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Preface

This publication has been prepared by the Sentencing Statistics and NOMS Projections section of RDS NOMS (Research Development and Statistics – National Offender Management Service). It contains key statistics describing the sentencing of offenders in England and Wales. It is available as an online publication via the Ministry of Justice website at: <http://www.justice.gov.uk/publications/statistics.htm>. Detailed statistics related to this publication appear in the supplementary volumes of Criminal Statistics England and Wales also available at the Ministry of Justice site. A summary description of what is included in these volumes appears in Appendix 6.

Data sources and quality

This data has been extracted and supplied to the Ministry of Justice by the courts and police forces from a variety of administrative data systems. Every effort is made to ensure that the figures presented in this publication are accurate and complete. Although care is taken in collating and analysing the returns used to compile these figures, the data are of necessity subject to the inaccuracies inherent in any large-scale recording system. Consequently, although figures are shown to the last digit in order to provide a comprehensive record of the information collected, they are not necessarily accurate to the last digit shown.

Significant changes in this edition

Breaches: The publication of breach statistics has been withdrawn from this edition. Data quality checks have shown large variations in the provision of breach data from the police forces and the courts, rendering the data unsuitable for publication. Statistics on breaches will not be published until significant improvements have been made to the submissions of this data to the Ministry of Justice.

Criminal histories: The Ministry of Justice is currently conducting a review of the data and methods used to compile figures on the criminal histories of offenders who have been sentenced. Chapter 6 is therefore not currently available. It is hoped that this chapter will be published on the Ministry's website early in 2008, with figures for 2006 and revised figures for earlier years.

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Crime statistics are available at: <http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/rds/crime1.html>

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Key points

National sentencing trends (Chapter 1)

- The total number of offenders sentenced in 2006 was 1,420,600. This is a reduction of four per cent from 2005 and a decrease of one per cent compared with 1996. There was a reduction of one per cent to 302,500 in the numbers sentenced for *indictable* (including triable-either-way) offences. Theft and handling stolen goods and indictable motoring offences recorded the lowest numbers sentenced in a decade.
- The Criminal Justice Act 2003 made major changes to the sentencing framework to make it clearer and more flexible. Some changes to sentencing patterns of note in 2006 included:
 - a) The various kinds of community sentences for adults were replaced by a single 'Community Order' with a range of possible requirements.
 - b) Increasing numbers of serious violent and sexual offenders were given new sentences (Indeterminate or Extended Public Protection sentences), which ensure that they are kept in prison or under supervision for longer periods than previously.
 - c) An increase in Suspended Sentence Orders were seen.

Custodial sentences (Chapter 2)

- The total number of offenders sentenced to immediate custody increased by 13 per cent from 85,200 in 1996 to 96,000 in 2006. Between 2005 and 2006 custodial sentences at magistrates' courts decreased by 3,800 (7%) to 53,400 and at the Crown Court they decreased by 1,400 (3%) to 42,600.
- For *indictable* offences at all courts, the number of offenders sentenced to immediate custody decreased by four per cent from 76,300 in 2005 to 73,500 in 2006. Twenty four per cent of offenders sentenced for *indictable* offences in 2006, attracted a custodial sentence. Custody rates decreased in both the Crown Court and magistrates' courts in 2006. In the Crown Court, the custody rate for indictable offences dropped from 60 per cent in 2005 to 57 per cent in 2006; in magistrates' courts, there was a very small decrease and the overall figure stayed around 14 per cent.
- The average custodial sentence lengths for indictable offences at the Crown Court¹ increased from 22.4 months in 1996 to 25.2 months in 2006. However, this was a decrease from 25.9 months in 2005. In magistrates' courts during this period, they remained at between 2.7 months and 3.0 months.
- The suspended sentence order (SSO) was introduced by the Criminal Justice Act 2003 for offences committed from April 2005 and replaced the fully suspended sentence (FSS). The number of offenders who received suspended sentences at all courts in

¹ Offenders receiving an indeterminate sentence of imprisonment for public protection for a serious offence would previously have received a lengthy determinate sentence that would have been included in the calculation of average custodial sentence length. These longer sentences are now effectively excluded from the calculation. This may account for the observed decrease in average custodial sentence lengths since 2004/2005.

