85,583	89,269	93,136	
Pre release supervision	52,549	56,245	57,750	60,923	61,743	62,969	63,535	
Post release supervision	20,777	19,839	21,319	24,095	24,550	26,930	30,190	
FEMALES								
All court orders	19,075	18,567	19,494	20,523	21,028	21,618	21,496	
All community sentences	19,075	18,567	19,494	19,956	17,732	16,289	15,744	
Community order	*	*	*	6,490	13,243	14,906	15,087	
CRO	12,645	11,981	11,995	8,166	2,552	632	220	
CPO ⁽²⁾	3,558	3,640	4,163	3,118	1,059	351	187	
CPO (breach)	196	190	191	211	100	26	21	
CPRO	1,968	1,747	1,812	1,482	692	294	178	
DTTO	717	1,041	1,388	930	185	33	17	
C&YP 1969 ⁽³⁾	5	2	2	4	5	6	6	
SSSO	203	185	217	251	163	50	29	
MPSO	568	497	451	312	160	74	50	
Other court orders								
Deferred sentence	*	*	*	9	20	25	13	
Suspended sentence	*	*	*	656	3,666	5,821	6,218	
All pre and post release supervision	4,395	4,784	4,972	5,246	5,157	5,190	5,341	
Pre release supervision	3,183	3,576	3,578	3,759	3,635	3,412	3,329	
Post release supervision	1,223	1,267	1,420	1,508	1,546	1,791	2,030	

(1) Each person is counted only once in the total even if they were subject to several types of sentence at the year end.

(2) Includes CPOs for persistent petty offending and CPOs for fine default.

(3) Transfer of responsibility for supervision of offenders aged 16 to 17 to Youth Offending Teams began in 2000.

(4) The all community sentences and CRO figures for 2004 are slightly understated, due to an under-recording of the CRO caseload data submitted by the London Probation Service for the fourth quarter 2004.

(5) The pre and post release figures for 2008 are slightly understated, due to an under-recording of the caseload data submitted by the West Midlands probation area for the fourth quarter 2008.

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Table 4.2 Persons supervised by the Probation Service under Community Orders and Suspended Sentence Orders by length of order and sex

England and Wales, 31st December	Number of persons			
	2005	2006	2007	2008
Community Order				
MALES AND FEMALES	46,846	93,895	101,858	101,153
under 1 year	2,834	4,285	5,033	5,593
1 year	28,059	55,353	60,136	62,647
2 years ⁽¹⁾	12,410	30,397	32,090	29,518
3 years ⁽¹⁾	3,543	3,860	4,599	3,395
Average length of order (months)	22.0	18.6	17.3	15.4
MALES	40,356	80,652	86,952	86,066
under 1 year	2,164	3,286	3,870	4,244
1 year	24,102	47,322	51,024	53,122
2 years ⁽¹⁾	10,890	26,539	27,846	25,536
3 years ⁽¹⁾	3,200	3,505	4,212	3,164
Average length of order (months)	22.6	19.0	17.6	15.6
FEMALES	6,490	13,243	14,906	15,087
under 1 year	670	999	1,163	1,349
1 year	3,957	8,031	9,112	9,525
2 years ⁽¹⁾	1,520	3,858	4,244	3,982
3 years ⁽¹⁾	343	355	387	231
Average length of order (months)	18.4	16.5	15.7	14.2
Suspended Sentence Order				
MALES AND FEMALES	5,383	28,364	42,912	43,977
under 1 year	224	607	447	438
1 year	2,512	11,219	15,000	14,904
2 years ⁽¹⁾	2,417	15,889	27,281	28,499
3 years or more	230	649	184	136
Average length of order (months)	18.3	18.2	18.4	18.5
MALES	4,727	24,698	37,091	37,759
under 1 year	194	504	359	348
1 year	2,187	9,688	12,889	12,703
2 years ⁽¹⁾	2,141	13,957	23,673	24,584
3 years or more	205	549	170	124
Average length of order (months)	18.4	18.2	18.5	18.5
FEMALES	656	3,666	5,821	6,218
under 1 year	30	103	88	90
1 year	325	1,531	2,111	2,201
2 years ⁽¹⁾	276	1,932	3,608	3,915
3 years or more	25	100	14	12
Average length of order (months)	17.2	17.9	18.0	18.2

(1) Includes a small number of orders for less than the full number of years.

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Table 4.3 Persons supervised by the Probation Service under Community Orders and Suspended Sentence Orders by type of offence and sex

England and Wales, 31st December		Number of persons		
Offence groups	2005	2006	2007	2008
Community Order				
MALES AND FEMALES	46,846	93,895	101,858	101,153
Violence against the person	4,345	9,738	10,246	9,817
Sexual offences	156	702	1,150	1,422
Robbery	106	343	407	370
Burglary	1,985	4,063	4,341	4,258
Theft and handling	9,464	15,790	16,306	17,204
Fraud and forgery	933	2,724	3,681	3,894
Criminal damage	1,446	3,019	3,245	3,088
Indictable motoring offences	393	910	925	774
Other indictable offences	3,616	9,256	10,481	10,890
Summary motoring offences	13,531	20,561	19,337	16,073
Other summary offences	10,871	26,789	31,739	33,363
MALES	40,356	80,652	86,952	86,066
Violence against the person	3,820	8,468	8,815	8,490
Sexual offences	155	689	1,129	1,400
Robbery	91	289	354	328
Burglary	1,869	3,823	4,069	3,962
Theft and handling	7,151	12,033	12,590	13,238
Fraud and forgery	611	1,744	2,265	2,435
Criminal damage	1,338	2,782	2,954	2,781
Indictable motoring offences	376	868	874	714
Other indictable offences	3,156	8,053	9,168	9,580
Summary motoring offences	12,194	18,422	17,142	14,129
Other summary offences	9,595	23,481	27,592	29,009
FEMALES	6,490	13,243	14,906	15,087
Violence against the person	525	1,270	1,431	1,327
Sexual offences	1	13	21	22
Robbery	15	54	53	42
Burglary	116	240	272	296
Theft and handling	2,313	3,757	3,716	3,966
Fraud and forgery	322	980	1,416	1,459
Criminal damage	108	237	291	307
Indictable motoring offences	17	42	51	60
Other indictable offences	460	1,203	1,313	1,310
Summary motoring offences	1,337	2,139	2,195	1,944
Other summary offences	1,276	3,308	4,147	4,354
Suspended Sentence Order				
MALES AND FEMALES	5,383	28,364	42,912	43,977
Violence against the person	743	4,838	8,052	8,572
Sexual offences	25	223	465	556
Robbery	20	222	483	536
Burglary	280	1,507	2,420	2,495
Theft and handling	769	3,673	5,013	5,031
Fraud and forgery	100	976	2,019	2,517
Criminal damage	99	530	803	776
Indictable motoring offences	81	578	911	824
Other indictable offences	451	3,588	6,442	7,192
Summary motoring offences	1,838	6,272	7,279	5,808
Other summary offences	977	5,957	9,025	9,670
MALES	4,727	24,698	37,091	37,759
Violence against the person	629	4,282	7,140	7,533
Sexual offences	24	214	440	528
Robbery	17	197	416	469
Burglary	262	1,398	2,275	2,331
Theft and handling	584	2,793	3,860	3,891
Fraud and forgery	68	626	1,253	1,562
Criminal damage	82	478	711	683
Indictable motoring offences	79	551	857	792
Other indictable offences	396	3,043	5,507	6,161
Summary motoring offences	1,720	5,857	6,733	5,308
Other summary offences	866	5,259	7,899	8,501
FEMALES	656	3,666	5,821	6,218
Violence against the person	114	556	912	1039
Sexual offences	1	9	25	28
Robbery	3	25	67	67
Burglary	18	109	145	164
Theft and handling	185	880	1,153	1,140
Fraud and forgery	32	350	766	955
Criminal damage	17	52	92	93
Indictable motoring offences	2	27	54	32
Other indictable offences	55	545	935	1031
Summary motoring offences	118	415	546	500
Other summary offences	111	698	1,126	1,169

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Table 4.4 Persons supervised by the Probation Service under Community Orders and Suspended Sentence Orders by age(1) and sex

England and Wales, 31st December		Number of persons			
Age groups	2005	2006	2007	2008	
Community Order					
MALES AND FEMALES	46,846	93,895	101,858	101,153	
18-20	8,793	17,199	17,870	17,108	
21-24	8,925	17,753	18,743	18,663	
25-29	8,376	16,615	18,169	18,481	
30-39	12,559	24,975	27,120	26,347	
40-49	6,137	13,127	14,899	15,432	
50-59	1,716	3,475	4,122	4,124	
60 and over	340	751	935	998	
MALES	40,356	80,652	86,952	86,066	
18-20	7,797	15,166	15,687	14,902	
21-24	7,737	15,559	16,359	16,302	
25-29	7,198	14,277	15,497	15,748	
30-39	10,625	21,019	22,712	22,022	
40-49	5,228	10,978	12,338	12,718	
50-59	1,467	2,981	3,499	3,477	
60 and over	304	672	860	897	
FEMALES	6,490	13,243	14,906	15,087	
18-20	996	2,033	2,183	2,206	
21-24	1,188	2,194	2,384	2,361	
25-29	1,178	2,338	2,672	2,733	
30-39	1,934	3,956	4,408	4,325	
40-49	909	2,149	2,561	2,714	
50-59	249	494	623	647	
60 and over	36	79	75	101	
Suspended Sentence Order					
MALES AND FEMALES	5,383	28,364	42,912	43,977	
18-20	723	4,135	6,364	6,677	
21-24	960	5,444	8,172	8,376	
25-29	1,054	5,203	7,849	8,175	
30-39	1,550	7,806	11,452	11,411	
40-49	787	4,242	6,582	6,814	
50-59	240	1,210	1,972	1,938	
60 and over	70	324	521	586	
MALES	4,727	24,698	37,091	37,759	
18-20	646	3,670	5,648	5,931	
21-24	844	4,871	7,258	7,438	
25-29	933	4,557	6,862	7,052	
30-39	1,354	6,688	9,742	9,582	
40-49	668	3,586	5,459	5,631	
50-59	216	1,033	1,656	1,599	
60 and over	67	293	466	526	
FEMALES	656	3,666	5,821	6,218	
18-20	77	465	716	746	
21-24	116	573	914	938	
25-29	121	646	987	1,123	
30-39	196	1,118	1,710	1,829	
40-49	119	656	1,123	1,183	
50-59	24	177	316	339	
60 and over	3	31	55	60	

(1) Age at 31st December.

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Table 4.5 Persons supervised by the Probation Service under Community Orders and Suspended Sentence Orders by sentence type, ethnic group and sex, 2008

England and Wales, 31st December 2008

Number of persons

	Missing	White	Mixed	Asian or Asian British	Black or Black British	Chinese or Other ethnic group	Not Stated
MALES AND FEMALES							
Community order	1,007	83,226	2,650	4,522	6,423	1,296	2,029
Suspended sentence order	292	35,703	1,194	2,191	3,096	524	977
MALES							
Community order	843	70,342	2,221	4,288	5,526	1,134	1,712
Suspended sentence order	250	30,587	977	2,037	2,614	464	830
FEMALES							
Community order	164	12,884	429	234	897	162	317
Suspended sentence order	42	5,116	217	154	482	60	147

Percentage of those with ethnic group recorded (including Not Stated)

	Missing	White	Mixed	Asian or Asian British	Black or Black British	Chinese or Other ethnic group	Not Stated
MALES AND FEMALES							
Community order	1%	82%	3%	4%	6%	1%	2%
Suspended sentence order	1%	81%	3%	5%	7%	1%	2%
MALES							
Community order	1%	82%	3%	5%	6%	1%	2%
Suspended sentence order	1%	81%	3%	5%	7%	1%	2%
FEMALES							
Community order	1%	85%	3%	2%	6%	1%	2%
Suspended sentence order	1%	82%	3%	2%	8%	1%	2%

Data Sources and Quality

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Table 4.6 Persons supervised by the Probation Service under Community Orders and Suspended Sentence Orders by supervision tier and sex, 2008

England and Wales, 31st December 2008

Number of persons

	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3	Tier 4	Not Stated	Total
MALES AND FEMALES						
Community order	26,978	27,791	41,519	4,267	598	101,153
Suspended sentence order	7,390	12,188	21,770	2,448	181	43,977
MALES						
Community order	23,065	21,874	36,603	4,007	517	86,066
Suspended sentence order	6,192	9,806	19,312	2,296	153	37,759
FEMALES						
Community order	3,913	5,917	4,916	260	81	15,087
Suspended sentence order	1,198	2,382	2,458	152	28	6,218
Percentage	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3	Tier 4	Not Stated	Total
MALES AND FEMALES						
Community order	27%	27%	41%	4%	1%	100
Suspended sentence order	17%	28%	50%	6%	0%	100
MALES						
Community order	27%	25%	43%	5%	1%	100
Suspended sentence order	16%	26%	51%	6%	1%	100
FEMALES						
Community order	26%	39%	33%	2%	1%	100
Suspended sentence order	19%	38%	40%	2%	0%	100

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Table 4.7 Persons supervised by the Probation Service under Community Order and Suspended Sentence Order by region and area

England and Wales, 31st December					Number of persons			
Probation area	Community Order				Suspended Sentence Order			
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2005	2006	2007	2008
North East	2,750	5,973	6,752	6,914	327	1,494	2,505	2,772
Durham	542	1,215	1,505	1,448	121	353	567	617
Northumbria	1,409	3,202	3,519	3,588	106	628	1,201	1,388
Teesside	799	1,556	1,728	1,878	100	513	737	767
North West	7,365	15,250	16,389	15,180	834	4,784	7,414	7,120
Cheshire	710	1,623	1,683	1,788	65	435	668	689
Cumbria	560	929	1,046	1,074	36	175	395	338
Lancashire	1,569	3,014	3,417	3,219	123	976	1,451	1,450
Greater Manchester	2,988	6,059	6,306	5,804	488	2,354	3,323	3,008
Merseyside	1,538	3,625	3,937	3,295	122	844	1,577	1,635
Yorkshire & Humberside	5,423	9,720	10,199	10,636	608	2,810	3,826	3,676
Humberside	842	1,448	1,533	1,562	143	663	907	792
North Yorkshire	700	996	922	991	56	308	432	410
South Yorkshire	1,379	2,506	2,526	2,553	243	938	1,145	1,138
West Yorkshire	2,502	4,770	5,218	5,530	166	901	1,342	1,336
East Midlands	3,685	6,863	7,282	7,256	456	2,311	3,276	3,279
Derbyshire	690	1,358	1,559	1,640	97	542	752	847
Leicestershire	897	1,692	1,633	1,497	161	549	804	797
Lincolnshire	419	870	846	863	54	327	449	348
Northamptonshire	467	1,003	1,119	1,088	8	128	347	460
Nottinghamshire	1,212	1,940	2,125	2,168	136	765	924	827
West Midlands	5,746	11,746	12,298	11,521	538	2,781	5,161	5,478
Staffordshire	889	1,868	1,871	1,779	54	421	746	917
Warwickshire	370	739	842	820	16	162	252	254
West Mercia	805	1,582	1,770	1,708	67	479	792	721
West Midlands	3,682	7,557	7,815	7,214	401	1,719	3,371	3,586
Eastern	4,162	8,054	8,926	8,984	579	2,860	4,130	4,139
Bedfordshire	432	761	823	846	69	268	326	316
Cambridgeshire	688	1,283	1,441	1,286	58	360	649	720
Essex	1,170	2,616	3,149	3,211	174	984	1,459	1,369
Hertfordshire	761	1,435	1,630	1,638	69	483	658	711
Norfolk	624	1,151	1,057	1,057	97	386	524	506
Suffolk	487	808	826	946	112	379	514	517
London	6,385	14,286	15,894	16,138	617	4,115	6,194	6,926
South East	5,275	10,645	11,820	11,681	551	3,202	4,844	5,009
Hampshire	1,672	2,847	2,956	3,156	186	810	1,126	1,195
Kent	1,035	2,162	2,376	2,451	94	742	1,258	1,218
Surrey	472	903	1,007	982	63	291	340	389
Sussex	881	1,895	2,368	2,140	40	516	997	960
Thames Valley	1,215	2,838	3,113	2,952	168	843	1,123	1,247
South West	2,993	5,794	6,403	6,632	358	1,713	2,325	2,507
Avon & Somerset	915	1,749	2,244	2,421	105	557	759	801
Devon & Cornwall	980	1,686	1,633	1,656	107	468	680	726
Dorset	374	799	800	799	49	257	334	396
Gloucestershire	376	796	919	901	56	221	294	339
Wiltshire	348	764	807	855	41	210	258	245
Wales	3,062	5,564	5,895	6,211	515	2,294	3,237	3,071
Dyfed-Powys	420	639	701	666	50	218	373	374
Gwent	576	1,218	1,339	1,299	38	367	550	506
North Wales	621	1,333	1,331	1,322	106	474	715	673
South Wales	1,445	2,374	2,524	2,924	321	1,235	1,599	1,518
All areas	46,846	93,895	101,858	101,153	5,383	28,364	42,912	43,977

Data Sources and Quality

These figures have been drawn from administrative IT systems. Care is taken when processing and analysing the returns, but the detail collected is subject to the inaccuracies inherent in any large scale recording system, and so although shown to the last individual, the figures may not be accurate to that level. See Technical appendix of report for fuller information.

Table 4.8 Persons under supervision in the community by the Probation Service at the end of 2007 and 2008 by sex, sentence type and number of previous convictions and cautions ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

England & Wales

Sex and sentence type	2007								2008							
	Offenders		Percentage						Offenders		Percentage					
	All offenders (4)	found on PNC (100%)	Number of previous convictions/cautions						All offenders (4)	found on PNC (100%)	Number of previous convictions/cautions					
			Nil	1-2	3-6	7-10	11-14	15 or more			Nil	1-2	3-6	7-10	11-14	15 or more
MALES AND FEMALES																
All Pre CJA orders	10,077	9,463	19%	24%	28%	14%	7%	8%	5,494	5,340	17%	25%	31%	14%	7%	8%
Community order	98,649	96,892	13%	22%	27%	14%	9%	16%	97,883	96,889	13%	22%	26%	14%	9%	17%
Suspended sentence order	41,224	40,601	12%	18%	25%	15%	10%	20%	41,880	41,455	13%	19%	24%	15%	10%	19%
All court orders	149,950	146,956	13%	21%	26%	14%	9%	17%	145,257	143,684	13%	21%	26%	14%	9%	18%
Post release supervision	28,059	27,542	13%	15%	21%	15%	12%	25%	30,874	30,666	13%	15%	20%	15%	12%	25%
All Probation Service community supervision ⁽³⁾	178,115	174,603	13%	20%	25%	14%	9%	18%	176,220	174,438	13%	20%	25%	14%	9%	19%
MALES																
All Pre CJA orders	8,621	8,140	17%	23%	29%	14%	8%	9%	4,784	4,656	15%	25%	31%	14%	7%	8%
Community order	84,088	82,805	11%	21%	27%	14%	9%	17%	83,207	82,537	11%	21%	26%	14%	9%	18%
Suspended sentence order	35,578	35,133	10%	17%	25%	16%	10%	21%	35,922	35,644	11%	18%	25%	15%	10%	20%
All court orders	128,287	126,078	11%	20%	27%	15%	9%	18%	123,913	122,837	11%	20%	26%	15%	9%	18%
Post release supervision	26,318	25,871	12%	15%	21%	15%	12%	25%	28,929	28,752	12%	15%	20%	15%	12%	25%
All Probation Service community supervision ⁽³⁾	154,689	152,032	11%	20%	26%	15%	10%	19%	152,919	151,665	11%	19%	25%	15%	10%	20%
FEMALES																
All Pre CJA orders	1,456	1,323	30%	27%	23%	9%	4%	6%	710	684	28%	26%	26%	11%	5%	5%
Community order	14,561	14,087	21%	26%	25%	11%	6%	11%	14,676	14,352	20%	25%	24%	12%	7%	13%
Suspended sentence order	5,646	5,468	26%	22%	23%	12%	6%	12%	5,958	5,811	28%	23%	21%	11%	6%	12%
All court orders	21,663	20,878	23%	25%	24%	11%	6%	11%	21,344	20,847	23%	24%	23%	11%	6%	12%
Post release supervision	1,741	1,671	25%	18%	18%	13%	9%	18%	1,945	1,914	24%	18%	17%	13%	9%	19%
All Probation Service community supervision ⁽³⁾	23,426	22,571	23%	24%	24%	11%	6%	11%	23,301	22,773	23%	24%	23%	11%	7%	13%

(1) Previous convictions/cautions are a count of the number of distinct occasions where an offender received at least one conviction or caution for a recordable offence before the commencement of the current supervision (in the case of offenders receiving court orders) or before date of custodial sentence (for offenders on pre / post release supervision). Criminal histories are taken from the Ministry of Justice's extract of data from the Police National Computer.

(2) Each person is counted only once in the figures for each year; if they were recorded on the probation caseload more than once only their latest entry has been counted.

(3) All Probation Service community supervision includes some other types of court orders involving small number of offenders

(4) The sample consists of all offenders aged 18 or over on a court order or post release supervision at the end of December each year.

Data Source and Quality

These figures have been compiled using the Ministry of Justice's extract from the Police National Computer. Like any large scale recording system the PNC is subject to errors with data entry and recording. The PNC is regularly updated so that further analysis at a later date will generate revised figures. See the Technical Appendix for further information.

Table 4.9 Persons supervised by the Probation Service at the end of 2007 and 2008 following a court order, by sex, number of requirements and number of previous convictions and cautions

Order type, sex and number of requirements		England and Wales, 31st December																
		2007								2008								
		Offenders found on		Number of previous convictions/cautions						Offenders found on		Number of previous convictions/cautions						
All offenders	PNC (100%)	Nil	1-2	3-6	7-10	11-14	15 or more	All offenders	PNC (100%)	Nil	1-2	3-6	7-10	11-14	15 or more			
MALES AND FEMALES																		
ALL COURT ORDERS⁽¹⁾																		
1	62,178	60,121	18%	24%	25%	12%	7%	13%	57,225	56,262	18%	24%	25%	12%	7%	14%		
2	57,001	56,307	11%	20%	26%	15%	9%	19%	57,518	57,063	11%	20%	25%	14%	10%	19%		
3	24,630	24,436	7%	17%	28%	17%	10%	21%	24,300	24,166	7%	17%	27%	17%	11%	21%		
4	4,928	4,891	5%	15%	29%	19%	12%	21%	4,992	4,975	4%	16%	29%	18%	11%	22%		
5 or more	1,213	1,201	3%	15%	30%	18%	12%	22%	1,222	1,218	3%	15%	29%	19%	13%	21%		
Total	149,950	146,956	13%	21%	26%	14%	9%	17%	145,257	143,684	13%	21%	26%	14%	9%	18%		
COMMUNITY ORDERS																		
1	39,213	38,104	17%	25%	25%	12%	7%	13%	39,125	38,527	17%	25%	24%	12%	7%	14%		
2	39,075	38,601	11%	21%	27%	14%	9%	18%	39,107	38,814	11%	21%	26%	14%	9%	19%		
3	16,367	16,221	7%	19%	28%	16%	10%	20%	15,739	15,648	7%	18%	28%	17%	10%	20%		
4	3,192	3,171	5%	15%	31%	18%	12%	20%	3,127	3,118	4%	16%	30%	19%	11%	21%		
5 or more	802	795	4%	17%	32%	18%	10%	19%	785	782	3%	15%	29%	19%	13%	20%		
Total	98,649	96,892	13%	22%	27%	14%	9%	16%	97,883	96,889	13%	22%	26%	14%	9%	17%		
SUSPENDED SENTENCE ORDERS																		
1	12,980	12,645	20%	21%	23%	12%	8%	17%	12,645	12,434	21%	22%	22%	12%	7%	16%		
2	17,838	17,620	11%	18%	25%	16%	10%	21%	18,372	18,210	12%	18%	25%	15%	10%	20%		
3	8,260	8,211	6%	15%	27%	18%	11%	23%	8,561	8,518	7%	16%	26%	18%	11%	21%		
4	1,736	1,720	5%	13%	27%	20%	13%	23%	1,865	1,857	5%	15%	27%	18%	12%	23%		
5 or more	410	405	2%	11%	25%	20%	15%	27%	437	436	4%	13%	29%	19%	13%	23%		
Total	41,224	40,601	12%	18%	25%	15%	10%	20%	41,880	41,455	13%	19%	24%	15%	10%	19%		

Table 4.9 Persons supervised by the Probation Service at the end of 2007 and 2008 following a court order, by sex, number of requirements and number of previous convictions and cautions

Order type, sex and number of requirements		England and Wales, 31st December																
		2007								2008								
		Offenders found on		Number of previous convictions/cautions						Offenders found on		Number of previous convictions/cautions						
All offenders	PNC (100%)	Nil	1-2	3-6	7-10	11-14	15 or more	All offenders	PNC (100%)	Nil	1-2	3-6	7-10	11-14	15 or more			
MALES																		
ALL COURT ORDERS⁽¹⁾																		
1	51,371	49,885	16%	24%	26%	13%	8%	14%	47,139	46,488	16%	24%	25%	13%	8%	15%		
2	49,181	48,658	10%	19%	26%	15%	10%	19%	49,372	49,067	10%	19%	26%	15%	10%	20%		
3	22,100	21,938	6%	17%	28%	17%	11%	21%	21,761	21,660	6%	17%	28%	18%	11%	21%		
4	4,498	4,471	4%	14%	29%	19%	12%	21%	4,508	4,493	4%	15%	29%	18%	11%	22%		
5 or more	1,137	1,126	3%	14%	30%	18%	12%	23%	1,133	1,129	3%	15%	29%	18%	13%	22%		
Total	128,287	126,078	11%	20%	27%	15%	9%	18%	123,913	122,837	11%	20%	26%	15%	9%	18%		
COMMUNITY ORDERS																		
1	32,239	31,452	15%	25%	26%	12%	8%	14%	32,146	31,747	16%	24%	25%	12%	8%	15%		
2	33,547	33,195	10%	21%	27%	15%	9%	18%	33,474	33,285	10%	20%	26%	14%	9%	20%		
3	14,636	14,514	6%	18%	28%	17%	10%	21%	14,040	13,969	6%	18%	28%	17%	11%	21%		
4	2,907	2,892	4%	15%	31%	18%	12%	20%	2,816	2,808	4%	16%	29%	19%	11%	21%		
5	759	752	4%	16%	32%	17%	10%	20%	731	728	3%	16%	29%	18%	14%	21%		
Total	84,088	82,805	11%	21%	27%	14%	9%	17%	83,207	82,537	11%	21%	26%	14%	9%	18%		
SUSPENDED SENTENCE ORDERS																		
1	10,587	10,368	16%	21%	24%	13%	8%	18%	10,244	10,120	17%	22%	23%	13%	8%	17%		
2	15,561	15,392	9%	17%	26%	16%	10%	22%	15,863	15,747	10%	18%	25%	15%	11%	21%		
3	7,461	7,420	6%	14%	27%	18%	12%	23%	7,721	7,691	6%	15%	27%	19%	12%	22%		
4	1,591	1,579	4%	13%	26%	20%	13%	24%	1,692	1,685	4%	15%	27%	18%	12%	24%		
5 or more	378	374	2%	10%	26%	19%	16%	28%	402	401	3%	13%	30%	18%	13%	23%		
Total	35,578	35,133	10%	17%	25%	16%	10%	21%	35,922	35,644	11%	18%	25%	15%	10%	20%		

Table 4.9 Persons supervised by the Probation Service at the end of 2007 and 2008 following a court order, by sex, number of requirements and number of previous convictions and cautions

Order type, sex and number of requirements		England and Wales, 31st December															
		2007								2008							
		Offenders found on		Number of previous convictions/cautions						Offenders found on		Number of previous convictions/cautions					
All offenders	PNC (100%)	Nil	1-2	3-6	7-10	11-14	15 or more	All offenders	PNC (100%)	Nil	1-2	3-6	7-10	11-14	15 or more		
FEMALES																	
ALL COURT ORDERS⁽¹⁾																	
1	10,807	10,236	29%	26%	22%	9%	5%	8%	10,086	9,774	29%	27%	21%	9%	5%	9%	
2	7,820	7,649	18%	24%	26%	12%	7%	13%	8,146	7,996	18%	23%	24%	13%	8%	14%	
3	2,530	2,498	13%	23%	27%	14%	8%	16%	2,539	2,506	13%	23%	26%	14%	8%	16%	
4	430	420	9%	19%	28%	17%	11%	15%	484	482	10%	19%	30%	16%	8%	17%	
5 or more	76	75	5%	20%	31%	24%	8%	12%	89	89	6%	12%	28%	28%	10%	16%	
Total	21,663	20,878	23%	25%	24%	11%	6%	11%	21,344	20,847	23%	24%	23%	11%	6%	12%	
COMMUNITY ORDERS																	
1	6,974	6,652	27%	27%	23%	9%	5%	8%	6,979	6,780	26%	27%	22%	9%	5%	10%	
2	5,528	5,406	16%	25%	26%	12%	8%	13%	5,633	5,529	16%	23%	25%	13%	8%	15%	
3	1,731	1,707	12%	23%	28%	14%	7%	15%	1,699	1,679	11%	22%	27%	14%	9%	16%	
4	285	279	10%	22%	28%	16%	11%	13%	311	310	7%	19%	34%	15%	8%	16%	
5 or more	43	43	7%	19%	40%	21%	9%	5%	54	54	4%	13%	35%	28%	7%	13%	
Total	14,561	14,087	21%	26%	25%	11%	6%	11%	14,676	14,352	20%	25%	24%	12%	7%	13%	
SUSPENDED SENTENCE ORDERS																	
1	2,393	2,277	34%	23%	20%	9%	5%	10%	2,401	2,314	38%	24%	18%	8%	4%	9%	
2	2,277	2,228	23%	20%	25%	13%	7%	13%	2,509	2,463	24%	22%	22%	12%	7%	13%	
3	799	791	14%	22%	25%	15%	8%	16%	840	827	16%	24%	25%	14%	6%	16%	
4	145	141	8%	15%	28%	18%	11%	20%	173	172	14%	19%	25%	18%	7%	17%	
5 or more	32	31	3%	19%	19%	29%	6%	23%	35	35	9%	11%	17%	29%	14%	20%	
Total	5,646	5,468	26%	22%	23%	12%	6%	12%	5,958	5,811	28%	23%	21%	11%	6%	12%	

(1) Includes pre-CJA orders

Table 4.10 Persons under supervision in the community by the Probation Service at the end of 2007 and 2008 by sex, age⁽¹⁾ and number of previous conviction and cautions

England and Wales, 31st December **Numbers of offenders and percentages**

Sex and age group at time of sentence	All offenders	Offenders found on						
		PNC (100%)	Number of previous convictions/cautions					
			Nil	1-2	3-6	7-10	11-14	15 or more
2007								
MALES AND FEMALES								
15-17 years old	1,943	1,863	9%	24%	40%	17%	6%	3%
Young adults ⁽²⁾	29,952	29,485	12%	26%	34%	15%	7%	6%
Adults	146,211	143,248	13%	19%	23%	14%	10%	21%
All ages ⁽³⁾	178,115	174,603	13%	20%	25%	14%	9%	18%
MALES								
15-17 years old	1,743	1,675	9%	23%	41%	17%	6%	3%
Young adults ⁽²⁾	26,717	26,316	11%	26%	34%	15%	7%	6%
Adults	126,221	124,035	11%	18%	24%	15%	10%	22%
All ages ⁽³⁾	154,689	152,032	11%	20%	26%	15%	10%	19%
FEMALES								
15-17 years old	200	188	10%	34%	35%	12%	5%	4%
Young adults ⁽²⁾	3,235	3,169	18%	29%	32%	12%	5%	4%
Adults	19,990	19,213	24%	23%	22%	11%	7%	13%
All ages ⁽³⁾	23,426	22,571	23%	24%	24%	11%	6%	11%
2008								
MALES AND FEMALES								
15-17 years old	1,986	1,950	10%	24%	40%	14%	6%	5%
Young adults ⁽²⁾	29,728	29,481	12%	26%	33%	15%	7%	7%
Adults	144,407	142,909	13%	19%	23%	14%	10%	22%
All ages ⁽³⁾	176,220	174,438	13%	20%	25%	14%	9%	19%
MALES								
15-17 years old	1,807	1,772	9%	24%	41%	14%	7%	5%
Young adults ⁽²⁾	26,474	26,272	11%	26%	33%	15%	8%	7%
Adults	124,551	123,535	11%	18%	23%	15%	10%	23%
All ages ⁽³⁾	152,919	151,665	11%	19%	25%	15%	10%	20%
FEMALES								
15-17 years old	179	178	13%	27%	37%	16%	3%	4%
Young adults ⁽²⁾	3,254	3,209	17%	29%	30%	13%	6%	5%
Adults	19,856	19,374	24%	23%	21%	11%	7%	14%
All ages ⁽³⁾	23,301	22,773	23%	24%	23%	11%	7%	13%

(1) Age at sentence

(2) Young Adults are those aged 18-20

(3) includes under 15 year olds

Data Source and Quality

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Chapter 5: Completion of court orders and serious further offences (SFOs)

- Well over half of Community Orders and Suspended Sentence Orders (SSOs) terminating in 2008 had run their full course or were terminated early for good progress.
- Of the 124,000 Community Orders terminated in 2008, 60 per cent had run their full course or were terminated early for good progress, compared to 30 per cent terminated for negative reasons (19 per cent for failing to comply with requirements and 11 per cent for conviction of a further offence).
- Of the 40,900 SSOs terminated in 2008, 60 per cent had completed successfully, compared to 32 per cent terminated for negative reasons (15 per cent for failing to comply with requirements and 17 per cent for conviction of a further offence).
- More Community Orders and SSOs completed successfully in 2008 than 2007 partly because more time has now elapsed since these orders were introduced in April 2005, allowing a higher percentage to run their full course. In general orders are more likely to terminate early for a negative reason. Although it is not yet strictly possible to compare percentages over time for this reason, it will be possible from 2008 onwards.
- A higher proportion of women completed their orders successfully: 63 per cent for Community Orders and 67 per cent for SSOs compared to 60 and 59 per cent respectively for men.
- The proportion of positive terminations for Community Orders in 2008 was highest for orders of under 1 year in length (67 per cent compared to 62 per cent for those of 1 year in length, 52 per cent for 2 years and 61 per cent for 3 years). For SSOs, the proportion of positive terminations was also higher for orders of shorter lengths.
- During 2007-8, 1300 cases of serious further offending by offenders under the supervision of the Probation Service were subject to review following notification to NOMS Public Protection Unit. Of these cases (as at 15th May 2009), 680 offenders were convicted of a serious further offence (SFO) and 230 offenders were convicted of a less serious offence. 300 cases did not result in a conviction, and 60 cases are still to be concluded.
- During 2008-9, 1,100 cases of serious further offending by offenders under the supervision of the Probation Service were subject to review following notification to NOMS Public Protection Unit. Of these cases (as at 11th May 2009), 360 offenders were convicted of an SFO and 130 offenders were convicted of a less serious offence. 150 cases did not result in a conviction; and 430 cases are still to be concluded.

- In the tables, attempted offences and substantive offences are grouped together under the heading for the substantive offence, except for murder and attempted murder which are recorded under separate headings.
- Figures included in these tables are based on cases that qualify for a Serious Further Offence review and have been notified to NOMS. Cases where the notification was made between 1st April 2007 and 30th November 2008 were submitted in line with the criteria stipulated in Probation Circular 41/2006, whilst cases submitted thereafter were submitted in line with the revised criteria in Probation Circular 22/2008.
- Both Probation Circular 41/2006 and Probation Circular 22/2008 stipulated similar offender and offence eligibility criteria. The changes are that Probation Circular 41/2006 required the Probation Area to assess the impact on the victim for evidence of serious harm to determine if the case would proceed to review; whereas PC22/2008 requires review, irrespective of the degree of serious harm to the victim. PC22/2008 provides an amended list of eligible offences, which excludes section 18 wounding, and stipulates that the most serious of the eligible offences will attract a mandatory review; and that in the case of other eligible offences, reviews will be undertaken where the offender was assessed as high or very high risk or no risk assessment had been undertaken. Due to these changes, and because a number of cases have yet to come to court, caution should be exercised in comparing data for 2007/08 and 2008/09.

Table 5.1 Terminations of Community Orders and Suspended Sentence Orders by reason and sex (1)

England and Wales	2006	2007	2008
Community Order			
MALES AND FEMALES			
Ran their full course	39%	47%	49%
Terminated early for:			
Good progress	13%	10%	11%
Failure to comply with requirements	24%	22%	19%
Conviction of an offence	14%	12%	11%
Other reasons	10%	10%	10%
All Community orders (=100%)	70,577	113,829	124,411
MALES			
Ran their full course	39%	46%	49%
Terminated early for:			
Good progress	13%	10%	11%
Failure to comply with requirements	24%	22%	19%
Conviction of an offence	15%	12%	12%
Other reasons	10%	10%	10%
All Community orders (=100%)	59,711	96,311	104,675
FEMALES			
Ran their full course	41%	50%	52%
Terminated early for:			
Good progress	12%	10%	11%
Failure to comply with requirements	25%	21%	18%
Conviction of an offence	12%	10%	9%
Other reasons	11%	10%	11%
All Community orders (=100%)	10,866	17,518	19,736
Suspended Sentence Order			
MALES AND FEMALES			
Ran their full course	31%	46%	50%
Terminated early for:			
Good progress	6%	6%	10%
Failure to comply with requirements	28%	22%	15%
Conviction of an offence	25%	18%	17%
Other reasons	11%	9%	8%
All Suspended sentence orders (=100%)	9,409	28,269	40,904
MALES			
Ran their full course	30%	45%	50%
Terminated early for:			
Good progress	6%	6%	9%
Failure to comply with requirements	28%	22%	16%
Conviction of an offence	25%	19%	17%
Other reasons	10%	9%	8%
All Suspended sentence orders (=100%)	8,176	24,642	35,292
FEMALES			
Ran their full course	37%	51%	56%
Terminated early for:			
Good progress	6%	6%	11%
Failure to comply with requirements	27%	19%	13%
Conviction of an offence	19%	13%	12%
Other reasons	12%	10%	8%
All Suspended sentence orders (=100%)	1,233	3,627	5,612

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(1) It is not yet possible to compare percentages over time because more time has now elapsed since these orders were introduced in April 2005, allowing a higher percentage to run their full course. Comparisons will be possible however between 2008 and later years.

Table 5.2 Terminations of Community Orders and Suspended Sentence Orders during 2008 by length of order and reason

England and Wales

Length of order and reason for termination	Community Orders	Suspended Sentence Orders
Under 1 year		
Ran their full course	64%	56%
Terminated early for:		
Good progress	3%	8%
Failure to comply with requirements	15%	13%
Conviction of an offence	9%	15%
Other reasons	9%	8%
All orders (=100%)	11,378	863
1 year		
Ran their full course	49%	52%
Terminated early for:		
Good progress	13%	9%
Failure to comply with requirements	19%	16%
Conviction of an offence	10%	16%
Other reasons	10%	7%
All orders (=100%)	83,147	18,123
2 years⁽¹⁾		
Ran their full course	44%	49%
Terminated early for:		
Good progress	8%	10%
Failure to comply with requirements	20%	15%
Conviction of an offence	15%	17%
Other reasons	12%	9%
All orders (=100%)	26,499	21,918
3 years⁽¹⁾		
Ran their full course	57%	*
Terminated early for:		
Good progress	4%	*
Failure to comply with requirements	19%	*
Conviction of an offence	10%	*
Other reasons	10%	*
All orders (=100%)	3,387	*
All lengths		
Ran their full course	49%	50%
Terminated early for:		
Good progress	11%	10%
Failure to comply with requirements	19%	15%
Conviction of an offence	11%	17%
Other reasons	10%	8%
All orders (=100%)	124,411	40,904

(1) Includes a small number of orders for less than the full number of years.

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Table 5.3 Serious Further Offence notifications received by NOMS between 1st April 2007 and 31st March 2008 which have resulted in a conviction*

Type of offence	Number of convictions
Murder	66
Attempted murder	15
Manslaughter	25
Rape	62
Arson with intent to endanger life	32
Kidnapping/abduction	57
Other serious violent or sexual offences[1]	415
Offences which did not meet SFO criteria [2]	227
All convictions	899
SFO convictions	672

[1] Any other serious violent or sexual offence which carries a maximum custodial penalty of more than 10 years.

[2] Offenders who had been charged with an offence which met with the SFO criteria, but were convicted of a less serious offence.

Table 5.4 Serious Further Offence notifications received by NOMS between 1st April 2007 and 31st March 2008 which have not resulted in a conviction, by reason.

Reason	Number of cases
Offender is deceased	9
Awaiting trial	57
Not guilty or acquitted	164
Case dismissed, dropped, discharged or discontinued	104
Offender at large	0
Charges reduced to non-SFO offence prior to trial	19
Total	353

*** This table is based on cases that were notified to NOMS PPU in line with Probation Circular 41/2006. See commentary for fuller explanation. Convictions and other outcomes are as at 15 May 2009.**

Source: PPUD

Date: 15/05/2009

Data Sources and Quality

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Table 5.5 Serious Further Offence notifications received by NOMS between 1st April 2008 and 31st March 2009 which have resulted in a conviction*

Type of offence	Number of convictions
Murder	28
Attempted murder	3
Manslaughter	14
Rape	43
Arson with intent to endanger life	11
Kidnapping/abduction	21
Other serious violent or sexual offences[1]	242
Offences which did not meet SFO criteria [2]	133
All convictions	495
SFO convictions	362

[1] Any other serious violent or sexual offence which carries a maximum custodial penalty of more than 10 years.

[2] Offenders who had been charged with an offence which met with the SFO criteria, but were convicted of a less serious offence.

Table 5.6 Serious Further Offence notifications received by NOMS between 1st April 2008 and 31st March 2009 which have not resulted in a conviction, by reason.

Reason	Number of cases
Offender is deceased	2
Awaiting trial	429
Not guilty or acquitted	74
Case dismissed, dropped, discharged or discontinued	63
Offender at large	0
Charges reduced to non-SFO offence prior to trial	11
Total	579

* This table is based on cases that qualify for a Serious Further Offence review and are notified to NOMS. Cases where the notification was received up to 30 November 2008 were submitted in line with the criteria stipulated in Probation Circular 41/2006, and cases submitted thereafter were submitted in line with the revised criteria in Probation Circular 22/2008. See commentary for fuller explanation. Convictions and other outcomes are as at 11 May 2009.

Source: PPUD

Date: 11/05/2009

Data Sources and Quality

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Chapter 6: Receptions into prison establishments

First receptions

- There were 134,000 first receptions in 2008, an increase of 7 per cent compared to 2007 and an increase of 2% since 1998 when there were 131,000 first receptions but lower than in 1999, 2002 and 2003. The rise in first receptions represents the first increase since 2002.
- Within this total, the main increases were for sentenced and untried first receptions, which showed increases of 12 per cent and 4 per cent respectively, compared to 2007. However, non-criminal receptions were 9 per cent lower compared to 2007 and 43 per cent lower compared to 1998, bringing non-criminal receptions to their lowest level in a decade.
- The number of fine defaulter receptions remained well below its 1998 level and was stable compared to 2007.

Remand receptions

- 81,700 prisoners were received on remand in 2008, 3 per cent more than in 2007 reflecting a small increase in both untried and convicted unsentenced receptions (up 4 per cent and 3 per cent respectively). However, since 2003 there has been a general downward trend for convicted unsentenced remand receptions whilst untried receptions have remained fairly stable.
- A quarter of all untried receptions in 2008 were for violence against the person offences, with a further 18 per cent for other offences, 13 per cent for theft and handling and 12 per cent for burglary. These proportions are similar to those seen in 2007 but markedly different to 1998 when theft and handling was the largest offence group (23 per cent) followed by burglary, other offences and violence against the person (18, 15 and 15 per cent respectively). Untried receptions for violence against the person showed an increase of 11 per cent compared to 2007 whilst there was a decrease of 3 per cent in theft and handling and an increase of 4 per cent for burglary. However, the long term trend for these latter two offence groups shows a decline in the number of untried receptions. In addition to this, the motoring offence group has also shown decline over the long term.
- This longer term trend of more violence against the person and less burglary and theft and handling untried receptions was seen for males. The increasing trend for violence against the person was also evident for females. In 2008 theft still accounted for 25 per cent of all untried receptions for females compared to just 12 per cent for males. Conversely, violence against the person accounted for 26 per cent of all male untried receptions but just 16 per cent for females.
- In 2008 there was a 4 per cent increase in the number of untried foreign national receptions from 10,700 in 2007 to 11,200, continuing the long term trend. Over the longer term the number of untried foreign national receptions has increased

128 per cent (from 4,900 in 1998 to 11,200 in 2008). Untried receptions of British Nationals also showed an increase of 4 per cent from 2007, and were down 23 per cent from 59,500 in 1998 to 45,700 in 2008.

