



Accommodation on Release statistical release to March 2023

Main Points

Accommodation at release has mostly remained around the same level

The proportion of persons released from custody who were housed at the point of release decreased by 2.4 percentage points to 86.3% between April 2022 and March 2023. This is a decrease of 2.7%.

Across a two-year period, from April 2021 to March 2023, the proportion of persons released from custody who were housed at the point of release rose by 1.5 percentage points. This is an increase of 1.8%.

Accommodation at 3 months following release has mostly remained around the same level

The proportion of persons released from custody who were housed at 3 months from their release decreased by 0.2 percentage points to 75.5% between April 2022 and March 2023. This is a decrease of 0.3%.

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This publication covers performance for the period between 1 April 2021 and 31 March 2023 for Accommodation following Release from Custody. This data is provisional Management Information and is subject to potential revision in future releases.

As well as this bulletin, the following products are published as part of this release:

- A set of supplementary tables, providing data for each measure by month.
- Appendices which provide technical guidance and further information on how the data are collected, processed and measures.

1. Introduction

This ad-hoc statistical release shows the number of prison leavers who are housed at two points: at the point of release (MI014: Housed on release of custody); and after a longer period of resettlement (MI015a: Settled accommodation at 3 months post release).

The data is published at a national level by month. As this is an Ad-hoc Statistical Release, while the data has been checked for quality, suitability and accuracy, they are subject to potential revisions in either definition or values in subsequent releases.

Previous publications covering Accommodation on Release from Custody can be found here:
[Prison and Probation Performance Statistics - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/prison-and-probation-performance-statistics)

Related statistics on Reoffending are published by the Ministry of Justice (MOJ) here:
<http://www.gov.uk/government/collections/reoffending-statistics>

2. Data Reporting

All figures in this publication are supported by sufficient volumes of underlying data (for statistical purposes this will be at least 30 observations). Data is displayed by month, covering England and Wales.

More detailed breakdowns will be made available in subsequent publications.

The next publication on this topic will be 27 July 2023.

3. Accommodation following Release from Custody

The proportion of individuals released from custody, who have a known accommodation status, who were housed at release (MI014) or at 3 months post release (MI015a) has remained around the same level across the measurement period.

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Table 1: Accommodation following Release from Custody, by month, April 2021 to March 2023. England and Wales

	MI014 Housed on release from custody	MI015a Settled accommodation at 3 months post release
Apr 2021	84.8%	74.5%
May 2021	84.2%	74.9%
Jun 2021	85.6%	73.8%
Jul 2021	84.9%	73.7%
Aug 2021	84.9%	76.0%
Sep 2021	86.1%	75.5%
Oct 2021	87.2%	75.3%
Nov 2021	87.4%	76.6%
Dec 2021	88.9%	75.2%
Jan 2022	89.2%	76.9%
Feb 2022	88.7%	77.0%
Mar 2022	88.8%	74.9%
Apr 2022	88.7%	75.7%
May 2022	87.8%	75.6%
Jun 2022	88.8%	76.7%
Jul 2022	86.5%	77.2%
Aug 2022	84.7%	75.2%
Sep 2022	85.1%	75.4%
Oct 2022	85.4%	74.9%
Nov 2022	85.8%	75.7%
Dec 2022	85.7%	75.4%
Jan 2023	85.1%	75.0%
Feb 2023	86.1%	75.4%
Mar 2023	86.3%	75.5%

4. Further Information

4.1. Explanatory notes

Data in this report are drawn from administrative IT systems; largely National Delius (nDelius), the current probation case management system.

Although care is taken when processing and analysing the returns, the information 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.

Reported percentage point changes and performance figures are calculated on unrounded figures but rounded to the nearest whole percentage for presentation in this document. Performance figures accurate to one decimal place can be found in the accompanying tables, published alongside this document.

4.2. Symbols and conventions

The following symbols have been used throughout the tables in this bulletin:

...	not available
0	nil or less than half the final digit shown
-	not applicable
(p)	Provisional data
(r)	Revised data
#	Suppressed to avoid disclosure

5. Statistical Code of Practice

This publication has followed the principles and practices from the Code of Practice:

5.1. Trustworthiness

The data in this publication have been produced with the most recent data available. Probation Providers and Prison Officials have had the opportunity to scrutinise the data, and a rolling programme of auditing the data source ensures that inaccurate data is identified and removed from publication. In some cases, where the information cannot be assured as accurate, data are presented as no better source of information is available. Such information is always clearly labelled.

5.2. Quality

Appropriate data sources were used for each measure, identified through engagement with probation staff and colleagues in Her Majesty's Prison and Probation Service (HMPPS) HQ. Technical notes or contractual definitions accompany each performance measure are provided in the Appendices. The performance frameworks are subject to regular review to ensure that they are fit for purpose, metrics are identified with a revision note where changes have been made. This release is published for transparency and represents the Ministry of Justice's view concerning performance in the probation system.

The publication presents a comprehensive view of performance in a system where the Probation Service (and previous offender management organisations, such as Community Rehabilitation Companies) may be required to undertake activity to support the management of an offender or deliver specific services. These figures are representative of performance, and quality assured in line with the corporate requirements of HMPPS. Figures have been drawn from administrative IT systems and, as with any large-scale recording system, are subject to possible errors with data entry and processing. Probation providers are responsible for ensuring the accuracy of their own data. These data are Management Information and is subject to potential revision in future releases.

5.3. Value

This data in the publication provides an overview of probation performance against the targets HMPPS uses to determine whether service delivery is taking place as intended. Making this information accessible provides ministers and users with an overview of HMPPS performance and allows MOJ/HMPPS to monitor and performance manage probation providers.

Data can be published in Open Document format to ensure compatibility across different systems. Information is also available on the Justice Data website that enables users to access all data used to assess probation performance.

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