2006 increased more than three fold (245%) since 2005, from 9,700 to 33,500. A higher proportion of offenders were sentenced to suspended sentences at the Crown Court.

Community sentences (Chapter 3)

- The total number of community sentences has seen a steady increase between 1996 and 2006 with the number increasing by 44 per cent from 132,600 to 190,800 during this period. Between 2005 and 2006, the rate of community sentences at the Crown Court fell from 30 per cent to 23 per cent; however, the rate at magistrates' courts remained stable at 13 per cent.
- The number of offenders given community sentences for *indictable* offences fell between 2005 and 2006 from 111,700 to 103,000. This represented 34 per cent of the total number of offenders sentenced for *indictable* offences in 2006, compared with 37 per cent in 2005.
- All the old types of community sentence applicable to adults declined in number *indictable* offences in 2005 with the introduction of the community order from April 2005. The community order in 2006 accounts for 92 per cent of the community sentences given to adults.

Fines and other disposals (Chapter 4)

- The number of offenders fined for *all* offences dropped from 1,073,000 in 1996 to 961,500 in 2006, a decrease of ten per cent.
- Both the magistrates' courts and the Crown Court recorded the lowest figure for the number of offenders fined for *indictable* offences during the last decade at 50,100 and 1,600 respectively in 2006. The proportion of offenders fined for indictable offences declined at magistrates' courts from 36 per cent to 22 per cent and at the Crown Court from four per cent to two per cent between 1996 and 2006.
- Over the last decade, summary motoring offences have produced the highest volume of fines in magistrates' courts. The number of fines in this category has decreased by six per cent, from 590,500 in 2005 to 553,200 in 2006.

Regional trends (Chapter 5)

- The numbers sentenced for *all* offences at all courts decreased across most criminal justice areas. Merseyside had the highest custody rate of nine per cent while Lincolnshire had the lowest custody rate of three per cent. The largest drop in average custodial sentence length for *all* offences over the last ten years was for West Mercia from 14.7 months in 1996 to 10.7 months in 2006. The greatest increase was for Warwickshire, which increased from 13.0 to 15.7 months.

1. National sentencing trends and key criminal justice system statistics, 1996–2006

Key points

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Introduction

1.1 This chapter highlights some of the key national statistics for 2006. It includes statistics published elsewhere (see references) and gives selected long-term trends.

Changes in crime in England and Wales

- 1.2 The crime statistics presented in this chapter relate to the financial year 2006/07. The British Crime Survey¹ (BCS) shows that crime is stabilising after falling for long periods. Based on BCS interviews in 2006/07, it is estimated that there were approximately 11.3 million crimes against adults living in private households.
- 1.3 Since peaking in 2003/04, BCS crime has fallen by 42 per cent, representing 8.0 million fewer crimes, with domestic burglary and all vehicle thefts falling by over a half (59% and 61%, respectively) and violent crime falling by 41 per cent during this period. On the recorded crime side, both domestic burglary and theft of and from vehicles have continued to fall over the same period.
- 1.4 Crimes recorded by the police in 2006/07 decreased by two per cent to 5.4 million. This is the third consecutive fall in police recorded crime.
- 1.5 The rate of victims' reporting of crimes to the police has remained broadly stable since 1997, whereas the rate of recording of crimes by the police has been increasing, especially in the last three years, largely as a result of the nationwide introduction of the National Crime Recording Standard (NCRS).
- 1.6 For the crime types it covers, the BCS better reflects the true extent of crime because it includes crimes that are not reported to the police. The BCS count also gives a better indication of trends in crime over time because it is unaffected by

¹ Crime in England and Wales 2006/07; Sian Nicholas, Alison Walker, Chris Kershaw; Home Office Statistical Bulletin; July 2007.

changes in levels of reporting to the police, and in police recording practices. However, only crimes recorded by the police are likely to result in criminal court proceedings.