- In 2008 there were 44,800 convicted unsentenced receptions, an increase of 3 per cent since 2007. Previously, the number had steadily fallen since peaking in 2002.

Sentenced receptions

- There were 98,800 receptions under sentence (excluding fine defaulters) in 2008, the highest in a decade and up 9 per cent on the previous year and 15 per cent higher than in 1998. This increase of 9 per cent in sentenced receptions in 2008 was three times higher than the absolute average year on year change of 3 per cent seen historically over the last decade.
- Adult receptions were also the highest in a decade and within this category, a similar trend was observed for sentences of up to and including 3 months, over 6 months up to 12 months and over 12 months including 18 months for adult males and females. Young adult males saw the largest number of receptions since 1998 for sentences of four years and sentences over 5 years including 10 years. Young adult females saw the same feature for sentences up to and including 3 months and sentences over 3 months including 6 months.
- The number of sentenced receptions increased between 2007 and 2008 in all sentence length bands except indeterminate sentences which fell by 430 (19 per cent) from 2,300 in 2007 to 1,900 in 2008. This fall was due largely to a 25 per cent fall in IPP receptions (from 1,700 in 2007 to 1,300 in 2008). Receptions of all other indeterminate sentences remained stable compared to 2007; however the number of mandatory lifers has continued to rise over the past decade from 240, in 1998 to 420 in 2008, an increase of 71 per cent.
- The Criminal Justice and Immigration Act 2008 introduced changes so as to give judges more discretion over the use of public protection sentences; for use of public protection sentences to be restricted, in most cases, to offences for which two years minimum custodial time is justified; and for release from an extended sentence to be automatic at the half way point of the custodial period with licence extending then until the end of the extension period. These changes apply to cases sentenced on or after 14 July 2008.
- The largest offence groups for those received under sentence in 2008 were other offences, violence against the person and theft and handling, which accounted for 24, 20 and 19 per cent of sentenced receptions respectively. Within the other offences group, breaches of a court order were the largest component accounting for 58 per cent of 'other offences'.
- Similar to the pattern seen for untried receptions, over the longer term there has been a rise in sentenced receptions for violence against the person. Theft and handling, burglary, and motoring however, have all seen a declining trend. In addition the number of sentenced receptions for other offences more than doubled (up 109 per cent) from 11,600 in 1998 to 24,200 in 2008.

- Overall sentenced receptions rose by 15 per cent between 1998 and 2008, but the rise was proportionally far greater for females (up 52 per cent) than for males (up 12 per cent). For males the increase was due to very large rises in other offences (especially breaches) and violence against the person, partially offset by decreases in burglary, theft and handling, and motoring offences. Among females there were large rises in other offences (particularly breaches), theft and handling, fraud and forgery, and violence against the person, as well as smaller rises in all other offence groups except motoring and drug offences. For females, the largest offence groups in 2008 were theft and handling, other offences and violence against the person accounting for 32, 26 and 14 per cent respectively. Whereas for males the largest groups were other offences, violence against the person and theft and handling (24, 21 and 17) per cent respectively.
- Over the longer term, there has been a shift towards a greater number of sentenced receptions for prisoners aged 40 and above. In 2008 offenders aged 40 and above accounted for 18 per cent of the total receptions into prison. In 1998 this figure was 12 per cent. This change was partly offset by a fall in the proportion of sentenced receptions aged 21 to 29, falling from 41 per cent in 1998 to 37 per cent in 2008.
- In 2008, 12,100 prisoners of a foreign nationality were received under an immediate custodial sentence, an increase of 13 per cent from the previous year continuing an upward trend which saw a 45 per cent rise between 2004 and 2008. By comparison immediate custodial sentenced receptions of British Nationals rose by 9 per cent from 2007 and by 2 per cent compared to 2004.
- Europeans represented the largest group of male foreign national total receptions in 2008 (39 per cent) followed by those from Africa (25 per cent) and Asia (21 per cent). Whereas among female foreign national receptions the largest group was Africans (36 per cent) followed by those from Europe (32 per cent) and Asia (19 per cent).

Non-criminal prisoner receptions

- All receptions of non-criminal prisoners fell by 1 per cent between 2007 and 2008 following a rise of 17 per cent between 1998 and 2008. Within this category 90 per cent (3,500) of prisoners were being held under the 1971 Immigration Act with a further 4 per cent (170) committed for contempt of court.

Table 6.1 Male and female receptions into prison establishments ⁽¹⁾ by type of custody, sentence length and age group

England and Wales

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
First receptions⁽²⁾	135,042	132,961	132,058	128,986	125,881	134,148
MALES AND FEMALES						
Remand	91,188	85,483	84,846	83,747	79,695	81,728
Untried	58,696	54,556	55,455	55,809	55,305	57,417
Convicted unsentenced	53,246	50,115	49,104	47,995	43,566	44,773
Prisoners under sentence	93,495	95,161	92,452	90,038	91,736	100,348
Fine defaulter	1,250	1,835	2,038	1,904	1,475	1,528
Less than or equal to 6 months	52,858	53,676	51,817	48,924	50,060	55,333
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	7,954	7,993	7,983	8,370	8,941	9,652
12 months to less than 4 years	23,380	23,414	22,640	22,287	22,763	24,634
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	7,544	7,661	6,927	6,395	6,218	7,349
Indeterminate sentences	509	582	1,047	2,158	2,279	1,852
Non-criminal prisoners	3,142	3,669	3,668	4,734	3,888	3,836
ADULTS						
Remand	72,233	67,527	67,244	66,145	62,912	65,403
Untried	45,400	41,684	42,692	42,772	42,546	44,953
Convicted unsentenced	42,592	40,088	39,333	38,312	34,656	35,832
Prisoners under sentence	75,200	76,742	74,471	71,935	72,622	80,758
Fine defaulter	1,134	1,680	1,876	1,786	1,383	1,427
Less than or equal to 6 months	43,046	43,927	42,288	39,474	39,949	44,954
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	5,916	5,887	5,902	6,294	6,757	7,377
12 months to less than 4 years	17,968	17,988	17,397	16,970	17,233	19,061
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	6,694	6,754	6,130	5,613	5,472	6,394
Indeterminate sentences	442	506	878	1,798	1,828	1,545
Non-criminal prisoners	2,885	3,335	3,292	4,331	3,587	3,550
YOUNG ADULTS						
Remand	13,816	12,798	12,438	12,333	11,672	11,660
Untried	9,013	8,517	8,405	8,499	8,299	8,413
Convicted unsentenced	8,359	7,598	7,391	7,239	6,706	6,782
Prisoners under sentence	13,377	13,247	12,806	12,812	13,758	14,300
Fine defaulter	116	155	162	118	92	101
Less than or equal to 6 months	7,491	7,275	6,892	6,857	7,442	7,816
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	1,162	1,239	1,227	1,212	1,295	1,381
12 months to less than 4 years	3,825	3,764	3,726	3,691	3,939	3,988
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	728	756	671	639	629	778
Indeterminate sentences	55	58	128	295	361	236
Non-criminal prisoners	247	319	353	397	287	275
15-17 YEAR OLDS						
Remand	5,139	5,158	5,164	5,269	5,111	4,665
Untried	4,283	4,355	4,358	4,538	4,460	4,051
Convicted unsentenced	2,295	2,429	2,380	2,444	2,204	2,159
Prisoners under sentence	4,918	5,172	5,175	5,291	5,356	5,290
Fine defaulter	0	0	0	0	0	0
Less than or equal to 6 months	2,321	2,474	2,637	2,593	2,669	2,563
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	876	867	854	864	889	894
12 months to less than 4 years	1,587	1,662	1,517	1,626	1,591	1,585
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	122	151	126	143	117	177
Indeterminate sentences	12	18	41	65	90	71
Non-criminal prisoners	10	15	23	6	14	11

(1) Excludes police cells

(2) Total receptions cannot be calculated by adding together receptions in each category, because there is double counting (see Technical Appendix).

First receptions give an indication of the number of new prisoners in a time period.

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Table 6.1 Male receptions into prison establishments⁽¹⁾ by type of custody, sentence length and age group

England and Wales	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
First receptions⁽²⁾	122,096	120,407	119,783	117,036	114,034	121,472
MALES						
Remand	82,156	77,505	77,186	76,249	72,559	74,601
Untried	53,458	49,840	50,282	50,448	49,885	51,663
Convicted unsentenced	47,587	45,255	44,470	43,668	39,933	41,231
Prisoners under sentence	85,426	86,759	84,268	82,192	83,652	91,336
Fine defaulter	1,174	1,697	1,878	1,756	1,357	1,378
Less than or equal to 6 months	47,752	48,370	46,650	44,113	44,883	49,564
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	7,243	7,205	7,231	7,470	8,074	8,713
12 months to less than 4 years	21,697	21,724	21,008	20,720	21,175	22,914
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	7,082	7,202	6,507	6,044	5,867	6,980
Indeterminate sentences	478	561	994	2,089	2,206	1,787
Non-criminal prisoners	3,004	3,489	3,455	4,438	3,548	3,535
ADULTS						
Remand	64,607	60,680	60,637	59,680	56,764	59,227
Untried	41,009	37,664	38,267	38,188	37,908	39,988
Convicted unsentenced	37,776	35,905	35,289	34,547	31,532	32,772
Prisoners under sentence	68,239	69,374	67,380	65,108	65,535	72,899
Fine defaulter	1,061	1,550	1,731	1,644	1,273	1,289
Less than or equal to 6 months	38,601	39,251	37,785	35,288	35,493	39,942
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	5,318	5,214	5,249	5,518	5,977	6,554
12 months to less than 4 years	16,558	16,536	16,018	15,629	15,866	17,572
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	6,284	6,334	5,761	5,291	5,162	6,055
Indeterminate sentences	417	489	836	1,738	1,764	1,487
Non-criminal prisoners	2,756	3,173	3,117	4,074	3,280	3,264
YOUNG ADULTS						
Remand	12,655	11,861	11,565	11,478	10,884	10,894
Untried	8,342	7,955	7,799	7,880	7,702	7,796
Convicted unsentenced	7,631	7,023	6,875	6,745	6,269	6,385
Prisoners under sentence	12,458	12,399	11,917	11,957	12,862	13,323
Fine defaulter	113	147	147	112	84	89
Less than or equal to 6 months	6,917	6,739	6,349	6,320	6,830	7,158
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	1,078	1,157	1,153	1,119	1,233	1,289
12 months to less than 4 years	3,615	3,582	3,525	3,507	3,766	3,806
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	685	719	625	613	594	750
Indeterminate sentences	50	55	118	286	355	231
Non-criminal prisoners	239	303	320	358	257	262
15 - 17 YEAR OLDS						
Remand	4,894	4,964	4,984	5,091	4,911	4,480
Untried	4,107	4,221	4,216	4,380	4,275	3,879
Convicted unsentenced	2,180	2,327	2,306	2,376	2,132	2,074
Prisoners under sentence	4,729	4,986	4,971	5,127	5,165	5,114
Fine defaulter	0	0	0	0	0	0
Less than or equal to 6 months	2,234	2,380	2,516	2,505	2,560	2,464
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	847	834	829	833	864	870
12 months to less than 4 years	1,524	1,606	1,465	1,584	1,543	1,536
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	113	149	121	140	111	175
Indeterminate sentences	11	17	40	65	87	69
Non-criminal prisoners	9	13	18	6	11	9

(1) Excludes police cells

(2) Total receptions cannot be calculated by adding together receptions in each category, because there is double counting (see Technical Appendix).

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Table 6.1 Female receptions into prison establishments⁽¹⁾ by type of custody, sentence length and age group

England and Wales						
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
First receptions⁽²⁾	12,946	12,554	12,275	11,950	11,847	12,676
FEMALES						
Remand	9,032	7,978	7,660	7,498	7,136	7,127
Untried	5,238	4,716	5,173	5,361	5,420	5,754
Convicted unsentenced	5,659	4,860	4,634	4,327	3,633	3,542
Prisoners under sentence	8,069	8,402	8,184	7,846	8,174	9,012
Fine defaulter	76	138	160	148	118	150
Less than or equal to 6 months	5,106	5,306	5,167	4,811	5,177	5,769
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	711	788	752	900	867	939
12 months to less than 4 years	1,683	1,690	1,632	1,567	1,588	1,720
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	462	459	420	351	351	369
Indeterminate sentences	31	21	53	69	73	65
Non-criminal prisoners	138	180	213	296	340	301
ADULTS						
Remand	7,626	6,847	6,607	6,465	6,148	6,176
Untried	4,391	4,020	4,425	4,584	4,638	4,965
Convicted unsentenced	4,816	4,183	4,044	3,765	3,124	3,060
Prisoners under sentence	6,961	7,368	7,091	6,827	7,087	7,859
Fine defaulter	73	130	145	142	110	138
Less than or equal to 6 months	4,445	4,676	4,503	4,186	4,456	5,012
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	598	673	653	776	780	823
12 months to less than 4 years	1,410	1,452	1,379	1,341	1,367	1,489
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	410	420	369	322	310	339
Indeterminate sentences	25	17	42	60	64	58
Non-criminal prisoners	129	162	175	257	307	286
YOUNG ADULTS						
Remand	1,161	937	873	855	788	766
Untried	671	562	606	619	597	617
Convicted unsentenced	728	575	516	494	437	397
Prisoners under sentence	919	848	889	855	896	977
Fine defaulter	3	8	15	6	8	12
Less than or equal to 6 months	574	536	543	537	612	658
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	84	82	74	93	62	92
12 months to less than 4 years	210	182	201	184	173	182
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	43	37	46	26	35	28
Indeterminate sentences	5	3	10	9	6	5
Non-criminal prisoners	8	16	33	39	30	13
15 - 17 YEAR OLDS						
Remand	245	194	180	178	200	185
Untried	176	134	142	158	185	172
Convicted unsentenced	115	102	74	68	72	85
Prisoners under sentence	189	186	204	164	191	176
Fine defaulter	0	0	0	0	0	0
Less than or equal to 6 months	87	94	121	88	109	99
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	29	33	25	31	25	24
12 months to less than 4 years	63	56	52	42	48	49
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	9	2	5	3	6	2
Indeterminate sentences	1	1	1	0	3	2
Non-criminal prisoners	1	2	5	0	3	2

(1) Excludes police cells

(2) Total receptions cannot be calculated by adding together receptions in each category, because there is double counting (see Technical Appendix).

First receptions give an indication of the number of new prisoners in a time period.

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Table 6.3 Immediate custodial sentenced receptions into prison establishments⁽¹⁾ by offence group, sentence length and sex, 2008

England and Wales		Number of persons				
	ALL	Less than or equal to 6 months	Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	12 months to less than 4 years	4 years or more (excluding indeterminate sentences)	Indeterminate sentences
MALES AND FEMALES	98,820	55,333	9,652	24,634	7,349	1,852
Violence against the person	19,752	10,608	1,889	4,915	1,449	891
Sexual offences	2,735	284	120	979	1,026	326
Robbery	4,804	762	351	2,385	1,025	281
Burglary	8,306	2,880	858	3,844	659	65
Theft and handling	18,368	14,225	1,810	2,090	204	39
Fraud and forgery	4,737	1,649	1,129	1,743	213	3
Drug offences	8,344	1,325	417	4,419	2,166	17
Motoring offences	6,987	5,610	582	748	41	6
Other offences	24,173	17,624	2,418	3,391	522	218
Offence not recorded	614	366	78	120	44	6
MALES	89,958	49,564	8,713	22,914	6,980	1,787
Violence against the person	18,500	9,839	1,779	4,647	1,384	851
Sexual offences	2,706	278	118	966	1,018	326
Robbery	4,549	719	326	2,239	990	275
Burglary	8,032	2,766	832	3,721	648	65
Theft and handling	15,522	11,871	1,545	1,871	198	37
Fraud and forgery	3,833	1,266	884	1,482	198	3
Drug offences	7,547	1,181	368	4,005	1,977	16
Motoring offences	6,805	5,449	571	738	41	6
Other offences	21,910	15,867	2,217	3,138	485	203
Offence not recorded	554	328	73	107	41	5
FEMALES	8,862	5,769	939	1,720	369	65
Violence against the person	1,252	769	110	268	65	40
Sexual offences	29	6	2	13	8	0
Robbery	255	43	25	146	35	6
Burglary	274	114	26	123	11	0
Theft and handling	2,846	2,354	265	219	6	2
Fraud and forgery	904	383	245	261	15	0
Drug offences	797	144	49	414	189	1
Motoring offences	182	161	11	10	0	0
Other offences	2,263	1,757	201	253	37	15
Offence not recorded	60	38	5	13	3	1

(1) Excludes police cells

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Table 6.4 Untried receptions into prison establishments⁽¹⁾ by sex, ethnic group and nationality

England and Wales	Number of persons				
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
MALES AND FEMALES					
All nationalities	54,556	55,455	55,809	55,305	57,417
White	40,903	40,896	40,819	39,500	40,767
Mixed	1,645	1,632	1,797	1,913	2,088
Asian or Asian British	3,434	3,802	3,886	3,987	4,452
Black or Black British	7,695	8,206	8,259	8,582	8,821
Chinese or other ethnic group	593	709	839	1,174	1,201
Not Stated	156	137	137	102	70
Unrecorded	0	24	20	29	2
1991 Census ethnic codes	130	49	52	18	16
British nationals	46,845	46,575	46,092	44,056	45,687
White	38,378	37,904	37,528	35,803	36,531
Mixed	1,325	1,322	1,451	1,489	1,683
Asian or Asian British	2,092	2,165	2,133	2,013	2,292
Black or Black British	4,723	4,953	4,786	4,585	5,069
Chinese or other ethnic group	105	88	71	76	75
Not Stated	107	79	63	53	24
Unrecorded	0	21	19	23	0
1991 Census ethnic codes	115	43	41	14	13
Foreign nationals	7,176	8,346	9,215	10,739	11,176
White	2,306	2,792	3,101	3,498	4,006
Mixed	289	292	324	394	382
Asian or Asian British	1,282	1,571	1,677	1,897	2,084
Black or Black British	2,791	3,060	3,296	3,828	3,566
Chinese or other ethnic group	455	582	746	1,072	1,097
Not Stated	39	41	59	40	36
Unrecorded	0	2	1	6	2
1991 Census ethnic codes	14	6	11	4	3
Unrecorded nationality	535	534	502	510	554

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Table 6.4 Untried receptions into prison establishments⁽¹⁾ by sex, ethnic group and nationality

England and Wales	Number of persons				
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
MALES					
All nationalities	49,840	50,282	50,448	49,885	51,663
White	37,236	36,982	36,804	35,640	36,666
Mixed	1,444	1,453	1,616	1,703	1,856
Asian or Asian British	3,338	3,659	3,744	3,832	4,279
Black or Black British	7,032	7,393	7,394	7,597	7,784
Chinese or other ethnic group	520	597	704	977	995
Not Stated	145	128	116	91	66
Unrecorded	0	23	20	29	2
1991 Census ethnic codes	125	47	50	16	15
British nationals	42,943	42,435	41,900	40,127	41,403
White	35,008	34,305	33,868	32,390	32,875
Mixed	1,173	1,188	1,310	1,343	1,503
Asian or Asian British	2,043	2,092	2,068	1,947	2,209
Black or Black British	4,413	4,636	4,482	4,298	4,715
Chinese or other ethnic group	96	81	65	67	66
Not Stated	100	72	49	47	23
Unrecorded	0	20	19	23	0
1991 Census ethnic codes	110	41	39	12	12
Foreign nationals	6,487	7,392	8,119	9,305	9,781
White	2,077	2,518	2,785	3,079	3,595
Mixed	246	251	289	333	332
Asian or Asian British	1,241	1,503	1,603	1,814	2,002
Black or Black British	2,475	2,588	2,757	3,145	2,909
Chinese or other ethnic group	399	484	620	889	905
Not Stated	35	40	53	35	33
Unrecorded	0	2	1	6	2
1991 Census ethnic codes	14	6	11	4	3
Unrecorded nationality	410	455	429	453	479

(1) Excludes police cells

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Table 6.4 Untried receptions into prison establishments⁽¹⁾ by sex, ethnic group and nationality

England and Wales	Number of persons				
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
FEMALES					
All nationalities	5,173	5,173	5,361	5,420	5,754
White	3,914	3,914	4,015	3,860	4,101
Mixed	179	179	181	210	232
Asian or Asian British	143	143	142	155	173
Black or Black British	813	813	865	985	1,037
Chinese or other ethnic group	112	112	135	197	206
Not Stated	9	9	21	11	4
Unrecorded	1	1	0	0	0
1991 Census ethnic codes	2	2	2	2	1
British nationals	4,140	4,140	4,192	3,929	4,284
White	3,599	3,599	3,660	3,413	3,656
Mixed	134	134	141	146	180
Asian or Asian British	73	73	65	66	83
Black or Black British	317	317	304	287	354
Chinese or other ethnic group	7	7	6	9	9
Not Stated	7	7	14	6	1
Unrecorded	1	1	0	0	0
1991 Census ethnic codes	2	2	2	2	1
Foreign nationals	954	954	1,096	1,434	1,395
White	274	274	316	419	411
Mixed	41	41	35	61	50
Asian or Asian British	68	68	74	83	82
Black or Black British	472	472	539	683	657
Chinese or other ethnic group	98	98	126	183	192
Not Stated	1	1	6	5	3
Unrecorded	0	0	0	0	0
1991 Census ethnic codes	0	0	0	0	0
Unrecorded nationality	79	79	73	57	75

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**Table 6.5 Immediate custodial sentenced receptions into prison establishments⁽¹⁾
by sex, ethnic group and nationality**

England and Wales	Number of persons				
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
MALES AND FEMALES					
All nationalities	93,326	90,414	88,134	90,261	98,820
White	75,559	72,290	69,822	71,426	78,003
Mixed	2,260	2,176	2,254	2,607	2,884
Asian or Asian British	4,817	5,166	5,198	5,306	6,136
Black or Black British	9,509	9,520	9,512	9,572	10,368
Chinese or other ethnic group	679	919	1,024	1,099	1,281
Not Stated	163	207	208	180	120
Unrecorded	78	56	54	47	11
1991 Census ethnic codes	261	80	62	24	17
British nationals	84,579	80,418	77,975	79,193	86,354
White	72,504	68,909	66,193	67,197	72,806
Mixed	1,885	1,832	1,944	2,218	2,466
Asian or Asian British	3,373	3,339	3,476	3,508	4,033
Black or Black British	6,232	5,930	6,011	5,961	6,813
Chinese or other ethnic group	150	142	121	124	145
Not Stated	0	141	131	124	68
Unrecorded	190	49	45	39	7
1991 Census ethnic codes	245	76	54	22	16
Foreign nationals	8,355	9,612	9,832	10,737	12,136
White	2,898	3,241	3,504	4,102	5,074
Mixed	355	326	301	376	407
Asian or Asian British	1,396	1,778	1,672	1,734	2,045
Black or Black British	3,144	3,465	3,385	3,511	3,457
Chinese or other ethnic group	510	744	889	954	1,112
Not Stated	0	48	65	51	36
Unrecorded	37	6	8	8	4
1991 Census ethnic codes	15	3	8	1	1
Unrecorded nationality	392	384	327	331	330

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**Table 6.5 Immediate custodial sentenced receptions into prison establishments⁽¹⁾
by sex, ethnic group and nationality**

England and Wales	Number of persons				
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
MALES					
All nationalities	85,062	82,390	80,436	82,205	89,958
White	68,582	65,766	63,636	65,047	70,864
Mixed	1,998	1,919	2,011	2,345	2,577
Asian or Asian British	4,709	4,974	5,023	5,144	5,933
Black or Black British	8,686	8,630	8,621	8,521	9,373
Chinese or other ethnic group	607	774	851	916	1,073
Not Stated	156	195	187	161	112
Unrecorded	76	55	54	47	10
1991 Census ethnic codes	248	77	53	24	16
British nationals	77,113	73,428	71,342	72,501	78,800
White	65,835	62,712	60,326	61,239	66,098
Mixed	1,660	1,612	1,737	2,005	2,213
Asian or Asian British	3,303	3,213	3,365	3,414	3,910
Black or Black British	5,761	5,509	5,595	5,555	6,360
Chinese or other ethnic group	139	128	110	114	132
Not Stated	0	133	116	113	65
Unrecorded	183	48	45	39	7
1991 Census ethnic codes	232	73	48	22	15
Foreign nationals	7,592	8,628	8,814	9,401	10,862
White	2,604	2,935	3,205	3,697	4,658
Mixed	318	291	267	329	354
Asian or Asian British	1,358	1,716	1,608	1,666	1,969
Black or Black British	2,811	3,011	2,930	2,873	2,926
Chinese or other ethnic group	451	620	730	784	920
Not Stated	0	45	61	43	31
Unrecorded	35	6	8	8	3
1991 Census ethnic codes	15	3	5	1	1
Unrecorded nationality	357	334	280	303	296

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**Table 6.5 Immediate custodial sentenced receptions into prison establishments⁽¹⁾
by sex, ethnic group and nationality**

England and Wales	Number of persons				
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
FEMALES					
All nationalities	8,264	8,024	7,698	8,056	8,862
White	6,977	6,524	6,186	6,379	7,139
Mixed	262	257	243	262	307
Asian or Asian British	108	192	175	162	203
Black or Black British	823	890	891	1,051	995
Chinese or other ethnic group	72	145	173	183	208
Not Stated	7	12	21	19	8
Unrecorded	2	1	0	0	1
1991 Census ethnic codes	13	3	9	0	1
British nationals	7,466	6,990	6,633	6,692	7,554
White	6,669	6,197	5,867	5,958	6,708
Mixed	225	220	207	213	253
Asian or Asian British	70	126	111	94	123
Black or Black British	471	421	416	406	453
Chinese or other ethnic group	11	14	11	10	13
Not Stated	0	8	15	11	3
Unrecorded	7	1	0	0	0
1991 Census ethnic codes	13	3	6	0	1
Foreign nationals	763	984	1,018	1,336	1,274
White	294	306	299	405	416
Mixed	37	35	34	47	53
Asian or Asian British	38	62	64	68	76
Black or Black British	333	454	455	638	531
Chinese or other ethnic group	59	124	159	170	192
Not Stated	0	3	4	8	5
Unrecorded	2	0	0	0	1
1991 Census ethnic codes	0	0	3	0	0
Unrecorded nationality	35	50	47	28	34

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Table 6.6 Receptions into prison establishments⁽¹⁾ under an immediate custodial sentence by age and sex

England and Wales											Number of persons	
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	
MALES AND FEMALES												
All ages	85,908	90,238	91,195	90,523	93,615	92,245	93,326	90,414	88,134	90,261	98,820	
15-17	5,585	5,877	5,834	5,903	5,738	4,918	5,172	5,175	5,291	5,356	5,290	
18-20	14,014	15,143	15,499	15,066	14,498	13,261	13,092	12,644	12,694	13,666	14,199	
21-24	16,721	17,273	18,071	18,386	19,421	18,928	18,201	16,640	15,895	15,861	17,581	
25-29	18,397	18,649	18,562	17,719	18,336	17,932	17,863	16,800	16,397	16,866	18,906	
30-39	20,983	22,505	22,608	22,567	24,359	25,056	25,131	24,558	23,174	22,831	25,289	
40-49	7,004	7,356	7,328	7,598	8,081	8,758	10,094	10,695	10,690	11,393	12,927	
50-59	2,543	2,689	2,485	2,538	2,469	2,621	2,908	3,005	3,021	3,208	3,507	
60 and over	661	746	808	746	713	771	865	897	972	1,080	1,121	
										<i>Percentage</i>		
All ages	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
15-17	7%	7%	6%	7%	6%	5%	6%	6%	6%	6%	5%	
18-20	16%	17%	17%	17%	15%	14%	14%	14%	14%	15%	14%	
21-24	19%	19%	20%	20%	21%	21%	20%	18%	18%	18%	18%	
25-29	21%	21%	20%	20%	20%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	
30-39	24%	25%	25%	25%	26%	27%	27%	27%	26%	25%	26%	
40-49	8%	8%	8%	8%	9%	9%	11%	12%	12%	13%	13%	
50-59	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	4%	4%	
60 and over	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	
MALES												
										<i>Number of persons</i>		
All ages	80,059	83,422	84,189	83,292	85,895	84,252	85,062	82,390	80,436	82,205	89,958	
15-17	5,283	5,523	5,530	5,598	5,392	4,729	4,986	4,971	5,127	5,165	5,114	
18-20	13,245	14,264	14,567	14,101	13,512	12,345	12,252	11,770	11,845	12,778	13,234	
21-24	15,608	15,905	16,621	16,866	17,754	17,147	16,527	15,138	14,520	14,535	16,137	
25-29	17,086	17,133	17,085	16,113	16,642	16,146	16,038	15,105	14,801	15,146	16,999	
30-39	19,365	20,596	20,567	20,525	22,202	22,704	22,612	22,136	20,771	20,346	22,606	
40-49	6,422	6,772	6,726	6,993	7,356	7,985	9,108	9,623	9,647	10,258	11,608	
50-59	2,408	2,505	2,319	2,376	2,347	2,448	2,708	2,791	2,805	2,950	3,194	
60 and over	642	724	774	720	690	748	831	856	920	1,027	1,066	
										<i>Percentage</i>		
All ages	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
15-17	7%	7%	7%	7%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	
18-20	17%	17%	17%	17%	16%	15%	14%	14%	15%	16%	15%	
21-24	19%	19%	20%	20%	21%	20%	19%	18%	18%	18%	18%	
25-29	21%	21%	20%	19%	19%	19%	19%	18%	18%	18%	19%	
30-39	24%	25%	24%	25%	26%	27%	27%	27%	26%	25%	25%	
40-49	8%	8%	8%	8%	9%	9%	11%	12%	12%	12%	13%	
50-59	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	4%	4%	
60 and over	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	
FEMALES												
										<i>Number of persons</i>		
All ages	5,849	6,816	7,006	7,231	7,720	7,993	8,264	8,024	7,698	8,056	8,862	
15-17	302	354	304	305	346	189	186	204	164	191	176	
18-20	769	879	932	965	986	916	840	874	849	888	965	
21-24	1,113	1,368	1,450	1,520	1,667	1,781	1,674	1,502	1,375	1,326	1,444	
25-29	1,311	1,516	1,477	1,606	1,694	1,786	1,825	1,695	1,596	1,720	1,907	
30-39	1,618	1,909	2,041	2,042	2,157	2,352	2,519	2,422	2,403	2,485	2,683	
40-49	582	584	602	605	725	773	986	1,072	1,043	1,135	1,319	
50-59	135	184	166	162	122	173	200	214	216	258	313	
60 and over	19	22	34	26	23	23	34	41	52	53	55	
										<i>Percentage</i>		
All ages	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
15-17	5%	5%	4%	4%	4%	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%	2%	
18-20	13%	13%	13%	13%	13%	11%	10%	11%	11%	11%	11%	
21-24	19%	20%	21%	21%	22%	22%	20%	19%	18%	16%	16%	
25-29	22%	22%	21%	22%	22%	22%	22%	21%	21%	21%	22%	
30-39	28%	28%	29%	28%	28%	29%	30%	30%	31%	31%	30%	
40-49	10%	9%	9%	8%	9%	10%	12%	13%	14%	14%	15%	
50-59	2%	3%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	3%	3%	3%	4%	
60 and over	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	

(1) Excludes police cells

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Table 6.7 First receptions into prison establishments⁽¹⁾ by type of first reception and sex

England and Wales										Number of persons	
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
MALES AND FEMALES											
Total	130,962	134,316	128,866	130,934	135,820	135,042	132,961	132,058	128,986	125,881	134,148
Untried	61,890	61,826	54,533	53,124	58,354	58,459	54,297	55,242	55,407	54,917	57,034
Convicted unsentenced	18,110	20,906	21,723	24,455	27,146	25,899	24,016	23,004	21,136	17,500	17,491
Immediate custodial sentence	42,597	44,911	47,499	47,870	47,226	47,225	50,141	49,285	47,528	50,166	56,435
Fine defaulter	5,365	3,703	2,377	1,379	1,114	1,163	1,748	1,954	1,832	1,420	1,471
Non-criminal	3,000	2,970	2,734	4,106	1,980	2,296	2,759	2,573	3,083	1,878	1,717
MALES											
Total	120,967	123,441	118,184	119,682	123,219	122,096	120,407	119,783	117,036	114,034	121,472
Untried	57,556	57,434	50,530	49,027	53,431	53,240	49,604	50,084	50,078	49,531	51,309
Convicted unsentenced	16,290	18,673	19,401	21,632	23,736	22,490	21,137	20,840	19,313	16,098	16,418
Immediate custodial sentence	39,118	40,911	43,339	43,670	43,112	43,070	45,396	44,599	43,034	45,346	50,794
Fine defaulter	5,061	3,498	2,236	1,311	1,044	1,093	1,615	1,805	1,688	1,306	1,323
Non-criminal	2,942	2,925	2,678	4,042	1,896	2,203	2,655	2,455	2,923	1,753	1,628
FEMALES											
Total	9,995	10,875	10,682	11,252	12,601	12,946	12,554	12,275	11,950	11,847	12,676
Untried	4,334	4,392	4,003	4,097	4,923	5,219	4,693	5,158	5,329	5,386	5,725
Convicted unsentenced	1,820	2,233	2,322	2,823	3,410	3,409	2,879	2,164	1,823	1,402	1,073
Immediate custodial sentence	3,479	4,000	4,160	4,200	4,114	4,155	4,745	4,686	4,494	4,820	5,641
Fine defaulter	304	205	141	68	70	70	133	149	144	114	148
Non-criminal	58	45	56	64	84	93	104	118	160	125	89

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Table 6.8 Receptions into prison establishments⁽¹⁾ under an immediate custodial sentence by sentence length, age group, and sex

England and Wales											Number of persons	
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	
MALES												
ADULTS	61,531	63,635	64,092	63,593	66,992	67,178	67,824	65,649	63,464	64,262	71,610	
Up to and including 3 months	17,828	19,191	19,312	19,045	19,343	18,691	19,686	19,288	17,782	17,939	21,226	
Over 3 months including 6 months	15,992	17,340	17,846	17,796	18,760	19,910	19,565	18,497	17,506	17,554	18,716	
Over 6 months up to 12 months	5,158	5,013	5,291	5,005	5,180	5,318	5,214	5,249	5,518	5,977	6,554	
12 months	3,179	3,058	2,901	2,777	2,801	2,736	2,709	2,840	2,654	2,736	3,062	
Over 12 months including 18 months	4,617	4,436	4,279	4,051	4,325	4,188	4,080	4,139	4,062	4,128	4,667	
Over 18 months including 3 years	7,942	7,651	7,416	7,360	7,798	7,650	7,657	7,297	7,408	7,528	8,300	
Over 3 years up to 4 years	1,391	1,449	1,576	1,699	1,994	1,984	2,090	1,742	1,505	1,474	1,543	
4 years	1,290	1,227	1,233	1,287	1,502	1,372	1,406	1,194	1,196	1,181	1,338	
Over 4 years including 5 years	1,468	1,461	1,490	1,588	1,881	1,895	1,892	1,686	1,553	1,463	1,759	
Over 5 years including 10 years	1,937	2,025	1,989	2,213	2,527	2,551	2,554	2,443	2,161	2,092	2,486	
Over 10 years less than Indeterminate	378	388	345	343	432	466	482	438	381	426	473	
Indeterminate	351	396	414	429	449	417	489	836	1,738	1,764	1,486	
YOUNG ADULTS	13,245	14,264	14,567	14,101	13,512	12,345	12,252	11,770	11,845	12,778	13,234	
Up to and including 3 months	3,571	4,168	4,292	3,920	3,585	3,234	3,210	3,133	3,240	3,593	4,011	
Over 3 months including 6 months	3,500	3,908	4,164	4,094	3,833	3,683	3,529	3,216	3,080	3,237	3,147	
Over 6 months up to 12 months	1,381	1,385	1,438	1,389	1,293	1,078	1,157	1,153	1,119	1,233	1,289	
12 months	816	811	801	795	760	685	669	695	620	707	670	
Over 12 months including 18 months	1,227	1,229	1,152	1,138	1,110	1,003	968	957	1,023	1,090	1,124	
Over 18 months including 3 years	1,918	1,872	1,767	1,766	1,832	1,590	1,573	1,577	1,602	1,731	1,767	
Over 3 years up to 4 years	279	301	332	332	347	337	372	296	262	238	245	
4 years	179	199	203	206	226	207	211	169	188	213	228	
Over 4 years including 5 years	173	181	197	219	264	243	280	252	217	197	254	
Over 5 years including 10 years	154	154	173	190	200	221	214	188	195	177	257	
Over 10 years less than Indeterminate	14	8	12	11	14	14	14	16	13	7	11	
Indeterminate	32	48	36	41	48	50	55	118	286	355	231	
15-17 YEAR OLDS	5,283	5,523	5,530	5,598	5,392	4,729	4,986	4,971	5,127	5,165	5,114	
Up to and including 3 months	1,335	1,498	444	63	115	175	213	267	334	368	317	
Over 3 months including 6 months	1,617	1,784	2,525	2,854	2,253	2,059	2,167	2,249	2,171	2,192	2,147	
Over 6 months up to 12 months	714	651	829	974	911	847	834	829	833	864	870	
12 months	366	334	597	664	743	640	661	585	655	663	621	
Over 12 months including 18 months	478	476	505	495	663	509	510	466	487	476	423	
Over 18 months including 3 years	563	580	426	341	457	316	376	365	390	375	422	
Over 3 years up to 4 years	47	42	49	45	66	59	59	49	52	29	70	
4 years	68	60	65	60	71	53	61	54	62	41	67	
Over 4 years including 5 years	34	42	46	42	48	34	46	30	41	33	49	
Over 5 years including 10 years	41	36	24	36	48	26	39	36	34	35	57	
Over 10 years less than Indeterminate	4	1	0	0	1	0	3	1	3	2	2	
Indeterminate	15	20	20	24	16	11	17	40	65	87	69	
FEMALES												
ADULTS	4,778	5,583	5,770	5,961	6,388	6,888	7,238	6,946	6,685	6,977	7,721	
Up to and including 3 months	1,894	2,300	2,396	2,314	2,534	2,691	2,830	2,763	2,489	2,593	2,931	
Over 3 months including 6 months	1,169	1,346	1,419	1,460	1,504	1,754	1,846	1,740	1,697	1,863	2,081	
Over 6 months up to 12 months	472	472	495	526	549	598	673	653	776	780	823	
12 months	237	313	274	266	270	281	297	340	302	347	374	
Over 12 months including 18 months	298	345	299	319	352	376	357	412	395	383	417	
Over 18 months including 3 years	386	414	465	542	612	630	647	527	564	562	596	
Over 3 years up to 4 years	50	85	80	102	161	123	151	100	80	75	102	
4 years	67	66	80	81	95	99	94	72	70	56	98	
Over 4 years including 5 years	74	87	108	129	115	112	132	110	77	80	74	
Over 5 years including 10 years	95	125	123	177	149	177	172	174	153	156	148	
Over 10 years less than Indeterminate	22	15	13	31	31	22	22	13	22	18	19	
Indeterminate	14	15	18	14	16	25	17	42	60	64	58	
YOUNG ADULTS	769	879	932	965	986	916	840	874	849	888	965	
Up to and including 3 months	320	370	373	379	362	332	332	316	319	353	398	
Over 3 months including 6 months	184	197	252	250	235	242	204	227	218	259	260	
Over 6 months up to 12 months	75	90	84	80	86	84	82	74	93	62	92	
12 months	50	47	43	50	51	41	40	60	39	41	42	
Over 12 months including 18 months	51	64	57	51	80	54	44	50	50	45	67	
Over 18 months including 3 years	65	70	77	101	98	99	84	80	87	77	64	
Over 3 years up to 4 years	5	8	12	14	26	16	14	11	8	10	9	
4 years	6	14	5	10	11	14	12	12	12	13	8	
Over 4 years including 5 years	3	5	14	13	5	9	16	15	5	5	7	
Over 5 years including 10 years	8	11	13	13	27	19	7	16	9	16	13	
Over 10 years less than Indeterminate	1	0	0	2	1	1	2	3	0	1	0	
Indeterminate	0	3	2	2	4	5	3	10	9	6	5	
15-17 YEAR OLDS	302	354	304	305	346	189	186	204	164	191	176	
Up to and including 3 months	116	162	53	32	4	5	4	9	13	7	9	
Over 3 months including 6 months	95	94	148	159	158	82	90	112	75	102	90	
Over 6 months up to 12 months	32	23	37	40	56	29	33	25	31	25	24	
12 months	19	24	23	25	43	28	22	20	22	23	17	
Over 12 months including 18 months	16	23	18	23	37	16	16	17	5	12	17	
Over 18 months including 3 years	19	24	16	14	40	15	14	14	14	13	13	
Over 3 years up to 4 years	2	0	2	2	2	4	4	1	1	0	2	
4 years	2	2	2	4	3	3	0	3	0	2	0	
Over 4 years including 5 years	0	1	2	2	1	4	1	2	1	2	2	
Over 5 years including 10 years	1	0	1	3	1	2	0	0	2	2	0	
Over 10 years less than Indeterminate	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	
Indeterminate	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	0	3	2	

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Table 6.9 Receptions of fine defaulters into prison establishments⁽¹⁾, by offence group and sex

England and Wales		Number of persons										
		1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
MALES AND FEMALES		5,374	3,727	2,476	1,453	1,192	1,250	1,835	2,038	1,904	1,475	1,528
Violence against the person		346	204	122	92	59	75	99	85	82	71	65
Sexual offences		6	5	5	3	0	1	1	1	1	2	2
Burglary/Robbery		173	89	72	41	36	32	44	30	23	26	23
Theft and handling		709	427	274	173	136	112	132	147	119	83	82
Fraud and forgery		115	82	45	31	26	22	29	25	28	21	24
Drug offences ⁽²⁾		0	0	88	54	33	27	44	36	19	21	36
Drunkenness		170	112	95	40	28	29	30	35	30	22	22
Motoring offences		1,860	1,203	667	407	255	256	404	421	365	256	259
Using a TV without a licence		145	80	36	30	14	20	28	29	24	27	35
Other offences		1,204	820	490	224	201	205	317	337	327	270	282
Offence not recorded		646	705	582	358	404	471	707	892	886	676	698
MALES		5,048	3,512	2,327	1,380	1,113	1,174	1,697	1,878	1,756	1,357	1,378
Violence against the person		317	189	119	87	57	67	91	81	80	70	60
Sexual offences		6	5	4	2	0	1	1	1	1	2	2
Burglary/Robbery		171	86	71	40	33	32	44	30	22	25	23
Theft and handling		664	402	256	159	121	95	121	133	112	74	77
Fraud and forgery		109	76	39	29	24	19	27	24	24	21	21
Drug offences ⁽²⁾		0	0	81	53	33	25	43	35	18	21	35
Drunkenness		164	110	93	40	28	28	29	33	29	22	21
Motoring offences		1,794	1,170	640	392	239	251	386	402	350	235	239
Using a TV without a licence		104	56	24	21	12	17	19	21	21	17	19
Other offences		1,107	757	463	213	183	192	303	325	311	261	268
Offence not recorded		612	661	537	344	383	447	633	793	788	609	613
FEMALES		326	215	149	73	79	76	138	160	148	118	150
Violence against the person		29	15	3	5	2	8	8	4	2	1	5
Sexual offences		0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary/Robbery		2	3	1	1	3	0	0	0	1	1	0
Theft and handling		45	25	18	14	15	17	11	14	7	9	5
Fraud and forgery		6	6	6	2	2	3	2	1	4	0	3
Drug offences ⁽²⁾		0	0	7	1	0	2	1	1	1	0	1
Drunkenness		6	2	2	0	0	1	1	2	1	0	1
Motoring offences		66	33	27	15	16	5	18	19	15	21	20
Using a TV without a licence		41	24	12	9	2	3	9	8	3	10	16
Other offences		97	63	27	11	18	13	14	12	16	9	14
Offence not recorded		34	44	45	14	21	24	74	99	98	67	85

(1) Excludes police cells

(2) Application of court possession order.

