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Statistical News Release

Operation of police powers under the Terrorism Act 2000 and subsequent legislation - arrests, outcomes, stops and searches: Great Britain, quarterly update to 30 September 2013

This statistical release brings together information on terrorism arrests and outcomes, court proceedings, prison populations, stops and searches and port examinations.

Terrorism arrests and outcomes:

- There were 257 terrorism arrests in the 12 months to September 2013, up from 244 in the previous 12 months. In total, there have been 2,547 terrorism arrests since 11 September 2001.
- 121 (47%) of terrorism arrests in the 12 months to September 2013 resulted in a charge. Of these, 48 (40%) were considered terrorism-related.
- Of the 28 persons arrested and prosecuted for terrorism-related offences in the 12 months to September 2013, 25 persons were convicted. A further 19 persons were awaiting trial. Since 11 September 2001, 385 persons have been convicted of a terrorism-related offence.
- Data provided by the Crown Prosecution Service show that 39 of the 42 trials completed in the year ending 30 September 2013 for terrorism-related offences resulted in convictions.
- There were 120 prisoners (convicted or remanded) at 30 September 2013 classified as terrorists/extremists. This total comprised 94 terrorism-related prisoners and 26 domestic extremists.

Stops and searches and port examinations:

- In the 12 months to September 2013, no stops and searches were made under s47A of the Terrorism Act 2000.
- 457 stops and searches were carried out by the Metropolitan Police Service under s43 of the Act, a 37 per cent decrease on the previous 12 months.
- A total of 49,748 persons were stopped at ports in Great Britain under Schedule 7 of the Terrorism Act 2000 in the year ending 30 September 2013, a fall of 19% on the previous year. In total, 623 persons were detained after a Schedule 7 examination in the year ending 30 September 2013.

Notes to editors

Arrests and outcomes data are as at 21 January 2014, the date of data provision to the Home Office.

A third quarter release covering arrests and outcomes up to 31 December 2013 is scheduled to be published in June 2014.

The report is available online through the UK Statistics Authority website as well as the GOV.UK website.

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