- 1.7 Police statistics provide a good measure of trends in well-reported crimes. They are an important indicator of police workload, and can be used to analyse local crime patterns. Note that the trends in recorded crime have been affected by changes to the counting rules in April 1998 and in the way the police record crimes following the introduction nationally of the NCRS in April 2002.

Public perception (from the BCS)

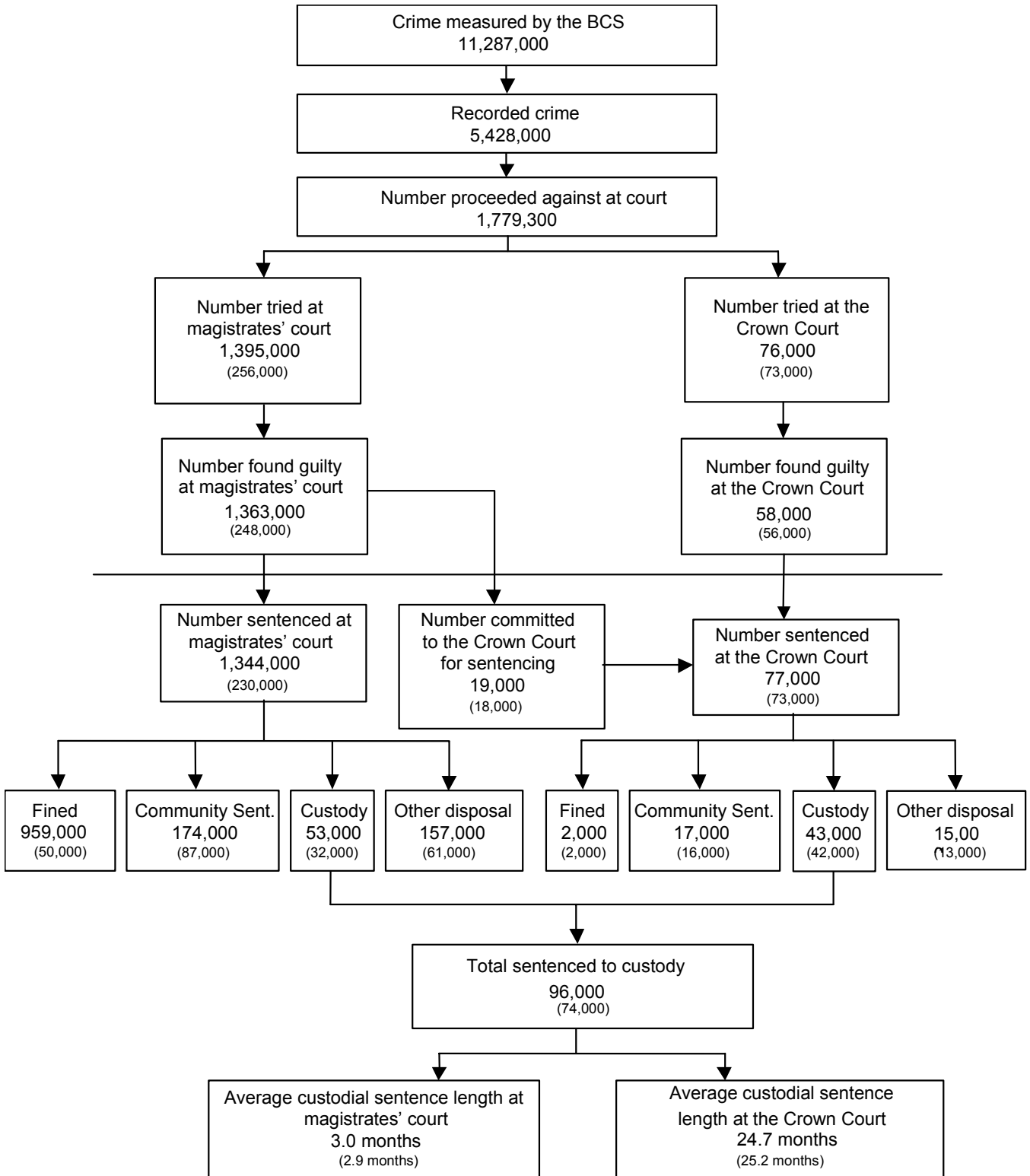
- 1.8 Despite the number of crimes estimated by the BCS falling in recent years, comparatively high numbers of people still believe the crime rate has risen. People have more positive perceptions of crime in their own area than nationally; 65 per cent of people thought that crime in the country as a whole had increased compared with 41 per cent who thought crime in their local area had increased.