Table 6.10 Non-criminal prisoner receptions into prison establishments⁽¹⁾ by type of committal and sex

England and Wales		Number of persons										
		1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
MALES AND FEMALES		3,290	3,271	3,153	4,630	2,674	3,142	3,669	3,668	4,734	3,888	3,836
Committed for non-payment of:												
Wife maintenance (incl wife and child maintenance)		8	8	3	2	4	1	0	3	1	2	1
Child maintenance		14	9	12	1	2	6	6	4	11	21	20
Arrears under an affiliation order		2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rates		13	4	4	1	6	4	6	6	13	14	18
Community charge/council tax		194	101	41	29	21	30	28	21	45	29	38
Other debts		21	10	10	5	5	3	0	1	5	3	5
In contempt of court		588	586	539	442	442	426	435	384	392	297	168
Persons held under the 1971 Immigration Act ⁽²⁾		2,348	2,443	2,455	4,035	2,093	2,549	3,041	3,093	4,073	3,347	3,466
Others		64	79	58	63	39	58	88	93	114	92	52
Committal type not recorded		38	30	31	52	62	65	65	63	80	83	68
MALES		3,196	3,178	3,076	4,529	2,534	3,004	3,489	3,455	4,438	3,548	3,535
Committed for non-payment of:												
Wife maintenance (incl wife and child maintenance)		8	8	3	2	4	1	0	3	1	2	1
Child maintenance		14	9	12	1	2	6	6	4	11	21	20
Arrears under an affiliation order		2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rates		13	4	4	1	6	4	6	6	13	13	16
Community charge/council tax		183	94	36	24	18	25	26	16	31	24	28
Other debts		21	10	10	5	5	2	0	1	5	3	5
In contempt of court		571	567	523	422	420	410	406	360	347	276	157
Persons held under the 1971 Immigration Act ⁽²⁾		2,283	2,380	2,408	3,961	1,988	2,452	2,912	2,934	3,870	3,068	3,214
Others		64	76	55	62	38	53	81	82	104	78	45
Committal type not recorded		37	29	25	51	53	51	52	49	56	63	49
FEMALES		94	93	77	101	140	138	180	213	296	340	301
Committed for non-payment of:												
Child maintenance		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rates		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Community charge/council tax		11	7	5	5	3	5	2	5	14	5	10
Other debts		0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
In contempt of court		17	19	16	20	22	16	29	24	45	21	11
Persons held under the 1971 Immigration Act ⁽²⁾		65	63	47	74	105	97	129	159	203	279	252
Others		0	3	3	1	1	5	7	11	10	14	7
Committal type not recorded		1	1	6	1	9	14	13	14	24	20	19

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(2) The figures include persons held in Dover, Haslar and Lindholme but exclude those held in detention centres controlled by the Immigration Service

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Table 6.11 Convicted unsentenced receptions into prison establishments⁽¹⁾ by offence group and sex

England and Wales										Number of persons	
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
MALES AND FEMALES	43,387	45,893	43,837	46,851	53,301	53,246	50,115	49,104	47,995	43,566	44,773
Violence against the person	4,492	4,522	4,569	5,138	5,948	6,424	6,872	7,607	8,463	8,209	9,214
Sexual offences	890	888	868	963	1,098	1,090	1,153	1,212	1,397	1,411	1,560
Robbery	1,641	1,755	1,790	2,162	2,988	2,798	2,697	2,651	2,982	3,096	3,284
Burglary	7,342	7,433	6,215	6,698	7,756	7,613	6,740	6,032	5,805	5,640	5,764
Theft and handling	13,331	14,901	13,662	15,130	16,556	15,200	12,826	11,336	10,424	8,457	8,304
Fraud and forgery	1,014	999	881	1,056	1,289	1,466	1,562	2,470	2,114	1,662	1,777
Drug offences	3,119	3,334	3,113	3,697	4,111	4,064	3,978	4,186	4,018	4,230	4,432
Motoring offences	4,228	4,395	4,232	4,789	5,362	5,829	5,098	4,170	3,317	2,272	1,793
Other offences	6,501	6,911	6,328	6,473	7,242	7,773	8,443	8,947	9,123	8,119	8,297
Offence not recorded	829	755	2,179	745	951	989	746	493	352	470	348
MALES	39,945	41,958	40,069	42,502	47,851	47,587	45,255	44,470	43,668	39,933	41,231
Violence against the person	4,204	4,235	4,317	4,790	5,553	5,982	6,414	7,088	7,984	7,714	8,673
Sexual offences	885	879	858	958	1,090	1,081	1,144	1,205	1,388	1,398	1,545
Robbery	1,555	1,677	1,690	2,037	2,747	2,575	2,540	2,502	2,841	2,934	3,124
Burglary	7,167	7,240	6,071	6,515	7,437	7,259	6,441	5,777	5,587	5,430	5,562
Theft and handling	11,611	12,891	11,771	12,942	13,926	12,657	10,717	9,636	8,824	7,260	7,182
Fraud and forgery	858	811	748	895	1,061	1,181	1,347	2,047	1,759	1,413	1,496
Drug offences	2,790	2,972	2,764	3,227	3,622	3,536	3,506	3,725	3,592	3,821	4,073
Motoring offences	4,150	4,302	4,144	4,687	5,198	5,637	4,946	4,047	3,201	2,211	1,751
Other offences	6,005	6,300	5,773	5,814	6,418	6,863	7,554	8,009	8,191	7,340	7,521
Offence not recorded	720	651	1,933	637	799	816	646	434	301	412	304
FEMALES	3,442	3,935	3,768	4,349	5,450	5,659	4,860	4,634	4,327	3,633	3,542
Violence against the person	288	287	252	348	395	442	458	519	479	495	541
Sexual offences	5	9	10	5	8	9	9	7	9	13	15
Robbery	86	78	100	125	241	223	157	149	141	162	160
Burglary	175	193	144	183	319	354	299	255	218	210	202
Theft and handling	1,720	2,010	1,891	2,188	2,630	2,543	2,109	1,700	1,600	1,197	1,122
Fraud and forgery	156	188	133	161	228	285	215	423	355	249	281
Drug offences	329	362	349	470	489	528	472	461	426	409	359
Motoring offences	78	93	88	102	164	192	152	123	116	61	42
Other offences	496	611	555	659	824	910	889	938	932	779	776
Offence not recorded	109	104	246	108	152	173	100	59	51	58	44

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Table 6.12 Receptions into prison establishments ⁽¹⁾ under sentence by age and offence, 2008

England and Wales		Immediate imprisonment								Number of persons
	All ages	Age								In default of payment of a fine
		15-17	18-20	21-24	25-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60 and over	
MALES AND FEMALES	98,820	5,290	14,199	17,581	18,906	25,289	12,927	3,507	1,121	1,528
Violence against the person	19,752	1,308	3,228	4,029	3,465	4,398	2,569	593	162	65
Murder	379	20	43	73	57	89	74	19	4	3
Manslaughter	215	21	30	49	40	32	22	13	8	0
Other and attempted homicide	1,009	40	147	203	193	196	165	46	19	0
Wounding	6,844	605	1,381	1,495	1,096	1,370	713	140	44	13
Assaults	7,355	380	1,046	1,479	1,391	1,776	1,008	223	52	30
Cruelty to children	121	0	11	20	29	40	16	4	1	0
Other violence against the person	3,829	242	570	710	659	895	571	148	34	19
Sexual offences	2,735	93	166	259	309	558	642	361	347	2
Buggery and indecency between males	109	5	7	8	8	23	23	21	14	0
Rape	842	48	75	99	114	178	190	78	60	0
Gross indecency with children	311	0	5	6	14	30	76	76	104	0
Other sexual offences	1,473	40	79	146	173	327	353	186	169	2
Robbery	4,804	894	1,340	985	728	608	219	28	2	5
Burglary	8,306	763	1,330	1,442	1,731	2,217	749	65	9	18
Theft and handling	18,368	631	1,765	2,815	4,255	6,015	2,333	484	70	82
Taking and driving away	1,281	194	390	277	201	156	56	7	0	5
Other thefts	16,185	386	1,261	2,380	3,851	5,601	2,181	461	64	70
Handling stolen goods	902	51	114	158	203	258	96	16	6	7
Fraud and forgery	4,737	19	192	569	1,002	1,681	851	331	92	24
Fraud	4,657	16	186	558	993	1,654	836	323	91	24
Forgery	80	3	6	11	9	27	15	8	1	0
Drug offences	8,344	231	973	1,497	1,666	2,265	1,281	349	82	36
Supply	2,272	42	246	392	469	666	354	88	15	5
Possession with intent	3,137	135	437	642	644	742	401	108	28	6
Possession	1,483	41	201	293	312	420	179	29	8	23
Unlawful import/export	706	1	27	70	116	209	180	77	26	0
Other drug offences	746	12	62	100	125	228	167	47	5	2
Motoring Offences	6,987	125	707	1,324	1,456	1,920	1,061	336	58	259
In charge or driving under the influence of drink or drugs	1,656	15	110	229	299	513	345	127	18	26
Other motoring offences	5,331	110	597	1,095	1,157	1,407	716	209	40	233
Other offences	24,173	1,207	4,379	4,539	4,177	5,505	3,138	938	290	339
Arson	456	34	84	105	47	95	70	15	6	0
Criminal damage	1,836	46	350	387	349	421	221	51	11	52
Drunkenness	298	2	20	45	51	65	73	34	8	22
Blackmail	112	2	19	22	20	26	16	6	1	0
Kidnapping	217	8	42	55	49	34	22	7	0	0
Affray	1,344	141	349	309	206	218	99	18	4	7
Violent disorder	306	55	95	64	44	26	18	3	1	0
Perjury/Libel/Pervert course of justice	420	8	49	85	85	100	66	19	8	3
Threat/disorderly behaviour	1,259	86	229	236	193	289	168	45	13	16
Breach of Court Order:	14,060	723	2,809	2,701	2,535	3,209	1,575	416	92	0
<i>Bail related</i>	2,179	46	277	427	461	612	286	56	14	0
<i>Breach of community sentence</i>	4,429	403	964	772	671	895	521	166	37	0
<i>Breach of suspended sentence</i>	5,769	3	1,040	1,352	1,245	1,434	576	105	14	0
<i>Other breach</i>	1,683	271	528	150	158	268	192	89	27	0
Other ⁽²⁾	3,865	102	333	530	598	1,022	810	324	146	239
Offence not recorded	614	19	119	122	117	122	84	22	9	698

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Table 6.12 Male receptions into prison establishments ⁽¹⁾ under sentence by age and offence, 2008

England and Wales		Immediate imprisonment								Number of persons
	All ages	Age								In default of payment of a fine
		15-17	18-20	21-24	25-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60 and over	
MALES	89,958	5,114	13,234	16,137	16,999	22,606	11,608	3,194	1,066	1,378
Violence against the person	18,500	1,249	2,999	3,794	3,251	4,100	2,399	556	152	60
Murder	355	19	41	67	56	82	68	18	4	3
Manslaughter	192	20	30	44	37	26	15	12	8	0
Other and attempted homicide	949	39	142	189	177	188	154	42	18	0
Wounding	6,492	582	1,306	1,425	1,051	1,292	668	127	41	13
Assaults	6,779	353	924	1,381	1,289	1,634	938	212	48	28
Cruelty to children	68	0	4	11	15	24	12	2	0	0
Other violence against the person	3,665	236	552	677	626	854	544	143	33	16
Sexual offences	2,706	93	165	257	304	546	635	359	347	2
Buggery and indecency between males	106	5	7	7	7	23	22	21	14	0
Rape	839	48	75	99	114	176	190	77	60	0
Gross indecency with children	307	0	5	6	13	27	76	76	104	0
Other sexual offences	1,454	40	78	145	170	320	347	185	169	2
Robbery	4,549	863	1,291	941	674	550	202	26	2	5
Burglary	8,032	754	1,291	1,400	1,650	2,139	727	62	9	18
Theft and handling	15,522	610	1,557	2,355	3,529	5,042	1,960	408	61	77
Taking and driving away	1,263	193	385	273	195	154	56	7	0	5
Other thefts	13,421	366	1,060	1,933	3,148	4,654	1,818	386	56	65
Handling stolen goods	838	51	112	149	186	234	86	15	5	7
Fraud and forgery	3,833	18	164	483	820	1,342	655	269	82	21
Fraud	3,768	15	158	473	813	1,322	643	263	81	21
Forgery	65	3	6	10	7	20	12	6	1	0
Drug offences	7,547	224	903	1,361	1,506	2,032	1,141	308	72	35
Supply	2,025	41	226	345	421	589	312	78	13	5
Possession with intent	2,952	133	419	610	609	693	366	97	25	6
Possession	1,346	40	192	270	278	369	162	27	8	22
Unlawful import/export	535	0	9	42	78	171	150	64	21	0
Other drug offences	689	10	57	94	120	210	151	42	5	2
Motoring Offences	6,805	125	696	1,298	1,420	1,862	1,019	327	58	239
In charge or driving under the influence of drink or drugs	1,600	15	108	223	293	492	329	122	18	25
Other motoring offences	5,205	110	588	1,075	1,127	1,370	690	205	40	214
Other offences	21,910	1,159	4,060	4,135	3,741	4,889	2,794	858	274	308
Arson	394	31	77	93	40	76	58	13	6	0
Criminal damage	1,740	43	334	368	334	396	206	48	11	51
Drunkenness	279	2	20	43	46	60	66	34	8	21
Blackmail	105	2	18	22	19	23	15	5	1	0
Kidnapping	208	8	38	53	46	34	22	7	0	0
Affray	1,299	137	336	301	199	212	93	17	4	7
Violent disorder	303	55	94	64	43	25	18	3	1	0
Perjury/Libel/Pervert course of justice	351	7	32	71	75	88	55	15	8	3
Threat/disorderly behaviour	1,196	83	219	227	181	275	155	43	13	16
Breach of Court Order:	12,613	692	2,586	2,428	2,224	2,828	1,391	376	88	0
<i>Bail related</i>	1,927	44	256	375	395	536	253	54	14	0
<i>Breach of community sentence</i>	3,898	375	876	680	575	765	448	145	34	0
<i>Breach of suspended sentence</i>	5,187	3	960	1,230	1,104	1,276	506	94	14	0
<i>Other breach</i>	1,601	270	494	143	150	251	184	83	26	0
Other ⁽²⁾	3,422	99	306	465	534	872	715	297	134	210
Offence not recorded	554	19	108	113	104	104	76	21	9	613

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Table 6.12 Female receptions into prison establishments ⁽¹⁾ under sentence by age and offence, 2008

England and Wales										Number of persons
	All ages	Immediate imprisonment								In default of payment of a fine
		Age								
		15-17	18-20	21-24	25-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60 and over	
FEMALES	8,862	176	965	1,444	1,907	2,683	1,319	313	55	150
Violence against the person	1,252	59	229	235	214	298	170	37	10	5
Murder	24	1	2	6	1	7	6	1	0	0
Manslaughter	23	1	0	5	3	6	7	1	0	0
Other and attempted homicide	60	1	5	14	16	8	11	4	1	0
Wounding	352	23	75	70	45	78	45	13	3	0
Assaults	576	27	122	98	102	142	70	11	4	2
Cruelty to children	53	0	7	9	14	16	4	2	1	0
Other violence against the person	164	6	18	33	33	41	27	5	1	3
Sexual offences	29	0	1	2	5	12	7	2	0	0
Buggery and indecency between males	3	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
Rape	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0
Gross indecency with children	4	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0
Other sexual offences	19	0	1	1	3	7	6	1	0	0
Robbery	255	31	49	44	54	58	17	2	0	0
Burglary	274	9	39	42	81	78	22	3	0	0
Theft and handling	2,846	21	208	460	726	973	373	76	9	5
Taking and driving away	18	1	5	4	6	2	0	0	0	0
Other thefts	2,764	20	201	447	703	947	363	75	8	5
Handling stolen goods	64	0	2	9	17	24	10	1	1	0
Fraud and forgery	904	1	28	86	182	339	196	62	10	3
Fraud	889	1	28	85	180	332	193	60	10	3
Forgery	15	0	0	1	2	7	3	2	0	0
Drug offences	797	7	70	136	160	233	140	41	10	1
Supply	247	1	20	47	48	77	42	10	2	0
Possession with intent	185	2	18	32	35	49	35	11	3	0
Possession	137	1	9	23	34	51	17	2	0	1
Unlawful import/export	171	1	18	28	38	38	30	13	5	0
Other drug offences	57	2	5	6	5	18	16	5	0	0
Motoring Offences	182	0	11	26	36	58	42	9	0	20
In charge or driving under the influence of drink or drugs	56	0	2	6	6	21	16	5	0	1
Other motoring offences	126	0	9	20	30	37	26	4	0	19
Other offences	2,263	48	319	404	436	616	344	80	16	31
Arson	62	3	7	12	7	19	12	2	0	0
Criminal damage	96	3	16	19	15	25	15	3	0	1
Drunkenness	19	0	0	2	5	5	7	0	0	1
Blackmail	7	0	1	0	1	3	1	1	0	0
Kidnapping	9	0	4	2	3	0	0	0	0	0
Affray	45	4	13	8	7	6	6	1	0	0
Violent disorder	3	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Perjury/Libel/Pervert course of justice	69	1	17	14	10	12	11	4	0	0
Threat/disorderly behaviour	63	3	10	9	12	14	13	2	0	0
Breach of Court Order:	1,447	31	223	273	311	381	184	40	4	0
<i>Bail related</i>	252	2	21	52	66	76	33	2	0	0
<i>Breach of community sentence</i>	531	28	88	92	96	130	73	21	3	0
<i>Breach of suspended sentence</i>	582	0	80	122	141	158	70	11	0	0
<i>Other breach</i>	82	1	34	7	8	17	8	6	1	0
Other ⁽²⁾	443	3	27	65	64	150	95	27	12	29
Offence not recorded	60	0	11	9	13	18	8	1	0	85

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Table 6.13 Receptions into prison establishments ⁽¹⁾ under sentence of immediate imprisonment by age⁽²⁾, offence group and length of sentence, 2008

England and Wales

Number of persons

	All sentence lengths	Less than or equal to 3 months	Greater than 3 months up to and including 6 months	Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	12 months	Greater than 12 months less than or equal to 18 months	Greater than 18 months less than or equal to 3 years	Greater than 3 years to less than 4 years	4 years	Greater than 4 years less than or equal to 5 years	Greater than 5 years less than or equal to 10 years	Greater than 10 years to less than indeterminate	Indeterminate
MALES AND FEMALES	98,820	28,892	26,441	9,652	4,786	6,715	11,162	1,971	1,739	2,145	2,961	505	1,851
ADULTS	79,331	24,157	20,797	7,377	3,436	5,084	8,896	1,645	1,436	1,833	2,634	492	1,544
Violence against the person	15,216	3,771	4,607	1,338	728	1,138	1,501	253	256	389	451	51	733
Sexual offences	2,476	119	133	102	116	207	480	71	129	189	462	171	297
Robbery	2,570	238	135	117	92	206	658	165	169	235	302	34	219
Burglary	6,213	1,000	1,044	530	350	671	1,652	311	230	197	168	6	54
Theft and handling	15,972	7,571	4,913	1,532	386	577	678	101	58	68	52	5	31
Fraud and forgery	4,526	581	956	1,078	693	512	426	66	58	68	78	7	3
Drug offences	7,140	650	422	326	263	643	2,286	496	402	546	907	185	14
Motoring offences	6,155	1,882	3,137	481	155	260	179	21	12	11	12	0	5
Other offences	18,587	8,166	5,354	1,816	635	842	990	151	114	119	188	29	183
Offence not recorded	476	179	96	57	18	28	46	10	8	11	14	4	5
YOUNG ADULTS	14,199	4,409	3,407	1,381	712	1,191	1,831	254	236	261	270	11	236
Violence against the person	3,228	738	872	328	210	312	367	51	53	90	87	4	116
Sexual offences	166	11	6	8	10	17	36	2	20	14	22	0	20
Robbery	1,340	103	78	92	100	193	421	70	80	86	62	4	51
Burglary	1,330	217	279	161	103	180	310	22	15	15	17	1	10
Theft and handling	1,765	760	554	169	65	88	91	10	7	5	8	0	8
Fraud and forgery	192	46	56	47	24	8	10	0	0	1	0	0	0
Drug offences	973	103	98	52	40	130	368	58	41	29	50	1	3
Motoring offences	707	224	289	78	25	54	25	5	2	1	3	0	1
Other offences	4,379	2,157	1,146	426	135	204	196	34	18	18	18	1	26
Offence not recorded	119	50	29	20	0	5	7	2	0	2	3	0	1
15-17 YEAR OLDS	5,290	326	2,237	894	638	440	435	72	67	51	57	2	71
Violence against the person	1,308	10	610	223	136	102	96	21	29	19	19	1	42
Sexual offences	93	2	13	10	10	11	15	4	5	4	9	1	9
Robbery	894	9	199	142	138	125	187	30	22	19	12	0	11
Burglary	763	24	316	167	118	71	51	5	4	4	3	0	0
Theft and handling	631	10	417	109	56	26	11	1	0	1	0	0	0
Fraud and forgery	19	0	10	4	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Drug offences	231	1	51	39	58	36	36	5	1	3	1	0	0
Motoring offences	125	3	75	23	14	4	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other offences	1,207	267	534	176	102	65	31	6	3	1	13	0	9
Offence not recorded	19	0	12	1	2	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0

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MALES	89,958	25,554	24,010	8,713	4,353	6,214	10,489	1,858	1,633	2,062	2,800	486	1,786
ADULTS	71,610	21,226	18,716	6,554	3,062	4,667	8,300	1,543	1,338	1,759	2,486	473	1,486
Violence against the person	14,252	3,464	4,332	1,256	681	1,079	1,420	236	230	373	435	50	696
Sexual offences	2,448	117	129	100	115	204	474	69	126	188	459	170	297
Robbery	2,395	217	125	103	82	185	603	153	161	226	294	32	214
Burglary	5,987	942	1,009	514	325	646	1,602	304	226	195	164	6	54
Theft and handling	13,355	6,272	4,060	1,279	316	502	627	93	54	67	51	5	29
Fraud and forgery	3,651	467	704	841	574	438	369	59	51	63	76	6	3
Drug offences	6,420	575	366	284	222	558	2,078	459	367	515	810	173	13
Motoring offences	5,984	1,805	3,061	472	155	254	176	21	12	11	12	0	5
Other offences	16,691	7,207	4,843	1,652	575	778	909	142	104	111	171	28	171
Offence not recorded	427	160	87	53	17	23	42	7	7	10	14	3	4
YOUNG ADULTS	13,234	4,011	3,147	1,289	670	1,124	1,767	245	228	254	257	11	231
Violence against the person	2,999	666	793	307	196	296	349	49	50	89	86	4	114
Sexual offences	165	11	6	8	9	17	36	2	20	14	22	0	20
Robbery	1,291	101	75	85	97	177	413	68	75	84	62	4	50
Burglary	1,291	211	269	154	99	173	306	22	15	14	17	1	10
Theft and handling	1,557	633	494	160	57	87	88	10	7	5	8	0	8
Fraud and forgery	164	39	47	39	20	8	10	0	0	1	0	0	0
Drug offences	903	99	92	45	40	116	347	54	41	26	39	1	3
Motoring offences	696	221	284	76	24	54	25	5	2	1	3	0	1
Other offences	4,060	1,990	1,058	396	128	191	186	33	18	18	17	1	24
Offence not recorded	108	40	29	19	0	5	7	2	0	2	3	0	1
15-17 YEAR OLDS	5,114	317	2,147	870	621	423	422	70	67	49	57	2	69
Violence against the person	1,249	8	576	216	133	95	92	21	29	18	19	1	41
Sexual offences	93	2	13	10	10	11	15	4	5	4	9	1	9
Robbery	863	9	192	138	132	121	179	29	22	18	12	0	11
Burglary	754	24	311	164	117	71	51	5	4	4	3	0	0
Theft and handling	610	10	402	106	56	23	11	1	0	1	0	0	0
Fraud and forgery	18	0	9	4	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Drug offences	224	1	48	39	57	34	35	5	1	3	1	0	0
Motoring offences	125	3	75	23	14	4	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other offences	1,159	260	509	169	96	64	31	5	3	1	13	0	8
Offence not recorded	19	0	12	1	2	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0

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England and Wales

Number of persons

	All sentence lengths	Less than or equal to 3 months	Greater than 3 months up to and including 6 months	Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	12 months	Greater than 12 months less than or equal to 18 months	Greater than 18 months less than or equal to 3 years	Greater than 3 years to less than 4 years	4 years	Greater than 4 years less than or equal to 5 years	Greater than 5 years less than or equal to 10 years	Greater than 10 years to less than indeterminate	Indeterminate
FEMALES	8,862	3,338	2,431	939	433	501	673	113	106	83	161	19	65
ADULTS	7,721	2,931	2,081	823	374	417	596	102	98	74	148	19	58
Violence against the person	964	307	275	82	47	59	81	17	26	16	16	1	37
Sexual offences	28	2	4	2	1	3	6	2	3	1	3	1	0
Robbery	175	21	10	14	10	21	55	12	8	9	8	2	5
Burglary	226	58	35	16	25	25	50	7	4	2	4	0	0
Theft and handling	2,617	1,299	853	253	70	75	51	8	4	1	1	0	2
Fraud and forgery	875	114	252	237	119	74	57	7	7	5	2	1	0
Drug offences	720	75	56	42	41	85	208	37	35	31	97	12	1
Motoring offences	171	77	76	9	0	6	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other offences	1,896	959	511	164	60	64	81	9	10	8	17	1	12
Offence not recorded	49	19	9	4	1	5	4	3	1	1	0	1	1
YOUNG ADULTS	965	398	260	92	42	67	64	9	8	7	13	0	5
Violence against the person	229	72	79	21	14	16	18	2	3	1	1	0	2
Sexual offences	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	49	2	3	7	3	16	8	2	5	2	0	0	1
Burglary	39	6	10	7	4	7	4	0	0	1	0	0	0
Theft and handling	208	127	60	9	8	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fraud and forgery	28	7	9	8	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug offences	70	4	6	7	0	14	21	4	0	3	11	0	0
Motoring offences	11	3	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other offences	319	167	88	30	7	13	10	1	0	0	1	0	2
Offence not recorded	11	10	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15-17 YEAR OLDS	176	9	90	24	17	17	13	2	0	2	0	0	2
Violence against the person	59	2	34	7	3	7	4	0	0	1	0	0	1
Sexual offences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	31	0	7	4	6	4	8	1	0	1	0	0	0
Burglary	9	0	5	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Theft and handling	21	0	15	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fraud and forgery	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug offences	7	0	3	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motoring offences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other offences	48	7	25	7	6	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Offence not recorded	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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(1) Excludes police cells

(2) Age at sentenced reception.

Table 6.14 Receptions⁽¹⁾ of young people into prison establishments⁽²⁾ by age, sex and type of custody, 2008

England and Wales		Number of persons					
	All young people	Age on remand/sentence					
		15	16	17	18	19	20
All males and females on remand⁽¹⁾	16,325	538	1,189	2,938	3,996	3,984	3,680
All males and females under sentence	19,590	864	1,617	2,809	4,089	5,209	5,002
All males on remand⁽¹⁾	15,374	537	1,188	2,755	3,741	3,724	3,429
Untried	11,675	477	1,051	2,351	2,741	2,592	2,463
Convicted unsentenced	8,459	217	527	1,330	2,112	2,285	1,988
All males under sentence	18,437	864	1,607	2,643	3,827	4,848	4,648
Immediate custodial sentence	18,348	864	1,607	2,643	3,809	4,819	4,606
In default of payment of a fine	89	0	0	0	18	29	42
All females on remand⁽¹⁾	951	0	0	185	255	260	251
Untried	789	0	0	172	198	205	214
Convicted unsentenced	482	0	0	85	137	137	123
All females under sentence	1,153	0	10	166	262	361	354
Immediate custodial sentence	1,141	0	10	166	259	356	350
In default of payment of a fine	12	0	0	0	3	5	4

(1) Total receptions cannot be calculated by adding together receptions in each category because there is double counting.

However double counting has been allowed for in the figures of receptions of prisoners under remand where the figures for "all remand" record only once a person received as an untried prisoner who is subsequently received also as a convicted unsentenced prisoner.

(2) Excludes police cells

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Table 6.16 Receptions into prison establishments ⁽¹⁾ by nationality and sex, 2008

England and Wales				Number of persons			
Nationality	Male	Female	Total	Nationality	Male	Female	Total
All nationalities	142,615	14,009	156,624				
British nationals	120,726	11,565	132,291				
Foreign nationals	21,060	2,348	23,408				
Not recorded	829	96	925				
Total Africa	5,283	839	6,122	Total Europe	8,149	748	8,897
Algeria	451	4	455	Albania	238	6	244
Angola	161	9	170	Andorra	1	0	1
Benin	7	1	8	Armenia	2	0	2
Botswana	2	0	2	Austria	11	3	14
Burkina Faso	1	1	2	Azerbaijan	5	0	5
Burundi	20	2	22	Belgium	42	5	47
Cameroon	73	15	88	Bosnia and Herzegovina	13	10	23
Central African Republic	39	5	44	Bulgaria	40	133	173
Chad	1	0	1	Croatia	17	2	19
Congo	221	22	243	Cyprus	64	0	64
Congo, Democratic Republic	35	2	37	Czech Republic	215	27	242
Egypt	43	2	45	Denmark	19	1	20
Ethiopia	142	14	156	Estonia	30	2	32
Gabon	4	0	4	Finland	4	0	4
Gambia	79	13	92	France	330	25	355
Ghana	346	68	414	Georgia	42	0	42
Guinea	51	1	52	Germany	122	13	135
Guinea-Bissau	2	0	2	Gibraltar	1	0	1
Ivory Coast	68	6	74	Greece	34	6	40
Kenya	114	17	131	Hungary	74	10	84
Lesotho	1	0	1	Irish Republic	1,121	118	1,239
Liberia	43	7	50	Italy	174	10	184
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	38	0	38	Kazakhstan	9	1	10
Madagascar	2	1	3	Kyrgyzstan	4	1	5

(1) Excludes police cells

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Table 6.16 Receptions into prison establishments ⁽¹⁾ by nationality and sex, 2008

England and Wales			Number of persons					
Nationality	Male	Female	Total	Nationality	Male	Female	Total	
Malawi	31	11	42	Latvia	294	16	310	
Mali	3	0	3	Liechtenstein	3	0	3	
Mauritania	7	1	8	Lithuania	938	27	965	
Mauritius	41	3	44	Luxembourg	1	0	1	
Mayotte	1	0	1	Macedonia	16	0	16	
Morocco	87	5	92	Malta	8	0	8	
Mozambique	9	1	10	Moldova	52	11	63	
Namibia	7	2	9	Netherlands	139	11	150	
Niger	5	0	5	Norway	16	0	16	
Nigeria	1,262	337	1,599	Poland	1,927	70	1,997	
Rwanda	21	1	22	Portugal	462	28	490	
Senegal	22	0	22	Romania	749	122	871	
Seychelles	3	3	6	Russian Federation	253	44	297	
Sierra Leone	105	14	119	Serbia and Montenegro	120	7	127	
Somalia	775	45	820	Slovakia	108	6	114	
South Africa	243	72	315	Slovenia	8	0	8	
Sudan	73	7	80	Spain	94	18	112	
Swaziland	3	0	3	Sweden	35	6	41	
Tanzania	36	5	41	Switzerland	6	1	7	
Togo	5	2	7	Tajiksitan	2	0	2	
Tunisia	29	1	30	Turkey	287	7	294	
Uganda	115	15	130	Turkmenistan	1	1	2	
Western Sahara	1	0	1	Uzbekistan	18	0	18	
Zambia	35	2	37					
Zimbabwe	420	122	542					

(1) Excludes police cells

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Table 6.16 Receptions into prison establishments ⁽¹⁾ by nationality and sex, 2008

England and Wales				Number of persons			
Nationality	Male	Female	Total	Nationality	Male	Female	Total
Total Asia	4,479	436	4,915	Total Middle East	1,256	28	1,284
Afghanistan	286	3	289	Bahrain	1	0	1
Bangladesh	379	16	395	Iran	472	18	490
Bhutan	2	0	2	Iraq	568	6	574
Brunei Darussalam	1	0	1	Israel	60	0	60
Cambodia	0	1	1	Jordan	13	0	13
China	975	226	1,201	Kuwait	23	0	23
Hong Kong	19	0	19	Lebanon	43	1	44
India	825	24	849	Oman	1	0	1
Indonesia	4	0	4	Qatar	1	0	1
Japan	1	1	2	Saudi Arabia	30	3	33
Korea, DPR (North Korea)	5	1	6	Syrian Arab Republic	17	0	17
Korea, Republic of	7	0	7	United Arab Emirates	12	0	12
Malaysia	63	17	80	Yemen, Republic of	15	0	15
Maldives	0	1	1				
Mongolia	14	4	18	Total North America	141	28	169
Myanmar	6	2	8	Canada	34	10	44
Nepal	12	2	14	Pacific Islands	1	0	1
Pakistan	788	16	804	United States	106	18	124
Philippines	31	3	34				
Singapore	16	2	18	Total Oceania	71	8	79
Sri Lanka	342	19	361	Australia	35	6	41
Taiwan (Nationalist Chinese)	3	0	3	Fiji	13	1	14
Thailand	18	17	35	French Southern Territories	1	0	1
Vietnam	682	81	763	Kiribati	3	0	3
				New Zealand	18	1	19
				Solomon	1	0	1

(1) Excludes police cells

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Table 6.16 Receptions into prison establishments ⁽¹⁾ by nationality and sex, 2008

England and Wales			Number of persons				
Nationality	Male	Female	Total	Nationality	Male	Female	Total
Total Central or South America	387	85	472	Total West Indies	1,284	176	1,460
Argentina	4	1	5	Anguilla	4	0	4
Belize	2	0	2	Aruba	2	0	2
Bolivia	23	3	26	Bahamas	3	0	3
Brazil	172	35	207	Barbados	30	3	33
Chile	24	5	29	Bermuda	3	1	4
Colombia	56	14	70	Cayman Islands	2	0	2
Costa Rica	3	4	7	Cuba	9	0	9
Ecuador	26	4	30	Dominica	7	2	9
El Salvador	1	0	1	Dominican Republic	5	0	5
French Guiana	1	3	4	Grenada	21	1	22
Guatemala	1	0	1	Jamaica	1,073	138	1,211
Guyana	26	3	29	Montserrat	25	0	25
Honduras	1	0	1	Netherlands Antilles	12	1	13
Mexico	21	7	28	St Kitts and Nevis	3	1	4
Nicaragua	1	0	1	St Lucia	33	16	49
Panama	1	0	1	S Vincent and the Grenadines	9	2	11
Paraguay	6	4	10	Trinidad and Tobago	43	11	54
Peru	1	0	1				
Suriname	2	0	2				
Uruguay	2	0	2	Total Other	10	0	10
Venezuela	13	2	15				

(1) Excludes police cells

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Table 6.17 Receptions ⁽¹⁾ of prisoners on indeterminate sentences by type of sentence and sex

England and Wales											Number of persons	
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	
MALES AND FEMALES	413	477	492	512	533	509	582	1,047	2,158	2,278	1,850	
Mandatory lifers	244	247	249	283	306	282	345	382	386	360	417	
IPP ⁽²⁾	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	420	1,570	1,747	1,315	
Others ⁽³⁾	169	231	242	229	227	227	237	245	202	171	118	
MALES	398	459	470	494	512	478	561	994	2,089	2,205	1,785	
Mandatory lifers	238	232	238	270	291	262	329	359	367	339	393	
IPP ⁽²⁾	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	400	1,530	1,704	1,277	
Others ⁽³⁾	160	227	231	224	221	216	232	235	192	162	115	
FEMALES	15	18	22	18	21	31	21	53	69	73	65	
Mandatory lifers	6	15	11	13	15	20	16	23	19	21	24	
IPP ⁽²⁾	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	40	43	38	
Others ⁽³⁾	9	4	11	5	6	11	5	10	10	9	3	

(1) Excludes police cells

(2) Indeterminate sentence for public protection came into effect on 5th April 2005

(3) Other category includes discretionary, and automatic life sentences which were replaced by IPPs in 2005

Table 6.18 Receptions ⁽¹⁾ of prisoners on indeterminate sentences by type of prisoner and sex

England and Wales											Number of persons	
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005 ⁽²⁾	2006 ⁽²⁾	2007	2008	
MALES AND FEMALES	413	477	492	512	533	509	582	1,047	2,158	2,278	1,850	
Adults	365	411	434	444	464	442	506	878	1,798	1,827	1,543	
Young offenders	48	66	58	68	69	67	76	169	360	451	307	
MALES	398	458	470	494	512	478	561	994	2,089	2,205	1,785	
Adults	351	396	416	430	448	417	489	836	1,738	1,763	1,485	
Young offenders	47	62	54	64	64	61	72	158	351	442	300	
FEMALES	15	19	22	18	21	31	21	53	69	73	65	
Adults	14	15	18	14	16	25	17	42	60	64	58	
Young offenders	1	4	4	4	5	6	4	11	9	9	7	

(1) Excludes police cells

(2) 2005 and 2006 includes IPPs

Table 6.19 Receptions ⁽¹⁾ of prisoners on indeterminate sentences by type of sentence and age, 2008

England and Wales										Number of persons	
	All ages	15-17	18-20	21-24	25-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60 and over		
MALES AND FEMALES	1,850	71	236	348	293	440	312	104	46		
Mandatory lifers	417	22	49	78	66	97	82	19	4		
IPP ⁽²⁾	1,315	39	180	254	220	315	209	66	32		
Others ⁽³⁾	118	10	7	16	7	28	21	19	10		
MALES	1,785	69	231	336	288	418	295	102	46		
Mandatory lifers	393	21	47	72	65	90	76	18	4		
IPP ⁽²⁾	1,277	38	178	248	216	301	199	65	32		
Others ⁽³⁾	115	10	6	16	7	27	20	19	10		
FEMALES	65	2	5	12	5	22	17	2	0		
Mandatory lifers	24	1	2	6	1	7	6	1	0		
IPP ⁽²⁾	38	1	2	6	4	14	10	1	0		
Others ⁽³⁾	3	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0		

(1) Excludes police cells

(2) Indeterminate sentence for public protection, including detention for public protection for under 18s, came into effect for offences committed from 5th April 2005

(3) Other category includes discretionary, and automatic life sentences which were replaced by IPPs in 2005

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Chapter 7: Characteristics of the prison population

Total prison population

- The prison population at end June 2008 reached 83,200 an increase of 4 per cent compared to 2007. There was a 4 per cent rise in the male prison population and a 5 per cent rise in the female prison population.
- Over the longer term the prison population increased by 27 per cent between 1998 and 2008, with the female population up 44 per cent and the male population up 26 per cent.
- The overall 4 per cent increase between 2007 and 2008 was made up of a 5 per cent rise in the adult population, a 1 per cent rise in the young adult population and a 4 per cent rise in the number of 15-17 year olds.
- In 2008, 22,400 prisoners were from an ethnic group other than White, representing 27 per cent of the total prison population. Between 2007 and 2008 there was a 7 per cent increase in the number of prisoners from black and minority ethnic background compared to a 3 per cent increase in White prisoners. 20 per cent of British nationals were from an ethnic group other than White compared to 70 per cent of prisoners of a foreign nationality.
- There were 11,500 prisoners of a foreign nationality in 2008, a rise of 4 per cent from 2007. Between 2004 and 2008, there was a 29 per cent increase in foreign national prisoners compared to a 10 per cent rise in British national prisoners.
- Prisoners with no religious affiliation accounted for 33 per cent of the total prison population, Anglicans, Roman Catholics and Muslims for 28, 17 and 12 per cent respectively. Between 2007 and 2008, there was a 22 per cent increase in the number of Hindu prisoners (up from 360 in 2007 to 430 in 2008). The numbers of other Christian, Muslim, Buddhist and Sikh prisoners also increased, up 13, 11, 8 and 7 per cent respectively in 2008. Between 2007 and 2008, there was a 1 per cent fall in the number of Anglican prisoners (from 23,400 in 2007 to 23,000 in 2008).

Remand population

- In 2008 the remand prison population rose by 5 per cent to 13,400 from 2007 reflecting a 4 per cent rise in the untried prison population and a 5 per cent rise in the convicted unsentenced population.
- Although the total remand population rose 5 per cent, there were larger increases for some offence groups. Violence against the person offences, which accounted for just over a quarter (26 per cent) of the remand population in 2008, rose 10 per cent. However, the largest percentage rise was for sexual offences which rose by 17 per cent and in 2008 accounted for 7 per cent of the total remand

population. The largest percentage falls were seen in the motoring offences (11 per cent) and fraud and forgery offence groups (9 per cent).

- Over the longer term there has been a noticeable fall in the proportion remanded for theft and handling (down from 16 per cent in 1998 to 8 per cent in 2008) and burglary offences (down from 17 to 11 per cent), whereas there were rises for violence against the person (up from 18 per cent to 26 per cent) and robbery offences (up from 8 per cent to 10 per cent).

Sentenced population

- There were 68,100 prisoners under sentence (excluding fine defaulters) in 2008, an increase of 4 per cent on the previous year, and 31 per cent higher than in 1998.
- Between 2007 and 2008 there was a 15 per cent increase in the number of prisoners serving a sentence of less than 12 months. Whilst the number of adults serving a sentence of less than 12 months increased by 19 per cent, the number of 15 to 17 year olds rose 5 per cent and there was a less than one per cent increase in the number of young adults serving a sentence of less than 12 months.
- There were 23,600 prisoners serving a sentence of 12 months to less than 4 years, an increase of 3 per cent from 2007, and 12 per cent higher than in 1998.
- Between 2007 and 2008 there was a fall in the number of prisoners serving a sentence of 4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate), falling 5 per cent from 25,600 in 2007 to 24,400 in 2008. However, over the same period there has been a 20 per cent rise in the number of prisoners on indeterminate sentences (either a life sentence or an Indeterminate Sentence for Public Protection – an IPP) from 9,500 to 11,400 in 2008. This rise was due to a 56 per cent increase in IPPs to 4,500, while the number of all other indeterminate sentences increased by 5 per cent to 6,900.
- Over the longer term, there has also been shift towards a greater number of prisoners aged 40 and above. In 2008 prisoners aged 40 and above accounted for 26 per cent of the sentenced population, in 1998 this figure was 18 per cent.
- In 2008 the largest offence groups for the sentenced population were violence against the person, drug and robbery offences, which accounted for 28, 16 and 13 per cent of the sentenced population respectively. These proportions were similar to those seen in 2006 and 2007.
- The overall increase of 4 per cent in the sentenced population was largely driven by rises in the number of prisoners held for violence against the person, other offences and drug offences (7, 7 and 3 per cent respectively). In addition the other offences group increased by 7 per cent, partly due to a 15 per cent increase in number of prisoners breaching a court order. There was a fall in the sentenced population for motoring offences, down 7 per cent.

- Over the longer term there were large proportionate rises in the sentenced population for other offences (including breaches), violence against the person, fraud and forgery and sexual offences, up 84, 73, 68 and 59 per cent respectively from 1998. There were proportionate falls for motoring, theft and handling and burglary offences, down 28, 15 and 8 per cent respectively between 1998 and 2008.
- The non-criminal population rose by 18 per cent to 1,500 between 2007 and 2008 following a 9 per cent fall between 2006 and 2007. In 2008 97 per cent of all non criminal prisoners were being held under the 1971 Immigration Act. Over the longer term, the non-criminal prison population almost trebled between 1998 and 2008.
- Of those offenders in prison and under sentence at the end of June 2008 13 per cent had no previous convictions or cautions compared with 14 per cent in 2002. A much higher proportion of these offenders had 15 or more previous sanctions (31 per cent in 2008 compared with 25 per cent in 2002).

Offenders serving short custodial sentences were more likely to have a substantial criminal history than those serving the longest sentences. 44 per cent of offenders serving sentences of 6 months or less at the end of June 2008 had 15 or more previous convictions or cautions; for those serving 4 years or more (excluding indeterminate sentences) the figure was 25 per cent

The selection of countries for international comparison consists of: the constituent parts of the United Kingdom, the other countries of the EU, other European OECD countries, the country that is expected to become the 28th member of the EU shortly (Croatia), the three other large European countries (Russia, Turkey and Ukraine), the seven non-European OECD countries and South Africa.

