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# **Statistical notice and consultation response**

First time entrants (FTE) into the  
Criminal Justice System: May  
2023

Published 18 May 2023

## Consultation response

### First time entrants into the Criminal Justice System data

1. The first time entrants statistics are published quarterly as part of the Criminal Justice Statistics collection, presenting key statistics on first time entrants.
2. In February 2023, users were consulted on our proposal to **publish the first time entrants statistics on an annual basis, rather than the current quarterly updates (Annex A)**.
3. We received no responses to the consultation.
4. As a result, we have concluded first time entrants statistics will only be published annually as part of the [First time entrants \(FTE\) into the Criminal Justice System and Offender Histories](#). This includes first time entrants data for the year ending December.
5. After 18 May 2023, the next publication of first time entrants data, alongside offending histories data, will be in May 2024.

## Contact details and further information

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# **Annex A**

## **Statistical notice and consultation**

First time entrants (FTE) into the  
Criminal Justice System:  
February 2023

Published 16 February 2023

# Consultation on First Time Entrants (FTE) into the Criminal Justice System

First time entrants into the Criminal Justice System data

6. The first time entrants statistics are published quarterly as part of the Criminal Justice Statistics collection, presenting key statistics on first time entrants.
  7. This note is to consult users on our intention to **publish the first time entrants statistics on an annual basis, rather than the current quarterly updates.**
  8. The data tables and data tool will be published on 18 May 2023 and annually, in May, from then on as part of the [First time entrants \(FTE\) into the Criminal Justice System and Offender Histories](#) publication. The May publication reports on the previous calendar year.
  9. The documents affected by these changes will be be:
    - The first time entrants data tables
    - The first time entrants data tool
- No other elements of Criminal Justice Statistics than those relating to first time entrants will be impacted.
10. This change is being made as the trends in this series do not change very much on a quarterly basis and there is limited user demand for this information on a quarterly basis.
  11. If you have any comments about this change or other views on the content of first time entrants statistics please email [Michael.Williams7@justice.gov.uk](mailto:Michael.Williams7@justice.gov.uk). Please put 'Consultation Response' in the title of any emails.
  12. **This consultation will run from 16 February 2023 until 16 March 2023.**

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