Changes in numbers dealt with by the Criminal Justice System

- 1.9 Changes in the numbers of people processed through the criminal justice system can be influenced by factors unrelated to the underlying levels of crimes and the numbers of crimes detected. The flows through the criminal justice system are illustrated in Figure 1.1. A more detailed description of the procedures is given in Appendix 1.
- 1.10 The number of people cautioned rose in 2006 to 350,000. This continues the pattern of increases since 2003, after reductions in 2001 and 2002. The increase from 2005 to 2006 was 17 per cent (Table 1.1), the same as the percentage increase from 2004 to 2005. Cautions are discussed more fully in Criminal statistics England and Wales 2006². The introduction of Penalty Notices for Disorder (PNDs) in 2004 may have affected the numbers of people who would otherwise have been cautioned or proceeded against in court.
- 1.11 The total number of offenders sentenced in 2006, 1,420,600, was a reduction of four per cent over 2005 and a decrease of one per cent compared with 1996. The reductions between 2005 and 2006 were in both summary and triable-either-way indictable offences, especially summary motoring offences which decreased by seven per cent or 44,600 (Table 1.1). Most offence groups showed reductions consistent with the reduction for the total. However, there were small increases in most indictable offences, although theft and handling stolen goods and indictable motoring offences both recorded the lowest numbers sentenced in a decade.
- 1.12 The number sentenced for indictable offences (including triable-either-way offences) was 302,500, down 4,100 or one per cent from 2005. This continues the downward trend seen since 2002. The proportion of all offenders sentenced for indictable offences has risen to two per cent. The numbers committed for trial and for sentence to the Crown Court from the magistrates' courts both decreased (2% or 1,400 and 3% or 500, respectively), and the number sentenced at the Crown Court increased by one per cent or 800 (Table 1.1).

² Penalty notices for disorder statistics England and Wales 2006; Ministry of Justice; 2007.

Figure 1.1: Flows through the criminal justice system, 2006



Numbers in brackets indicate figures for indictable offences³. Note that the average custodial sentence length (ACSL) for indictable offences at magistrates' courts is lower than that for all offences. The difference is small and historically these two average sentence lengths have been very close. Also, the ACSL excludes persons sentenced to life or indeterminate sentences.

Suspended Sentence Orders are included in the 'Other disposal' category.

³ In this publication, 'indictable offences' include 'triable-only-on-indictment' and 'triable-either-way' offences. For definitions see Appendix 1.

Overview of sentencing disposals

Immediate custodial sentences (all courts)