England and Wales, at 153 prisoners per 100,000 of the total population, had the seventh highest per capita rate in the European Union (EU). Higher rates were recorded in Spain (157) and five member states that were new to the EU in 2004- Latvia (288), Estonia (259), Lithuania (234), Poland (222) and the Czech Republic (196),

Other high prison population rates in the European Union were in Scotland (150) and Luxembourg (138). Higher rates were recorded in two of the selected European countries outside the EU - the Russian Federation (622) and Ukraine (317). The Russian Federation is one of fifteen countries with rates of 400 or above, including the USA, whose rate of 760 at mid-2008 was the highest in the world.

- The lowest rates in Europe amongst the selected countries were in Iceland (44), Denmark (63), Finland and Slovenia (both 65).

Table 7.1 Total population in prison establishments and police cells; by type of custody, sentence length and age group

England and Wales, 30 June

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Total population in <u>prison and police cells</u>, of which	71,218	73,657	74,488	76,190	77,982	79,734	83,194
Remand	13,081	13,073	12,495	12,864	13,067	12,844	13,440
Untried	7,877	7,896	7,716	8,084	8,064	8,387	8,750
Convicted unsentenced	5,204	5,177	4,779	4,780	5,003	4,457	4,690
Under sentence	57,306	59,439	60,976	62,257	63,493	65,601	68,234
Fine defaulter	34	46	52	78	89	68	110
Less than or equal to 6 months	5,447	5,969	5,751	6,009	5,959	5,165	5,873
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	2,349	2,209	2,306	2,225	2,525	2,462	2,866
12 months to less than 4 years	21,858	21,378	21,436	21,628	21,619	22,840	23,632
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	22,471	24,416	25,837	26,435	26,026	25,586	24,371
Indeterminate sentences	5,147	5,421	5,594	5,882	7,275	9,481	11,382
Non-criminal prisoners	831	1,145	1,017	1,069	1,422	1,289	1,520
Total adult population in <u>prison</u>, of which	59,608	62,615	63,700	65,390	66,804	67,851	71,079
Remand	10,390	10,680	10,095	10,464	10,484	10,295	10,834
Untried	6,342	6,470	6,267	6,633	6,477	6,785	7,171
Convicted unsentenced	4,048	4,210	3,828	3,831	4,007	3,510	3,663
Under sentence	48,451	50,876	52,665	53,966	55,018	56,343	58,872
Fine defaulter	34	43	47	76	84	64	104
Less than or equal to 6 months	4,100	4,609	4,452	4,664	4,638	3,754	4,482
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	1,597	1,609	1,634	1,619	1,897	1,800	2,146
12 months to less than 4 years	16,952	16,797	17,162	17,287	17,181	18,095	18,922
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	20,781	22,564	23,939	24,631	24,329	23,831	22,666
Indeterminate sentences	4,987	5,254	5,431	5,689	6,889	8,800	10,552
Non-criminal prisoners	767	1,059	940	960	1,302	1,213	1,373
Total young adults¹ in <u>prison</u>, of which	9,017	8,788	8,513	8,474	8,738	9,454	9,588
Remand	2,188	1,920	1,890	1,914	2,009	2,005	2,013
Untried	1,226	1,098	1,117	1,114	1,206	1,227	1,213
Convicted unsentenced	962	823	773	800	802	778	800
Under sentence	6,766	6,782	6,548	6,456	6,610	7,375	7,430
Fine defaulter	0	3	5	2	5	4	6
Less than or equal to 6 months	913	947	864	844	840	934	904
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	450	345	399	349	367	401	436
12 months to less than 4 years	3,746	3,622	3,378	3,425	3,498	3,795	3,780
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	1,526	1,714	1,754	1,660	1,558	1,631	1,555
Indeterminate sentences	132	151	148	176	342	610	749
Non-criminal prisoners	63	85	75	104	119	74	146
Total 15 -17 year olds in <u>prison</u>, of which	2,593	2,254	2,275	2,326	2,440	2,429	2,527
Remand	503	473	510	486	574	544	593
Untried	309	328	332	337	381	375	366
Convicted unsentenced	194	144	178	149	194	169	227
Under sentence	2,089	1,781	1,763	1,835	1,865	1,883	1,932
Fine defaulter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Less than or equal to 6 months	434	412	435	502	481	477	488
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	302	255	273	257	261	261	284
12 months to less than 4 years	1,160	959	896	916	940	950	930
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	164	138	144	144	139	124	150
Indeterminate sentences	28	16	15	17	44	71	81
Non-criminal prisoners	1	1	2	5	1	2	1

¹ Young adults are those aged 18 - 20 and those 21 year olds who were aged 20 or under at conviction who have not been reclassified as part of the adult population

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Table 7.1 Male population in prison establishments and police cells; by type of custody, sentence length and age group

England and Wales, 30 June

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Total population in <u>prison and police cells</u>, of which	66,824	69,062	70,036	71,676	73,519	75,451	78,689
Remand	12,083	12,001	11,544	11,863	12,165	11,953	12,566
Untried	7,351	7,339	7,198	7,536	7,554	7,795	8,177
Convicted unsentenced	4,732	4,662	4,346	4,327	4,611	4,158	4,389
Under sentence	53,967	55,962	57,523	58,780	59,981	62,250	64,699
Fine defaulter	31	43	48	77	83	62	99
Less than or equal to 6 months	5,032	5,479	5,286	5,518	5,467	4,699	5,321
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	2,155	2,037	2,110	2,038	2,273	2,250	2,600
12 months to less than 4 years	20,466	19,994	20,103	20,337	20,327	21,601	22,326
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	21,301	23,155	24,564	25,113	24,783	24,456	23,318
Indeterminate sentences	4,982	5,254	5,412	5,697	7,048	9,182	11,035
Non-criminal prisoners	774	1,099	969	1,033	1,373	1,248	1,424
Total adult population in <u>prison</u>, of which	55,873	58,577	59,764	61,372	62,818	64,064	67,066
Remand	9,558	9,765	9,273	9,598	9,714	9,539	10,067
Untried	5,905	5,982	5,825	6,162	6,049	6272	6668
Convicted unsentenced	3,653	3,783	3,448	3,436	3,665	3267	3399
Under sentence	45,599	47,798	49,598	50,844	51,845	53,351	55,714
Fine defaulter	31	40	43	75	79	58	93
Less than or equal to 6 months	3,776	4,190	4,068	4,242	4,209	3,387	4,023
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	1,456	1,467	1,467	1,459	1,670	1,608	1,913
12 months to less than 4 years	15,813	15,626	16,020	16,177	16,069	17,016	17,776
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	19,688	21,380	22,741	23,375	23,142	22,766	21,682
Indeterminate sentences	4,835	5,095	5,259	5,516	6,676	8,517	10,227
Non-criminal prisoners	716	1,014	893	930	1,259	1,174	1,285
Total young adults¹ in <u>prison</u>, of which	8,474	8,309	8,074	8,050	8,331	9,035	9,167
Remand	2,035	1,784	1,780	1,794	1,896	1,889	1,919
Untried	1,142	1,041	1,051	1,048	1,138	1162	1149
Convictedunsentenced	893	743	729	746	758	727	771
Under sentence	6,382	6,440	6,219	6,156	6,322	7,072	7,109
Fine defaulter	0	3	5	2	4	4	6
Less than or equal to 6 months	843	887	802	795	790	856	831
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	418	319	379	326	349	385	409
12 months to less than 4 years	3,548	3,445	3,212	3,274	3,347	3,662	3,644
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	1,454	1,641	1,684	1,595	1,503	1,570	1,492
Indeterminate sentences	120	144	138	164	329	596	727
Non-criminal prisoners	57	85	75	100	113	72	138
Total 15 -17 year olds in <u>prison</u>, of which	2,477	2,176	2,198	2,254	2,370	2,354	2,456
Remand	490	452	491	471	555	525	580
Untried	304	316	322	326	367	361	360
Convicted unsentenced	186	136	169	145	188	164	219
Under sentence	1,986	1,724	1,706	1,780	1,814	1,827	1,876
Fine defaulter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Less than or equal to 6 months	413	401	416	481	468	457	467
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	282	251	265	254	254	258	277
12 months to less than 4 years	1,105	923	871	886	911	923	906
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	159	134	139	143	138	120	144
Indeterminate sentences	27	15	15	17	43	69	81
Non-criminal prisoners	1	0	1	3	1	2	1

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Table 7.1 Female population in prison establishments and police cells; by type of custody, sentence length and age group

England and Wales, 30 June

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Total population in <u>prison and police cells</u>, of which	4,394	4,595	4,452	4,514	4,463	4,283	4,505
Remand	998	1,072	951	1,001	902	891	874
Untried	526	557	518	548	510	592	573
Convicted unsentenced	472	515	433	453	392	299	301
Under sentence	3,339	3,477	3,453	3,477	3,512	3,351	3,535
Fine defaulter	3	3	4	1	6	6	11
Less than or equal to 6 months	415	490	466	492	492	466	552
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	194	172	195	186	252	211	266
12 months to less than 4 years	1,392	1,384	1,333	1,291	1,292	1,239	1,306
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	1,170	1,261	1,273	1,322	1,243	1,130	1,053
Indeterminate sentences	165	167	182	185	227	299	347
Non-criminal prisoners	57	46	48	36	49	41	96
Total adult population in <u>prison</u>, of which	3,735	4,038	3,936	4,018	3,986	3,787	4,013
Remand	832	915	822	866	770	756	767
Untried	437	488	442	471	428	513	503
Convicted unsentenced	395	427	380	395	342	243	264
Under sentence	2,852	3,078	3,067	3,122	3,173	2,992	3,158
Fine defaulter	3	3	4	1	5	6	11
Less than or equal to 6 months	324	419	384	421	429	367	459
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	141	142	167	161	227	192	233
12 months to less than 4 years	1,139	1,171	1,142	1,110	1,112	1,079	1,146
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	1,093	1,184	1,198	1,256	1,187	1,065	984
Indeterminate sentences	152	159	172	173	213	283	325
Non-criminal prisoners	51	45	47	30	43	39	88
Total young adults¹ in <u>prison</u>, of which	544	479	439	424	407	421	422
Remand	153	137	111	120	113	116	93
Untried	84	57	66	66	68	65	64
Convicted unsentenced	69	80	44	54	45	51	29
Under sentence	384	342	328	300	289	303	320
Fine defaulter	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Less than or equal to 6 months	70	60	62	49	50	78	73
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	33	26	20	23	19	17	26
12 months to less than 4 years	198	177	166	151	151	134	136
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	72	73	70	65	55	61	64
Indeterminate sentences	12	7	10	12	13	13	22
Non-criminal prisoners	6	0	0	4	6	2	8
Total 15 -17 year olds in <u>prison</u>, of which	115	78	77	72	70	75	70
Remand	13	20	18	15	19	19	14
Untried	5	12	10	11	14	14	6
Convicted unsentenced	8	8	9	4	5	5	8
Under sentence	103	57	58	55	50	56	57
Fine defaulter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Less than or equal to 6 months	22	11	19	21	13	20	20
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	20	4	9	3	6	3	7
12 months to less than 4 years	55	37	25	30	29	26	24
4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	5	4	5	1	1	4	6
Indeterminate sentences	1	1	0	0	1	3	0
Non-criminal prisoners	0	1	1	2	0	0	0

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Table 7.4 Immediate custodial sentenced population in prison establishments⁽¹⁾ by sentence length, offence group and sex, 30 June 2008

England and Wales																Number of persons
	All	Less than or equal to 3 mths	Greater than 3 mths less than or equal to 6 mths	Greater than 6 mths less than 12 mths	Less than 12 mths	12 mths	Greater than 12 mths less than or equal to 18 mths	Greater than 18 mths less than or equal to 3 yrs	Greater than 3 yrs less than 4 yrs	12 mths to less than 4 yrs	4 yrs	Greater than 4 yrs less than or equal to 5 yrs	Greater than 5 yrs less than or equal to 10 yrs	Greater than 10 yrs less than indeterminate	4 yrs or more (excluding indeterminate)	Indeterminate sentences
MALES AND FEMALES	68,124	1,846	4,027	2,866	8,739	2,276	4,291	13,363	3,702	23,632	3,464	5,381	11,963	3,562	24,371	11,382
Violence against the person	18,930	321	964	544	1,828	543	1,077	2,794	603	5,016	679	1,222	2,348	616	4,865	7,221
Sexual offences	7,616	20	30	42	92	81	197	761	235	1,274	361	620	2,474	971	4,426	1,824
Robbery	8,733	79	73	92	244	150	347	1,696	651	2,844	631	957	2,104	494	4,186	1,459
Burglary	7,935	137	313	310	759	297	706	3,009	854	4,866	543	734	819	87	2,184	127
Theft and handling	3,836	481	931	585	1,997	225	428	721	131	1,505	58	112	135	9	314	20
Fraud and forgery	2,020	38	184	379	600	328	267	359	87	1,041	82	112	164	16	374	5
Drug offences	10,982	56	95	117	269	158	417	2,590	880	4,044	875	1,272	3,269	1,241	6,657	12
Motoring offences	1,377	132	535	154	821	83	200	188	29	499	6	23	20	1	51	6
Other offences	6,439	562	876	612	2,049	396	628	1,201	222	2,446	221	312	606	116	1,255	689
Offence not recorded	256	21	27	31	79	17	25	44	11	96	9	16	24	10	60	21
MALES	64,600	1,654	3,667	2,600	7,921	2,089	4,029	12,672	3,536	22,326	3,291	5,187	11,405	3,435	23,318	11,035
Violence against the person	18,159	291	909	512	1,712	514	1,025	2,673	586	4,797	632	1,183	2,269	603	4,688	6,962
Sexual offences	7,569	20	29	40	89	80	196	756	235	1,267	357	616	2,455	964	4,392	1,821
Robbery	8,437	77	70	84	231	144	321	1,597	620	2,681	610	926	2,067	493	4,096	1,429
Burglary	7,733	131	301	299	732	281	683	2,938	832	4,734	533	719	802	87	2,141	126
Theft and handling	3,373	392	774	510	1,676	190	394	676	124	1,383	53	106	126	9	295	19
Fraud and forgery	1,725	32	139	300	471	264	236	319	77	896	75	104	159	15	352	5
Drug offences	9,992	51	86	103	240	142	367	2,358	817	3,684	810	1,198	2,908	1,140	6,057	11
Motoring offences	1,356	129	523	149	801	83	199	188	29	498	6	23	20	1	51	6
Other offences	6,024	515	809	573	1,897	378	587	1,127	208	2,300	205	298	574	112	1,189	638
Offence not recorded	232	16	27	28	71	14	23	39	10	85	9	14	23	10	57	19
FEMALES	3,524	192	360	266	818	188	262	691	166	1,306	173	194	559	127	1,053	347
Violence against the person	771	30	54	32	116	29	52	121	17	219	46	39	79	13	177	259
Sexual offences	47	0	1	2	3	1	1	5	0	7	4	4	19	7	34	3
Robbery	295	2	3	8	13	6	26	99	31	163	21	31	36	1	90	30
Burglary	203	5	12	11	28	16	23	71	22	132	10	15	17	0	42	1
Theft and handling	462	89	157	75	321	35	35	45	7	122	4	6	9	0	19	1
Fraud and forgery	295	6	44	79	129	64	31	40	10	145	7	8	5	1	21	0
Drug offences	990	5	10	14	29	16	50	231	63	361	65	74	360	101	600	1
Motoring offences	22	3	13	5	21	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other offences	416	47	67	39	153	18	41	74	14	147	16	14	32	4	66	50
Offence not recorded	24	5	0	3	7	3	2	5	1	11	0	2	1	0	3	2

(1) Excludes police cells

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Table 7.5 Prison population^(1,2) 1900 to 2008 by year and sex of prisoner

England and Wales

Year	Males	Females	Total	Females as a	Year	Males	Females	Total	Females as a
				proportion (%)					proportion (%)
1900	14,459	2,976	17,435	17.1	1955	20,156	978	21,134	4.6
1901	15,868	3,112	18,980	16.4	1956	19,941	866	20,807	4.2
1902	16,240	3,197	19,437	16.4	1957	21,742	860	22,602	3.8
1903	17,418	3,377	20,795	16.2	1958	24,459	920	25,379	3.6
1904	18,167	3,261	21,428	15.2	1959	25,727	896	26,623	3.4
1905	18,398	3,127	21,525	14.5	1960	26,198	901	27,099	3.3
1906	18,102	2,972	21,074	14.1	1961	28,094	931	29,025	3.2
1907	18,045	2,881	20,926	13.8	1962	30,066	997	31,063	3.2
1908	19,268	2,878	22,146	13.0	1963	29,925	971	30,896	3.1
1909	19,333	2,685	22,018	12.2	1964	28,718	882	29,600	3.0
1910	18,323	2,581	20,904	12.3	1965	29,580	841	30,421	2.8
1911	17,325	2,472	19,797	12.5	1966	32,127	959	33,086	2.9
1912	16,829	2,613	19,442	13.4	1967	34,056	953	35,009	2.7
1913	15,752	2,484	18,236	13.6	1968	31,656	805	32,461	2.5
1914	13,449	2,359	15,808	14.9	1969	33,814	853	34,667	2.5
1915	9,244	2,067	11,311	18.3	1970	38,040	988	39,028	2.5
1916	8,210	1,848	10,058	18.4	1971	38,673	1,035	39,708	2.6
1917	7,891	1,769	9,660	18.3	1972	37,348	980	38,328	2.6
1918	7,595	1,604	9,199	17.4	1973	35,747	1,027	36,774	2.8
1919	8,279	1,404	9,683	14.5	1974	35,823	1,044	36,867	2.8
1920	9,573	1,427	11,000	13.0	1975	38,601	1,219	39,820	3.1
1921	10,791	1,388	12,179	11.4	1976	40,161	1,282	41,443	3.1
1922	10,557	1,209	11,766	10.3	1977	40,212	1,358	41,570	3.3
1923	10,117	1,031	11,148	9.2	1978	40,409	1,387	41,796	3.3
1924	9,808	942	10,750	8.8	1979	40,762	1,458	42,220	3.5
1925	9,635	874	10,509	8.3	1980	40,748	1,516	42,264	3.6
1926	9,972	888	10,860	8.2	1981	41,904	1,407	43,311	3.2
1927	10,300	879	11,179	7.9	1982	42,381	1,326	43,707	3.0
1928	10,305	804	11,109	7.2	1983	42,072	1,390	43,462	3.2
1929	10,094	767	10,861	7.1	1984	41,822	1,473	43,295	3.4
1930	10,561	785	11,346	6.9	1985	44,701	1,532	46,233	3.3
1931	10,884	792	11,676	6.8	1986	45,163	1,607	46,770	3.4
1932	11,992	811	12,803	6.3	1987	46,722	1,704	48,426	3.5
1933	12,180	806	12,986	6.2	1988	47,113	1,759	48,872	3.6
1934	11,493	745	12,238	6.1	1989	46,736	1,764	48,500	3.6
1935	10,587	719	11,306	6.4	1990	43,378	1,597	44,975	3.6
1936	9,939	674	10,613	6.4	1991	43,250	1,559	44,809	3.5
1937	9,894	668	10,562	6.3	1992	43,157	1,562	44,719	3.5
1938	10,388	698	11,086	6.3	1993	42,991	1,561	44,552	3.5
1939	9,662	664	10,326	6.4	1994	46,810	1,811	48,621	3.7
1940	8,443	934	9,377	10.0	1995	48,983	1,979	50,962	3.9
1941	9,667	968	10,635	9.1	1996	53,019	2,262	55,281	4.1
1942	11,223	1,177	12,400	9.5	1997	58,439	2,675	61,114	4.4
1943	11,430	1,360	12,790	10.6	1998	62,194	3,105	65,298	4.8
1944	11,438	1,477	12,915	11.4	1999	61,523	3,247	64,771	5.0
1945	13,180	1,528	14,708	10.4	2000	61,252	3,350	64,602	5.2
1946	14,556	1,233	15,789	7.8	2001	62,560	3,740	66,301	5.6
1947	15,986	1,081	17,067	6.3	2002	66,479	4,299	70,778	6.1
1948	18,621	1,144	19,765	5.8	2003	68,612	4,425	73,038	6.1
1949	18,783	1,096	19,879	5.5	2004	70,208	4,448	74,657	6.0
1950	19,367	1,107	20,474	5.4	2005	71,512	4,467	75,979	5.9
1951	20,687	1,093	21,780	5.0	2006	73,680	4,447	78,127	5.7
1952	22,568	1,112	23,680	4.7	2007	75,842	4,374	80,216	5.5
1953	22,473	1,137	23,610	4.8	2008	78,158	4,414	82,572	5.3
1954	21,337	1,084	22,421	4.8					

(1) Annual average population

(2) Excludes police cells

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Table 7.6 Month end population in prison establishments and police cells by sex

England and Wales 30 June				Number of persons			
	Males	Females	Total		Males	Females	Total
2000				2005			
January	60,581	3,240	63,821	January	69,941	4,263	74,204
February	61,736	3,353	65,089	February	70,986	4,368	75,354
March	62,070	3,393	65,463	March	70,579	4,383	74,962
April	61,108	3,317	64,425	April	70,466	4,425	74,891
May	61,512	3,316	64,837	May	71,645	4,496	76,141
June	61,839	3,355	65,194	June	71,676	4,514	76,190
July	62,434	3,433	65,867	July	71,954	4,570	76,524
August	62,223	3,443	65,666	August	72,304	4,592	76,896
September	61,562	3,398	64,960	September	72,696	4,611	77,307
October	60,785	3,433	64,218	October	73,192	4,596	77,788
November	60,693	3,278	64,075	November	72,742	4,564	77,306
December	58,472	3,145	61,617	December	69,971	4,223	74,194
2001				2006			
January	60,063	3,340	63,403	January	71,536	4,384	75,920
February	61,172	3,459	64,631	February	72,301	4,416	76,717
March	61,142	3,381	65,394	March	72,673	4,385	77,058
April	62,021	3,583	65,604	April	72,364	4,400	76,764
May	62,327	3,685	66,012	May	73,211	4,466	77,677
June	62,690	3,713	66,403	June	73,519	4,463	77,982
July	63,291	3,801	67,092	July	74,348	4,509	78,857
August	63,186	3,870	67,056	August	74,526	4,559	79,085
September	63,507	3,958	67,465	September	74,782	4,573	79,355
October	64,016	4,037	68,053	October	75,377	4,447	79,824
November	64,429	4,023	68,452	November	75,564	4,477	80,041
December	62,178	3,871	66,049	December	74,236	4,293	78,529
2002				2007			
January	63,814	4,056	67,870	January	75,361	4,378	79,739
February	65,695	4,152	69,847	February	75,356	4,343	79,699
March	65,578	4,206	69,784	March	75,638	4,298	79,936
April	66,219	4,370	70,589	April	76,099	4,370	80,469
May	66,709	4,403	71,112	May	76,249	4,379	80,628
June	66,824	4,394	71,218	June	75,451	4,283	79,734
July	66,875	4,372	71,247	July	75,967	4,359	80,326
August	66,962	4,362	71,324	August	76,284	4,408	80,692
September	67,912	4,403	72,315	September	76,753	4,416	81,169
October	68,559	4,427	72,986	October	76,927	4,409	81,336
November	68,056	4,368	72,424	November	76,715	4,512	81,227
December	65,535	4,077	69,612	December	75,275	4,330	79,605
2003				2008			
January	66,689	4,214	70,903	January	76,708	4,434	81,142
February	67,937	4,349	72,286	February	77,691	4,454	82,145
March	68,484	4,470	72,954	March	77,339	4,420	81,759
April	68,421	4,432	72,853	April	77,851	4,474	82,325
May	68,137	4,495	72,632	May	77,926	4,446	82,372
June	69,062	4,595	73,657	June	78,689	4,505	83,194
July	69,323	4,571	73,894	July	79,230	4,449	83,679
August	68,598	4,394	72,992	August	78,976	4,430	83,406
September	69,233	4,508	73,741	September	78,854	4,420	83,274
October	69,700	4,462	74,162	October	78,956	4,325	83,281
November	69,638	4,417	74,055	November	79,013	4,410	83,423
December	68,129	4,198	72,327	December	77,435	4,201	81,636
2004				2009			
January	69,058	4,382	73,440	January	77,812	4,263	82,075
February	70,323	4,535	74,858	February	78,257	4,329	82,586
March	70,663	4,632	75,295	March	78,605	4,288	82,893
April	70,674	4,643	75,317	April	78,511	4,283	82,794
May	70,287	4,531	74,818	May	78,575	4,281	82,856
June	70,036	4,452	74,488				
July	70,265	4,513	74,778				
August	70,597	4,460	75,057				
September	70,225	4,421	74,646				
October	70,393	4,320	74,713				
November	70,900	4,372	75,272				
December	69,085	4,123	73,208				

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Table 7.7 Annual average population in prison establishments and police cells by type of custody and sex

England and Wales	Number of persons ⁽¹⁾										
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
MALES AND FEMALES											
Population in custody of which:	65,298	64,771	64,602	66,301	70,861	73,038	74,657	75,979	78,150	80,395	82,636
Population in prison establishments	65,298	64,771	64,602	66,301	70,778	73,038	74,657	75,979	78,127	80,216	82,572
Population in police cells	0	0	0	0	83	0	0	0	22	179	64
MALES											
Population in custody of which:	62,194	61,523	61,252	62,560	66,562	68,612	70,208	71,512	73,703	76,021	78,222
Population in prison establishments	62,194	61,523	61,252	62,560	66,479	68,612	70,208	71,512	73,680	75,842	78,158
Population in police cells	0	0	0	0	82	0	0	0	22	179	64
Prisoners on remand	11,863	11,772	10,574	10,462	11,847	11,924	11,559	11,940	12,347	11,930	12,384
Untried	7,730	7,513	6,701	6,494	7,231	7,738	7,214	7,537	7,766	7,685	7,968
Convicted unsentenced	4,133	4,258	3,873	3,969	4,616	4,586	4,344	4,402	4,581	4,245	4,416
Prisoners under sentence	49,796	49,217	50,057	51,126	53,922	55,628	57,594	58,534	60,029	62,550	64,350
Young offenders	8,172	8,012	8,070	8,175	8,320	8,025	7,928	7,883	8,178	8,827	8,908
Determinate sentence	8,035	7,869	7,925	8,030	8,170	7,872	7,766	7,682	7,796	8,159	8,109
Indeterminate sentence	122	135	141	139	148	150	157	196	379	665	796
In default of payment of a fine	15	8	4	5	2	3	4	3	3	3	3
Adults	41,624	41,205	41,987	42,951	45,601	47,602	49,665	50,651	51,858	53,723	55,442
Determinate sentence	37,825	37,183	37,670	38,384	40,724	42,461	44,327	44,991	44,987	45,088	45,143
Indeterminate sentence	3,688	3,939	4,261	4,530	4,845	5,099	5,288	5,596	6,797	8,566	10,212
In default of payment of a fine	112	83	56	38	32	42	50	65	74	69	87
Non-criminal prisoners	534	534	619	972	793	1,060	1,055	1,038	1,303	1,362	1,424
Held under the 1971 Immigration Act	455	463	557	916	726	995	989	975	1,240	1,294	1,381
Others	78	71	61	56	67	65	66	63	62	68	44

(1) The components do not always add to the totals because they have been rounded independently

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England and Wales	Number of persons ⁽¹⁾										
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
MALES AND FEMALES											
Population in custody of which:	65,298	64,771	64,602	66,301	70,861	73,038	74,657	75,979	78,150	80,395	82,636
Population in prison establishments	65,298	64,771	64,602	66,301	70,778	73,038	74,657	75,979	78,127	80,216	82,572
Population in police cells	0	0	0	0	83	0	0	0	22	179	64
FEMALES											
Population in custody of which:	3,105	3,247	3,350	3,740	4,299	4,425	4,448	4,467	4,447	4,374	4,414
Population in prison establishments	3,105	3,247	3,350	3,740	4,299	4,425	4,448	4,467	4,447	4,374	4,414
Population in police cells	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prisoners on remand	704	748	700	775	945	998	926	956	913	903	894
Untried	426	434	396	430	496	524	520	551	527	588	579
Convicted unsentenced	278	313	304	345	449	474	405	404	386	315	315
Prisoners under sentence	2,380	2,474	2,627	2,925	3,301	3,379	3,476	3,462	3,475	3,413	3,439
Young offenders	333	332	369	390	459	399	366	360	360	361	369
Determinate sentence	328	328	363	378	446	390	357	348	345	343	348
Indeterminate sentence	5	4	6	11	13	9	10	13	15	18	21
In default of payment of a fine	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Adults	2,047	2,142	2,258	2,535	2,842	2,979	3,110	3,101	3,115	3,053	3,070
Determinate sentence	1,908	2,000	2,109	2,384	2,687	2,817	2,937	2,923	2,898	2,762	2,732
Indeterminate sentence	135	139	145	150	152	159	169	176	212	284	329
In default of payment of a fine	4	3	3	1	3	3	4	3	5	7	9
Non-criminal prisoners	20	24	22	40	54	47	45	49	52	58	81
Held under the 1971 Immigration Act	19	22	19	39	51	46	44	47	48	54	76
Others	1	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	3	4	5

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Table 7.8 Population in prison establishments⁽¹⁾ under sentence by offence, age group and sex, 30 June 2008

England and Wales										Number of persons
	All ages	Immediate imprisonment								In default of payment of a fine
		Age								
		15-17	18-20	21-24	25-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60 and over	
MALES AND FEMALES	68,124	1,932	6,757	10,896	12,842	18,088	11,217	4,196	2,194	110
Violence against the person	18,930	505	1,942	3,300	3,534	4,791	3,218	1,175	464	1
Murder	4,581	20	134	360	630	1,307	1,198	639	293	0
Manslaughter	802	22	74	145	157	179	130	58	38	0
Other and attempted homicide	1,557	21	114	252	326	400	296	109	40	0
Wounding	8,327	302	1,199	1,833	1,657	1,970	1,062	244	60	0
Assaults	1,214	61	162	262	251	293	152	28	6	0
Cruelty to children	109	0	9	20	17	36	18	4	5	0
Other violence against the person	2,340	79	251	429	497	607	362	93	22	1
Sexual offences	7,616	74	300	520	736	1,562	2,012	1,210	1,202	0
Buggery and indecency between males	361	1	14	12	22	56	77	79	100	0
Rape	4,235	54	191	318	448	916	1,144	617	547	0
Gross indecency with children	788	0	4	15	24	99	206	198	242	0
Other sexual offences	2,232	18	91	176	243	491	585	316	313	0
Robbery	8,733	485	1,561	1,950	1,843	1,971	803	107	13	0
Burglary	7,935	319	846	1,317	1,846	2,591	887	113	16	0
Theft and handling	3,836	153	375	588	862	1,201	493	125	39	8
Taking and driving away	459	54	145	111	68	62	18	0	0	1
Other thefts	2,926	81	195	407	692	996	408	114	35	4
Handling stolen goods	450	18	35	69	101	144	67	12	4	3
Fraud and forgery	2,020	4	43	171	413	732	421	181	55	15
Fraud	1,978	3	41	168	406	722	410	174	54	15
Forgery	42	1	2	3	7	10	11	8	1	0
Drug offences	10,982	111	727	1,582	2,109	3,284	2,133	800	237	7
Supply	3,936	30	250	534	784	1,294	745	237	61	4
Possession with intent	3,858	58	345	743	840	1,091	576	163	41	1
Possession	488	9	36	96	117	141	65	18	6	1
Unlawful import/export	2,107	2	36	131	275	584	619	339	121	0
Other drug offences	594	12	61	78	93	173	127	42	8	1
Motoring offences	1,377	26	141	288	315	365	186	47	10	10
In charge or driving under the influence of drink or drugs	247	2	11	34	54	69	52	20	4	2
Other motoring offences	1,131	24	129	254	260	296	134	26	6	9
Other offences	6,439	247	788	1,139	1,130	1,534	1,021	425	156	32
Arson	888	28	81	155	144	221	168	70	21	0
Criminal damage	329	13	59	70	62	75	41	8	1	4
Drunkenness	33	0	3	5	7	7	3	1	0	0
Blackmail	147	1	11	21	27	39	36	9	3	0
Kidnapping	323	4	23	67	70	80	50	25	4	0
Affray	686	36	121	179	146	131	53	17	3	0
Violent disorder	185	19	49	55	31	18	13	1	0	0
Perjury/Libel/Pervert course of justice	196	1	17	42	38	51	30	14	3	0
Threat/disorderly behaviour	201	21	37	29	34	49	24	5	3	0
Breach of Court Order:	1,381	83	255	256	263	311	151	51	10	0
<i>Bail related</i>	104	0	15	24	32	19	7	6	1	0
<i>Breach of community sentence</i>	433	55	90	62	62	90	53	16	5	0
<i>Breach of suspended sentence</i>	672	0	118	155	146	171	68	14	1	0
<i>Other breach</i>	172	28	32	16	23	31	23	15	4	0
Other (2)	2,070	42	133	259	308	551	447	222	107	28
Offence not recorded	256	9	35	42	55	56	44	12	3	37

(1) Excludes police cells

(2) Other includes other criminal offences, other non-criminal offences and breaches of the Immigration Act 1971

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Table 7.8 Male population in prison establishments⁽¹⁾ under sentence by offence, age group and sex, 30 June 2008

England and Wales		Immediate imprisonment								Number of persons
	All ages	Age							60 and over	In default of payment of a fine
		15-17	18-20	21-24	25-29	30-39	40-49	50-59		
MALES	64,600	1,876	6,454	10,373	12,144	17,056	10,564	3,995	2,139	99
Violence against the person	18,159	486	1,843	3,162	3,405	4,603	3,078	1,130	452	1
Murder	4,395	20	123	335	611	1,266	1,141	613	287	0
Manslaughter	734	22	68	135	142	154	119	58	37	0
Other and attempted homicide	1,496	21	110	239	312	387	282	106	39	0
Wounding	8,023	291	1,151	1,768	1,601	1,899	1,025	230	58	0
Assaults	1,144	55	146	251	241	275	142	28	6	0
Cruelty to children	73	0	5	12	9	27	14	3	4	0
Other violence against the person	2,293	77	241	421	490	596	355	92	22	1
Sexual offences	7,569	74	300	513	729	1,552	1,997	1,204	1,200	0
Buggery and indecency between males	357	1	14	11	21	54	77	79	100	0
Rape	4,224	54	191	317	448	913	1,141	614	547	0
Gross indecency with children	783	0	4	15	24	97	204	198	241	0
Other sexual offences	2,204	18	91	171	236	488	575	313	312	0
Robbery	8,437	472	1,517	1,904	1,760	1,883	783	106	12	0
Burglary	7,733	315	831	1,294	1,793	2,521	854	108	16	0
Theft and handling	3,373	147	346	521	753	1,053	420	99	33	7
Taking and driving away	455	54	144	110	68	60	18	0	0	1
Other thefts	2,490	75	167	342	590	859	339	89	29	3
Handling stolen goods	428	18	35	69	95	134	63	10	4	3
Fraud and forgery	1,725	4	33	142	354	628	360	157	47	12
Fraud	1,690	3	33	139	349	619	349	151	46	12
Forgery	35	1	0	3	5	9	11	6	1	0
Drug offences	9,992	106	672	1,437	1,929	2,994	1,914	726	215	6
Supply	3,648	30	230	488	730	1,196	686	230	58	4
Possession with intent	3,676	57	333	712	806	1,036	541	154	37	1
Possession	466	9	36	93	113	130	61	18	5	1
Unlawful import/export	1,643	1	11	75	192	467	507	283	107	0
Other drug offences	558	10	61	70	87	164	117	41	8	0
Motoring offences	1,356	26	139	283	313	358	180	46	10	9
In charge or driving under the influence of drink or drugs	241	2	11	34	53	66	50	20	4	2
Other motoring offences	1,115	24	128	249	260	292	131	26	6	8
Other offences	6,024	238	739	1,077	1,057	1,414	939	407	152	29
Arson	792	25	71	142	127	197	146	63	21	0
Criminal damage	317	13	56	66	61	73	38	8	1	4
Drunkenness	31	0	3	5	6	7	7	3	1	0
Blackmail	139	1	11	21	24	37	34	8	3	0
Kidnapping	313	3	21	65	67	80	47	25	4	0
Affray	666	35	119	175	143	124	49	17	3	0
Violent disorder	181	19	48	55	30	17	12	1	0	0
Perjury/Libel/Pervert course of justice	170	1	12	36	32	45	28	14	2	0
Threat/disorderly behaviour	193	21	34	28	34	48	23	5	2	0
Breach of Court Order:	1,277	80	237	241	244	280	137	48	10	0
<i>Bail related</i>	95	0	15	22	31	13	7	6	1	0
<i>Breach of community sentence</i>	393	52	80	56	58	79	48	16	5	0
<i>Breach of suspended sentence</i>	623	0	113	147	133	160	58	12	1	0
<i>Other breach</i>	166	28	30	16	22	28	23	14	4	0
Other (2)	1,944	41	126	241	289	507	419	215	105	25
Offence not recorded	232	8	34	40	51	49	38	11	3	34

(1) Excludes police cells

(2) Other includes other criminal offences, other non-criminal offences and breaches of the Immigration Act 1971

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Table 7.8 Female population in prison establishments⁽¹⁾ under sentence by offence, age group and sex, 30 June 2008

England and Wales		Immediate imprisonment								Number of persons
	All ages	Age							60 and over	In default of payment of a fine
		15-17	18-20	21-24	25-29	30-39	40-49	50-59		
FEMALES	3,524	57	303	523	698	1,033	654	201	55	11
Violence against the person	771	19	99	139	129	188	140	45	12	0
Murder	185	0	11	24	19	41	57	26	7	0
Manslaughter	68	0	6	10	15	25	11	0	1	0
Other and attempted homicide	61	0	4	13	14	13	14	3	1	0
Wounding	304	11	48	65	57	71	37	14	2	0
Assaults	71	6	16	10	11	18	10	0	1	0
Cruelty to children	35	0	4	9	8	9	4	1	1	0
Other violence against the person	47	2	11	8	7	12	8	1	0	0
Sexual offences	47	0	0	7	7	10	15	6	2	0
Buggery and indecency between males	4	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0
Rape	10	0	0	1	0	3	3	3	0	0
Gross indecency with children	5	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	1	0
Other sexual offences	28	0	0	5	6	3	10	3	1	0
Robbery	295	13	43	46	83	89	20	1	1	0
Burglary	203	5	15	23	52	70	33	5	0	0
Theft and handling	462	6	29	67	108	148	72	26	6	1
Taking and driving away	4	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0
Other thefts	436	6	28	65	102	137	69	25	6	1
Handling stolen goods	22	0	0	1	7	9	4	2	0	0
Fraud and forgery	295	0	10	29	59	104	61	24	8	2
Fraud	288	0	8	29	57	103	61	22	8	2
Forgery	7	0	2	0	2	1	0	2	0	0
Drug offences	990	5	56	145	180	289	219	74	22	1
Supply	288	1	19	47	54	98	59	7	3	0
Possession with intent	181	1	12	32	34	55	35	9	4	0
Possession	22	0	0	3	4	10	4	0	1	0
Unlawful import/export	464	1	24	56	83	117	111	57	14	0
Other drug offences	36	2	0	8	6	9	10	1	0	1
Motoring offences	22	0	2	4	2	7	6	1	0	1
In charge or driving under the influence of drink or drugs	6	0	0	0	1	2	2	0	0	0
Other motoring offences	16	0	2	4	1	5	3	1	0	1
Other offences	416	9	49	62	73	120	82	18	4	2
Arson	96	3	10	13	17	25	22	7	0	0
Criminal damage	12	0	3	4	1	2	3	0	0	0
Drunkenness	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Blackmail	8	0	0	0	3	2	2	1	0	0
Kidnapping	10	1	1	2	3	0	3	0	0	0
Affray	20	1	2	4	3	7	4	0	0	0
Violent disorder	4	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
Perjury/Libel/Pervert course of justice	25	0	5	6	6	6	2	0	1	0
Threat/disorderly behaviour	8	0	3	1	0	2	2	0	1	0
Breach of Court Order:	104	3	17	15	19	31	15	3	0	0
<i>Bail related</i>	9	0	0	2	2	6	0	0	0	0
<i>Breach of community sentence</i>	40	3	10	6	5	11	4	0	0	0
<i>Breach of suspended sentence</i>	49	0	5	8	12	12	10	2	0	0
<i>Other breach</i>	6	0	2	0	1	2	0	1	0	0
Other (2)	126	1	7	18	19	44	28	7	2	2
Offence not recorded	24	1	1	2	5	7	6	2	0	2

(1) Excludes police cells

(2) Other includes other criminal offences, other non-criminal offences and breaches of the Immigration Act 1971.

