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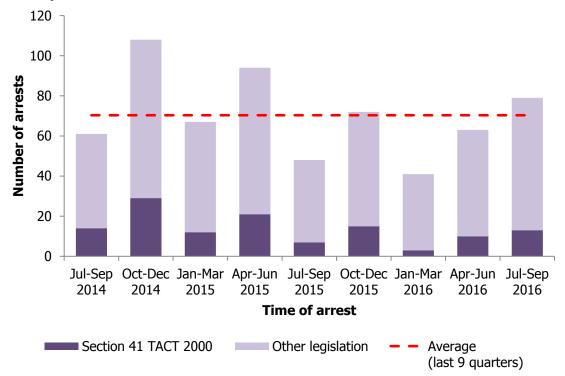
Operation of police powers under the Terrorism Act 2000 and subsequent legislation: Arrests, outcomes and stop and search, Great Britain, quarterly updated to September 2016

This statistical release brings together information on terrorism arrests and outcomes, prison populations, stop and search, and port examinations.

Terrorism arrests and outcomes

Arrests for terrorism-related offences fell by a fifth in the year ending September 2016 compared with the previous year (from 317 to 255 arrests). Although the number of arrests has fallen, it is still relatively high when compared to other recent years.

Quarterly arrests for terrorism-related offences, Great Britain



Source: National Counter Terrorism Policing Functions Command (see data table A.01).

Court proceedings

There were 67 trials completed by the Crown Prosecution Service Counter Terrorism Division (CPS CTD) in the year ending September 2016. Of these, 61 (91%) led to a conviction.

The number of persons receiving longer sentences increased compared with the previous year, with those receiving between 4 and 10 years increasing from 8 to 25, and the number of life sentences given increasing from 1 to 9.

Terrorist and extremist/separatist prisoners

As at 30 September 2016, there were 178 persons in custody for terrorism-related offences and domestic extremism/separatism, up from 170 in the previous year. This was driven by an increase in the number of terrorist related prisoners (from 137 to 169) which more than offset the fall in the number of domestic extremist/separatist prisoners (from 33 to 9).

Other police powers under the Terrorism Act 2000

In the year ending 30 September 2016:

- the Metropolitan Police Service carried out 571 stops and searches under section 43 of the Terrorism Act 2000; this was an increase of 20% compared with the previous year
- the number of arrests increased by 50% compared with the previous year, from 40 to 60. This led to an arrest rate of 11%, up from 8% in the previous year
- there were over 21,500 examinations carried out under Schedule 7 to the Terrorism Act 2000; a fall of 25% compared with the previous year

Notes to editors

Arrests and outcomes data are as at 19 October 2016, the date of data provision to the Home Office.

The next quarterly release is due to be published in March 2017.

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

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