- 1.13 The annual figure for the total number of offenders receiving immediate custodial sentences decreased from 101,200 in 2005 to 96,000 in 2006. This is a five per cent reduction and continues the year-by-year reductions seen since 2002. The number of community sentences decreased by seven per cent, and the number of fines reduced by six per cent; other disposals also reduced by 3 per cent (Table 1.2).
- 1.14 The overall Average Custodial Sentence Length⁴ (ACSL) decreased by two per cent in 2006 to 12.4 months (shown in Table 1.2). However, for individual offence groups, the changes in ACSLs were not consistent. There were increases in ACSL for:
- Fraud and forgery⁵; and
 - indictable motoring offences⁵.
- 1.15 There were decreases in ACSL for:
- violence against the person⁵;
 - sexual offences⁵;
 - burglary⁵;
 - robbery⁵;
 - criminal damage⁵;
 - drug offences⁵; and
 - other indictable (excl. motoring offences)⁵
- 1.16 Other ACSLs were essentially unchanged (less than $\pm 1\%$ change).
- 1.17 The ACSLs for 1996, 2001 and 2006 are shown in Figure 1.2 (for the Crown Court). For most offence groups, 2006 has the highest ACSL. However, it can be misleading to infer a long-term trend from only three data points. More detail about custodial sentences is available in Chapter 2.

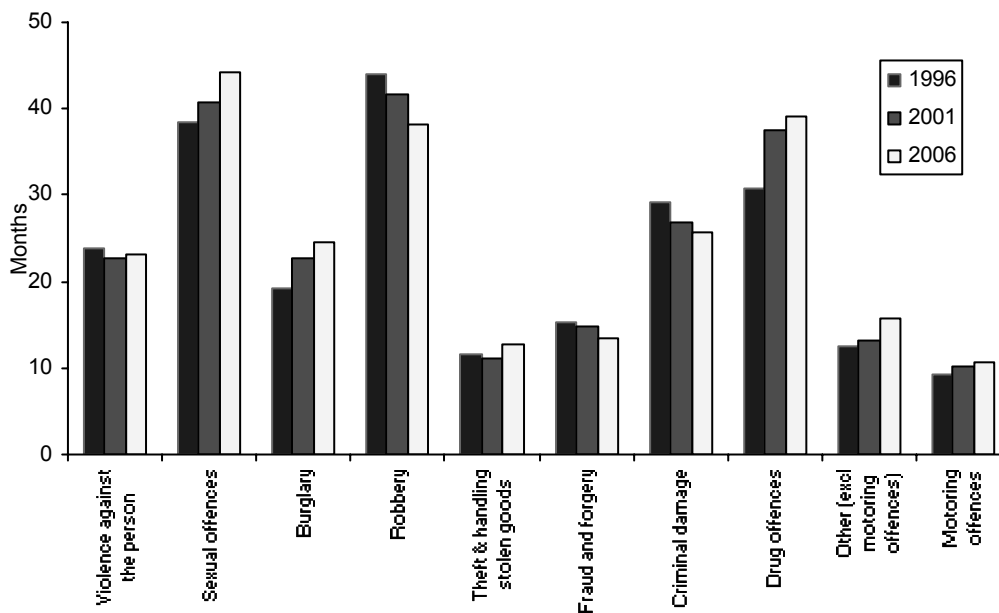
Non-custodial sentences (all courts)

- 1.18 The total number of community sentences imposed (all courts, all offences) decreased by seven per cent. This is a reverse from the trend in 2005, and a possible impact of Suspended Sentence Orders (see paragraph 1.21). The total number of fines has varied considerably over the past ten years. In 2006, there was a six per cent decrease in the number of fines at all courts.
- 1.19 More information about non-custodial sentences can be found in Chapter 3 (community sentences) and Chapter 4 (fines and other sentences).

⁴ The average custodial sentence length is calculated for all determinate custodial sentences. Indeterminate sentences, such as life sentences and the growing number of imprisonment for public protection sentences (introduced in April 2005 under the Criminal Justice Act 2003) cannot be included, as the length of the sentence is not known. Offenders receiving an indeterminate sentence for public protection for a serious offence would previously have received a lengthy determinate sentence that would have been included in the calculation of average custodial sentence length. These longer sentences are now excluded from the calculation. This may result in a reduction in average custodial sentence lengths.