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**Table 7.9 Population in prison establishments under an immediate custodial sentence ⁽¹⁾
by length of sentence, age group and sex**

England and Wales 30 June	Number of persons					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
ADULTS						
MALES AND FEMALES						
Up to and including 3 months	1,469	1,514	1,568	1,477	1,137	1,469
Over 3 months including 6 months	3,142	2,938	3,095	3,162	2,617	3,012
Over 6 months less than 12 months	1,609	1,634	1,619	1,897	1,800	2,146
12 months	1,052	1,176	1,223	1,489	1,574	1,677
Over 12 months including 18 months	2,432	2,459	2,619	2,806	3,041	3,238
Over 18 months including 3 years	9,268	9,343	9,183	9,354	10,205	10,831
Over 3 years less than 4 years	4,046	4,185	4,263	3,532	3,276	3,176
4 years	3,403	3,543	3,411	3,100	3,006	2,959
Over 4 years including 5 years	5,616	6,001	6,096	5,870	5,482	4,827
Over 5 years including 10 years	10,599	11,249	11,857	12,023	11,852	11,352
Over 10 years less than indeterminate	2,945	3,146	3,268	3,336	3,491	3,527
Indeterminate	5,252	5,431	5,689	6,888	8,800	10,552
MALES						
Up to and including 3 months	1,296	1,338	1,391	1,311	1,010	1,304
Over 3 months including 6 months	2,895	2,729	2,851	2,899	2,377	2,719
Over 6 months less than 12 months	1,467	1,467	1,459	1,670	1,608	1,913
12 months	978	1,058	1,125	1,350	1,436	1,505
Over 12 months including 18 months	2,240	2,287	2,413	2,599	2,834	3,013
Over 18 months including 3 years	8,614	8,722	8,617	8,762	9,615	10,229
Over 3 years less than 4 years	3,795	3,953	4,022	3,358	3,130	3,029
4 years	3,231	3,342	3,203	2,939	2,852	2,802
Over 4 years including 5 years	5,311	5,715	5,787	5,575	5,261	4,656
Over 5 years including 10 years	10,013	10,660	11,239	11,422	11,296	10,822
Over 10 years less than indeterminate	2,825	3,024	3,146	3,206	3,357	3,402
Indeterminate	5,093	5,259	5,516	6,675	8,517	10,227
FEMALES						
Up to and including 3 months	173	176	177	166	127	165
Over 3 months including 6 months	246	208	244	262	240	293
Over 6 months less than 12 months	142	167	161	227	192	233
12 months	74	117	97	139	138	171
Over 12 months including 18 months	192	172	206	207	207	225
Over 18 months including 3 years	654	621	566	592	589	602
Over 3 years less than 4 years	251	232	241	174	145	147
4 years	172	201	208	161	155	157
Over 4 years including 5 years	306	287	309	295	221	172
Over 5 years including 10 years	587	589	617	601	556	530
Over 10 years less than indeterminate	120	122	122	130	133	126
Indeterminate	159	172	173	213	283	325

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by length of sentence, age group and sex**

England and Wales 30 June	Number of persons					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<u>YOUNG ADULTS</u>						
MALES AND FEMALES						
Up to and including 3 months	317	267	272	305	373	320
Over 3 months including 6 months	630	597	572	535	562	584
Over 6 months less than 12 months	345	399	349	367	402	436
12 months	279	272	311	321	373	346
Over 12 months including 18 months	656	622	603	704	769	772
Over 18 months including 3 years	1,989	1,839	1,848	1,874	2,146	2,184
Over 3 years less than 4 years	697	645	663	598	508	478
4 years	468	475	430	405	475	453
Over 4 years including 5 years	615	657	633	559	541	505
Over 5 years including 10 years	594	593	561	547	570	562
Over 10 years less than indeterminate	37	29	36	47	46	35
Indeterminate	151	148	176	342	609	749
MALES						
Up to and including 3 months	289	241	255	282	336	295
Over 3 months including 6 months	598	560	540	508	520	536
Over 6 months less than 12 months	319	379	326	349	385	409
12 months	259	258	293	304	354	334
Over 12 months including 18 months	619	595	579	671	743	743
Over 18 months including 3 years	1,905	1,744	1,768	1,795	2,075	2,107
Over 3 years less than 4 years	662	615	634	577	490	460
4 years	445	456	414	389	454	438
Over 4 years including 5 years	600	631	609	545	528	486
Over 5 years including 10 years	560	569	539	525	544	534
Over 10 years less than indeterminate	37	28	33	44	44	33
Indeterminate	144	138	164	329	596	727
FEMALES						
Up to and including 3 months	27	26	17	23	37	25
Over 3 months including 6 months	32	36	32	27	42	48
Over 6 months less than 12 months	26	20	23	19	17	26
12 months	20	14	18	17	19	11
Over 12 months including 18 months	37	26	24	33	26	29
Over 18 months including 3 years	84	96	80	79	71	77
Over 3 years less than 4 years	35	30	29	21	18	18
4 years	23	19	16	15	21	15
Over 4 years including 5 years	15	26	23	14	13	19
Over 5 years including 10 years	34	24	22	22	26	28
Over 10 years less than indeterminate	1	1	3	3	2	2
Indeterminate	7	10	12	13	13	22

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**Table 7.9 Population in prison establishments under an immediate custodial sentence ⁽¹⁾
by length of sentence, age group and sex**

England and Wales 30 June	Number of persons					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
15 - 17 YEAR OLDS						
MALES AND FEMALES						
Up to and including 3 months	22	31	42	43	59	57
Over 3 months including 6 months	390	404	460	438	418	431
Over 6 months less than 12 months	255	273	257	261	261	284
12 months	246	231	244	271	286	254
Over 12 months including 18 months	276	286	288	257	261	280
Over 18 months including 3 years	359	310	313	357	359	347
Over 3 years less than 4 years	78	70	70	54	43	48
4 years	58	59	59	51	56	52
Over 4 years including 5 years	41	51	44	44	36	49
Over 5 years including 10 years	39	33	40	44	32	49
Over 10 years less than indeterminate	0	2	1	0	1	0
Indeterminate	16	15	17	44	72	81
MALES						
Up to and including 3 months	22	29	40	43	58	55
Over 3 months including 6 months	379	387	441	425	399	412
Over 6 months less than 12 months	251	265	254	254	258	277
12 months	240	225	237	257	279	249
Over 12 months including 18 months	269	278	279	252	256	273
Over 18 months including 3 years	341	303	303	348	345	335
Over 3 years less than 4 years	73	67	67	53	43	48
4 years	54	57	58	51	55	51
Over 4 years including 5 years	40	49	44	43	35	45
Over 5 years including 10 years	39	32	40	44	30	48
Over 10 years less than indeterminate	0	2	1	0	1	0
Indeterminate	15	15	17	43	69	81
FEMALES						
Up to and including 3 months	0	2	2	0	1	2
Over 3 months including 6 months	11	17	19	13	19	19
Over 6 months less than 12 months	4	9	3	6	3	7
12 months	6	6	7	14	7	5
Over 12 months including 18 months	8	8	9	5	5	7
Over 18 months including 3 years	18	7	11	9	14	12
Over 3 years less than 4 years	5	3	3	1	0	0
4 years	3	2	1	0	1	1
Over 4 years including 5 years	1	2	0	1	1	3
Over 5 years including 10 years	0	1	0	0	2	1
Over 10 years less than indeterminate	0	0	0	0	0	0
Indeterminate	1	0	0	1	3	0

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Table 7.10 Population in prison establishments⁽¹⁾ under an immediate custodial sentence by sex, offence and age group

England and Wales 30 June		Number of persons				
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
ADULTS						
MALES AND FEMALES						
IMMEDIATE CUSTODIAL SENTENCE	50,833	52,618	53,890	54,934	56,279	58,768
Violence against the person	11,189	12,040	13,039	13,977	15,074	16,257
Sexual offences	5,292	5,498	5,903	6,276	6,940	7,193
Robbery	6,217	6,523	6,454	6,307	6,467	6,528
Burglary	7,444	7,418	6,980	6,724	6,726	6,698
Theft and handling	3,751	3,598	3,451	3,478	3,076	3,293
Fraud and forgery	979	1,100	1,388	1,628	1,684	1,970
Drug offences	9,658	9,782	9,946	9,946	9,866	10,075
Motoring offences	2,155	1,958	1,813	1,623	1,275	1,199
Other offences	3,450	4,035	4,375	4,629	4,866	5,349
Offence not recorded	698	666	540	346	306	206
MALES						
IMMEDIATE CUSTODIAL SENTENCE	47,758	49,555	50,769	51,766	53,293	55,621
Violence against the person	10,757	11,525	12,502	13,387	14,520	15,611
Sexual offences	5,266	5,471	5,866	6,243	6,892	7,146
Robbery	5,899	6,209	6,191	6,060	6,226	6,291
Burglary	7,233	7,196	6,767	6,517	6,543	6,515
Theft and handling	3,318	3,216	3,073	3,069	2,731	2,866
Fraud and forgery	871	986	1,224	1,402	1,466	1,684
Drug offences	8,412	8,643	8,780	8,855	8,869	9,149
Motoring offences	2,099	1,923	1,775	1,592	1,246	1,179
Other offences	3,233	3,761	4,075	4,319	4,525	4,994
Offence not recorded	670	626	515	322	274	185
FEMALES						
IMMEDIATE CUSTODIAL SENTENCE	3,075	3,063	3,121	3,168	2,986	3,147
Violence against the person	432	515	536	590	554	646
Sexual offences	26	27	37	33	47	47
Robbery	318	313	263	247	240	236
Burglary	211	222	213	207	183	183
Theft and handling	434	383	377	409	345	427
Fraud and forgery	108	114	164	226	219	285
Drug offences	1,246	1,139	1,167	1,091	996	926
Motoring offences	56	35	38	31	29	20
Other offences	216	274	300	309	341	356
Offence not recorded	28	40	26	24	32	22

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Table 7.10 Population in prison establishments⁽¹⁾ under an immediate custodial sentence by sex, offence and age group

England and Wales 30 June	Number of persons					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
YOUNG ADULTS						
MALES AND FEMALES						
IMMEDIATE CUSTODIAL SENTENCE	6,779	6,543	6,454	6,605	7,371	7,424
Violence against the person	1,478	1,593	1,751	1,847	2,119	2,168
Sexual offences	206	220	217	254	323	349
Robbery	1,613	1,469	1,485	1,604	1,772	1,720
Burglary	1,082	977	813	786	910	917
Theft and handling	601	529	441	455	439	389
Fraud and forgery	41	40	56	53	44	46
Drug offences	623	647	636	630	673	796
Motoring offences	411	351	292	228	165	153
Other offences	581	605	657	700	866	843
Offence not recorded	144	111	106	49	58	41
MALES						
IMMEDIATE CUSTODIAL SENTENCE	6,437	6,214	6,154	6,318	7,068	7,103
Violence against the person	1,414	1,520	1,673	1,769	2,006	2,062
Sexual offences	206	220	216	251	322	349
Robbery	1,544	1,398	1,422	1,553	1,715	1,674
Burglary	1,054	958	791	771	899	902
Theft and handling	549	504	412	433	416	360
Fraud and forgery	35	31	48	44	37	37
Drug offences	533	558	571	561	628	736
Motoring offences	409	349	291	226	163	151
Other offences	552	567	627	665	823	792
Offence not recorded	140	108	103	44	57	40
FEMALES						
IMMEDIATE CUSTODIAL SENTENCE	342	328	300	288	303	320
Violence against the person	64	73	78	78	113	106
Sexual offences	0	0	2	3	1	0
Robbery	69	71	63	51	57	46
Burglary	27	19	21	15	11	15
Theft and handling	51	25	29	23	23	30
Fraud and forgery	6	9	8	9	7	10
Drug offences	90	90	65	69	45	60
Motoring offences	2	2	1	2	2	2
Other offences	29	37	30	35	43	51
Offence not recorded	4	3	3	5	1	1

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Table 7.10 Population in prison establishments⁽¹⁾ under an immediate custodial sentence by sex, offence and age group

England and Wales 30 June	Number of persons					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
15 - 17 YEAR OLDS						
MALES AND FEMALES						
IMMEDIATE CUSTODIAL SENTENCE	1,781	1,763	1,835	1,865	1,883	1,932
Violence against the person	320	341	389	391	422	507
Sexual offences	42	55	65	68	73	74
Robbery	456	456	438	503	509	485
Burglary	290	248	289	282	283	319
Theft and handling	299	277	233	192	191	153
Fraud and forgery	2	7	11	11	10	4
Drug offences	49	57	79	71	74	111
Motoring offences	123	94	58	69	44	26
Other offences	155	203	257	265	259	247
Offence not recorded	44	27	18	13	19	9
MALES						
IMMEDIATE CUSTODIAL SENTENCE	1,724	1,706	1,780	1,814	1,827	1,876
Violence against the person	310	326	366	381	402	486
Sexual offences	42	55	65	67	73	74
Robbery	436	449	422	486	495	472
Burglary	289	242	285	275	281	315
Theft and handling	290	268	230	189	185	147
Fraud and forgery	1	4	10	11	9	4
Drug offences	43	51	76	68	71	106
Motoring offences	122	92	58	69	44	26
Other offences	149	194	252	258	250	238
Offence not recorded	42	25	18	12	17	8
FEMALES						
IMMEDIATE CUSTODIAL SENTENCE	57	58	55	50	56	57
Violence against the person	10	15	23	11	20	19
Sexual offences	0	0	0	1	0	0
Robbery	21	8	16	17	13	13
Burglary	1	6	4	7	2	5
Theft and handling	9	9	3	3	6	6
Fraud and forgery	1	3	1	0	1	0
Drug offences	6	6	3	4	3	5
Motoring offences	1	2	0	0	0	0
Other offences	6	9	5	8	9	9
Offence not recorded	2	2	0	1	2	1

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Table 7.11 Population of under 21s held in prison establishments⁽¹⁾ by type of custody and sex

England and Wales 30 June	Number of persons								
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
MALES									
Aged 15									
Total	283	300	299	227	271	243	289	281	283
Untried	35	41	32	29	37	38	32	38	49
Convicted unsentenced	16	7	25	8	15	14	27	25	20
Immediate Custodial Sentence	232	252	242	190	220	191	230	218	215
Non-criminal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aged 16									
Total	664	704	750	661	639	686	728	728	741
Untried	82	69	96	81	74	78	98	98	100
Convicted unsentenced	32	29	54	40	43	43	36	35	64
Immediate Custodial Sentence	550	606	600	540	522	563	592	595	578
Non-criminal	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Aged 17									
Total	1,398	1,340	1,429	1,288	1,288	1,326	1,353	1,345	1,432
Untried	242	182	176	206	211	210	236	225	212
Convicted unsentenced	147	105	107	88	111	88	125	104	136
Immediate Custodial Sentence	1,009	1,053	1,145	993	965	1,026	992	1,014	1,083
Non-criminal	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	2	0
In default of payment of a fine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Aged 18									
Total	2,161	2,011	2,046	1,969	1,949	1,980	2,062	2,129	2,068
Untried	352	283	332	317	336	342	362	363	373
Convicted unsentenced	276	234	262	231	233	237	232	225	227
Immediate Custodial Sentence	1,529	1,492	1,439	1,399	1,362	1,378	1,437	1,529	1,426
Non-criminal	4	2	14	22	16	22	30	10	40
In default of payment of a fine	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	2
Aged 19									
Total	2,636	2,619	2,700	2,580	2,517	2,614	2,704	2,979	3,068
Untried	351	326	349	313	321	335	379	380	355
Convicted unsentenced	269	256	292	232	228	248	274	263	278
Immediate Custodial Sentence	2,010	2,026	2,045	2,005	1,947	2,003	2,028	2,317	2,394
Non-criminal	3	10	14	26	20	28	21	18	38
In default of payment of a fine	3	1	0	3	1	0	2	1	3
Aged 20									
Total	2,971	2,938	3,072	2,958	2,861	2,827	2,849	3,117	3,284
Untried	385	337	407	345	330	320	338	369	369
Convicted unsentenced	306	255	309	253	239	250	221	217	243
Immediate Custodial Sentence	2,271	2,339	2,337	2,334	2,271	2,214	2,251	2,508	2,634
Non-criminal	5	6	20	26	19	41	38	22	37
In default of payment of a fine	4	1	0	0	3	2	1	1	2
Aged 21⁽²⁾									
Total	634	648	655	801	747	630	715	809	746
Untried	40	47	54	65	64	51	58	51	52
Convicted unsentenced	22	30	31	27	28	12	31	22	22
Immediate Custodial Sentence	552	545	560	700	634	558	602	714	649
Non-criminal	20	26	10	10	21	10	24	23	23
In default of payment of a fine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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(2) Young adults are those aged 18 - 20 and those 21 year olds who were aged 20 or under at conviction who have not been reclassified as part of the adult population

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England and Wales 30 June	Number of persons								
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
FEMALES									
Aged 15									
Total	3	7	9	0	0	0	0	0	0
Untried	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Convicted unsentenced	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Immediate Custodial Sentence	3	7	9	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-criminal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aged 16									
Total	28	12	27	6	2	1	0	0	0
Untried	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Convicted unsentenced	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Immediate Custodial Sentence	28	12	27	6	1	1	0	0	0
Non-criminal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aged 17									
Total	58	71	80	71	74	71	70	75	70
Untried	13	13	5	12	10	11	14	14	6
Convicted unsentenced	7	12	8	8	8	4	5	5	8
Immediate Custodial Sentence	38	46	67	51	57	54	50	56	57
Non-criminal	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
In default of payment of a fine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aged 18									
Total	102	108	135	107	119	103	97	117	103
Untried	12	13	20	13	26	16	18	30	21
Convicted unsentenced	17	9	15	17	10	18	16	18	10
Immediate Custodial Sentence	73	82	98	76	83	68	63	69	71
Non-criminal	0	4	2	0	0	1	0	0	0
In default of payment of a fine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aged 19									
Total	149	143	166	145	123	144	137	127	152
Untried	22	16	25	15	19	27	19	18	24
Convicted unsentenced	22	14	20	30	12	22	17	14	11
Immediate Custodial Sentence	103	110	120	100	92	93	101	93	116
Non-criminal	2	3	2	0	0	2	0	2	2
In default of payment of a fine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aged 20									
Total	135	168	210	184	167	144	153	148	150
Untried	15	25	37	27	19	21	28	13	19
Convicted unsentenced	14	20	33	30	22	14	11	17	9
Immediate Custodial Sentence	105	118	139	128	126	108	107	118	116
Non-criminal	1	5	2	0	0	1	6	0	6
In default of payment of a fine	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Aged 21⁽²⁾									
Total	27	38	32	42	31	33	21	29	17
Untried	0	1	2	2	2	1	3	4	0
Convicted unsentenced	0	1	2	3	0	0	1	3	0
Immediate Custodial Sentence	27	16	28	37	28	32	17	23	17
Non-criminal	0	20	0	0	1	0	0	0	0

(1) Excludes police cells

(2) Young adults are those aged 18 - 20 and those 21 year olds who were aged 20 or under at conviction who have not been reclassified as part of the adult population

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Table 7.12 Non-criminal prisoner population ⁽¹⁾ in prison establishments by sex and type of committal

England and Wales 30 June	Number of persons										
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
MALES AND FEMALES	555	548	581	1,129	831	1,145	1,017	1,069	1,422	1,289	1,520
Committed for non-payment of:											
<i>Wife maintenance (including wife and child maintenance)</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
<i>Child maintenance</i>	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
<i>Arrears under an affiliation order</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Rates</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
<i>Community charge/council tax</i>	8	5	2	0	1	2	2	1	0	0	3
<i>Other debts</i>	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
In contempt of court	55	37	51	45	55	53	48	59	44	38	25
Persons held under the 1971 Immigration Act ⁽²⁾	477	490	524	1,081	759	1,079	957	996	1,366	1,218	1,473
Others	2	6	3	2	6	9	3	8	11	10	7
Committal type not recorded	9	9	0	0	9	1	5	4	0	18	9
MALES	537	529	561	1,088	774	1,099	969	1,033	1,373	1,248	1,424
Committed for non-payment of:											
<i>Wife maintenance (including wife and child maintenance)</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
<i>Child maintenance</i>	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
<i>Arrears under an affiliation order</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Rates</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
<i>Community charge/council tax</i>	8	5	2	0	1	2	2	1	0	0	2
<i>Other debts</i>	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
In contempt of court	55	36	49	43	51	53	47	58	41	36	25
Persons held under the 1971 Immigration Act ⁽²⁾	459	474	506	1,042	707	1,033	910	962	1,321	1,156	1,380
Others	2	5	3	2	6	9	3	7	10	8	6
Committal type not recorded	9	8	0	0	8	1	5	4	0	42	8
FEMALES	18	19	20	41	57	46	48	36	49	41	96
Committed for non-payment of:											
<i>Child maintenance</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
<i>Rates</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Community charge/council tax</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
<i>Other debts</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
In contempt of court	0	1	2	2	4	0	1	1	3	1	0
Persons held under the 1971 Immigration Act ⁽²⁾	18	16	18	39	52	46	47	34	45	37	93
Others	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
Committal type not recorded	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1

(1) Excludes police cells

(2) The figures include persons held in Dover, Haslar and Lindholme but exclude those held in detention centres controlled by the Immigration Service

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England and Wales		Length of sentence											Number of persons	
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		ADULTS												
MALES AND FEMALES	58,768	1,469	3,012	2,146	1,677	3,238	10,831	3,176	2,959	4,827	11,352	3,527	10,552	
Violence against the person	16,257	259	676	371	384	817	2,219	482	530	1,031	2,118	601	6,768	
Sexual offences	7,193	16	23	36	70	174	699	220	329	573	2,381	964	1,709	
Robbery	6,528	49	20	19	31	133	934	436	432	770	1,958	486	1,261	
Burglary	6,698	98	179	180	189	498	2,562	801	510	700	780	87	116	
Theft and handling	3,293	436	744	473	178	359	654	127	55	109	133	9	16	
Fraud and forgery	1,970	35	166	365	321	265	352	87	82	112	164	16	5	
Drug offences	10,075	47	68	95	105	317	2,192	791	807	1,208	3,198	1,238	10	
Motoring offences	1,199	116	481	133	67	159	164	27	6	22	19	1	4	
Other offences	5,349	398	637	455	319	493	1,021	195	200	289	579	116	648	
Offence not recorded	206	16	19	21	13	24	35	10	8	13	22	9	17	
MALES	55,621	1,304	2,719	1,913	1,505	3,013	10,229	3,029	2,802	4,656	10,822	3,402	10,227	
Violence against the person	15,611	235	643	351	362	775	2,120	469	494	1,001	2,046	590	6,525	
Sexual offences	7,146	16	23	34	69	173	694	220	325	569	2,362	957	1,706	
Robbery	6,291	47	18	15	29	115	859	413	414	742	1,922	485	1,232	
Burglary	6,515	93	170	173	174	478	2,499	778	500	686	763	87	115	
Theft and handling	2,866	355	608	402	144	325	611	120	51	103	124	9	15	
Fraud and forgery	1,685	31	126	289	258	234	312	77	75	104	159	15	5	
Drug offences	9,149	41	60	81	90	275	1,983	732	745	1,140	2,855	1,137	9	
Motoring offences	1,179	112	470	128	67	158	164	27	6	22	19	1	4	
Other offences	4,994	362	583	422	303	458	957	183	184	277	550	112	603	
Offence not recorded	185	11	19	19	10	22	31	9	8	11	21	9	15	
FEMALES	3,147	165	293	233	171	225	602	147	157	172	530	126	325	
Violence against the person	646	24	32	21	23	42	99	13	36	30	72	11	243	
Sexual offences	47	0	1	2	1	1	5	0	4	4	19	7	3	
Robbery	236	2	2	4	2	18	75	23	17	28	36	1	29	
Burglary	183	5	9	7	15	20	63	22	10	14	17	0	1	
Theft and handling	427	82	137	71	34	34	43	7	4	6	9	0	1	
Fraud and forgery	285	4	41	76	63	31	40	10	7	8	5	1	0	
Drug offences	926	5	8	13	15	42	210	59	62	67	342	101	1	
Motoring offences	20	3	11	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Other offences	356	36	54	33	16	35	64	12	16	12	28	4	45	
Offence not recorded	22	5	0	2	3	2	4	1	0	2	1	0	2	

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		YOUNG ADULTS												
MALES AND FEMALES														
	7,424	320	584	436	346	772	2,184	478	453	505	562	35	749	
Violence against the person	2,169	57	169	115	107	206	487	102	128	169	210	15	403	
Sexual offences	349	4	3	4	7	17	47	12	29	40	79	7	101	
Robbery	1,720	26	14	25	53	118	606	194	181	174	138	8	185	
Burglary	917	32	58	49	56	144	415	52	33	32	36	0	11	
Theft and handling	389	41	104	74	33	61	62	3	2	3	2	0	4	
Fraud and forgery	46	3	16	13	7	2	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Drug offences	796	9	15	11	23	75	374	86	62	64	70	3	2	
Motoring offences	153	16	46	16	9	37	24	2	0	1	1	0	1	
Other offences	843	127	156	117	50	114	156	25	18	19	24	0	39	
Offence not recorded	41	5	5	10	1	1	7	1	1	3	2	1	3	
MALES														
	7,103	295	536	409	334	743	2,107	460	438	486	534	33	727	
Violence against the person	2,062	51	154	107	102	197	469	98	119	161	204	14	387	
Sexual offences	349	4	3	4	7	17	47	12	29	40	79	7	101	
Robbery	1,674	25	14	23	50	112	588	186	177	170	138	8	184	
Burglary	902	32	57	48	56	141	407	52	33	31	36	0	11	
Theft and handling	360	34	88	70	32	61	60	3	2	3	2	0	4	
Fraud and forgery	37	1	12	10	6	2	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Drug offences	736	9	14	10	23	68	354	82	60	58	52	3	2	
Motoring offences	151	16	44	16	9	37	24	2	0	1	1	0	1	
Other offences	792	118	146	111	49	108	147	23	18	19	21	0	34	
Offence not recorded	40	5	5	10	1	1	7	1	1	3	2	1	3	
FEMALES														
	320	25	48	26	11	29	77	18	15	19	28	2	22	
Violence against the person	106	6	15	8	5	9	19	4	9	8	7	2	16	
Sexual offences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Robbery	46	1	0	2	3	5	18	8	4	3	0	0	1	
Burglary	15	0	1	2	0	3	8	0	0	1	0	0	0	
Theft and handling	30	7	16	4	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Fraud and forgery	10	2	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Drug offences	60	0	1	1	0	6	21	4	2	7	18	0	0	
Motoring offences	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Other offences	51	9	10	6	1	6	9	2	0	0	3	0	5	
Offence not recorded	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

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		15 - 17 YEAR OLDS												
MALES AND FEMALES	1,932	57	431	284	254	280	347	48	52	49	49	0	81	
Violence against the person	505	5	119	57	52	54	88	18	21	22	20	0	50	
Sexual offences	74	0	3	3	4	6	16	3	3	7	15	0	14	
Robbery	485	4	39	48	67	96	156	21	19	13	7	0	14	
Burglary	319	7	77	81	52	65	33	1	0	2	3	0	0	
Theft and handling	153	3	83	38	14	9	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	
Fraud and forgery	4	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Drug offences	111	0	13	11	30	25	23	2	5	0	1	0	0	
Motoring offences	26	1	9	5	7	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Other offences	247	36	84	40	26	22	24	2	4	4	3	0	2	
Offence not recorded	9	0	3	0	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	
MALES	1,876	55	412	277	249	273	335	48	51	45	48	0	81	
Violence against the person	486	5	112	54	51	53	85	18	20	21	19	0	50	
Sexual offences	74	0	3	3	4	6	16	3	3	7	15	0	14	
Robbery	472	4	38	47	66	93	151	21	19	13	7	0	14	
Burglary	315	7	75	79	51	65	33	1	0	2	3	0	0	
Theft and handling	147	3	78	38	14	8	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	
Fraud and forgery	4	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Drug offences	106	0	12	11	29	23	22	2	5	0	1	0	0	
Motoring offences	26	1	9	5	7	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Other offences	238	35	81	40	25	22	23	2	4	2	3	0	2	
Offence not recorded	8	0	3	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	
FEMALES	57	2	19	7	5	7	12	0	1	3	1	0	0	
Violence against the person	19	0	7	3	1	1	3	0	1	1	1	0	0	
Sexual offences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Robbery	13	0	1	2	1	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Burglary	5	0	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Theft and handling	6	0	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Fraud and forgery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Drug offences	5	0	1	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Motoring offences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Other offences	9	2	3	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	
Offence not recorded	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	

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Table 7.14 Population in prison establishments⁽¹⁾ by nationality and sex, 30 June 2008

England and Wales				Number of persons			
Nationality	Male	Female	Total	Nationality	Male	Female	Total
All nationalities	78,689	4,505	83,194				
British nationals	67,284	3,467	70,751				
Foreign nationals	10,549	949	11,498				
Not recorded	857	89	946				
Total Africa	2,954	388	3,342	Total Europe	3,128	205	3,333
Algeria	196	2	198	Albania	168	5	173
Angola	81	6	86	Armenia	5	0	5
Benin	3	1	4	Austria	15	2	17
Botswana	3	0	3	Azerbaijan	2	0	2
Burundi	16	0	16	Belgium	36	0	36
Cameroon	39	4	42	Bosnia and Herzegovina	13	1	14
Central African Republic	13	1	14	Bulgaria	15	26	41
Congo	128	6	134	Croatia	8	1	9
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	39	1	40	Cyprus	44	1	45
Egypt	20	0	20	Czech Republic	46	7	53
Equatorial Guinea	2	0	2	Denmark	5	1	6
Ethiopia	73	4	77	Estonia	15	2	17
Gabon	1	0	1	Finland	4	0	4
Gambia	38	4	42	France	143	15	159
Ghana	203	30	233	Georgia	18	0	18
Guinea	19	0	19	Germany	92	10	101
Guinea-Bissau	1	0	1	Gibraltar	2	0	2
Ivory Coast	38	1	39	Greece	16	5	21
Kenya	61	12	73	Hungary	32	4	36
Liberia	29	7	36	Irish Republic	632	26	657
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	19	0	19	Italy	73	4	77
Madagascar	1	0	1	Kazakhstan	9	0	9
Malawi	14	1	15	Kyrgyzstan	3	0	3
Mauritania	2	0	2	Latvia	63	3	65
Mauritius	16	1	17	Lithuania	228	9	237
Mayotte	1	0	1	Luxembourg	1	0	1
Morocco	41	0	41	Macedonia	11	0	11
Mozambique	6	0	6	Malta	9	0	9
Namibia	3	0	3	Moldova	17	2	18
Niger	2	0	2	Monaco	1	0	1
Nigeria	811	191	1,002	Netherlands	97	10	108
Rwanda	15	0	15	Norway	7	0	7
Senegal	7	0	7	Poland	435	15	450
Seychelles	1	0	1	Portugal	187	12	199
Sierra Leone	82	7	89	Romania	179	14	193
Somalia	429	16	445	Russian Federation	81	12	93
South Africa	139	44	184	San Marino	1	0	1
Sudan	42	4	45	Serbia and Montenegro	95	1	96
Swaziland	1	0	1	Slovakia	36	4	40
Tanzania	13	0	13	Slovenia	6	1	7
Togo	6	2	8	Spain	57	7	64
Tonga	1	0	1	Sweden	13	3	16
Tunisia	21	0	21	Switzerland	2	0	2
Uganda	86	10	96	Tajikistan	1	0	1
Western Sahara	1	0	1	Turkey	199	3	202
Zambia	17	1	18	Turkmenistan	1	1	2
Zimbabwe	174	33	208	Uzbekistan	4	0	4

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Nationality	Male	Female	Total	Nationality	Male	Female	Total	
Total Asia	2,109	157	2,266	Total Middle East	595	12	607	
Afghanistan	133	1	134	Bahrain	1	0	1	
Bangladesh	169	4	173	Iran	202	5	207	
Bhutan	1	0	1	Iraq	279	5	283	
Cambodia	0	1	1	Israel	31	1	32	
China	393	61	454	Jordan	5	0	5	
Hong Kong	4	0	4	Kuwait	12	0	12	
India	330	13	343	Lebanon	24	1	25	
Indonesia	1	0	1	Oman	1	0	1	
Japan	0	1	1	Saudi Arabia	9	0	9	
Korea, DPR (North Korea)	2	0	2	Syrian Arab Republic	8	0	8	
Korea, Republic of	8	0	8	United Arab Emirates	11	0	11	
Malaysia	34	6	40	Yemen, Republic of	12	0	12	
Mongolia	6	0	6	Total North America	121	23	144	
Myanmar	4	2	5	Canada	28	10	38	
Nepal	3	0	3	United States	93	12	106	
Pakistan	386	7	393	Total Oceania	50	4	54	
Philippines	19	2	21	Australia	24	4	28	
Singapore	5	2	7	Fiji	11	0	11	
Sri Lanka	158	2	160	French Southern Territories	1	0	1	
Taiwan (Nationalist Chinese)	2	0	2	Kiribati	2	0	2	
Thailand	3	11	14	New Zealand	12	0	12	
Viet Nam	449	45	494	Total West Indies	1,306	116	1,422	
Total Central/South America	280	44	324	Anguilla	1	0	1	
Argentina	3	1	4	Aruba	1	0	1	
Belize	1	0	1	Bahamas	4	0	4	
Bolivia	6	0	6	Barbados	33	3	36	
Brazil	65	10	75	Bermuda	3	0	3	
Chile	9	0	9	Cayman Islands	1	0	1	
Colombia	92	13	104	Cuba	8	0	8	
Costa Rica	4	0	4	Dominica	7	1	8	
Ecuador	13	0	13	Dominican Republic	7	1	8	
El Salvador	0	1	1	Grenada	11	4	15	
French Guiana	1	1	2	Haiti	2	0	2	
Guatemala	3	0	3	Jamaica	1,100	76	1,176	
Guyana	37	8	45	Montserrat	22	1	23	
Honduras	1	0	1	Netherlands Antilles	4	2	6	
Mexico	24	8	32	St Kitts and Nevis	2	0	2	
Panama	2	0	2	St Lucia	29	13	41	
Paraguay	0	1	1	St Vincent and the Grenadines	9	2	11	
Peru	3	1	4	Trinidad and Tobago	63	12	75	
South Georgia & South Sandwich Islands	1	0	1	Total Other	6	0	6	
Suriname	3	1	4	Other	6	0	6	
Uruguay	1	0	1					
Venezuela	11	0	11					

(1) Excludes police cells

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Table 7.15 Prison population⁽¹⁾ international comparisons with EU countries and selected other countries 2002-2008

Country	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	% change 2007-2008	Rate ⁽²¹⁾ per 100,000 population in 2008
England & Wales ⁽²⁾	71,324	72,992	75,057	76,896	79,085	80,692	83,406	3%	153
Northern Ireland ⁽³⁾	1,026	1,160	1,274	1,301	1,433	1,468	1,507	3%	85
Scotland ⁽⁴⁾	6,404	6,524	6,805	6,792	7,111	7,291	7,741	6%	150
Austria	7,511	7,816	9,000	8,767	8,780	8,887	7,899	-11%	95
Belgium ⁽⁴⁾	8,605	9,308	9,245	9,375	9,635	10,008	9,858	-1%	92
Bulgaria ⁽⁵⁾	8,994	9,422	10,066	10,871	11,436	11,058	10,271	-7%	134
Cyprus	345	355	546	536	599	673	671	0%	83
Czech Republic ⁽⁶⁾	16,213	17,277	18,343	18,937	18,578	18,901	20,502	8%	196
Denmark	3,439	3,577	3,762	4,132	3,759	3,406	3,451	1%	63
Estonia ⁽⁵⁾	4,775	4,352	4,576	4,565	4,411	4,327	3,467	-20%	259
Finland ⁽⁶⁾	3,469	3,463	3,535	3,883	3,477	3,370	3,457	3%	65
France ⁽⁷⁾	53,463	57,440	56,271	56,595	55,754	60,677	62,843	4%	98
Germany ⁽⁸⁾	74,904	81,176	81,166	80,410	78,581	75,719	75,056	-1%	91
Greece ⁽⁹⁾	8,284	8,555	8,760	9,589	10,113	11,120	12,300	11%	109
Hungary ⁽¹⁰⁾	17,838	16,507	16,543	15,720	14,821	14,353	14,911	4%	149
Ireland ⁽¹¹⁾	3,028	2,986	3,083	3,022	3,080	3,305	3,653	11%	81
Italy ⁽⁶⁾	56,723	56,845	56,068	59,523	39,005	48,693	58,127	19%	97
Latvia ⁽⁵⁾	8,531	8,366	8,179	7,646	6,965	6,548	6,548	0%	288
Lithuania ⁽⁵⁾	11,566	11,070	8,063	8,125	8,137	8,079	7,866	-3%	234
Luxembourg	380	498	548	693	756	745	674	-10%	138
Malta ⁽¹²⁾	283	278	277	298	346	387	412	6%	100
Netherlands	16,239	18,242	20,075	21,826	20,463	18,103	16,416	-9%	100
Poland ⁽³⁾	80,610	80,692	79,344	82,656	87,669	90,199	84,549	-6%	222
Portugal ⁽⁶⁾	13,918	13,835	13,152	12,889	12,636	11,587	10,830	-7%	102
Romania ⁽⁹⁾	48,081	42,815	39,031	36,700	34,038	29,390	26,212	-11%	122
Slovakia ⁽⁹⁾	7,758	8,873	9,422	8,897	8,249	7,986	8,166	2%	151
Slovenia	1,120	1,099	1,126	1,132	1,301	1,336	1,317	-1%	65
Spain	50,994	55,244	59,224	61,269	64,120	66,400	71,778	8%	157
Sweden ⁽¹³⁾	6,506	6,755	7,332	7,054	7,175	6,770	6,853	1%	74
European Union 27	592,331	607,522	609,873	620,099	601,513	611,478	620,741	2%	124
Croatia ⁽⁵⁾	2,584	2,732	2,803	3,022	3,485	3,833	4,290	12%	97
Iceland	107	112	115	119	119	115	140	22%	44
Norway	2,662	2,914	2,975	3,097	3,164	3,280	3,278	0%	69
Russian Federation ⁽⁵⁾	980,151	877,393	847,004	763,115	823,451	871,693	883,170	1%	622
Switzerland ⁽⁴⁾	4,937	5,214	5,977	6,137	5,888	5,715	5,780	1%	76
Turkey ⁽¹⁵⁾	60,091	64,051	71,148	54,296	67,795	85,865	101,100	18%	142
Ukraine ⁽¹⁶⁾	198,946	198,386	193,489	179,519	165,716	154,055	145,946	-5%	317
Australia ⁽¹⁷⁾	22,492	23,555	24,171	25,353	25,790	27,224	27,615	1%	129
Canada ⁽¹⁸⁾	35,736	35,868	34,155	34,365	35,110	37,153	38,348	3%	116
Japan ⁽⁶⁾	69,502	73,734	76,413	79,052	81,255	83,518	80,523	-4%	63
Korea (Rep. of) ⁽⁹⁾	61,084	58,945	57,184	52,403	46,721	46,313	47,097	2%	97
Mexico ⁽²⁰⁾	172,888	182,530	193,889	205,821	210,140	212,841	222,671	5%	207
New Zealand ⁽⁶⁾	5,738	6,059	6,556	7,100	7,595	7,959	7,840	-1%	183
South Africa ⁽⁶⁾	178,998	189,748	187,640	187,394	150,302	161,639	165,840	3%	347
U.S.A. ⁽¹⁷⁾	2,033,331	2,081,580	2,129,802	2,186,230	2,245,189	2,299,116	2,310,984	1%	760

(1) At 1 September: number of prisoners, including pre-trial detainees/remand prisoners.

(2) At 31 August.

(3) Annual averages. Countries calculate these on the basis of daily, weekly or monthly figures.

(4) At 1 March.

(5) At 1 January.

(6) At 31 December.

(7) Metropolitan and overseas departments and territories.

(8) At 31 March.

(9) At 1 September (2002-03, 05-06), December (2004), November (2007-08).

(10) At 31 December (2002-07), 2 September (2008).

(11) At 1 September (2002-07), 15 December (2008).

(12) At 1 September (2002-06), annual average (2007-08).

(13) At 1 October.

(14) At first Wednesday in September.

(15) At 1 September (2002-07), 1 November (2008).

(16) At 1 September (2002-07), 31 December (2008).

(17) At 30 June.

(18) Annual averages by financial year (e.g. 2008 = 1 April 2007 - 31 March 2008).

(19) Annual averages (2002-07), 30 June (2008).

(20) At 31 December (2002-07), 30 September (2008).

(21) Based on estimates of national population.

Sources: Ministries responsible for prisons, national prison administrations, national statistical offices, Council of Europe Annual Penal

Statistics (SPACE), World Prison Population List (Roy Walmsley) and World Prison Brief (International Centre for Prison Studies, King's College, London)

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Table 7.16 Population of indeterminate sentenced prisoners ⁽¹⁾ by type of prisoner and sex

England and Wales 30 June	Number of persons										
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005 ⁽²⁾	2006 ⁽²⁾	2007 ⁽²⁾	2008 ⁽²⁾
MALES AND FEMALES	3,934	4,206	4,538	4,810	5,147	5,419	5,595	5,882	7,274	9,481	11,382
Adults	3,808	4,067	4,387	4,663	4,987	5,252	5,432	5,689	6,888	8,800	10,552
Young offenders	126	139	151	147	160	167	163	193	386	681	830
MALES	3,797	4,056	4,385	4,648	4,982	5,252	5,413	5,697	7,047	9,182	11,035
Adults	3,676	3,925	4,241	4,511	4,835	5,093	5,260	5,516	6,675	8,517	10,227
Young offenders	121	131	144	137	147	159	153	181	372	665	808
FEMALES	137	150	153	162	165	167	182	185	227	299	347
Adults	132	142	146	152	152	159	172	173	213	283	325
Young offenders	5	8	7	10	13	8	10	12	14	16	22

(1) Excludes police cells

(2) 2005 and 2006 figures include IPPs

(3) Other category includes discretionary and automatic life sentences

Table 7.17 Population of indeterminate sentenced prisoners ⁽¹⁾ by type of sentence and sex

England and Wales 30 June	Number of persons										
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005 ⁽²⁾	2006 ⁽²⁾	2007 ⁽²⁾	2008 ⁽²⁾
MALES AND FEMALES	3,934	4,206	4,538	4,810	5,147	5,419	5,595	5,882	7,274	9,481	11,382
Mandatory lifers	3,114	3,173	3,327	3,448	3,592	3,698	3,726	3,870	4,103	4,317	4,581
IPP ²	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	1,079	2,859	4,461
Others ³	820	1,033	1,211	1,362	1,555	1,721	1,869	1,988	2,092	2,305	2,341
MALES	3,797	4,056	4,385	4,648	4,982	5,252	5,413	5,697	7,047	9,182	11,035
Mandatory lifers	3,002	3,048	3,201	3,322	3,464	3,566	3,583	3,724	3,949	4,143	4,395
IPP ²	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	1,045	2,776	4,333
Others ³	795	1,008	1,184	1,326	1,518	1,686	1,830	1,949	2,053	2,262	2,307
FEMALES	137	150	153	162	165	167	182	185	227	299	347
Mandatory lifers	112	125	126	126	128	132	143	147	154	173	185
IPP ²	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34	83	128
Others ³	25	25	27	36	37	35	39	38	39	43	34

(1) Excludes police cells

(2) Indeterminate sentence for public protection came into effect on 5th April 2005

(3) Other category includes discretionary and automatic life sentences

Table 7.18 Population of indeterminate sentenced prisoners ⁽¹⁾ by type of sentence and age, 30 June 2008

England and Wales	Number of persons								
	All ages	15-17	18-20	21-24	25-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60 and over
MALES AND FEMALES									
Mandatory lifers	4,581	20	134	360	630	1,307	1,198	639	293
IPP ²	4,461	52	453	921	846	1,094	755	235	105
Others ³	2,341	9	37	119	237	638	767	346	187
MALES									
Mandatory lifers	4,395	20	123	335	611	1,266	1,141	613	287
IPP ²	4,333	52	446	897	813	1,056	734	230	105
Others ³	2,307	9	37	115	233	626	760	342	185
FEMALES									
Mandatory lifers	185	0	11	24	19	41	57	26	7
IPP ²	128	0	7	24	33	38	21	5	0
Others ³	34	0	0	4	4	12	7	4	3

(1) Excludes police cells

(2) Indeterminate sentence for public protection came into effect on 5th April 2005

(3) Other category includes discretionary and automatic life sentences

(1) Excludes police cells

(2) Indeterminate sentence for public protection came into effect on 5th April 2005

(3) Other category includes discretionary and automatic life sentences

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Table 7.19 Population of indeterminate sentenced prisoners ⁽¹⁾ by type of prisoner and principal offence, 30 June 2008

England and Wales		Number of persons							
	MALES AND FEMALES			MALES			FEMALES		
	Young offenders	Adults	All	Young offenders	Adults	All	Young offenders	Adults	All
All offences									
Murder	174	4,407	4,581	161	4,235	4,395	13	172	185
Manslaughter	24	242	266	24	229	253	0	12	12
Other homicide & attempted homicide	27	398	425	26	384	411	1	14	15
Other violence against the person	228	1,721	1,949	226	1,677	1,903	2	45	47
Rape	81	1,168	1,250	81	1,167	1,249	0	1	1
Other sexual offences	34	540	574	34	538	572	0	2	2
Robbery	198	1,261	1,459	197	1,232	1,429	1	29	30
Arson	22	325	347	17	285	302	5	40	45
Other offences	42	490	532	42	480	522	0	10	10

(1) Excludes police cells

Table 7.20 Population of indeterminate sentenced prisoners ⁽¹⁾ by type of prisoner, ethnicity and sex, 30 June 2008

England and Wales		Number of persons							
	All	White	Mixed	Asian or Asian British	Black or Black British	Chinese or Other	Not Stated	Unrecorded	1991
									census codes
MALES AND FEMALES									
Mandatory lifers	4,581	3,469	130	317	554	54	25	1	30
IPP ²	4,461	3,469	149	166	631	26	18	0	2
Others ³	2,341	1,852	71	81	302	7	17	0	11
MALES									
Mandatory lifers	4,395	3,321	119	308	543	49	25	1	30
IPP ²	4,333	3,358	146	165	621	24	17	0	2
Others ³	2,307	1,822	71	80	301	6	17	0	10
FEMALES									
Mandatory lifers	185	149	11	9	11	5	0	0	0
IPP ²	128	111	3	1	10	2	1	0	0
Others ³	34	30	0	1	1	1	0	0	1

(1) Excludes police cells

(2) Indeterminate sentence for public protection came into effect on 5th April 2005

(3) Other category includes discretionary and automatic life sentences

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**Table 7.21 Population in prison establishments ⁽¹⁾
by sex, ethnic group and nationality**

England and Wales 30 June	Number of persons				
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
MALES AND FEMALES					
All nationalities	74,488	76,190	77,982	79,734	83,194
White	51,281	56,825	57,137	58,251	60,196
Mixed	1,859	2,157	2,299	2,441	2,691
Asian or Asian British	3,837	4,564	5,117	5,288	5,804
Black or Black British	10,044	11,170	11,805	12,016	12,557
Chinese or Other ethnic group	692	862	954	1,154	1,354
Not Stated	223	256	309	279	312
Unrecorded	81	42	61	56	36
1991 Census ethnic codes	6,472	314	299	249	244
British nationals	64,379	65,670	66,160	67,767	70,751
White	48,622	53,645	53,494	54,651	56,370
Mixed	1,477	1,746	1,864	2,016	2,248
Asian or Asian British	2,549	2,929	3,159	3,332	3,707
Black or Black British	6,093	6,750	6,997	7,190	7,828
Chinese or Other ethnic group	191	168	157	162	203
Not Stated	173	177	230	215	220
Unrecorded	74	36	53	45	27
1991 Census ethnic codes	5,201	219	206	156	148
Foreign nationals	8,941	9,651	10,879	11,093	11,498
White	2,422	2,789	3,200	3,150	3,343
Mixed	340	372	401	389	403
Asian or Asian British	1,214	1,551	1,854	1,860	2,009
Black or Black British	3,765	4,197	4,582	4,643	4,539
Chinese or Other ethnic group	473	655	757	969	1,120
Not Stated	38	62	63	53	60
Unrecorded	6	5	5	11	8
1991 Census ethnic codes	685	19	16	16	15
Unrecorded nationality	1,168	869	944	874	946

(1) Excludes police cells

(2) Prior to 2004 the 1991 census ethnic codes were used, for information on years 1996 to 2003 see previous annual publications

(3) Includes persons of unknown or unrecorded nationality

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**Table 7.21 Population in prison establishments ⁽¹⁾
by sex, ethnic group and nationality**

England and Wales 30 June	Number of persons				
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
MALES					
All nationalities	70,036	71,676	73,519	75,451	78,689
White	48,275	53,608	53,972	55,238	57,033
Mixed	1,657	1,934	2,108	2,250	2,517
Asian or Asian British	3,756	4,459	5,010	5,172	5,668
Black or Black British	9,234	10,294	10,922	11,186	11,693
Chinese or Other ethnic group	636	790	873	1,040	1,203
Not Stated	215	246	288	268	300
Unrecorded	79	39	61	55	36
1991 Census ethnic codes	6,184	305	284	242	239
British nationals	60,810	62,127	62,715	64,537	67,284
White	45,830	50,727	50,645	51,951	53,489
Mixed	1,319	1,575	1,723	1,881	2,108
Asian or Asian British	2,505	2,866	3,092	3,267	3,624
Black or Black British	5,758	6,389	6,653	6,889	7,499
Chinese or Other ethnic group	174	156	143	147	182
Not Stated	167	168	212	209	210
Unrecorded	74	34	53	44	27
1991 Census ethnic codes	4,985	211	194	149	143
Foreign nationals	8,124	8,778	9,964	10,130	10,549
White	2,223	2,557	2,956	2,907	3,126
Mixed	297	324	356	339	372
Asian or Asian British	1,180	1,511	1,815	1,812	1,960
Black or Black British	3,305	3,705	4,065	4,124	4,019
Chinese or Other ethnic group	438	596	691	872	991
Not Stated	37	61	60	47	58
Unrecorded	5	5	5	11	8
1991 Census ethnic codes	641	19	15	16	15
Unrecorded nationality	1,101	771	840	784	857

(1) Excludes police cells

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**Table 7.21 Population in prison establishments ⁽¹⁾
by sex, ethnic group and nationality**

England and Wales 30 June	Number of persons				
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
FEMALES					
All nationalities	4,452	4,514	4,463	4,283	4,505
White	3,007	3,217	3,165	3,012	3,163
Mixed	202	223	191	192	174
Asian or Asian British	80	104	107	116	135
Black or Black British	809	875	883	830	864
Chinese or Other ethnic group	56	73	81	113	152
Not Stated	8	10	21	12	12
Unrecorded	2	3	0	1	0
1991 Census ethnic codes	287	9	15	8	5
British nationals	3,569	3,544	3,445	3,230	3,467
White	2,792	2,919	2,849	2,700	2,881
Mixed	159	171	141	135	139
Asian or Asian British	44	62	68	65	83
Black or Black British	334	361	344	301	329
Chinese or Other ethnic group	17	12	14	15	20
Not Stated	6	9	18	6	10
Unrecorded	0	2	0	1	0
1991 Census ethnic codes	217	8	12	7	5
Foreign nationals	816	873	915	963	949
White	199	232	244	243	217
Mixed	43	49	45	50	31
Asian or Asian British	34	40	39	48	49
Black or Black British	460	492	517	519	520
Chinese or Other ethnic group	35	59	65	97	129
Not Stated	1	1	3	6	2
Unrecorded	1	0	0	0	0
1991 Census ethnic codes	44	0	1	0	0
Unrecorded nationality	67	97	103	90	89

(1) Excludes police cells

(2) Prior to 2004 the 1991 census ethnic codes were used, for information on years 1996 to 2003 see previous annual publications

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Table 7.22 Population in prison establishments ⁽¹⁾ by ethnic group, type of prisoner, sex and nationality, 30 June 2008

England and Wales		Number of persons								
		Ethnic group								
		White	Mixed	Asian or Asian British	Black or Black British	Chinese or Other ethnic group	Not Stated	Unrecorded	1991 Census ethnic codes	
		Total								
MALES AND FEMALES										
Total⁽²⁾	83,194	60,196	2,691	5,804	12,557	1,354	312	36	244	
British nationals	70,751	56,370	2,248	3,707	7,828	203	220	27	148	
Foreign nationals	11,498	3,343	403	2,009	4,539	1,120	60	8	15	
Untried⁽²⁾	8,750	5,724	317	786	1,573	216	14	1	119	
British nationals	6,424	4,717	238	429	980	15	6	0	38	
Foreign nationals	1,654	593	60	309	495	190	5	0	3	
Convicted unsentenced⁽²⁾	4,690	3,384	163	305	697	101	14	1	27	
British nationals	3,894	3,101	140	177	438	7	7	1	24	
Foreign nationals	754	269	20	124	246	91	3	0	1	
Immediate custodial sentence⁽²⁾	68,124	50,777	2,161	4,356	9,606	818	274	34	99	
British nationals	60,275	48,418	1,866	3,093	6,400	179	207	26	86	
Foreign nationals	7,682	2,314	284	1,239	3,154	629	43	8	11	
Non-criminal⁽²⁾	1,520	227	49	349	667	218	10	0	0	
British nationals	66	57	2	5	2	0	0	0	0	
Foreign nationals	1,390	161	40	332	639	210	9	0	0	
Fine defaulters⁽²⁾	110	83	1	8	15	2	0	0	0	
British nationals	92	77	1	4	8	1	0	0	0	
Foreign nationals	17	6	0	4	6	1	0	0	0	

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Table 7.22 Population in prison establishments ⁽¹⁾ by ethnic group, type of prisoner, sex and nationality, 30 June 2008

England and Wales		Ethnic group							Number of persons	
	Total	White	Mixed	Asian or Asian British	Black or Black British	Chinese or Other ethnic group	Not Stated	Unrecorded	1991 Census ethnic codes	
MALES										
Total⁽²⁾	78,689	57,033	2,517	5,668	11,693	1,203	300	36	239	
British nationals	67,284	53,489	2,108	3,624	7,499	182	210	27	143	
Foreign nationals	10,549	3,126	372	1,960	4,019	991	58	8	15	
Untried⁽²⁾	8,177	5,341	293	756	1,469	187	13	1	117	
British nationals	6,074	4,433	224	413	947	14	6	0	37	
Foreign nationals	1,505	554	53	297	432	162	4	0	3	
Convicted unsentenced ⁽²⁾	4,389	3,153	154	299	662	81	14	1	26	
British nationals	3,649	2,889	132	171	421	5	7	1	23	
Foreign nationals	700	252	19	124	227	75	3	0	1	
Immediate custodial sentence ⁽²⁾	64,600	48,245	2,024	4,259	8,949	730	264	34	96	
British nationals	57,416	46,046	1,749	3,032	6,121	163	197	26	83	
Foreign nationals	7,027	2,156	264	1,206	2,782	557	43	8	11	
Non-criminal⁽²⁾	1,424	220	46	347	600	203	9	0	0	
British nationals	63	54	2	5	2	0	0	0	0	
Foreign nationals	1,301	158	36	329	573	196	8	0	0	
Fine defaulters ⁽²⁾	99	75	1	8	14	1	0	0	0	
British nationals	82	69	1	4	8	0	0	0	0	
Foreign nationals	16	6	0	4	5	1	0	0	0	

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Table 7.22 Population in prison establishments ⁽¹⁾ by ethnic group, type of prisoner, sex and nationality, 30 June 2008

England and Wales		Number of persons								
		Ethnic group								
		White	Mixed	Asian or Asian British	Black or Black British	Chinese or Other ethnic group	Not Stated	Unrecorded	1991 Census ethnic codes	
		Total								
FEMALES										
Total⁽²⁾	4,505	3,163	174	135	864	152	12	0	5	5
British nationals	3,467	2,881	139	83	329	20	10	0	5	5
Foreign nationals	949	217	31	49	520	129	2	0	0	0
Untried⁽²⁾	573	383	24	30	104	29	1	0	2	2
British nationals	350	285	14	16	33	1	0	0	1	1
Foreign nationals	149	39	7	12	63	28	1	0	0	0
Convicted unsentenced⁽²⁾	301	230	9	7	35	19	0	0	1	1
British nationals	245	212	8	6	16	2	0	0	1	1
Foreign nationals	54	17	1	1	18	16	0	0	0	0
Immediate custodial sentence⁽²⁾	3,524	2,533	137	97	657	88	10	0	3	3
British nationals	2,859	2,372	117	61	279	16	10	0	3	3
Foreign nationals	655	158	20	33	372	71	0	0	0	0
Non-criminal⁽²⁾	96	8	3	2	67	14	1	0	0	0
British nationals	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Foreign nationals	89	3	3	2	66	13	1	0	0	0
Fine defaulters⁽²⁾	11	9	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
British nationals	10	9	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Foreign nationals	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

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**Table 7.23 Population in prison establishments ⁽¹⁾ under an immediate custodial sentence by ethnic group, nationality, offence group and sex
30 June 2008**

England and Wales		Ethnic Group							Number of persons	
	Total	White	Mixed	Asian or Asian British	Black or Black British	Chinese or Other ethnic group	Not Stated	Unrecorded	1991 Census ethnic codes	
MALES										
All nationalities ⁽²⁾										
Total	64,600	48,245	2,024	4,259	8,949	730	264	34	96	
Violence against the person	18,159	13,908	588	1,129	2,285	123	76	8	42	
Sexual offences	7,569	6,255	124	400	692	56	33	1	7	
Robbery	8,437	5,904	415	456	1,581	40	27	4	10	
Burglary	7,733	6,724	197	147	582	27	37	6	13	
Theft and handling	3,373	2,801	92	164	272	15	19	4	8	
Fraud and forgery	1,725	762	46	352	495	57	10	2	1	
Drug offences	9,992	5,792	382	1,042	2,387	340	38	4	6	
Motoring offences	1,356	1,060	27	120	139	5	3	0	2	
Other offences	6,024	4,857	142	431	500	64	20	5	6	
Offence not recorded	232	180	12	19	16	3	2	0	1	
British nationals										
Total	57,416	46,046	1,749	3,032	6,121	163	197	26	83	
Violence against the person	16,672	13,423	535	809	1,762	43	58	6	35	
Sexual offences	6,745	5,988	86	204	422	16	23	1	5	
Robbery	7,787	5,696	387	385	1,270	16	23	2	9	
Burglary	7,452	6,548	189	124	529	11	32	5	13	
Theft and handling	3,111	2,652	78	131	217	8	15	4	7	
Fraud and forgery	800	564	13	134	81	4	3	0	1	
Drug offences	7,954	5,363	306	825	1,375	52	26	3	5	
Motoring offences	1,210	993	24	87	100	3	2	0	2	
Other offences	5,471	4,645	120	317	354	10	14	5	6	
Offence not recorded	214	173	12	16	11	0	1	0	1	
Foreign nationals										
Total	7,027	2,156	264	1,206	2,782	557	43	8	11	
Violence against the person	1,450	475	49	311	517	77	12	2	6	
Sexual offences	808	261	36	194	264	40	10	0	2	
Robbery	640	205	27	71	307	23	4	2	1	
Burglary	268	173	7	21	50	15	1	1	0	
Theft and handling	254	145	14	32	53	7	2	0	1	
Fraud and forgery	903	194	32	214	405	52	5	2	0	
Drug offences	2,014	428	76	215	1,004	284	6	1	1	
Motoring offences	141	67	3	32	37	2	0	0	0	
Other offences	533	204	20	113	139	53	3	0	0	
Offence not recorded	15	5	0	3	5	3	0	0	0	

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**Table 7.23 Population in prison establishments ⁽¹⁾ under an immediate custodial sentence by ethnic group, nationality, offence group and sex
30 June 2008**

England and Wales		Ethnic Group							Number of persons	
	Total	White	Mixed	Asian or Asian British	Black or Black British	Chinese or Other ethnic group	Not Stated	Unrecorded	1991 Census ethnic codes	
FEMALES										
All nationalities ⁽²⁾										
Total	3,524	2,533	137	97	657	88	10	0	3	
Violence against the person	771	649	28	23	57	10	3	0	1	
Sexual offences	47	39	4	0	1	3	0	0	0	
Robbery	295	246	15	5	28	0	0	0	1	
Burglary	203	185	6	0	11	0	1	0	0	
Theft and handling	462	410	10	5	30	5	1	0	1	
Fraud and forgery	295	108	8	15	149	16	0	0	0	
Drug offences	990	541	48	25	334	38	4	0	0	
Motoring offences	22	17	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	
Other offences	416	322	16	21	42	14	1	0	0	
Offence not recorded	24	16	1	1	4	2	0	0	0	
British nationals										
Total	2,859	2,372	117	61	279	16	10	0	3	
Violence against the person	726	638	25	18	38	4	3	0	1	
Sexual offences	38	35	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	
Robbery	288	242	15	4	26	0	0	0	1	
Burglary	195	179	6	0	10	0	1	0	0	
Theft and handling	417	381	8	3	21	2	1	0	1	
Fraud and forgery	110	79	6	7	16	2	0	0	0	
Drug offences	682	480	38	15	137	7	4	0	0	
Motoring offences	21	17	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	
Other offences	363	307	14	13	26	2	1	0	0	
Offence not recorded	18	14	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	
Foreign nationals										
Total	655	158	20	33	372	71	0	0	0	
Violence against the person	44	11	3	6	18	7	0	0	0	
Sexual offences	9	4	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	
Robbery	6	3	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	
Burglary	7	7	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	
Theft and handling	43	29	2	1	8	3	0	0	0	
Fraud and forgery	182	28	2	7	131	14	0	0	0	
Drug offences	308	61	10	10	196	31	0	0	0	
Motoring offences	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Other offences	50	13	2	8	16	12	0	0	0	
Offence not recorded	6	2	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	

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Table 7.24 Population in prison establishments⁽¹⁾ by ethnic group, custody type, length of sentence, age group and sex, 30 June 2008

England and Wales		Number of persons							
		Ethnic group							
		White	Mixed	Asian or Asian British	Black or Black British	Chinese or Other ethnic group	Not Stated	Unrecorded	1991 Census ethnic codes
Total									
ADULTS	71,079	51,829	1,928	5,061	10,491	1,211	295	35	230
MALES	67,066	49,030	1,793	4,941	9,693	1,068	283	35	224
Remand	10,067	6,945	270	877	1,584	228	24	2	136
Untried	6,668	4,469	175	629	1,105	165	13	1	110
Convicted unsentenced	3,399	2,477	95	248	479	63	11	1	26
Sentenced	55,714	41,877	1,483	3,755	7,570	660	249	33	88
Fine defaulter	93	69	1	8	14	1	0	0	0
Less than or equal to 6 months	4,023	3,283	83	264	330	44	6	1	12
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	1,913	1,439	35	162	249	20	5	3	2
12 months to less than 4 years	17,776	13,933	476	1,073	1,880	277	98	20	20
4 years or more									
(excluding indeterminate sentences)	21,682	15,218	609	1,721	3,784	245	83	8	13
Indeterminate sentences	10,227	7,935	280	527	1,312	73	58	1	42
Non - criminal	1,285	208	39	309	539	180	9	0	0
FEMALES	4,013	2,799	136	120	798	143	12	0	5
Remand	767	533	26	32	128	44	1	0	3
Untried	503	337	17	25	95	25	1	0	2
Convicted unsentenced	264	196	9	7	33	18	0	0	1
Sentenced	3,158	2,258	106	86	611	84	10	0	3
Fine defaulter	11	9	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Less than or equal to 6 months	459	371	16	7	50	15	0	0	1
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	233	153	5	7	65	4	0	0	1
12 months to less than 4 years	1,146	891	34	29	151	35	7	0	0
4 years or more									
(excluding indeterminate sentences)	984	564	41	32	322	22	2	0	0
Indeterminate sentences	325	271	10	11	22	8	1	0	1
Non - criminal	88	8	3	2	59	14	1	0	0

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Table 7.24 Population in prison establishments⁽¹⁾ by ethnic group, custody type, length of sentence, age group and sex, 30 June 2008

England and Wales		Number of persons								
		Ethnic group								
		White	Mixed	Asian or Asian British	Black or Black British	Chinese or Other ethnic group	Not Stated	Unrecorded	1991 Census ethnic codes	
		Total								
YOUNG ADULTS		9,588	6,649	580	588	1,618	124	14	1	14
MALES		9,167	6,337	550	576	1,560	115	14	1	14
	Remand	1,919	1,217	123	134	406	31	2	0	7
	Untried	1,149	669	83	100	271	19	0	0	7
	Convicted unsentenced	771	548	39	34	135	12	2	0	0
	Sentenced	7,109	5,109	421	404	1,093	62	12	1	7
	Fine defaulter	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Less than or equal to 6 months	831	692	36	35	63	3	0	0	2
	Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	409	343	13	14	36	0	1	0	2
	12 months to less than 4 years	3,644	2,685	203	199	505	43	6	1	3
	4 years or more									
	(excluding indeterminate sentences)	1,492	874	116	130	358	10	3	0	0
	Indeterminate sentences	727	510	53	26	131	6	2	0	0
	Non - criminal	138	11	6	38	61	21	0	0	0
FEMALES		422	313	30	12	58	9	0	0	0
	Remand	93	70	6	5	9	4	0	0	0
	Untried	64	43	6	5	8	3	0	0	0
	Convicted unsentenced	29	27	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
	Sentenced	320	242	24	8	41	5	0	0	0
	Fine defaulter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Less than or equal to 6 months	73	62	1	2	5	4	0	0	0
	Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	26	21	2	1	2	0	0	0	0
	12 months to less than 4 years	136	102	11	5	18	0	0	0	0
	4 years or more									
	(excluding indeterminate sentences)	64	39	7	0	17	1	0	0	0
	Indeterminate sentences	22	18	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Non - criminal	8	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0

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Table 7.24 Population in prison establishments⁽¹⁾ by ethnic group, custody type, length of sentence, age group and sex, 30 June 2008

England and Wales		Number of persons								
	Total	Ethnic group						Not Stated	Unrecorded	1991 Census ethnic codes
		White	Mixed	Asian or Asian British	Black or Black British	Chinese or Other ethnic group				
15 - 17 YEAR OLDS	2,527	1,717	183	155	448	20	3	0	1	
MALES	2,456	1,666	175	152	440	20	3	0	1	
Remand	580	332	54	43	141	10	0	0	0	
Untried	360	204	34	27	92	3	0	0	0	
Convicted unsentenced	219	128	20	16	48	7	0	0	0	
Sentenced	1,876	1,334	121	108	300	9	3	0	1	
Fine defaulter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Less than or equal to 6 months	467	384	14	18	49	1	1	0	1	
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	277	211	24	10	29	2	1	0	0	
12 months to less than 4 years	906	606	72	68	154	5	1	0	0	
4 years or more (excluding indeterminate sentences)	144	78	7	12	46	1	0	0	0	
Indeterminate sentences	81	56	4	0	21	0	0	0	0	
Non - criminal	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	
FEMALES	70	51	8	3	8	0	0	0	0	
Remand	14	10	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	
Untried	6	3	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	
Convicted unsentenced	8	7	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	
Sentenced	57	41	7	3	6	0	0	0	0	
Fine defaulter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Less than or equal to 6 months	20	17	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	7	5	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	
12 months to less than 4 years	24	14	4	2	4	0	0	0	0	
4 years or more (excluding indeterminate sentences)	6	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Indeterminate sentences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Non - criminal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

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Table 7.25 Population in prison establishments⁽¹⁾ by religion⁽²⁾

England and Wales												Number of persons	
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	
	March	March	March	March	June	June	June	June	June	June	June	June	
Total	64,456	64,212	65,463	65,394	66,403	71,218	73,657	74,488	76,190	77,982	79,734	83,194	
All Christian	40,609	39,103	38,944	38,686	38,755	41,342	42,463	41,438	41,154	40,827	41,406	41,839	
<i>Anglican</i>	27,299	25,725	25,567	24,720	24,599	25,752	26,055	24,885	24,168	23,590	23,353	23,039	
<i>Free Church</i>	1,337	1,158	1,132	1,200	1,193	1,400	1,418	1,299	1,258	1,193	1,224	1,213	
<i>Roman Catholic</i>	11,172	11,386	11,327	11,435	11,505	12,378	12,750	12,984	13,304	13,340	13,912	14,296	
<i>Other Christian</i>	801	833	919	1,332	1,457	1,813	2,239	2,270	2,424	2,703	2,918	3,291	
Buddhist	324	306	285	449	486	676	947	1,133	1,237	1,432	1,609	1,737	
Hindu	304	243	246	267	293	271	339	342	370	368	357	434	
Jewish	214	192	160	166	159	179	184	181	197	187	231	220	
Muslim	4,188	4,314	4,298	4,882	5,046	5,502	6,136	6,571	7,246	8,243	8,864	9,795	
Sikh	491	447	394	414	431	442	490	498	543	579	608	648	
Other religious groups	95	92	89	112	134	168	207	282	304	397	419	448	
Non recognised	159	144	152	185	181	223	296	324	309	350	337	347	
No religion	18,072	19,371	20,888	20,221	20,907	22,405	22,584	23,709	24,826	25,598	25,900	27,710	
Not recorded	0	3	7	11	12	10	13	10	3	2	4	17	

(1) Excludes police cells

(2) Figures for 1998 were recorded by the Annual Census of Religion in Prisons carried out by the Chaplaincy of HM Prison Service

Figures for 1999 onwards are recorded by the Prison Service on the Local Inmate Data Base (LIDS)

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Table 7.26 Population in prison establishments⁽¹⁾ by ethnic group, religious group and sex, 30 June 2008

England and Wales		Number of persons							
		Ethnic Group							
	Total	White	Mixed	Asian or Asian British	Black or Black British	Chinese or Other ethnic group	Not Stated	Unrecorded	1991 Census ethnic codes
MALES AND FEMALES	83,194	60,196	2,691	5,804	12,557	1,354	312	36	244
Prisoners with declared religion	55,467	36,581	1,872	5,507	10,228	872	234	21	152
of whom									
Anglican	23,039	18,553	610	114	3,533	79	66	7	77
Free Church	1,213	704	29	11	458	7	1	0	3
Roman Catholic	14,296	12,299	329	127	1,330	118	43	8	43
Other Christian	3,291	1,883	123	51	1,116	87	21	2	7
Buddhist	1,737	1,194	30	114	79	313	6	0	1
Hindu	434	20	10	385	12	2	1	0	4
Jewish	220	175	14	7	16	4	3	0	1
Muslim	9,795	1,322	674	4,078	3,367	252	83	4	15
Sikh	648	10	12	611	6	3	3	0	2
Other religious groups	448	405	8	8	16	7	4	0	0
Non-recognised	347	15	33	1	296	0	2	0	0
No religion	27,710	23,601	819	297	2,329	482	78	14	90
Not recorded	17	14	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
MALES	78,689	57,033	2,517	5,668	11,693	1,203	300	36	239
Prisoners with declared religion	52,504	34,705	1,757	5,382	9,481	786	224	21	149
of whom									
Anglican	21,723	17,563	564	106	3,276	68	63	7	76
Free Church	1,038	670	20	10	332	3	0	0	3
Roman Catholic	13,501	11,657	310	119	1,216	107	42	8	42
Other Christian	3,040	1,782	113	49	992	76	19	2	7
Buddhist	1,659	1,167	27	103	78	276	6	0	1
Hindu	415	17	10	371	12	2	1	0	2
Jewish	214	171	14	7	16	3	2	0	1
Muslim	9,542	1,275	651	4,019	3,256	241	81	4	15
Sikh	625	10	12	588	5	3	3	0	2
Other religious groups	416	380	3	8	15	6	4	0	0
Non-recognised	332	13	33	1	283	0	2	0	0
No religion	26,168	22,314	760	287	2,212	417	76	14	88
Not recorded	17	14	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
FEMALES	4,505	3,163	174	135	864	152	12	0	5
Prisoners with declared religion	2,963	1,876	115	125	747	86	10	0	4
of whom									
Anglican	1,316	990	46	8	257	11	3	0	1
Free Church	176	34	10	1	126	4	1	0	0
Roman Catholic	795	641	19	8	114	11	1	0	1
Other Christian	250	102	10	2	124	11	2	0	0
Buddhist	78	26	3	11	1	37	0	0	0
Hindu	19	3	0	15	0	0	0	0	2
Jewish	6	4	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Muslim	253	48	23	59	111	11	2	0	0
Sikh	23	0	0	22	1	0	0	0	0
Other religious groups	32	25	5	0	1	1	0	0	0
Non-recognised	15	2	0	0	13	0	0	0	0
No religion	1,542	1,287	58	10	117	65	2	0	2
Not recorded	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Table 7.27 Population in prison establishments ⁽¹⁾ by age, religious group and sex, 30 June 2008

England and Wales		Number of persons							
	All ages	15-17	18-20	21-24	25-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60 and over
MALES AND FEMALES	83,194	2,527	8,825	13,393	15,830	22,072	13,401	4,753	2,393
Prisoners with declared religion	55,467	1,211	4,860	7,890	10,243	15,339	10,138	3,824	1,964
of whom									
Anglican	23,039	448	1,676	2,705	3,682	6,401	4,940	1,973	1,214
Free Church	1,213	18	48	84	117	306	303	208	128
Roman Catholic	14,296	327	1,475	2,284	2,700	3,888	2,425	846	350
Other Christian	3,291	52	319	546	730	891	509	155	89
Buddhist	1,737	8	57	123	282	595	464	165	43
Hindu	434	5	14	59	124	126	68	31	7
Jewish	220	0	4	15	18	60	63	34	26
Muslim	9,795	343	1,211	1,922	2,312	2,613	1,000	314	81
Sikh	648	5	33	82	157	207	115	38	10
Other religious groups	448	2	5	30	60	162	135	41	13
Non-recognised	347	4	16	38	60	89	116	19	4
No religion	27,710	1,316	3,965	5,499	5,585	6,727	3,262	928	429
Not recorded	17	0	0	4	3	7	1	1	1
MALES	78,689	2,456	8,421	12,727	14,918	20,722	12,605	4,511	2,329
Prisoners with declared religion	52,504	1,185	4,677	7,532	9,649	14,419	9,515	3,622	1,904
of whom									
Anglican	21,723	441	1,592	2,557	3,428	5,970	4,663	1,879	1,193
Free Church	1,038	17	45	66	88	253	252	191	125
Roman Catholic	13,501	319	1,433	2,186	2,540	3,634	2,253	802	334
Other Christian	3,040	50	298	505	666	825	469	144	83
Buddhist	1,659	7	53	118	268	573	439	157	43
Hindu	415	5	12	58	118	122	64	29	7
Jewish	214	0	3	15	18	60	61	33	24
Muslim	9,542	336	1,190	1,883	2,255	2,544	971	292	71
Sikh	625	5	29	79	154	201	109	38	9
Other religious groups	416	2	4	27	56	155	122	37	12
Non-recognised	332	4	16	37	57	83	112	18	4
No religion	26,168	1,271	3,743	5,191	5,265	6,295	3,090	889	424
Not recorded	17	0	0	4	3	7	1	1	1
FEMALES	4,505	70	405	665	912	1,351	795	242	65
Prisoners with declared religion	2,963	25	183	358	593	919	623	203	60
of whom									
Anglican	1,316	7	84	149	255	431	277	94	21
Free Church	176	1	3	18	30	53	51	17	3
Roman Catholic	795	8	42	99	160	254	173	44	16
Other Christian	250	2	21	41	63	66	40	11	6
Buddhist	78	1	4	5	14	22	24	7	1
Hindu	19	0	2	1	6	5	4	2	0
Jewish	6	0	1	0	0	0	2	1	2
Muslim	253	7	21	39	56	69	29	22	10
Sikh	23	0	4	3	3	7	6	0	1
Other religious groups	32	0	1	3	4	7	13	4	1
Non-recognised	15	0	0	1	3	6	4	1	0
No religion	1,542	45	222	308	319	431	172	39	5
Not recorded	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Table 7.28 Population in prison establishments ⁽¹⁾ by custody type, religion and sex, 30 June 2008

England and Wales		Number of persons				
	Total	Untried	Convicted Unsentenced	Sentenced	Fine defaulter	Non- criminal
MALES AND FEMALES	83,194	8,750	4,690	68,124	110	1,520
Prisoners with declared religion	55,467	5,458	2,746	45,867	71	1,324
of whom						
Anglican	23,039	2,025	1,146	19,629	37	203
Free Church	1,213	84	48	1,056	3	22
Roman Catholic	14,296	1,462	738	11,936	14	146
Other Christian	3,291	369	168	2,478	1	275
Buddhist	1,737	95	49	1,515	3	73
Hindu	434	52	38	287	0	57
Jewish	220	19	9	188	2	1
Muslim	9,795	1,216	502	7,578	11	488
Sikh	648	87	30	488	0	43
Other religious groups	448	23	8	416	0	0
Non-recognised	347	26	9	295	0	16
No religion	27,710	3,279	1,944	22,253	39	196
Not recorded	17	13	0	4	0	0
MALES	78,689	8,177	4,389	64,600	99	1,424
Prisoners with declared religion	52,504	5,134	2,578	43,482	65	1,245
of whom						
Anglican	21,723	1,900	1,061	18,558	35	170
Free Church	1,038	68	43	913	2	12
Roman Catholic	13,501	1,373	689	11,291	11	137
Other Christian	3,040	328	156	2,296	1	260
Buddhist	1,659	83	45	1,459	2	70
Hindu	415	47	37	274	0	57
Jewish	214	19	9	182	2	1
Muslim	9,542	1,186	494	7,372	11	479
Sikh	625	83	29	470	0	43
Other religious groups	416	21	7	387	0	0
Non-recognised	332	26	9	280	0	16
No religion	26,168	3,030	1,811	21,114	34	179
Not recorded	17	13	0	4	0	0
FEMALES	4,505	573	301	3,524	11	96
Prisoners with declared religion	2,963	324	168	2,385	6	79
of whom						
Anglican	1,316	124	85	1,072	1	34
Free Church	176	17	5	143	1	10
Roman Catholic	795	89	50	644	2	9
Other Christian	250	41	12	182	0	15
Buddhist	78	12	5	56	1	3
Hindu	19	5	1	14	0	0
Jewish	6	0	0	6	0	0
Muslim	253	30	9	206	0	8
Sikh	23	4	1	19	0	0
Other religious groups	32	2	1	29	0	0
Non-recognised	15	0	0	15	0	0
No religion	1,542	249	133	1,139	5	17
Not recorded	0	0	0	0	0	0

(1) Excludes police cells

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Table 7.29 Population in prison establishments ⁽¹⁾ under an immediate custodial sentence by sentence length, religion and sex, 30 June 2008

England and Wales		Number of persons				
	Total	Less than or equal to 6 months	Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	12 months to less than 4 years	4 years or more (excluding Indeterminate)	Indeterminate sentences
MALES & FEMALES	68,124	5,873	2,866	23,632	24,371	11,382
Prisoners with declared religion	45,867	3,170	1,668	14,527	18,114	8,388
of whom						
Anglican	19,629	1,415	703	6,420	7,558	3,532
Free Church	1,056	50	48	261	425	271
Roman Catholic	11,936	963	447	4,078	4,474	1,973
Other Christian	2,478	205	130	913	898	332
Buddhist	1,515	30	13	330	621	521
Hindu	287	29	22	95	88	53
Jewish	188	6	0	41	82	59
Muslim	7,578	405	258	2,120	3,454	1,341
Sikh	488	48	34	126	194	85
Other religious groups	416	11	6	78	154	168
Non-recognised	295	7	6	65	165	52
No religion	22,253	2,703	1,198	9,104	6,257	2,991
Not recorded	4	0	0	1	0	3
MALES	64,600	5,321	2,600	22,326	23,318	11,035
Prisoners with declared religion	43,482	2,866	1,495	13,692	17,293	8,135
of whom						
Anglican	18,558	1,253	626	6,019	7,247	3,412
Free Church	913	40	33	223	354	264
Roman Catholic	11,291	873	406	3,840	4,268	1,905
Other Christian	2,296	186	112	857	819	321
Buddhist	1,459	26	11	312	602	508
Hindu	274	29	20	89	86	51
Jewish	182	6	0	39	79	58
Muslim	7,372	392	245	2,058	3,353	1,324
Sikh	470	46	32	123	187	81
Other religious groups	387	9	5	72	142	160
Non-recognised	280	7	5	61	155	52
No religion	21,114	2,455	1,105	8,633	6,025	2,897
Not recorded	4	0	0	1	0	3
FEMALES	3,524	552	266	1,306	1,053	347
Prisoners with declared religion	2,385	303	173	835	821	253
of whom						
Anglican	1,072	162	77	401	311	120
Free Church	143	11	15	38	72	8
Roman Catholic	644	90	41	239	206	69
Other Christian	182	19	18	56	78	11
Buddhist	56	4	2	18	19	13
Hindu	14	0	3	6	2	3
Jewish	6	0	0	2	3	1
Muslim	206	14	13	62	101	16
Sikh	19	2	2	3	7	5
Other religious groups	29	2	1	6	12	8
Non-recognised	15	0	1	4	10	0
No religion	1,139	248	93	471	232	94
Not recorded	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Table 7.30 Population in prison establishments ⁽¹⁾ by religion

England and Wales 30 June

	Number of persons						Percentages					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
ALL PRISONERS	73,657	74,488	76,190	77,982	79,734	83,194	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Anglican	26,055	24,885	24,168	23,590	23,353	23,039	35%	33%	32%	30%	29%	28%
of whom												
Anglican	42	47	46	52	56	45	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Church in Wales	214	265	373	398	404	358	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%
Church of England	25,784	24,556	23,731	23,122	22,883	22,619	35%	33%	31%	30%	29%	27%
Church of Ireland	14	16	19	17	10	16	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Episcopalian	1	1	0	1	0	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Free Church	1,418	1,299	1,258	1,193	1,224	1,213	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%
of whom												
Baptist	197	183	156	159	146	140	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Celestial Church of God	51	44	26	14	8	11	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Church of Scotland	264	253	252	208	214	192	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Congregational	7	8	4	2	4	3	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Methodist	308	304	299	301	320	299	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Non Conformist	137	65	33	16	23	26	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Pentecostal	330	310	351	359	372	410	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Presbyterian	31	34	37	30	27	20	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Quaker	42	47	49	54	52	59	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Salvation Army	33	26	28	36	36	37	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
United Reformed Church	12	15	15	11	15	15	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Welsh Independent	6	10	6	3	7	2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Roman Catholic	12,750	12,984	13,304	13,340	13,912	14,296	17%	17%	17%	17%	17%	17%
Buddhist	947	1,133	1,237	1,432	1,609	1,737	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
Hindu	339	342	370	368	357	434	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
Jewish	184	181	197	187	231	220	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Muslim	6,136	6,571	7,246	8,243	8,864	9,795	8%	9%	10%	11%	11%	12%
Sikh	490	498	543	579	608	648	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Other Christian religion	1,040	1,099	1,167	1,248	2,918	3,291	1%	1%	2%	2%	4%	4%
of whom												
Calvinist	5	7	4	7	2	5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Christadelphian	32	37	23	36	25	14	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Christian Scientist	56	59	63	63	62	55	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Coptic	2	1	3	3	1	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Ethiopian Orthodox	16	22	18	18	14	14	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Evangelist	3	3	0	1	1	0	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Greek/Russian Orthodox	177	222	243	267	247	257	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Jehovah's Witness	173	168	177	211	239	230	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Mormon Church of JC	176	218	274	316	424	501	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%
Protestant	200	197	201	183	227	202	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Seven Day Adventist	175	129	118	93	95	78	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Spiritualist	25	36	43	50	56	45	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Other	0	0	0	0	1,526	1,888	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	2%
Other religious groups	181	248	259	345	419	448	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%
of whom												
Ba Hai	3	4	7	4	5	5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Jain	0	6	3	1	1	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Pagan	133	192	211	273	328	366	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Taoist	4	8	9	7	11	9	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Zoroastrian	1	2	1	1	4	4	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Other non-christian religion	40	36	28	59	70	62	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Non-recognised	296	324	309	350	337	347	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
of whom												
Rastafarian	289	317	300	339	327	340	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
National of Islam	5	6	8	8	6	4	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Scientology	2	1	1	2	4	3	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
No religion	22,584	23,709	24,826	25,598	25,900	27,710	31%	32%	33%	33%	32%	33%
of whom												
No religion	22,251	23,202	24,320	24,920	25,106	26,626	30%	31%	32%	32%	31%	32%
Agnostic	164	267	308	426	433	514	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%
Atheist	169	240	198	252	362	570	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
Not recorded	12	9	3	2	4	17	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

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Table 7.31 Population in prison establishments under sentence at 30th June by sex, age group ⁽¹⁾ and number of previous convictions and cautions ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾

England and Wales, 30th June		Number of offenders and percentages					
Gender, age group and number of previous convictions/cautions	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
MALES AND FEMALES							
All ages							
Nil	14%	14%	13%	14%	14%	13%	13%
1-2	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%
3-6	19%	18%	18%	18%	17%	17%	17%
7-10	17%	16%	16%	15%	15%	15%	14%
11-14	13%	14%	13%	13%	13%	12%	12%
15 or more	25%	27%	28%	29%	30%	30%	31%
Offenders found on PNC(100%)	56,648	58,813	60,578	60,317	60,906	65,025	68,642
All offenders	57,628	59,736	61,369	62,264	63,312	65,705	69,545
15-17 year olds							
Nil	8%	5%	7%	6%	8%	6%	7%
1-2	17%	15%	17%	15%	17%	15%	17%
3-6	32%	34%	31%	31%	29%	30%	29%
7-10	26%	25%	24%	24%	23%	24%	22%
11-14	11%	13%	12%	16%	13%	14%	13%
15 or more	6%	8%	9%	8%	11%	11%	12%
Offenders found on PNC(100%)	2,093	1,789	1,786	1,842	1,838	1,903	2,004
All offenders	2,124	1,809	1,802	1,877	1,895	1,913	2,022
Young Adults⁽⁴⁾							
Nil	10%	9%	9%	10%	10%	9%	8%
1-2	16%	15%	14%	15%	15%	16%	16%
3-6	29%	28%	27%	26%	28%	26%	25%
7-10	23%	23%	22%	21%	19%	20%	20%
11-14	14%	14%	15%	14%	13%	14%	14%
15 or more	9%	11%	12%	14%	15%	15%	17%
Offenders found on PNC(100%)	6,175	6,001	5,883	5,806	5,859	6,646	6,856
All offenders	6,225	6,066	5,922	5,917	6,031	6,675	6,904
Adults							
Nil	15%	14%	14%	14%	15%	14%	14%
1-2	11%	11%	11%	11%	11%	12%	11%
3-6	17%	16%	16%	16%	16%	16%	16%
7-10	16%	15%	15%	14%	14%	14%	14%
11-14	13%	14%	13%	13%	13%	12%	12%
15 or more	28%	29%	31%	31%	32%	32%	33%
Offenders found on PNC(100%)	48,380	51,023	52,909	52,669	53,209	56,476	59,781
All offenders	49,279	51,861	53,645	54,470	55,386	57,117	60,615

(1) Age at 30th June

(2) Previous convictions/cautions are a count of the number of distinct occasions where an offender received at least one conviction or caution for an indictable or summary offence before the date of the custodial sentence.

(3) The prison population figures reported in this table do not match the figures shown elsewhere in the publication. This is because the most accurate measure of prison population (as used in all tables except 7.31 and 7.32) involves combining two sources of data: individual level data, and aggregate totals to which the individual level data are scaled for consistency (see Appendix B for a more detailed explanation). However, analysis of previous convictions and cautions requires prisoners to be matched against the Police National Computer, and this can only be done using the unscaled individual level data.

(4) Young Adults are those aged 18-20

Data Source and Quality

These figures have been compiled using the Ministry of Justice's extract from the Police National Computer. Like any large scale recording system the PNC is subject to errors with data entry and recording. The PNC is regularly updated so that further analysis at a later date will generate revised figures. See the Technical Appendix for fuller information.

Table 7.31 Population in prison establishments under sentence at 30th June by sex, age group ⁽¹⁾ and number of previous convictions and cautions ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾

England and Wales, 30th June		Number of offenders and percentages					
Gender, age group and number of previous convictions/cautions	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
MALES							
All ages							
Nil	13%	13%	12%	13%	13%	13%	12%
1-2	12%	12%	12%	11%	12%	12%	12%
3-6	19%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%
7-10	17%	16%	16%	15%	15%	15%	15%
11-14	14%	14%	14%	14%	13%	13%	12%
15 or more	25%	27%	29%	29%	30%	30%	31%
Offenders found on PNC(100%)	53,380	55,380	57,130	56,966	57,565	61,730	65,102
All offenders	54,271	56,250	57,859	58,761	59,790	62,344	65,891
15-17 years old							
Nil	8%	5%	6%	6%	8%	6%	7%
1-2	17%	15%	17%	15%	17%	15%	17%
3-6	33%	34%	31%	31%	29%	30%	29%
7-10	26%	25%	24%	24%	23%	25%	22%
11-14	11%	13%	13%	16%	13%	13%	13%
15 or more	6%	8%	9%	8%	11%	10%	12%
Offenders found on PNC(100%)	1,991	1,735	1,726	1,787	1,788	1,848	1,947
All offenders	2,021	1,754	1,742	1,822	1,843	1,858	1,964
Young Adults ⁽⁴⁾							
Nil	8%	8%	8%	9%	9%	8%	8%
1-2	16%	15%	14%	15%	15%	16%	16%
3-6	29%	29%	28%	26%	28%	26%	25%
7-10	24%	24%	22%	21%	20%	20%	20%
11-14	14%	14%	15%	14%	14%	14%	14%
15 or more	9%	11%	13%	15%	15%	15%	17%
Offenders found on PNC(100%)	5,823	5,707	5,583	5,548	5,594	6,371	6,561
All offenders	5,872	5,771	5,619	5,654	5,755	6,399	6,604
Adults							
Nil	14%	13%	13%	13%	14%	13%	13%
1-2	11%	11%	11%	11%	11%	11%	11%
3-6	17%	16%	16%	16%	16%	16%	16%
7-10	16%	15%	15%	14%	14%	14%	14%
11-14	14%	14%	14%	13%	13%	12%	12%
15 or more	28%	30%	31%	32%	32%	33%	34%
Offenders found on PNC(100%)	45,566	47,938	49,821	49,631	50,183	53,511	56,593
All offenders	46,378	48,725	50,498	51,285	52,192	54,087	57,319

(1) Age at 30th June

(2) Previous convictions/cautions are a count of the number of distinct occasions where an offender received at least one conviction or caution for an indictable or summary offence before the date of the custodial sentence.