⁵ Indictable offence only

Figure 1.2: Average custodial sentence lengths for offences at the Crown Court for those aged 18 and over sentenced for indictable offences by offence group, 1996, 2001 and 2006



Sentences split by court, sex and age

1.20 The total number of offenders sentenced at magistrates' courts in 2006 was 1,344,000 (Table 1.3) while for the Crown Court it was 76,600 (Table 1.4). These are a reduction of four per cent and an increase of one per cent respectively on 2005. The total number of male offenders sentenced at all courts was 1,135,200 (a decrease of 5% on 2005), which was 80 per cent of all persons sentenced. The total number of female offenders sentenced was 277,700 (a decrease of 2% on 2005), which was 20 per cent of all persons sentenced. The total number of juveniles (aged 10–17) sentenced was 93,800 (7% of all persons sentenced) while for young adults (aged 18–20) and adults (aged 21 and over) the numbers were 142,700 (a decrease of 2% on 2005, or 10% of all persons sentenced) and 1,176,400 (a decrease of 4% on 2005, or 83% of all persons sentenced) respectively. There were 7,600 (1% of the total) sentences passed on companies, organisations, etc.

Sentences for indictable offences

1.21 For indictable offences (including triable-either-way offences), immediate custodial sentences reduced by four per cent, from 76,300 in 2005 to 73,500 in 2006 at all courts. The proportion of offenders given immediate custody fell slightly to 24 per cent in 2006 (this has hardly changed since 2000). Community sentences for indictable offences were 111,700 in 2005 and 103,000 in 2006, the proportion of offenders given community sentences decreased from 36 per cent to 34 per cent. Fines for indictable offences continued the decrease seen from 2003 going from 58,400 in 2005 to 51,600 in 2006, and the proportion of offenders given fines reduced from 19 per cent to 17 per cent. Suspended sentences increased 270 per cent, from 5,600 in 2005 to 20,800 in 2006. Other disposals for indictable offences fell from their 2005 levels (54,500 in 2005 to 53,600 in 2006). The proportion of each type of disposal for indictable offences is shown in Figure 1.3 (for magistrates' courts) and Figure 1.4 (for the Crown Court).

Figure 1.3: Disposals at the magistrates' courts (indictable offences), 1996–2006