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(4) Young Adults are those aged 18-20

Data Source and Quality

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Table 7.31 Population in prison establishments under sentence at 30th June by sex, age group ⁽¹⁾ and number of previous convictions and cautions ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾

England and Wales, 30th June		Number of offenders and percentages					
Gender, age group and number of previous convictions/cautions	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
FEMALES							
All ages							
Nil	32%	29%	27%	30%	30%	30%	28%
1-2	15%	13%	14%	13%	13%	14%	13%
3-6	17%	17%	17%	16%	14%	14%	14%
7-10	13%	14%	13%	12%	12%	11%	12%
11-14	8%	9%	10%	9%	9%	10%	9%
15 or more	14%	17%	19%	20%	22%	21%	23%
Offenders found on PNC(100%)	3,268	3,433	3,448	3,351	3,341	3,295	3,540
All offenders	3,357	3,486	3,510	3,503	3,522	3,361	3,654
Aged 15-17							
Nil	21%	17%	13%	5%	14%	15%	7%
1-2	20%	15%	25%	16%	12%	24%	9%
3-6	31%	39%	32%	40%	38%	24%	33%
7-10	20%	15%	17%	24%	16%	9%	37%
11-14	4%	6%	7%	7%	12%	16%	5%
15 or more	5%	9%	7%	7%	8%	13%	9%
Offenders found on PNC(100%)	102	54	60	55	50	55	57
All offenders	103	55	60	55	52	55	58
Young Adults⁽⁴⁾							
Nil	28%	21%	24%	26%	28%	19%	18%
1-2	18%	16%	22%	16%	14%	15%	19%
3-6	25%	25%	22%	24%	24%	24%	22%
7-10	16%	20%	17%	17%	17%	17%	17%
11-14	9%	11%	10%	9%	10%	16%	11%
15 or more	5%	6%	5%	7%	8%	9%	13%
Offenders found on PNC(100%)	352	294	300	258	265	275	295
All offenders	353	295	303	263	276	276	300
Aged 21 and over							
Nil	33%	30%	27%	30%	31%	32%	30%
1-2	15%	13%	13%	12%	12%	14%	13%
3-6	16%	16%	16%	15%	13%	13%	13%
7-10	12%	13%	13%	12%	12%	10%	11%
11-14	8%	9%	10%	9%	9%	9%	9%
15 or more	16%	19%	21%	22%	23%	23%	25%
Offenders found on PNC(100%)	2,814	3,085	3,088	3,038	3,026	2,965	3,188
All offenders	2,901	3,136	3,147	3,185	3,194	3,030	3,296

(1) Age at 30th June

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Table 7.32 Population in prison establishments under sentence at 30th June 2007 and 2008 by sex, sentence length and number of previous convictions and cautions⁽¹⁾

England and Wales

	2007								2008							
	Offenders found on		Number of previous convictions/cautions						Offenders found on		Number of previous convictions/cautions					
	All Offenders	PNC (100%)	Nil	1-2	3-6	7-10	11-14	15 or more	All Offenders	Offenders found on PNC (100%)	Nil	1-2	3-6	7-10	11-14	15 or more
MALES AND FEMALES																
Less or equal to 6 months	5,084	5,017	5%	6%	16%	16%	15%	42%	6,649	6,501	4%	6%	15%	16%	14%	44%
Greater than 6 month and less than 12 months	2,934	2,897	12%	9%	17%	15%	12%	35%	3,473	3,392	14%	9%	16%	15%	12%	34%
12 months to less than 4 years	22,793	22,622	10%	11%	16%	15%	13%	35%	23,749	23,483	10%	11%	15%	14%	13%	36%
4 year or more (excluding indeterminate sentences)	25,344	25,154	18%	14%	18%	14%	11%	25%	24,045	23,808	19%	14%	18%	13%	11%	25%
Indeterminate sentences	9,550	9,335	12%	15%	22%	16%	12%	23%	11,629	11,458	12%	14%	21%	16%	13%	24%
All sentences	65,705	65,025	13%	12%	17%	15%	12%	30%	69,545	68,642	13%	12%	17%	14%	12%	31%
MALES																
Less or equal to 6 months	4,631	4,570	5%	6%	16%	17%	15%	42%	6,009	5,883	4%	6%	16%	16%	14%	45%
Greater than 6 month and less than 12 months	2,685	2,653	11%	9%	17%	15%	12%	35%	3,157	3,094	13%	9%	16%	15%	12%	35%
12 months to less than 4 years	21,563	21,405	10%	11%	16%	15%	13%	36%	22,441	22,213	10%	11%	15%	14%	13%	37%
4 year or more (excluding indeterminate sentences)	24,218	24,047	17%	14%	18%	14%	12%	26%	23,008	22,793	17%	14%	18%	14%	11%	25%
Indeterminate sentences	9,247	9,055	12%	14%	22%	17%	12%	23%	11,276	11,119	11%	14%	21%	16%	13%	25%
All sentences	62,344	61,730	13%	12%	18%	15%	13%	30%	65,891	65,102	12%	12%	18%	15%	12%	31%
FEMALES																
Less or equal to 6 months	453	447	12%	7%	15%	11%	15%	40%	640	618	9%	7%	14%	15%	12%	43%
Greater than 6 month and less than 12 months	249	244	25%	9%	14%	9%	11%	32%	316	298	31%	8%	13%	11%	10%	27%
12 months to less than 4 years	1,230	1,217	23%	14%	14%	12%	11%	25%	1,308	1,270	23%	14%	14%	12%	10%	26%
4 year or more (excluding indeterminate sentences)	1,126	1,107	47%	16%	12%	9%	5%	11%	1,037	1,015	47%	15%	13%	10%	4%	11%
Indeterminate sentences	303	280	26%	22%	21%	13%	10%	9%	353	339	24%	21%	20%	13%	9%	12%
All sentences	3,361	3,295	30%	14%	14%	11%	10%	21%	3,654	3,540	28%	13%	14%	12%	9%	23%

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Chapter 8: Adjudications (breaches of prison discipline)

- The adjudication process exists to allow prison governors and independent adjudicators to deal with breaches of prison discipline. Governors may also refer the most serious offences to the police. In 2008 there were 135 proven offences against prison discipline for every 100 prisoners, similar to the rate of 136 in 2007 and 21 per cent lower than in 1998.
- Female prisoners had a higher offence rate than male prisoners both overall (180 compared with 133 proven offences per 100 population in prison) and for all offences except unauthorised transactions (where males had 37 offences per 100 and females 34) and escapes or absconds (where the rate for both sexes was less than 0.2 per 100 population).
- Disobedience or disrespect was the most common offence committed in 2008, accounting for 39 and 46 per cent of all offences committed by male and female prisoners respectively.
- In 2008 the rate of punishments given for proven offences was 231 punishments per 100 population in prison, the same rate as in 2007 and 20 per cent lower than in 1998 (consistent with the corresponding fall between 1998 and 2008 in the number of offences committed).
- The most frequently used punishment in 2008 was forfeiture of privileges accounting for 47 per cent of all punishments at a rate of 109 punishments per 100 of population in prison. This was followed by stoppage/reduction of earnings and confinement to cell or room, with rates of 67 and 27 punishments per 100 population. Other punishments were rarely used.
- This has changed since 1998 when additional days was the most frequently used punishment with a rate of 115 per 100 population. Between 1998 and 2003 there was a large reduction in the use of additional days partly offset by an increase in the use of forfeiture of privileges (and to a lesser extent increase in the use of stoppage/reduction of earnings). In 1998 additional days accounted for 40 per cent of all punishments and forfeiture of privileges for 24 per cent. By 2003 these proportions had changed to 4 and 45 per cent respectively. Since 2003 the relative use of the different punishments has remained fairly stable.
- The fall in use of additional days is for two main reasons. From 1 April 2001 additional days were no longer available as a punishment for juveniles on Detention and Training Orders. Secondly, a European ruling in July 2002 led to the withdrawal of the governor's power to impose additional days. This power passed to independent adjudicators, and from 7 October 2002 district judges began conducting adjudications in establishments, imposing additional days where appropriate.
- Additional days was the most likely punishment for the small number of escapes or absconds, accounting for 68 per cent of all punishments for that offence in

2008. The number of escapes and absconds fell by more than 50 per cent between 1998 and 2008 (see chapter 9) which may also have contributed to the declining use of additional days as a punishment over the period.

- More than one punishment can be given per offence. In general male prisoners received a higher number of punishments per offence (at 1.7) than female prisoners (1.5). Among the offence groups, violence and wilful damage had the highest rates of punishment for male prisoners at 1.8 punishments per offence. For female prisoners, violence had the highest rate at 1.6 punishments per offence.
- For all males and females, an average of 1.7 punishments were given per offence; this rate was similar across all ethnic groups.

Table 8.1 Offences punished per 100 population in prison establishments by type of offence⁽¹⁾ and sex

England and Wales	Number of offences punished per 100 population										
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
MALES AND FEMALES	171	161	163	163	150	145	145	146	136	136	135
Violence	23	24	25	25	25	23	23	24	23	22	23
Escapes or absconds	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Disobedience or disrespect	68	62	65	67	64	62	62	62	56	56	54
Wilful damage	10	10	11	11	10	10	10	10	10	9	10
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	53	48	46	42	33	33	36	36	34	36	37
Other offences	15	16	16	17	17	16	14	13	12	12	12
MALES	168	158	159	160	146	142	142	143	131	133	133
Violence	23	23	24	25	24	23	22	23	22	22	22
Escapes or absconds	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Disobedience or disrespect	66	61	63	65	63	60	60	61	53	54	52
Wilful damage	10	10	11	11	10	10	10	10	10	9	10
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	54	48	45	42	33	34	36	36	34	36	37
Other offences	13	15	15	15	15	15	13	13	12	12	12
FEMALES	233	213	232	225	208	205	203	193	204	189	180
Violence	25	27	33	32	32	32	31	33	33	30	31
Escapes or absconds	5	3	2	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Disobedience or disrespect	103	83	94	95	84	93	90	86	99	93	83
Wilful damage	9	8	10	13	11	12	11	14	12	13	14
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	44	48	52	42	34	30	36	34	35	31	34
Other offences	48	44	42	41	47	38	33	25	25	22	19

(1) Including attempts.

Table 8.2 Punishments per 100 population in prison establishments by sex

England and Wales	Number of punishments per 100 population										
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
MALES AND FEMALES	290	278	275	276	256	252	249	250	230	231	231
All punishments	290	278	275	276	256	252	249	250	230	231	231
Confinement to cell or room	22	20	21	20	24	31	30	27	26	27	27
Removal from activities	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Forfeiture of privileges	69	68	72	80	96	114	112	115	106	108	109
Stoppage/reduction of earnings	66	65	68	69	72	82	79	77	68	67	67
Caution	9	8	9	9	9	9	8	8	7	7	7
Removal from wing or living unit	2	2	2	4	4	3	4	4	3	3	3
Extra work	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Exclusion from associated work	4	3	3	3	3	4	3	2	2	1	1
Additional days awarded	115	109	99	90	46	9	13	16	16	17	15
MALES	287	276	271	273	252	249	246	248	225	227	229
All punishments	287	276	271	273	252	249	246	248	225	227	229
Confinement to cell or room	21	20	21	20	24	30	29	28	26	27	28
Removal from activities	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Forfeiture of privileges	67	67	70	79	95	112	111	114	103	106	107
Stoppage/reduction of earnings	65	65	67	68	70	80	78	76	66	66	66
Caution	8	8	9	9	9	8	8	8	7	6	7
Removal from wing or living unit	2	2	2	4	5	3	4	4	3	3	3
Extra work	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Exclusion from associated work	4	3	3	3	3	4	3	2	2	1	1
Additional days awarded	115	109	98	89	46	9	13	16	16	17	16
FEMALES	348	315	350	325	317	301	296	291	315	291	277
All punishments	348	315	350	325	317	301	296	291	315	291	277
Confinement to cell or room	30	21	22	21	28	35	33	23	29	31	27
Removal from activities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Forfeiture of privileges	94	84	94	88	111	132	133	145	152	140	137
Stoppage/reduction of earnings	86	79	90	86	102	105	95	87	95	86	83
Caution	15	15	13	14	15	18	17	14	13	14	13
Removal from wing or living unit	0	0	0	2	1	2	2	1	0	0	0
Extra work	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	2	1	1
Exclusion from associated work	4	1	5	2	2	2	3	2	2	1	1
Additional days awarded	117	115	124	112	58	6	12	19	22	17	14

Data Sources and Quality

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Table 8.3 Offences punished and punishments given in prison establishments by sex, 2008

England and Wales

	Confinement to cell or room	Forfeiture of privileges	Stoppage or reduction of earnings	Caution	Other	Additional days awarded	All punishments	All offences	Average number of punishments per offence
MALES AND FEMALES									
All offences	22,693	89,613	55,182	5,780	4,132	12,792	190,192	111,833	1.7
Violence	3,825	17,862	8,847	674	1,055	872	33,135	18,788	1.8
Escapes or absconds	12	18	8	1		81	120	105	1.1
Disobedience or disrespect	9,994	36,978	22,361	2,926	1,507	2,142	75,908	44,436	1.7
Wilful damage	1,575	6,683	4,892	251	505	541	14,447	8,054	1.8
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	5,590	20,017	13,804	1,182	670	8,648	49,911	30,427	1.6
Other offences	1,697	8,055	5,270	746	395	508	16,671	10,023	1.7
MALES									
All offences	21,511	83,587	51,500	5,221	4,033	12,168	178,020	103,866	1.7
Violence	3,525	16,766	8,281	617	1,035	741	30,965	17,432	1.8
Escapes or absconds	11	18	8	1		74	112	97	1.2
Disobedience or disrespect	9,530	34,142	20,585	2,622	1,461	1,988	70,328	40,779	1.7
Wilful damage	1,502	6,214	4,544	216	500	510	13,486	7,433	1.8
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	5,358	19,036	13,208	1,075	655	8,389	47,721	28,947	1.6
Other offences	1,585	7,411	4,874	690	382	466	15,408	9,178	1.7
FEMALES									
All offences	1,182	6,026	3,682	559	99	624	12,172	7,967	1.5
Violence	300	1,096	566	57	20	131	2,170	1,356	1.6
Escapes or absconds	1					7	8	8	1.0
Disobedience or disrespect	464	2,836	1,776	304	46	154	5,580	3,657	1.5
Wilful damage	73	469	348	35	5	31	961	621	1.5
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	232	981	596	107	15	259	2,190	1,480	1.5
Other offences	112	644	396	56	13	42	1,263	845	1.5

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Table 8.4 Offences punished and punishments given in prison, 2008

Prison Rule 51 or YOI Rule 50 Offence ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ Paragraph	Type of punishment ⁽³⁾							All punish- ments ⁽⁵⁾	All offences ⁽⁵⁾	Average number of punishments per offence
	Confine- ment to cell or room	Forfeiture of privileges	Stoppage or reduc- tion of earnings	Caution	Other ⁽⁴⁾	Additional days	All punish- ments ⁽⁵⁾			
TOTAL MALES AND FEMALES										
All Offences	22,693	89,613	55,182	5,780	4,132	12,792	190,192	111,833	1.7	
Violence	3,825	17,862	8,847	674	1,055	872	33,135	18,788	1.8	
1 Assault:	2,221	6,702	3,358	155	651	800	13,887	7,733	1.8	
<i>on staff</i>	950	2193	1140	63	230	460	5,036	2,903	1.7	
<i>on a prisoner</i>	950	3555	1704	53	358	210	6,830	3,643	1.9	
<i>on any other person</i>	321	954	514	39	63	130	2,021	1,187	1.7	
2 Detains any person	6	16	7		1	2	32	15	2.1	
4 Fights with any person	1598	11144	5482	519	403	70	19,216	11,040	1.7	
Escape/Abscond	12	18	8	1	0	81	120	105	1.1	
7 Escapes from prison or legal custody	9	11	7			74	101	91	1.1	
25 Attempted escape	3	7	1	1		7	19	14	1.4	
Disobedience/Disrespect	9,994	36,978	22,361	2,926	1,507	2,142	75,908	44,436	1.7	
19 Is disrespectful	68	428	274	39	15	7	831	494	1.7	
20 Threats/abusive words or behaviour	3168	14734	8469	719	630	285	28,005	16048	1.7	
21 Fails/refuses to work	90	1212	955	168	56	13	2,494	1458	1.7	
22 Disobeys any lawful order:	6,283	18,065	10,813	1,707	728	1,769	39,365	23,364	1.7	
<i>refusal to provide a drug test sample</i>	52	94	67	3	6	122	344	224	1.5	
<i>falsifying a drug test sample</i>	3	29	28	2		24	86	59	1.5	
<i>any other lawful disorder</i>	6228	17942	10718	1702	722	1623	38,935	23081	1.7	
23 Disobeys any rule or regulation	385	2539	1850	293	78	68	5,213	3072	1.7	
Wilful Damage	1,575	6,683	4,892	251	505	541	14,447	8,054	1.8	
16 Sets fire to prison or property	119	268	169	6	20	84	666	389	1.7	
17 Destroys/damages prison or property	1,456	6,415	4,723	245	485	457	13,781	7665	1.8	
Unauthorised Transactions	5,590	20,017	13,804	1,182	670	8,648	49,911	30,427	1.6	
Drugs offences:	2,170	5,214	3,714	88	180	3,775	15,141	9,413	1.6	
9 <i>unauthorised use of a controlled drug</i>	1,701	4,260	3,177	72	118	3,096	12,424	7,691	1.6	
12a <i>possession of a controlled drug</i>	309	681	387	10	50	351	1,788	1,074	1.7	
13 <i>sells/delivers drugs to any person</i>	8	18	13	1		5	45	25	1.8	
9 <i>administers any controlled drug</i>	12	16	11	2		30	71	57	1.2	
24 <i>receives drugs during a visit</i>	140	239	126	3	12	293	813	566	1.4	
Has in his possession:	3,300	14,260	9,715	1,060	474	4,758	33,567	20,285	1.7	
12a <i>an unauthorised article</i>	3,118	13,310	9,088	1,017	403	4,527	31,463	19,108	1.6	
12b <i>greater quantity than authorised</i>	182	950	627	43	71	231	2,104	1,177	1.8	
13 Sells/delivers unauthorised article	50	203	127	10	6	82	478	304	1.6	
14 Sells/delivers article allowed only for own use	20	104	71	22	3	6	226	144	1.6	
10/11 Knowingly consumes alcohol	50	236	177	2	7	27	499	281	1.8	
Other Offences	1,697	8,055	5,270	746	395	508	16,671	10,023	1.7	
3 Denies access to any part of the prison to an officer	231	398	227	13	19	104	992	572	1.7	
5 Endangers the health or personal safety of others	685	2755	1587	176	186	183	5,572	3307	1.7	
6 Intentionally obstructs an officer in executing his duty	214	846	470	39	37	51	1,657	989	1.7	
8 Fails to comply with any temporary release condition	37	564	534	126	11	43	1,315	822	1.6	
15 Takes an article belonging to another person or to a prison	70	559	383	73	16	5	1,106	671	1.6	
18 Absent from where required to be or present at unauthorised place	460	2933	2069	319	126	122	6,029	3662	1.6	

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Prison Rule 51 or YOI Rule 50 Offence ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ Paragraph	Type of punishment ⁽³⁾							All punish- ments ⁽⁵⁾	All offences ⁽⁵⁾	Average number of punishments per offence
	Confine- ment to cell or room	Forfeiture of privileges	Stoppage or reduc- tion of earnings	Caution	Other ⁽⁴⁾	Additional days				
TOTAL FEMALES										
All Offences	1,182	6,026	3,682	559	99	624	12,172	7,967	1.5	
Violence	300	1,096	566	57	20	131	2,170	1,356	1.6	
1 Assault:	219	597	305	18	16	124	1,279	809	1.6	
<i>on staff</i>	107	309	157	11	9	89	682	455	1.5	
<i>on a prisoner</i>	79	238	125	4	7	15	468	265	1.8	
<i>on any other person</i>	33	50	23	3		20	129	89	1.4	
2 Detains any person		3	1				4	1	4.0	
4 Fights with any person	81	496	260	39	4	7	887	546	1.6	
Escape/Abscond	1	0	0	0	0	7	8	8	1.0	
7 Escapes from prison or legal custody	1					7	8	8	1.0	
25 Attempted escape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
Disobedience/Disrespect	464	2,836	1,776	304	46	154	5,580	3,657	1.5	
19 Is disrespectful	3	23	12	4			42	32	1.3	
20 Threats/abusive words or behaviour	220	1083	588	92	19	46	2,048	1336	1.5	
21 Fails/refuses to work	11	166	135	38	1		351	236	1.5	
22 Disobeys any lawful order:	195	1,143	671	123	20	97	2,249	1,481	1.5	
<i>refusal to provide a drug test sample</i>		4	2			15	21	18	1.2	
<i>falsifying a drug test sample</i>	0	0	1	0	0		1	1	1.0	
<i>any other lawful disorder</i>	195	1139	668	123	20	82	2,227	1462	1.5	
23 Disobeys any rule or regulation	35	421	370	47	6	11	890	572	1.6	
Wilful Damage	73	469	348	35	5	31	961	621	1.5	
16 Sets fire to prison or property	11	44	22	2		19	98	71	1.4	
17 Destroys/damages prison or property	62	425	326	33	5	12	863	550	1.6	
Unauthorised Transactions	232	981	596	107	15	259	2,190	1,480	1.5	
Drugs offences:	96	212	120	2	3	210	643	460	1.4	
9 <i>unauthorised use of a controlled drug</i>	87	138	87	2	2	192	508	370	1.4	
12a <i>possession of a controlled drug</i>	3	56	23		1	8	91	63	1.4	
13 <i>sells/delivers drugs to any person</i>		2	1				3	1	3.0	
24 <i>receives drugs during a visit</i>	6	16	9			10	41	26	1.6	
Has in his possession:	130	724	452	98	10	46	1,460	959	1.5	
12a <i>an unauthorised article</i>	111	584	363	86	7	37	1,188	787	1.5	
12b <i>greater quantity than authorised</i>	19	140	89	12	3	9	272	172	1.6	
13 Sells/delivers unauthorised article	2	27	11	3	2	3	48	31	1.5	
14 Sells/delivers article allowed only for own use	3	13	8	3			27	20	1.4	
10/11 Knowingly consumes alcohol	1	5	5	1			12	10	1.2	
Other Offences	112	644	396	56	13	42	1,263	845	1.5	
3 Denies access to any part of the prison to an officer	11	32	25	1		14	83	51	1.6	
5 Endangers the health or personal safety of others	35	181	97	12	7	9	341	222	1.5	
6 Intentionally obstructs an officer in executing his duty	11	68	31	2	2	4	118	74	1.6	
8 Fails to comply with any temporary release condition	10	51	37	5	1	4	108	76	1.4	
15 Takes an article belonging to another person or to a prison	12	67	47	14	1	2	143	100	1.4	
18 Absent from where required to be or present at unauthorised place	33	245	159	22	2	9	470	322	1.5	

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	Confine- ment to cell or room	Forfeiture of privileges	Stoppage or reduc- tion of earnings	Caution	Other ⁽⁴⁾	Additional days				
TOTAL MALES										
All Offences	21,511	83,587	51,500	5,221	4,033	12,168	178,020	103,866	1.7	
Violence	3,525	16,766	8,281	617	1,035	741	30,965	17,432	1.8	
1 Assault:	2,002	6,105	3,053	137	635	676	12,608	6,924	1.8	
<i>on staff</i>	843	1884	983	52	221	371	4,354	2448	1.8	
<i>on a prisoner</i>	871	3317	1579	49	351	195	6,362	3378	1.9	
<i>on any other person</i>	288	904	491	36	63	110	1,892	1098	1.7	
2 Detains any person	6	13	6		1	2	28	14	2.0	
4 Fights with any person	1517	10648	5222	480	399	63	18,329	10494	1.7	
Escape/Abscond	11	18	8	1	0	74	112	97	1.2	
7 Escapes from prison or legal custody	8	11	7			67	93	83	1.1	
25 Attempted escape	3	7	1	1		7	19	14	1.4	
Disobedience/Disrespect	9,530	34,142	20,585	2,622	1,461	1,988	70,328	40,779	1.7	
19 Is disrespectful	65	405	262	35	15	7	789	462	1.7	
20 Threats/abusive words or behaviour	2948	13651	7881	627	611	239	25,957	14712	1.8	
21 Fails/refuses to work	79	1046	820	130	55	13	2,143	1222	1.8	
22 Disobeys any lawful order:	6,088	16,922	10,142	1,584	708	1,672	37,116	21,883	1.7	
<i>refusal to provide a drug test sample</i>	52	90	65	3	6	107	323	206	1.6	
<i>falsifying a drug test sample</i>	3	29	27	2		24	85	58	1.5	
<i>any other lawful disorder</i>	6033	16803	10050	1579	702	1541	36,708	21619	1.7	
23 Disobeys any rule or regulation	350	2118	1480	246	72	57	4,323	2500	1.7	
Wilful Damage	1,502	6,214	4,544	216	500	510	13,486	7,433	1.8	
16 Sets fire to prison or property	108	224	147	4	20	65	568	318	1.8	
17 Destroys/damages prison or property	1394	5990	4397	212	480	445	12,918	7115	1.8	
Unauthorised Transactions	5,358	19,036	13,208	1,075	655	8,389	47,721	28,947	1.6	
Drugs offences:	2,074	5,002	3,594	86	177	3,565	14,498	8,953	1.6	
9 <i>unauthorised use of a controlled drug</i>	1614	4122	3090	70	116	2904	11,916	7321	1.6	
12a <i>possession of a controlled drug</i>	306	625	364	10	49	343	1,697	1011	1.7	
13 <i>sells/delivers drugs to any person</i>	8	16	12	1		5	42	24	1.8	
9 <i>administers any controlled drug</i>	12	16	11	2		30	71	57	1.2	
24 <i>receives drugs during a visit</i>	134	223	117	3	12	283	772	540	1.4	
Has in his possession:	3,170	13,536	9,263	962	464	4,712	32,107	19,326	1.7	
12a <i>an unauthorised article</i>	3007	12726	8725	931	396	4490	30,275	18321	1.7	
12b <i>greater quantity than authorised</i>	163	810	538	31	68	222	1,832	1005	1.8	
13 <i>Sells/delivers unauthorised article</i>	48	176	116	7	4	79	430	273	1.6	
14 <i>Sells/delivers article allowed only for own use</i>	17	91	63	19	3	6	199	124	1.6	
10/11 <i>Knowingly consumes alcohol</i>	49	231	172	1	7	27	487	271	1.8	
Other Offences	1,585	7,411	4,874	690	382	466	15,408	9,178	1.7	
3 <i>Denies access to any part of the prison to an officer</i>	220	366	202	12	19	90	909	521	1.7	
5 <i>Endangers the health or personal safety of others</i>	650	2574	1490	164	179	174	5,231	3085	1.7	
6 <i>Intentionally obstructs an officer in executing his duty</i>	203	778	439	37	35	47	1,539	915	1.7	
8 <i>Fails to comply with any temporary release condition</i>	27	513	497	121	10	39	1,207	746	1.6	
15 <i>Takes an article belonging to another person or to a prison</i>	58	492	336	59	15	3	963	571	1.7	
18 <i>Absent from where required to be or present at unauthorised place</i>	427	2688	1910	297	124	113	5,559	3340	1.7	

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	Confinement to cell or room	Forfeiture of privileges	Stoppage or reduction of earnings	Caution	Other	Additional days awarded	All punishments		
England and Wales									
TOTAL MALES AND FEMALES									
All offences	22,693	89,613	55,182	5,780	4,132	12,792	190,192	111,833	1.7
Violence	3,825	17,862	8,847	674	1,055	872	33,135	18,788	1.8
Escapes or absconds	12	18	8	1	0	81	120	105	1.1
Disobedience or disrespect	9,994	36,978	22,361	2,926	1,507	2,142	75,908	44,436	1.7
Wilful damage	1,575	6,683	4,892	251	505	541	14,447	8,054	1.8
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	5,590	20,017	13,804	1,182	670	8,648	49,911	30,427	1.6
Other offences	1,697	8,055	5,270	746	395	508	16,671	10,023	1.7
White									
All offences	16,378	64,769	39,764	4,203	2,901	9,338	137,353	81,473	1.7
Violence	2380	11683	5727	438	630	559	21,417	12319	1.7
Escapes or absconds	9	15	7	1		75	107	96	1.1
Disobedience or disrespect	7594	27710	16641	2230	1112	1691	56,978	33601	1.7
Wilful damage	1219	5350	3918	200	419	454	11,560	6443	1.8
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	3958	14228	9763	815	435	6155	35,354	21812	1.6
Other offences	1218	5783	3708	519	305	404	11,937	7202	1.7
Mixed									
All offences	1,125	4,823	2,887	252	249	509	9,845	5,643	1.7
Violence	215	1259	607	32	83	57	2,253	1257	1.8
Escapes or absconds	1	1	1	0	0	0	3	1	3.0
Disobedience or disrespect	450	1827	1086	116	80	81	3,640	2099	1.7
Wilful damage	85	303	246	6	19	24	683	384	1.8
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	280	948	655	58	45	328	2,314	1342	1.7
Other offences	94	485	292	40	22	19	952	560	1.7
Asian or Asian British									
All offences	1,058	4,220	2,725	307	210	741	9,261	5,455	1.7
Violence	205	952	521	44	58	37	1,817	1017	1.8
Escapes or absconds	2	2	0	0	0	1	5	3	1.7
Disobedience or disrespect	392	1493	913	127	65	108	3,098	1822	1.7
Wilful damage	78	241	168	13	15	15	530	297	1.8
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	310	1122	816	76	44	559	2,927	1776	1.6
Other offences	71	410	307	47	28	21	884	540	1.6
Black or Black British									
All offences	3,882	15,041	9,307	936	747	2,114	32,027	18,275	1.8
Violence	965	3805	1902	141	281	214	7,308	3999	1.8
Escapes or absconds	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	5	1.0
Disobedience or disrespect	1471	5677	3538	417	235	248	11,586	6569	1.8
Wilful damage	179	743	527	31	50	47	1,577	874	1.8
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	975	3492	2414	217	144	1540	8,782	5192	1.7
Other offences	292	1324	926	130	37	60	2,769	1636	1.7
Chinese or other ethnic group									
All offences	130	441	291	52	14	40	968	564	1.7
Violence	47	135	71	15	1	5	274	158	1.7
Disobedience or disrespect	41	125	87	19	8	5	285	167	1.7
Wilful damage	4	30	21	1	2	0	58	31	1.9
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	27	117	87	12	2	30	275	165	1.7
Other offences	11	34	25	5	1	0	76	43	1.8
Not stated									
All offences	109	293	188	29	11	47	677	390	1.7
Violence	12	25	17	4	2	0	60	35	1.7
Disobedience or disrespect	44	139	91	17	7	9	307	170	1.8
Wilful damage	10	16	12	0	0	1	39	25	1.6
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	32	95	57	4	0	33	221	120	1.8
Other offences	11	18	11	4	2	4	50	40	1.3
Unrecorded									
All offences	3	8	8	0	0	3	22	11	2.0
Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Escapes or absconds	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Disobedience or disrespect	0	3	3	0	0	0	6	3	2.0
Wilful damage	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	3	5	5	0	0	3	16	8	2.0
Other offences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
1991 census codes									
All offences	8	18	12	1	0	0	39	22	1.8
Violence	1	3	2	0	0	0	6	3	2.0
Disobedience or disrespect	2	4	2	0	0	0	8	5	1.6
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	5	10	7	0	0	0	22	12	1.8
Other offences	0	1	1	1	0	0	3	2	1.5

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England and Wales									
TOTAL MALES									
All offences	21,511	83,587	51,500	5,221	4,033	12,168	178,020	103,866	1.7
Violence	3,525	16,766	8,281	617	1,035	741	30,965	17,432	1.8
Escapes or absconds	11	18	8	1	0	74	112	97	1.2
Disobedience or disrespect	9,530	34,142	20,585	2,622	1,461	1,988	70,328	40,779	1.7
Wilful damage	1,502	6,214	4,544	216	500	510	13,486	7,433	1.8
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	5,358	19,036	13,208	1,075	655	8,389	47,721	28,947	1.6
Other offences	1,585	7,411	4,874	690	382	466	15,408	9,178	1.7
White									
All offences	15,478	59,804	36,736	3,748	2,823	8,779	127,368	74,914	1.7
Violence	2159	10860	5306	395	617	438	19,775	11279	1.8
Escapes or absconds	8	15	7	1	0	68	99	88	1.1
Disobedience or disrespect	7235	25289	15121	1974	1078	1554	52,251	30509	1.7
Wilful damage	1165	4976	3636	170	415	429	10,791	5938	1.8
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	3777	13385	9257	731	420	5923	33,493	20556	1.6
Other offences	1134	5279	3409	477	293	367	10,959	6544	1.7
Mixed									
All offences	1,074	4,545	2,720	223	244	494	9,300	5,278	1.8
Violence	203	1195	576	30	82	57	2,143	1192	1.8
Escapes or absconds	1	1	1	0	0	0	3	1	3.0
Disobedience or disrespect	430	1717	1021	99	78	79	3,424	1944	1.8
Wilful damage	85	288	228	5	18	20	644	355	1.8
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	265	905	629	52	45	321	2,217	1279	1.7
Other offences	90	439	265	37	21	17	869	507	1.7
Asian or Asian British									
All offences	1,024	4,111	2,671	301	208	738	9,053	5,315	1.7
Violence	196	925	508	44	57	37	1,767	986	1.8
Escapes or absconds	2	2	0	0	0	1	5	3	1.7
Disobedience or disrespect	377	1446	892	125	64	107	3,011	1763	1.7
Wilful damage	74	228	163	12	15	15	507	281	1.8
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	306	1112	809	74	44	557	2,902	1758	1.7
Other offences	69	398	299	46	28	21	861	524	1.6
Black or Black British									
All offences	3,697	14,443	8,919	875	736	2,068	30,738	17,463	1.8
Violence	911	3652	1816	131	278	204	6,992	3813	1.8
Escapes or absconds	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	5	1.0
Disobedience or disrespect	1403	5442	3382	391	227	234	11,079	6244	1.8
Wilful damage	164	682	487	28	50	45	1,456	807	1.8
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	949	3419	2363	203	144	1523	8,601	5064	1.7
Other offences	270	1248	871	122	37	57	2,605	1530	1.7
Chinese or other ethnic group									
All offences	126	408	273	45	14	39	905	521	1.7
Violence	46	117	64	13	1	5	246	138	1.8
Disobedience or disrespect	41	122	86	17	8	5	279	162	1.7
Wilful damage	4	24	18	1	2	0	49	27	1.8
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	24	113	83	11	2	29	262	157	1.7
Other offences	11	32	22	3	1	0	69	37	1.9
Not stated									
All offences	101	250	161	28	8	47	595	342	1.7
Violence	9	14	9	4	0	0	36	21	1.7
Disobedience or disrespect	42	119	78	16	6	9	270	149	1.8
Wilful damage	10	16	12	0	0	1	39	25	1.6
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	29	87	55	4	0	33	208	113	1.8
Other offences	11	14	7	4	2	4	42	34	1.2
Unrecorded									
All offences	3	8	8	0	0	3	22	11	2.0
Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Escapes or absconds	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Disobedience or disrespect	0	3	3	0	0	0	6	3	2.0
Wilful damage	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	3	5	5	0	0	3	16	8	2.0
Other offences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
1991 census codes									
All offences	8	18	12	1	0	0	39	22	1.8
Violence	1	3	2	0	0	0	6	3	2.0
Disobedience or disrespect	2	4	2	0	0	0	8	5	1.6
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	5	10	7	0	0	0	22	12	1.8
Other offences	0	1	1	1	0	0	3	2	1.5

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Table 8.5 Offences punished and punishments given in prison establishments by ethnic group, 2008

England and Wales

	Type of punishment							All offences	Average number of punishments per offence
	Confinement to cell or room	Forfeiture of privileges	Stoppage or reduction of earnings	Caution	Other	Additional days awarded	All punishments		
TOTAL FEMALES									
All offences	1,182	6,026	3,682	559	99	624	12,172	7,967	1.5
Violence	300	1,096	566	57	20	131	2,170	1,356	1.6
Escapes or absconds	1	0	0	0	0	7	8	8	1.0
Disobedience or disrespect	464	2,836	1,776	304	46	154	5,580	3,657	1.5
Wilful damage	73	469	348	35	5	31	961	621	1.5
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	232	981	596	107	15	259	2,190	1,480	1.5
Other offences	112	644	396	56	13	42	1,263	845	1.5
White									
All offences	900	4,965	3,028	455	78	559	9,985	6,559	1.5
Violence	221	823	421	43	13	121	1,642	1040	1.6
Escapes or absconds	1	0	0	0	0	7	8	8	1.0
Disobedience or disrespect	359	2421	1520	256	34	137	4,727	3092	1.5
Wilful damage	54	374	282	30	4	25	769	505	1.5
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	181	843	506	84	15	232	1,861	1256	1.5
Other offences	84	504	299	42	12	37	978	658	1.5
Mixed									
All offences	51	278	167	29	5	15	545	365	1.5
Violence	12	64	31	2	1	0	110	65	1.7
Disobedience or disrespect	20	110	65	17	2	2	216	155	1.4
Wilful damage	0	15	18	1	1	4	39	29	1.3
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	15	43	26	6	0	7	97	63	1.5
Other offences	4	46	27	3	1	2	83	53	1.6
Asian or Asian British									
All offences	34	109	54	6	2	3	208	140	1.5
Violence	9	27	13	0	1	0	50	31	1.6
Disobedience or disrespect	15	47	21	2	1	1	87	59	1.5
Wilful damage	4	13	5	1	0	0	23	16	1.4
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	4	10	7	2	0	2	25	18	1.4
Other offences	2	12	8	1	0	0	23	16	1.4
Black or Black British									
All offences	185	598	388	61	11	46	1,289	812	1.6
Violence	54	153	86	10	3	10	316	186	1.7
Escapes or absconds	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Disobedience or disrespect	68	235	156	26	8	14	507	325	1.6
Wilful damage	15	61	40	3	0	2	121	67	1.8
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	26	73	51	14	0	17	181	128	1.4
Other offences	22	76	55	8	0	3	164	106	1.5
Chinese or other ethnic group									
All offences	4	33	18	7	0	1	63	43	1.5
Violence	1	18	7	2	0	0	28	20	1.4
Disobedience or disrespect	0	3	1	2	0	0	6	5	1.2
Wilful damage	0	6	3	0	0	0	9	4	2.3
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	3	4	4	1	0	1	13	8	1.6
Other offences	0	2	3	2	0	0	7	6	1.2
Not stated									
All offences	8	43	27	1	3	0	82	48	1.7
Violence	3	11	8	0	2	0	24	14	1.7
Disobedience or disrespect	2	20	13	1	1	0	37	21	1.8
Wilful damage	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Unauthorised transactions/possessions	3	8	2	0	0	0	13	7	1.9
Other offences	0	4	4	0	0	0	8	6	1.3
1991 census codes									
All offences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Disobedience or disrespect	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Other offences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0

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Chapter 9: Releases and recalls

Prisoners are released from prison under a variety of schemes, depending on sentence length, offence type and legislation that was in force at the time. See the technical annex for more information.

- The total numbers of adults and young offenders discharged from determinate sentences in 2008 were 78,100 and 16,800, respectively an increase of 13% and 4% compared with 2007. Between 2003 and 2008, the total number of discharges increased by 12%.
- Around 20% (11,700) of potentially eligible prisoners were released on Home Detention Curfew (HDC) in 2008. The rate in 2007 was 21%. The highest release rates to date on HDC were in 2002 and 2003. The number of prisoners on HDC at the end of 2008 was around 2,600, an increase of 200 on the 2007 figure.
- In 2008, there were 1,400 decisions to recall from HDC, representing a decrease of 13% on 2007, and the fourth consecutive year on year decrease. The most common reason for recall, which accounted for 74 per cent of all recalls, was breaching HDC conditions. Twelve per cent of recalls were on the grounds of being charged with a new offence.
- Around 2,900 determinate sentence prisoners were considered for parole in 2008-09, a decrease of 52 per cent compared to 2007-08. The release rate decreased from just over a third to just under a quarter. Of those prisoners considered for parole, around 680 were released. The release rate ten years ago in 1998-99 was 39%. The highest release rates to date were between 2002 and 2004.
- In 2008-09, 450 parolees were recalled, a decrease of 51% from 2007-08; this reflects the fall in numbers considered for release by the Parole Board following changes in legislation (see Appendix A for further information). In the same period, a total of 11,840 determinate sentence offenders were recalled to custody, an increase of 1% on 2007-08.
- In 2008, 138 life sentence prisoners were released for the first time. This is 8 fewer than those first released in 2007 and 18 more than those released in 1999. In the same year, 108 offenders on life licence were recalled to prison. This is 26 fewer than those recalled in 2007 and 74 more than in 1999.
- The amount of time served by life sentence prisoners varies considerably. In addition to being released on life licence, life sentence prisoners can be discharged for other reasons, such as successful appeals, or transfers to other jurisdictions or to psychiatric hospitals. The mean time served for mandatory lifers first released from prison in 2008 on life licence was 16 years, no change from the previous year. For other lifers the mean time served also remained constant at 9 years.
- There were 439,000 releases on temporary licence in 2008, a small decrease compared to 2007. Resettlement day release licences accounted for 94% of all temporary releases. Of these, 272,000 were for the working out scheme.

- In 2008, there were 31,300 releases on End of Custody Licence (ECL). Of these, 70% were serving sentences of up to 6 months. In the same period, there were 1,000 decisions to recall prisoners whilst on ECL.
- Inmates abscond when they unlawfully gain liberty, without having to overcome any physical security restraint and at a time when they were not in the presence of an officer specifically assigned to guard them. In 2008 there were 390 absconds, a decrease of 28 per cent compared to 2007. This figure is the lowest in the last 10 years.
- In 2008, there was 1 escape from prison establishments, 4 from prison escort and 14 escapes from escort contractors. There were 266 temporary release failures in 2008, an increase of 1 compared to 2007. The rate when compared to the number of licences issued was 0.1 per cent, the same rate since 2000.
- In 2008, there were 61 self-inflicted deaths of prisoners compared with 92 in 2007. The rate of self-inflicted deaths per 1,000 prisoners in 2008 was 0.7, which was lower than in 2007 when it was 1.2. The 2008 figure is the lowest in the last 10 years. The highest number of self-inflicted deaths in the last 10 years occurred in 2002 and 2004 with 95 in each year. In 2008, there were 103 deaths from other causes, compared to 94 in 2007.

Table 9.1 Average time served in prison by prisoners discharged from determinate sentences on completion of sentence or on licence - adults ^(1,2)

England and Wales	Males and females						Males						Females					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Number of discharges by sex ^(3,4)																		
Up to and including 6 months	36,800	38,100	36,400	35,900	36,400	42,000	33,200	34,100	32,600	32,000	32,200	37,100	3,600	4,000	3,700	3,900	4,200	4,800
Over 6 months and less than 12 months	5,900	6,200	6,000	6,200	6,500	7,500	5,400	5,500	5,300	5,500	5,800	6,600	600	700	600	700	800	800
12 months and less than 4 years	20,600	20,000	19,400	18,800	18,900	20,500	19,000	18,400	17,900	17,300	17,400	18,900	1,600	1,600	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,600
4 years and less than life	6,200	7,200	6,800	6,500	7,600	8,200	5,900	6,700	6,400	6,100	7,200	7,700	400	500	400	400	400	400
All sentence lengths	69,500	71,500	68,600	67,400	69,400	78,100	63,400	64,700	62,300	60,900	62,600	70,400	6,200	6,800	6,300	6,500	6,800	7,700
Average sentence length in months ⁽⁵⁾																		
Up to and including 6 months	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Over 6 months and less than 12 months	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
12 months and less than 4 years	25	25	25	25	24	24	25	25	25	25	24	24	25	24	24	23	22	22
4 years and less than life	71	71	71	70	71	73	71	71	72	70	71	73	71	69	69	72	71	74
All sentence lengths	16	16	16	16	17	16	16	17	17	16	17	17	13	13	13	13	12	11
Average time served including remand in months ⁽⁵⁾																		
Up to and including 6 months	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Over 6 months and less than 12 months	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
12 months and less than 4 years	13	13	14	14	15	15	13	14	14	15	15	15	12	12	12	12	12	11
4 years and less than life	43	43	44	45	46	46	44	43	44	45	47	47	38	37	37	39	39	40
All sentence lengths	9	9	9	10	10	10	9	10	10	10	11	10	7	7	6	7	6	6
Percentage of time served including remand ⁽⁵⁾																		
Up to and including 6 months	56%	57%	58%	62%	58%	58%	57%	57%	58%	62%	58%	57%	53%	55%	56%	61%	59%	57%
Over 6 months and less than 12 months	50%	50%	49%	51%	51%	49%	50%	51%	50%	51%	51%	50%	45%	45%	45%	47%	47%	46%
12 months and less than 4 years	52%	54%	55%	58%	60%	61%	52%	54%	56%	58%	61%	62%	48%	49%	49%	52%	52%	52%
4 years and less than life	61%	60%	61%	64%	65%	63%	61%	61%	62%	64%	65%	64%	54%	53%	53%	54%	56%	54%
All sentence lengths	56%	57%	58%	60%	62%	61%	56%	57%	58%	61%	62%	61%	50%	51%	51%	54%	54%	53%

(1) Data quality work has been carried out on this dataset and all numbers have been revised from previously published tables. Please see appendix B - data sources and quality.

(2) On discharge : the sentence may change after reception if there are further charges or an appeal.

(3) Excludes discharges following recall after release on licence, non-criminals, persons committed to custody for non-payment of a fine, persons reclassified as adult prisoners and deported prisoners.

(4) Rounded to the nearest 100. Due to rounding components may not sum to grand totals.

(5) Rounded to nearest whole number.

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Table 9.2 Average time served in prison by prisoners discharged from determinate sentences on completion of sentence or on licence - young offenders ^(1,2)

England and Wales	Males and females						Males						Females					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Number of discharges by sex ^(3,4)																		
Up to and including 6 months	7,900	7,900	8,000	8,100	8,700	9,300	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,500	8,000	8,600	500	500	600	600	600	700
Over 6 months and up to and including 12 months	2,000	1,900	2,000	2,000	2,200	2,300	1,800	1,800	1,900	1,900	2,100	2,200	100	100	100	100	100	100
12 months and less than 4 years	5,100	4,600	5,100	4,500	4,700	4,800	4,900	4,300	4,800	4,300	4,500	4,600	300	200	200	200	200	200
4 years and less than life	200	200	500	400	500	400	200	200	500	400	500	400	0	0	0	0	0	0
All sentence lengths	15,300	14,600	15,600	15,000	16,100	16,800	14,300	13,800	14,700	14,100	15,100	15,800	900	800	900	900	1,000	1,000
Average sentence length in months ⁽⁵⁾																		
Up to and including 6 months	4	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	4	4	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Over 6 months and up to and including 12 months	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	8	8	9
12 months and less than 4 years	21	21	22	22	21	21	21	21	21	22	21	21	22	22	22	22	20	20
4 years and less than life	54	55	59	57	57	60	54	55	58	57	57	60	53	59	65	62	64	60
All sentence lengths	11	10	12	11	11	10	11	10	12	11	11	10	10	10	11	9	9	8
Average time served including remand in months ⁽⁵⁾																		
Up to and including 6 months	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Over 6 months and up to and including 12 months	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
12 months and less than 4 years	10	10	11	11	11	11	10	10	11	11	11	11	10	10	10	10	10	10
4 years and less than life	31	32	34	34	35	35	32	32	34	34	35	35	26	30	33	31	35	33
All sentence lengths	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	5	5	5	5	5	4
Percentage of time served including remand ⁽⁵⁾																		
Up to and including 6 months	63%	64%	65%	67%	66%	64%	63%	65%	65%	67%	66%	65%	55%	58%	53%	59%	62%	61%
Over 6 months and up to and including 12 months	51%	51%	52%	52%	51%	52%	52%	52%	52%	52%	52%	52%	47%	47%	45%	46%	51%	47%
12 months and less than 4 years	49%	50%	50%	52%	53%	54%	49%	50%	50%	52%	53%	54%	47%	46%	47%	47%	51%	49%
4 years and less than life	58%	57%	58%	60%	61%	59%	59%	58%	58%	60%	61%	59%	50%	51%	51%	51%	55%	56%
All sentence lengths	53%	54%	54%	55%	57%	56%	53%	54%	54%	56%	57%	56%	49%	49%	49%	50%	55%	53%

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(2) On discharge : the sentence may change after reception if there are further charges or an appeal.

(3) Excludes discharges following recall after release on licence, non-criminals, persons committed to custody for non-payment of a fine, persons reclassified as adult prisoners and deported prisoners.

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Table 9.3 Home Detention Curfew release ⁽¹⁾ and population figures by sex

England and Wales		1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Population with sentences of 3 months to less than 4 years		49,527	55,344	54,064	55,370	57,551	55,810	54,616	52,987	53,935	57,416
Males		46,248	51,533	50,303	51,413	53,256	51,282	50,246	48,585	49,371	52,563
Females		3,279	3,811	3,761	3,957	4,295	4,528	4,370	4,402	4,464	4,853
Number released on HDC		14,847	15,910	13,649	20,456	21,188	19,294	17,296	13,666	11,428	11,721
Males		13,523	14,005	12,121	18,509	19,050	17,159	15,392	12,122	10,108	10,239
Females		1,324	1,505	1,528	1,947	2,138	2,135	1,904	1,544	1,320	1,482
Percentage released		30%	28%	25%	37%	37%	35%	32%	26%	21%	20%
Males		29%	27%	24%	36%	36%	33%	31%	25%	20%	19%
Females		40%	39%	41%	49%	50%	47%	44%	35%	30%	31%
Population on HDC at end of year ⁽²⁾		2,000	1,700	1,700	3,100	3,700	3,400	3,300	2,500	2,400	2,600

(1) Data for 2008 are based on information recorded on the central prison IT system on 30 April 2009. Further updates and amendments may be made to records on this system in future resulting in revised figures.

(2) Rounded to the nearest 100.

Table 9.4 Summary of determinate sentence cases considered ⁽¹⁾ by the Parole Board

England and Wales		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
Parole Board cases		6,078	6,219	5,576	5,514	6,012	6,038	7,297	7,528	6,923	6,012	2,893
Cases considered		203	83	41	27	15	6	8	7	1	2	4
Existing prisoners ⁽²⁾		5,875	6,136	5,535	5,487	5,997	6,032	7,289	7,521	6,922	6,010	2,889
DCR prisoners		2,383	2,561	2,584	2,791	3,175	3,206	3,794	3,718	2,478	2,157	682
Existing prisoners		63	15	14	11	5	3	1	4	0	1	1
DCR prisoners		2,320	2,546	2,570	2,780	3,170	3,203	3,793	3,714	2,478	2,156	681
Percentage of cases recommended out of those considered for parole		39%	41%	46%	51%	53%	53%	52%	49%	36%	36%	24%
Existing prisoners		31%	16%	34%	41%	33%	50%	13%	57%	0%	50%	29%
DCR prisoners		39%	41%	46%	51%	53%	53%	52%	49%	36%	36%	24%

(1) Data for 2008 are based on information recorded on the central prison IT system on 30 April 2009. Further updates and amendments may be made to records on this system in future resulting in revised figures.

(2) Existing prisoners refers to prisoners serving sentences prior to the commencement of the Criminal Justice Act 1991. For the 2009 publication, these prisoners will no longer be shown separately.

Table 9.5 Number of first releases from prison on life licence and average time served

England and Wales		1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Year of first release		94	120	113	122	144	223	205	200	135	146	138
Total released		86	110	101	111	117	185	152	156	100	90	98
Mandatory life		13	13	13	13	14	15	14	14	14	14	16
Average time served (years)		8	10	12	11	27	38	53	44	35	56	40
Other life		14	16	11	9	9	12	9	6	7	9	9
Average time served (years)		14	16	11	9	9	12	9	6	7	9	9

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Table 9.6 Number of releases on temporary licence by type of licence ⁽¹⁾

England and Wales	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008 ⁽²⁾
All licences:	255,886	256,179	256,838	270,122	287,732	328,777	389,548	405,259	400,238	441,167	439,294
Special Purpose:									10,396	11,127	12,862
Carer									940	1,603	1,999
Deaths									304	289	305
Family needs									467	409	337
Legal									641	581	608
Medical									8,044	8,245	9,613
Resettlement Day Release:									385,532	422,813	414,512
Accommodation									217	282	241
Family ties									18,146	21,666	22,350
Religious Service									2,718	2,567	3,443
Training and education									59,251	63,953	59,540
Working out									250,971	278,406	272,338
Other resettlement									54,229	55,939	56,600
Childcare Resettlement:									497	313	320
Primary Carer									497	313	320
Resettlement Overnight Release:									3,813	6,914	11,599

(1) In 2006 the categories of temporary licence were changed following a review of the policy. The new licences are described in Prison Service Order 6300. A breakdown of the old licence categories can be found in OMCS 2006.

(2) Total includes one unclassified ROTL

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Table 9.7 Number of releases and recalls on End of Custody Licence, 29 June - 31 December 2007, 2008

England and Wales	29 June - 31 December 2007			2008		
	Males	Females	Total ⁽²⁾	Males	Females	Total
9.7a Releases by offence group						
Total	14,465	1,732	16,197	27,780	3,538	31,318
Violence against the person ⁽¹⁾	2,772	228	3,000	5,697	519	6,216
Sexual offences ⁽³⁾	3	1	4	5	0	5
Robbery	323	26	349	729	63	792
Burglary	1,442	57	1,499	2,679	115	2,794
Theft and Handling	2,934	748	3,682	5,541	1,575	7,116
Fraud and Forgery	239	52	291	525	131	656
Drug offences	615	76	691	1,194	128	1,322
Motoring offences	1,958	74	2,032	3,358	115	3,473
Other offences	3,907	455	4,362	7,586	845	8,431
Offence not recorded	272	15	287	466	47	513
9.7b Releases by sentence length						
Total	14,465	1,732	16,197	27,780	3,538	31,318
Less than or equal to 6 months	10,018	1,430	11,448	19,151	2,928	22,079
Greater than 6 months to less than 12 months	1,649	157	1,806	3,250	342	3,592
12 months to less than 4 years	2,797	144	2,941	5,375	268	5,643
4 years or more ⁽⁴⁾	1	1	2	4	0	4
9.7c Releases by age group						
Total	14,465	1,732	16,197	27,780	3,538	31,318
18-20	2,206	133	2,339	4,066	274	4,340
21-24	2,998	285	3,283	5,901	656	6,557
25-29	3,168	420	3,588	6,106	843	6,949
30-39	3,869	593	4,462	7,482	1,181	8,663
40-49	1,741	248	1,989	3,303	494	3,797
50-59	405	49	454	761	80	841
60 and over	78	4	82	161	10	171
9.7d Releases by ethnic group						
Total	14,465	1,732	16,197	27,780	3,538	31,318
White	12,300	1,550	13,850	23,626	3,155	26,781
Mixed	349	54	403	678	121	799
Asian or Asian British	683	14	697	1,405	42	1,447
Black or Black British	1,056	105	1,161	1,931	204	2,135
Chinese or Other ethnic group	42	5	47	98	15	113
Not stated	24	3	27	33	1	34
Unrecorded	6	0	6	6	0	6
1991 Census ethnic codes	5	1	6	3	0	3
9.7e Recalls from ECL						
Decisions to recall as notified to NOMS⁽⁵⁾			564	1,030		
By reason for recall⁽⁶⁾						
Alleged re-offending ⁽⁷⁾			194	474		
Failure to live at an approved address			118	274		
Out of touch with the probation service			226	268		
Poor behaviour ⁽⁸⁾			75	101		

1 Excludes serious violent offences such as murder, manslaughter, wounding with intent to commit Grievous Bodily Harm, possession of a firearm intent to endanger life, child cruelty and serious explosives offences. A full list of exclusions can be found in Prison Service Instruction 42/2007 (which consolidates and replaces PSI 27/2007).

2 Details of specific releases in error and apparent differences to policy between 29 June and 31 December 2007 were listed in OMCS 2007 and in each of the relevant monthly ECL reports.

3 In 2008, five sex offenders were released after serving a sentence for which registration was not required. The releases were correct.

4 In 2008, four prisoners serving sentences of 4 years or more were released error. No reoffending was reported during the period on ECL.

5 Decisions to recall between 1 January 2008 and 16 January 2009 reported to NOMS Public Protection Unit. This updates previously published data.

6 The total of reasons for recall is not the same as the total number of decisions to recall because offenders can be recalled for more than one reason.

7 Alleged re-offending may lead to recall of the offender even though, at the point of the recall, the offender may not have formally been charged.

8 The offender's behaviour indicates an increased risk of reoffending or harm.

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Table 9.8 Home Detention Curfew recalls by reason ^(1,2)

England and Wales										Number of recalls	
	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	
Males and females	700	769	673	1,479	2,716	3,003	2,627	2,184	1,654	1,442	
Cases not involving new charges	560	1,259	2,304	2,534	2,298	1,954	1,499	1,273	
Breach of HDC conditions	364	814	1,460	1,705	1,720	1,522	1,227	1,062	
Installation failure	6	2	2	3	5	52	82	90	
Monitoring failure	7	9	1	15	18	1	0	0	
Change of circumstances	173	377	702	638	389	255	94	57	
Risk of serious harm	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Breach of non-HDC licence conditions	10	57	139	173	166	124	96	64	
Cases involving new charges	113	220	412	469	329	230	155	169	
Breach of HDC conditions	1	1	10	5	2	0	0	0	
Inability to monitor	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Risk of serious harm	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Charged with new offence	110	218	402	464	327	230	155	169	
Males	636	688	566	1,263	2,300	2,542	2,323	1,972	1,449	1,229	
Cases not involving new charges	470	1,067	1,941	2,131	2,029	1,764	1,312	1,083	
Breach of HDC conditions	313	706	1,252	1,455	1,550	1,382	1,085	913	
Installation failure	5	1	2	3	4	48	67	74	
Monitoring failure	6	7	1	14	17	1	0	0	
Change of circumstances	137	308	574	518	318	225	80	48	
Risk of serious harm	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Breach of non-HDC licence conditions	9	45	112	141	140	108	80	48	
Cases involving new charges	96	196	359	411	294	208	137	146	
Breach of HDC conditions	1	1	7	5	2	0	0	0	
Inability to monitor	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Risk of serious harm	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Charged with new offence	93	194	352	406	292	208	137	146	
Females	64	81	107	216	416	461	304	212	205	213	
Cases not involving new charges	90	192	364	403	269	190	187	190	
Breach of HDC conditions	51	108	209	250	170	140	142	149	
Installation failure	1	1	0	0	1	4	15	16	
Monitoring failure	1	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	
Change of circumstances	36	69	128	120	71	30	14	9	
Risk of serious harm	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Breach of non-HDC licence conditions	1	12	27	32	26	16	16	16	
Cases involving new charges	17	24	52	58	35	22	18	23	
Breach of HDC conditions	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	
Inability to monitor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Risk of serious harm	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Charged with new offence	17	24	49	58	35	22	18	23	

(1) Prior to 2001 recall cases involving new charges were not separately identified from those cases not involving new charges on the prison IT system.

(2) Data for 2008 are based on information recorded on the central prison IT system on 30 April 2009. Further updates and amendments may be made to records on this system in future resulting in revised figures.

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Table 9.9 Recalls of determinate sentences ⁽¹⁾

England and Wales											Number of recalls/percentage	
	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	
Parole cases 4 years or more												
recalled ⁽²⁾	233	250	267	329	420	601	712	993	1,214	926	454	
as % of number on parole	11%	10%	10%	11%	13%	17%	17%	21%	28%	27%	19%	
Non-parole cases 4 years or more												
recalled	189	358	433	526	712	1,087	1,172	* (3)	* (3)	* (3)	* (3)	
All cases 1 - 4 years ⁽⁴⁾	..	38	1,637	3,439	4,950	6,415	6,378	* (3)	* (3)	* (3)	* (3)	
All cases 1 year plus ⁽⁴⁾	2,457	4,369	6,323	8,133	8,262	8,678	11,231	11,756	11,840	

(1) Excluding Home Detention Curfew and End of Custody Licence recalls.

(2) Data for 2008-09 are based on information recorded on the central prison IT system at 30 April 2009. Further updates and amendments may be made to records on this system in future resulting in revised figures.

(3) From 2005 ACR and DCR no longer collated separately.

(4) Data supplied by Public Protection Unit, NOMS.

Table 9.10 Recalls from life licence ⁽¹⁾

England and Wales											Number of recalls	
	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008		
Life licence	34	34	30	26	44	71	111	164	134	108		

(1) Inmates whose licences have been revoked and were recalled to custody excluding abscondee.

Table 9.11 Number of absconds, escapes and temporary release failures ⁽¹⁾

England and Wales											
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Absconds	942	959	812	766	876	1,304	974	730	576	545	392
Escapes											
from prison	24	32	12	14	9	11	10	3	4	3	1
from prison escort	10	8	8	8	10	12	7	8	6	2	4
from escort contractor	63	55	61	41	38	35	26	17	19	19	14
Temporary release failures	483	539	318	278	315	363	403	339	319	265	266

(1) Statistics supplied by NOMS.

Data Sources and Quality

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Table 9.12 Number of deaths in custody^(1, 2)

England and Wales

	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
MALES AND FEMALES											
Number of deaths											
Self inflicted	83	91	81	73	95	94	95	78	67	92	61
Other	51	58	66	69	69	89	113	96	86	94	103
Rate per 1,000 prisoners in custody											
Self inflicted	1.3	1.4	1.2	1.1	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.0	0.9	1.2	0.7
Other	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.5	1.3	1.1	1.2	1.2
MALES											
Number of deaths											
Self inflicted	80	86	73	67	86	80	82	74	64	84	60
Other	50	54	64	67	66	88	106	93	83	94	99
Rate per 1,000 prisoners in custody											
Self inflicted	1.3	1.4	1.2	1.1	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.0	0.9	1.1	0.8
Other	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.3	1.5	1.3	1.1	1.2	1.3
FEMALES											
Number of deaths											
Self inflicted	3	5	8	6	9	14	13	4	3	8	1
Other	1	4	2	2	3	1	7	3	3	0	4
Rate per 1,000 prisoners in custody											
Self inflicted	1.0	1.6	2.4	1.6	2.0	3.0	2.9	0.9	0.7	1.9	0.2
Other	0.3	1.2	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.2	1.6	0.7	0.7	0	0.9

(1) Statistics supplied by Safer Custody & Offender Policy Group, NOMS.

(2) Retrospective changes to past published figures and classification of deaths sometimes occur, in light of information discovered after publication. Figures include some deaths while released on temporary licence on medical grounds. Deaths on other forms of temporary release such as police custody or home detention curfew are not included.

Data Sources and Quality

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Table 9.13 Home Detention Curfew release⁽¹⁾ by sentence length, 2008

England and Wales			
	Population in sentence length band	Released	Release rate
Total	57,416	11,721	20%
All cases less than 12 months	31,710	4,326	14%
3 months to less than 4 months	7,554	218	3%
4 months to less than 6 months	11,720	1,163	10%
6 months to less than 8 months	7,320	1,483	20%
8 months to less than 12 months	5,116	1,462	29%
12 months to less than 4 years	25,706	7,395	29%

(1) These statistics are based on information recorded on the central prison IT system at 30 April 2009. Further updates and amendments may be made to records on this system in future resulting in revised figures.

Table 9.14 Home Detention Curfew release⁽¹⁾ by age group, 2008

England and Wales			
	Population in age group	Released	Release rate
All ages	57,416	11,721	20%
Under 18	158	54	34%
18-20	8,517	1,818	21%
21-24	11,479	2,494	22%
25-29	11,935	2,192	18%
30-39	15,485	2,880	19%
40-49	7,273	1,601	22%
50-59	1,923	526	27%
60 and over	646	156	24%

(1) These statistics are based on information recorded on the central prison IT system at 30 April 2009. Further updates and amendments may be made to records on this system in future resulting in revised figures.

Table 9.15 Home Detention Curfew release⁽¹⁾ by ethnic group, 2008

England and Wales			
	Population in ethnicity category	Released	Release rate
Total	57,416	11,721	20%
White	45,796	9,280	20%
Mixed	1,474	304	21%
Asian or Asian British	3,573	1,003	28%
Black or Black British	5,680	1,046	18%
Chinese or Other ethnic group	753	69	9%
Not Stated	112	16	14%
Unrecorded	15	1	7%
1991 census ethnic codes	13	2	15%

(1) These statistics are based on information recorded on the central prison IT system at 30 April 2009. Further updates and amendments may be made to records on this system in future resulting in revised figures.

Table 9.16 Home Detention Curfew release⁽¹⁾ by offence group⁽²⁾, 2008

England and Wales			
	Population in offence group	Released	Release rate
Total	57,416	11,721	20%
Violence	11,779	2,160	18%
Sexual offences	1,244	1	0%
Robbery	2,639	762	29%
Burglary	6,610	999	15%
Theft and handling	8,919	1,416	16%
Fraud and forgery	3,739	974	26%
Drug offences	5,001	2,375	47%
Motoring offences	4,783	1,000	21%
Other ⁽³⁾	12,702	2,034	16%

(1) These statistics are based on information recorded on the central prison IT system at 30 April 2009. Further updates and amendments may be made to records on this system in future resulting in revised figures.

(2) Offence recorded on prison IT system. Investigations suggest that around 5 per cent of offence types recorded on this system do not relate to the offence they were released on HDC for but relate to offences committed after release from prison and before the licence expiry date for their sentence.

(3) Includes the offence of bigamy.

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Appendix A – Definitions

1. Probation

The National Probation Service generally deals with those aged 18 years and over. (Those under 18 are mostly dealt with by Youth Offending Teams, answering to the Youth Justice Board.) They are responsible for supervising offenders who are given community sentences and Suspended Sentence Orders by the courts, as well as offenders given custodial sentences, both pre and post their release.

Probation Service Pre-sentence reports (chapter 2)

The introduction of the Criminal Justice Act 2003 established a new framework for court reports prepared by the Probation Service, which means that from 4 April 2005 the types of reports changed. The current reports are as follows:

Standard Delivery Pre-sentence reports (PSRs) – Written reports prepared by probation staff. They provide information to the sentencing court about the offender and the offence(s) committed and they assist the court in deciding on a suitable sentence. They should provide a full risk assessment and a proposal for sentencing that takes into account the risk of harm to others, the likelihood of re-offending, the nature of the offence and the suitability of the offender. They effectively replaced *Pre-sentence reports*.

Fast Delivery PSRs – A shortened form of Pre-sentence report, provided on the same day by probation staff. They can either be delivered to the court as written or oral reports. The report helps the sentencing court determine the offender's suitability for a specific sentence envisaged by the court. They effectively replaced *Specific sentence reports (SSRs)* which were introduced during 1999, although SSRs had to be written reports.

Breach reports – Reports written specifically to assist the court with its re-sentencing decisions in breach hearings.

Deferred sentence reports – Reports written for the court where an offender appears for sentence following an original deferred sentence.

Prior to 4 April 2005, non-contact PSRs were also prepared – A non-contact PSR was any written PSR where there has been no interview with the offender, e.g. non-attendance by the offender at interview. The probation officer was required to submit a written notice to the court giving reasons why the report had not been completed.

Probation Service Supervision (chapters 3, 4 and 5)

The **main types of supervision for offences committed on or after 4 April 2005** are:

Community Order – this new Order was introduced under the CJA03 and replaced all existing community sentences for adults. Under this order, one or more of 12 possible requirements must be added, such as supervision, unpaid work and drug treatment.

Suspended Sentence Order – this new Order was introduced for offences which pass the custody threshold. One or more of the same set of 12 possible requirements must be added to this order.

An additional change due to the introduction of CJA03 is for **those sentenced to 12 months or more in custody**. Unless considered dangerous, these prisoners will be released on licence at the halfway point of the sentence. They will remain on licence, and subject to recall if they breach the conditions of their licence, for the entire remaining period of their sentence, instead of to the three-quarter point. See also section below entitled **Section 26 Criminal Justice & Immigration Act 2008 (CJIA08)**.

The **main types of supervision until April 2005** were:

Children and Young Persons Act 1969 (C&YP 1969) – this is a supervision order of up to 3 years length for those aged under 18. It may have additional requirements similar to those of a CRO. Youth Offending Teams, not the Probation Service, have supervised these orders since 2000.

Community Rehabilitation Order (CRO) – this was of 6 months to 3 years length, for those aged 16 and over. It might have additional requirements such as residence, probation centre attendance or treatment for drug, alcohol or mental health problems. CRO was formerly a Probation Order.

Community Punishment Order (CPO) – consisted of 40 to 240 hours of unpaid work (20 to 100 hours for fine defaulters) for those aged 16 and over. CPO was formerly a Community Service Order.

Community Punishment and Rehabilitation Order (CPRO) – was of 1 to 3 year probation supervision in addition to 40-100 hours community punishment for those aged 16 and over. It had additional requirements like those of a CRO. CPRO was formerly a Combination Order.

Drug Treatment and Testing Order (DTTO) – was of 6 months to 3 years length for those aged 16 and over. This Order was introduced nationally from 1 October 2000, following a pilot which started 30 September 1998. A DTTO with a lower intensity treatment plan was introduced across NPS from 2004-05, targeted at offenders with less serious drug misuse and offending.

Money Payment Supervision Order (MPSO) – Youth and adult magistrates' courts could enforce monetary penalties by appointing a member of the Probation Service (or other person) to supervise the offender.

Suspended Sentence Supervision Order (SSSO) – where the Crown Court suspended a 6 month to 2 year prison sentence they could ask the Probation Service to supervise.

Other terminology

Community Sentences – This term refers to all court orders except Suspended Sentence Orders and Deferred Sentences, which may have a custodial component to the sentence.

Court Orders – The term court orders used in the text includes all the ‘orders’ listed. It does not include any pre or post release supervision.

Post-release supervision – All prisoners given a custodial sentence of 12 months or more serve a proportion of their sentence in custody and are then released on licence. They are supervised by probation staff before and after release from custody. In addition, offenders with sentences of less than 12 months who are aged under 22 receive a minimum of 3 months post-release supervision, provided this does not extend beyond their 22nd birthday.

Pre-release supervision – Home supervising officers along with probation staff in prisons work jointly with prison staff on sentence planning and management, including consideration of post-release issues.

Supervision Tier – Supervision *tier* indicates the level of intervention required with offenders, with tier 1 being the lowest and tier 4 the highest. The Offender Management Tiering framework is a way of categorising offenders according to the level of risk of serious harm and likelihood of reoffending presented by the individual, combined with the complexity of the sentence requirements. This process aims to protect the public by ensuring that the appropriate organisational resources, in terms of staff and time, are matched to the correct management of the case.

Terminations – A period of supervision (eg. a Community Order) which comes to an end, either because the order has been completed successfully, or because the order has been breached and terminated early for negative reasons (such as failing to comply with its requirements) or because of some other neutral reason, such as the order being quashed by the court or the person having died.

2. Prison

Prison receptions (chapter 6)

There are five categories of prison receptions:

Untried – those awaiting commencement or continuation of trial prior to verdict.

Convicted unsentenced – those awaiting sentence.

(Prisoners received as untried or convicted unsentenced are counted as remand receptions).

Sentenced – those held in custody as a result of receiving a sentence in a criminal court. Persons committed in default of payment of a fine are normally included in this group. NB. **Immediate custodial sentenced** numbers do not include fine defaulters.

Fine defaulters - persons committed in default of payment of a fine.

Non-criminal - held for civil offences.

First receptions provide an indication of the number of new prisoners in a time period. A person received into prison to serve a sentence may previously have been received on remand after conviction prior to sentence and before that as a remand prisoner awaiting trial. First receptions will count that prisoner only once in the relevant time period in which they were first received.

Prison Population (chapter 7)

The **World Prison Population List (WPPL)** gives details of the number of prisoners held in 214 independent countries and dependent territories. It shows that there are more than 9.25 million people held in penal institutions worldwide and that prison population rates vary considerably between different regions of the world and between different parts of the same continent. The WPPL draws on information from national prison administrations and national statistical offices and also, in respect of Europe, on the Council of Europe Annual Penal Statistics (SPACE).

Breaches of prison discipline - adjudications (chapter 8)

Breaches of prison discipline – These are set out in Prison Rules 1999, as amended by the Prison (Amendment) Rules 2000, the Prison (Amendment No. 2) Rules 2000, the Prison (Amendment) Rules 2002, the Prison (Amendment) Rules 2003, the Prison (Amendment) Rules 2005 and the Prison (Amendment) (No. 2) Rules 2005 and also in the Young Offender Institution Rules 2000, as amended by the Young Offender Institution (Amendment) Rules 2002, the Young Offender Institution (Amendment) Rules 2005 and the Young Offender Institution (Amendment) (No. 2) Rules 2005.

Additional days punishment – From 1st April 2001, additional days were no longer available as a punishment for juveniles on Detention and Training Orders. A European ruling in July 2002 led to the withdrawal of the governor's power to impose additional days. This power passed to independent adjudicators and from 7th October 2002 district judges began conducting adjudications in establishments, imposing additional days where appropriate.

Discharges from prison (chapter 9)

Discharges from prison (and the data relating to them) generally fall under one of three main areas of legislation: the Criminal Justice Act 2003 (CJA03); Crime (Sentences) Act 1997; and Criminal Justice Act 1991 (CJA91). Arrangements for the early release of prisoners under the Home Detention Curfew and End of Custody Licence schemes are set out after the paragraph on life sentence prisoners.

The CJA03 introduced new arrangements for the release of prisoners, which apply only to offences committed on or after 4 April 2005.

(i) Public protection sentences

New public protection sentences were introduced to improve the management of dangerous offenders. Those offenders judged to be dangerous, and who have committed serious sexual or violent offences, can be kept in prison until the Parole Board judges it is safe to release them (**Indeterminate Sentence for Public Protection**). If they have committed less serious offences they may serve an extended period on licence. At the halfway point of the custodial term the offender may be released if the Parole Board determines it is safe to do so, but release will not be automatic until the end of the term (**Extended Sentence for Public Protection - EPP**).

In July 2008, section 25 of the **Criminal Justice & Immigration Act 2008** (CJIA08) made changes to the release arrangements for EPPs. Offenders are automatically released on licence halfway through the custodial part of the sentence, rather than halfway release being at the Parole Board's discretion.

(ii) Determinate sentences of 12 months or more

Unless considered dangerous, those sentenced to 12 months or more (**Standard Determinate Sentences**) are released on licence at the halfway point of sentence and remain on licence, subject to recall if they breach the conditions of their licence, for the entire remaining period of their sentence instead of to the three-quarter point as previously. New arrangements for recalling prisoners who breach their licence mean that they are recalled to prison immediately, with the Parole Board reviewing each case of recall and deciding whether the recall was appropriate and what should happen next. These recall arrangements apply to all prisoners on licence from 4 April 2005.

In July 2008, section 29 of the CJIA08 introduced fixed term recalls. These apply to those offenders who are serving a determinate sentence for offences which are neither violent nor of a sexual nature (as set out in Schedule 15 to the CJA03) and have been assessed as not presenting a risk of serious harm to the public. If recalled, this is for a fixed period of up to 28 days, at which point the offender must be automatically re-released.

(iii) Sentences of less than 12 months

Those sentenced to less than 12 months for offences committed on or after 4 April 2005 remain subject to the release provisions of the CJA 1991 (i.e. Automatic Unconditional Release, unless a young offender subject to a s65 3 month notice of supervision under s65 CJA 1991).

Prior to the CJA03, part II of the CJA91 applied and dealt with early release of prisoners and introduced provisions to replace the previous systems of parole and remission. The relevant parts of the Act were implemented on 1 October 1992 and applied to those sentenced on or after that date. There were three schemes based on sentence length under the 1991 Act:

- **Automatic unconditional release (AUR)** – those sentenced to less than 12 months were released automatically half way through their sentence. Adults were not subject to supervision following release, but young offenders (those under the age of 22 released from a term of Detention in a YOI) were subject to a minimum of 3 months supervision. All were ‘at risk’ until the very end of their sentence; that is, if they committed a further imprisonable offence before the end of their original sentence, the court dealing with the new offence might add all or part of the outstanding sentence to any new sentence it imposes.
- **Automatic conditional release (ACR)** – those sentenced to 12 months or more but less than 4 years were released automatically half way through their sentence. They were released on licence and subject to supervision up to three quarters (or to the end in case of some sex offenders) and were ‘at risk’ to the end of the original sentence.
- **Discretionary conditional release (DCR)** – those sentenced to 4 years or more were eligible for parole half way through their sentence. If parole was not granted then release occurred at the two-thirds point of the sentence (or at a subsequent parole review if earlier). Release, when it occurred, was on licence and subject to supervision up to three quarters (or to the end in the case of some sex offenders) and all were ‘at risk’ until the end of the original sentence.

In July 2008, section 26 of the CJA08 was introduced to bring long-term 1991 Act prisoners, serving a sentence of 4 years or more for an offence not specified in Schedule 15 of the CJA03, into line with those prisoners subject to the release provisions of the 2003 Act. As a result, all DCR prisoners whose halfway point falls on or after 9 June 2008, providing they have not committed an offence specified in Schedule 15, are released automatically at the halfway point of their sentence rather than the two-thirds point. These prisoners are subject to licence supervision until the end of their sentence and not the three-quarter point as before. Those not ‘converted’ (whose offence(s) are specified in Schedule 15 or whose half-way point fell before s26 was implemented on 9 June 2008) remain subject to the DCR release arrangements described above.

Life sentence – a life sentence is wholly indeterminate. There is no entitlement to release at any stage but offenders may be considered for release on licence once the minimum period imposed to meet the requirements of retribution and deterrence has been served. The release of all life sentence prisoners is entirely at the discretion of the Parole Board. The main criterion governing the Parole Board’s consideration is the level of risk of serious harm that the lifer may pose to others. If released, life sentence prisoners are on licence for the rest of their lives and are liable to recall at any time. Life sentence prisoners are released under the terms of the Crime (Sentences) Act 1997.

Home Detention Curfew (HDC) – was implemented on 28 January 1999. This involved some prisoners serving sentences between 3 months and less than 4 years spending up to the last 2 months of the custodial part of their sentence on an electronically monitored curfew (subject to meeting the eligibility requirements and passing a risk assessment). Two changes were made to the HDC scheme in 2002: the introduction of the Presumptive HDC scheme in May 2002 for prisoners serving between 3 months and under 12 months and the increase of the maximum curfew

period to 90 days on 16 December 2002. On 14 July 2003 the maximum curfew period was increased to 135 days.

End of Custody Licence (ECL) – On 19 June 2007 the then Lord Chancellor announced the introduction of a presumption in favour of release from custody on licence for prisoners serving between 4 weeks and 4 years for the final 18 days of their sentence subject to meeting strict eligibility criteria and providing a release address. The first releases under this scheme occurred on 29 June 2007. Prisoners who would normally be subject to supervision on release (prisoners serving 12 months or more, or under 22 years of age) are required to meet their probation officer after release and to have regular contact after that in line with their supervision plan. All prisoners released on ECL are liable to recall if they are reported to have misbehaved during the period of the licence.

Release on Temporary Licence (ROTL) – allows prisoners to be released temporarily for either compassionate reasons or to help the prisoner improve their chances of resettlement after their release.

Changes to Ethnicity Categories (chapters 2-9)

In March 2003 the Prison Service began to introduce the new ethnic categories based on the 2001 Census of Population. Information on receptions under these categories was available from the latter part of 2003 onwards. Information on the prison population by the new categories was available from the middle of 2005. The Census 2001 categories replaced the 9+1 categories of the 1991 Census with 16+1 categories. It introduced 4 Mixed categories, 3 White categories where there was one previously and an extra Asian category. Because of these changes (which affects all tables with an ethnicity breakdown in the Volume) especially the introduction of the Mixed group, comparisons between the two classifications should not be made.

Appendix B – Data sources and quality

The data presented in this publication are drawn from administrative IT systems. Although care is taken when processing and analysing the returns, the detail collected is subject to the inaccuracies inherent in any large scale recording system. While the figures shown have been checked as far as practicable, they should be regarded as approximate and not necessarily accurate to the last whole number shown in the tables. Where figures in the tables have been rounded to the nearest whole number, the rounded components do not always add to the totals, which are calculated and rounded independently.

Unless otherwise stated, numbers in the text have been rounded for ease of reading using the following rules:

Numbers of 100,000 and over are rounded to the nearest 1,000

Numbers from 1,000 – 99,999 are rounded to the nearest 100

Numbers from 10 – 999 are rounded to the nearest 10

Numbers under 10 are unrounded.

There are **three main sources** for the statistics presented in this publication:

- Court reports prepared by the Probation Service;
- Probation Service supervision – monthly probation listings;
- Prison flows and population – monthly F1032s and Inmate Information System (IIS)

There are a number of **additional sources** of information:

- Summary statistics in Chapter 1 on the population in SCHs and STCs are from data held by the Youth Justice Board and the Department for Children, Schools and Families (formerly Department for Education and Skills – DfES).
- Custody rates and average sentence lengths in Chapter 1 are calculated from figures sent to the Ministry of Justice Court Proceedings database by the courts.
- Summary statistics in Chapter 5 on Serious Further Offences was provided by the SFO Casework Team of the NOMS Public Protection Unit, and more detail on the collation of this information is given in Chapter 5.
- Figures for the previous criminal history of offenders (Chapters 4 and 6) have been compiled using the Ministry of Justice's extract from the Police National Computer (PNC). The process involves matching offender details from the prison and probation services to the personal details recorded on the PNC and then examining the previous history as recorded by the police. A proportion of cases could not be matched and the figures presented are expressed as a percentage of the offenders that were matched. Like any large scale recording system the

PNC is subject to errors with data entry and recording. The PNC is regularly updated so that further analysis at a later date will generate revised figures.

- Summary statistics in Chapter 7 on international comparisons of prison data used the World Prison Population List as the main resource, with supplementary information provided by additional data collection by the author – see Chapter 7 for more details
- Information on recalls of non-parole cases in table 9.9 was supplied by Post Release Section, Public Protection Unit.
- Life licence recalls information for table 9.10 was obtained from the Public Protection Casework Section of NOMS and is cross checked with the Post Release Section. Data were taken from the recall schedule which is updated on a monthly basis. Life licensees are recalled to prison by Post Release Section on the basis of a risk assessment from the Probation Area concerned. This assessment and the Secretary of State's reasons for recall given to the prisoner are used to record information on the recall schedule.
- Data on absconds, escapes and temporary release failures in table 9.11 was supplied by NOMS Performance Management Group. Escort contractor escapes data was supplied by NOMS National Operations Group: under their contracts the escort providers are required to report all escapes by telephone followed by a written report within 24 hours. Data on deaths in custody was supplied by NOMS Safer Custody and Offender Policy Group.

Court reports

Until 30th June 2005, probation areas were required to submit quarterly aggregate data showing the number of pre-sentence, specific sentence and deferred sentence reports written, by type of court, in a specific quarter. The definitions of these reports were revised however from 1 April 2005 by the Criminal Justice Act 2003 (see table 2.1). From 1 July 2005 onwards, a new system for collecting monthly reports data at the individual offender level was introduced, with details of actual sentences given to offenders and the sentences proposed by reports.

Probation Service supervision – Monthly/quarterly and probation listings

A new system for collecting probation workload data was introduced from 1 January 2002, the quarterly probation listings. As a consequence, information on caseload is now provided directly by probation areas, as opposed to the previous method of it being calculated based on the number of people starting supervision and the number of terminations. Given that many areas had difficulty in sending through details of terminations, the unadjusted caseload figures shown in table 1.2 for the years prior to 2002 were inflated. This method also had the effect of further inflating the caseload year on year, as the shortfall in termination details each year had a cumulative effect. The figures shown from 2002 onwards are the most reliable to date. Data was collected under both the old and new system for the first quarter of 2002; a comparison of these data for commencements, caseload and terminations is

given in the table below. All CPOs that have run for more than 2 years and all voluntary supervision that has run for more than 3 years have been excluded from the figures, on the basis that realistically they should have already terminated. This indicates that the old and new data collection methods yield similar figures for commencements of court orders. Caseload is significantly reduced under the new method both for court orders and pre and post-release supervision. The system underwent further development in 2005, to cater for the Criminal Justice Act 2003 sentences and to allow for the transition to a monthly collection of data.

Comparison of figures for January to March 2002 under the old and new data collection methods

Supervision Type	Caseload		Commencements		Terminations ⁽¹⁾	
	Probation Index	Quarterly lists	Probation Index	Quarterly lists	Probation Index	Quarterly lists
CRO	56,700	57,000	15,000	15,300	15,300	15,100
MPSO	6,900	2,300	300	400	400	300
CPO	38,400	34,200	13,800	14,100	11,500	12,800
CPO breach	1,800	2,400	1,100	1,200		
CPRO	21,600	17,500	4,100	4,200	7,100	7,700
DTTO	3,200	3,300	1,000	1,300	700	1,000
All court orders	122,200	110,800	34,800	35,800	35,000	36,900
YOI	13,300	11,000	3,400	3,700	n/a	n/a
Adult statutory	58,000	50,500	6,200	7,200	n/a	n/a
Parole	2,200	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
DCR	6,800	3,200	600	700	n/a	n/a
Life	6,400	5,500	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Voluntary	5,700	2,300	2,000	2,100	n/a	n/a
All pre and post release supervision	93,400	73,800	12,300	14,000	n/a	n/a
All supervision	210,800	182,900	47,100	49,900	n/a	n/a

(1) The termination of pre and post release supervision cases has never been analysed.

Counting procedures

People starting supervision - The statistics count each person once in each year for each type of supervision started in the year (e.g. once under Community Order, even if that person received more than one Community Order in a given year). But each person is counted only once in each total or sub-total even if they started several types of supervision in the year (e.g. once under 'all court orders' in table 3.1, though they may be recorded as starting, for instance, a CRO and a CPO). Thus the sum of the number of persons starting each type of community sentence exceeds the number of those starting community sentences in total (table 3.1).

People supervised (caseload) - The statistics count each person once for each type of supervision being received on 31 December. But each person is counted only once in each total or sub-total even if they were subject to several types of supervision at the year end (the examples above apply equally to Table 4.1). Thus,

the sum of the numbers receiving each type of court order supervision exceeds the number receiving court order supervision in total (table 4.1).

Terminations - The statistics count all terminations of all types of supervision in each year, including multiple terminations of the same type of supervision (e.g. two periods of Community Order supervision terminating in the same year would be included in the tables). It is not yet possible to compare percentages over time because more time has now elapsed since Community Orders and Suspended Sentence Orders were introduced in April 2005, allowing a higher percentage to run their full course. Comparisons will be possible however between 2008 and later years.

Prison flows and population - F1032s and Inmate Information System (IIS)

Prison establishments routinely provide records of the numbers of persons held in custody at the end of each month, broadly subdivided according to age, sex, custody type and sentence length. The records are collated and processed centrally, to produce the main estimates of mid-year population presented in this report. These aggregate tables are called the F1032s.

Establishments also record electronically details for individual inmates such as date of birth, sex, religion, ethnic origin, custody type, offence and reception and discharge dates and, for sentenced prisoners (including those recalled to custody), sentence length. These data are collected on a central computer database, called the Inmate Information System (IIS), and are used to produce the various analyses of receptions, discharges and time served in custody. They also form the basis of detailed population breakdowns, supplementing the aggregates derived from establishments' monthly population F1032 returns to which they are scaled for consistency. A new more detailed method of scaling was developed in 2004.

Efforts are made to ensure the completeness and accuracy of the data, as far as is practicable. Establishments are not, however, always in receipt of the necessary details, notably regarding offences. Where the offence data are incomplete we use the category "offence not recorded".

Counting procedures

Receptions - There are four main categories of receptions - untried (i.e. awaiting commencement or continuation of trial prior to verdict), convicted unsentenced (i.e. awaiting sentence), sentenced and non-criminal. In the tables on remand receptions, a person is generally counted separately once if received as untried and once if received as convicted unsentenced for each fresh set of charges. A person first enters the remand population when remanded in custody on or after his or her first appearance in court on a charge or summons. If subsequently received under sentence, he or she is counted in that category also. An individual may thus appear in the tables more than once in different categories or on separate occasions in one year. However, tables 1.1 and 6.1 also show the remand figures with those received as untried and subsequently as convicted unsentenced in a particular year counted only once.

When a person is received under sentence and at the same time is dealt with for a non-criminal matter, or is already in custody under sentence for a criminal offence and is given a further criminal sentence or is dealt with for a non-criminal matter, only the initial reception for the criminal sentence is counted. Recalls to custody after release on licence or parole are excluded from the sentenced reception figures, but those whose original sentence had been re-activated because of a new offence committed during the 'at risk' period are included. Persons transferred in from other countries, special hospitals or other non-Prison Service establishments are included in the appropriate category of reception.

Offences - When a person is received under sentence for several offences, or if a person is received under sentence and at the same time is committed for a non-criminal matter, only the principal criminal offence is recorded in the tables. The basis of selection of the principal criminal offence is as follows: (i) where a person is received under sentence for two or more criminal offences, the offence selected is the one for which the heaviest sentence is imposed; (ii) where the same sentences are imposed for two or more criminal offences the offence selected is the one for which the statutory maximum penalty is the most severe.

Length of sentence - When a person is received under sentence for two or more sentences which have been passed at the same time and ordered to run consecutively they are treated as one sentence equal in length to the sentences added together. In the case of concurrent sentences, the longest sentence is recorded. When a person is received to serve a period of imprisonment composed of a sentence for a criminal offence and a consecutive period of imprisonment in connection with a non-criminal matter, the total period of imprisonment is recorded against the criminal offence.

Age group - In the statistics of receptions, adults are those aged 21 and over at the date of sentence, young adults are those aged 18 to 20. In population tables, adults include those aged 21 and over at the date of sentence and those sentenced to detention in a young offender institution that have had their sentence converted to imprisonment. The term young offender refers to those given a custodial sentence when aged under 21 who have not subsequently been reclassified as adults, it therefore encompasses inmates under 21 and those who have reached 21 but have not yet been reclassified. (Young adults are prisoners aged 18 to 20, but also includes those aged 21 who were aged 20 or under at conviction who have not been reclassified as part of the adult population.)

Nationality – The nationality data are obtained from self reports of prisoners: this information is not checked by prison establishments before being entered on the Inmate Information System.

Discharges – Data quality work carried out over the course of the year revealed under-reporting of some discharge types. This has now been corrected and tables 9.1 and 9.2 have been revised back to 2003.

Symbols used

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- * not applicable

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