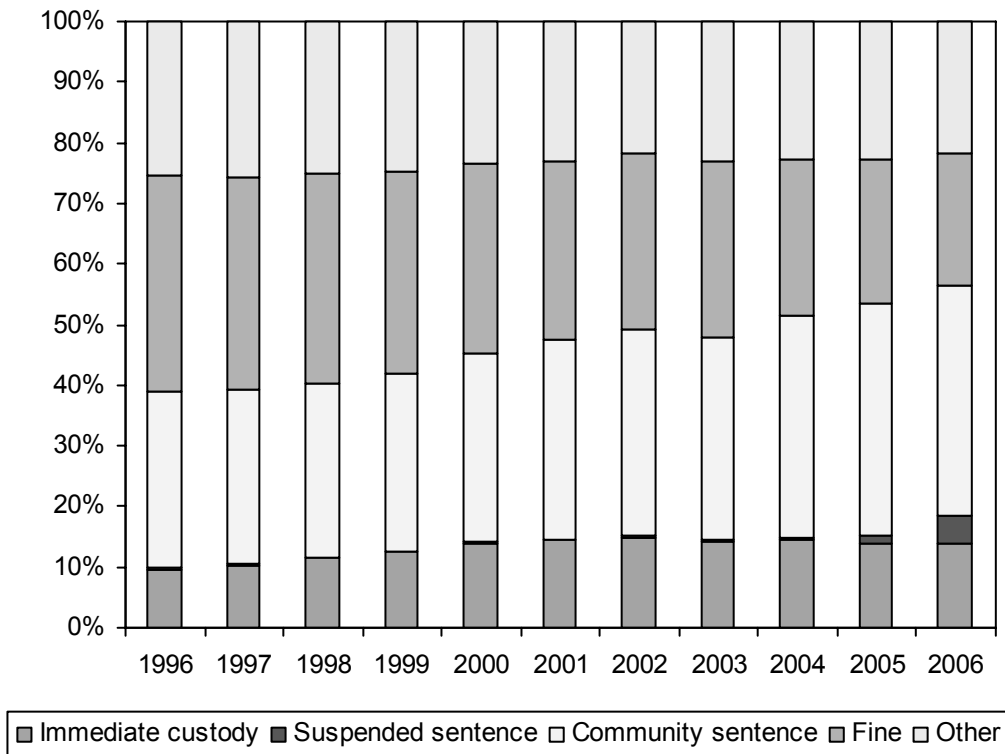
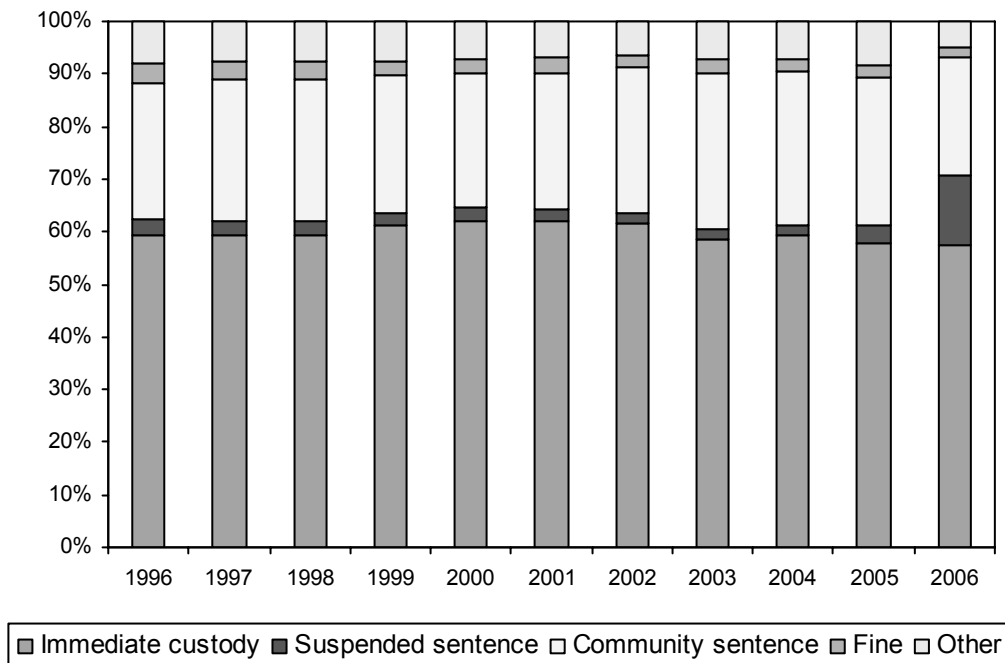


Figure 1.4: Disposals at Crown Courts (indictable offences), 1996–2006



New penalties and sentences

1.22 The Criminal Justice Act 2003 made the sentencing framework clearer and more flexible than before by introducing changes to the sentences available to the courts for offences committed on or after 4th April 2005:

- a) The various kinds of community sentences for adults were replaced by a single Community Order with a range of possible requirements.
- b) New sentences of Indeterminate or Extended Public Protection were made available for serious violent and sexual offenders, to ensure that they are kept in prison or under supervision for longer periods than previously.
- c) Custodial sentences of 12 months and over are served in full, with half in custody, half in the community and with supervision extended to the end of the sentence rather than the 3/4 point as previously.
- d) A reformed suspended sentence (Suspended Sentence Order) in which offenders have to complete a range of requirements imposed by the court was introduced.

1.23 More information may be found in Appendix 2.

The impact of sentencing on prison and probation services

1.24 Between 2005 and 2006, the total numbers proceeded against decreased by six per cent; those proceeded against for indictable offences decreased by four per cent, for summary non-motoring offences decreased by four per cent and for summary motoring offences decreased by nine per cent. The total number sentenced at all courts also decreased by four per cent.

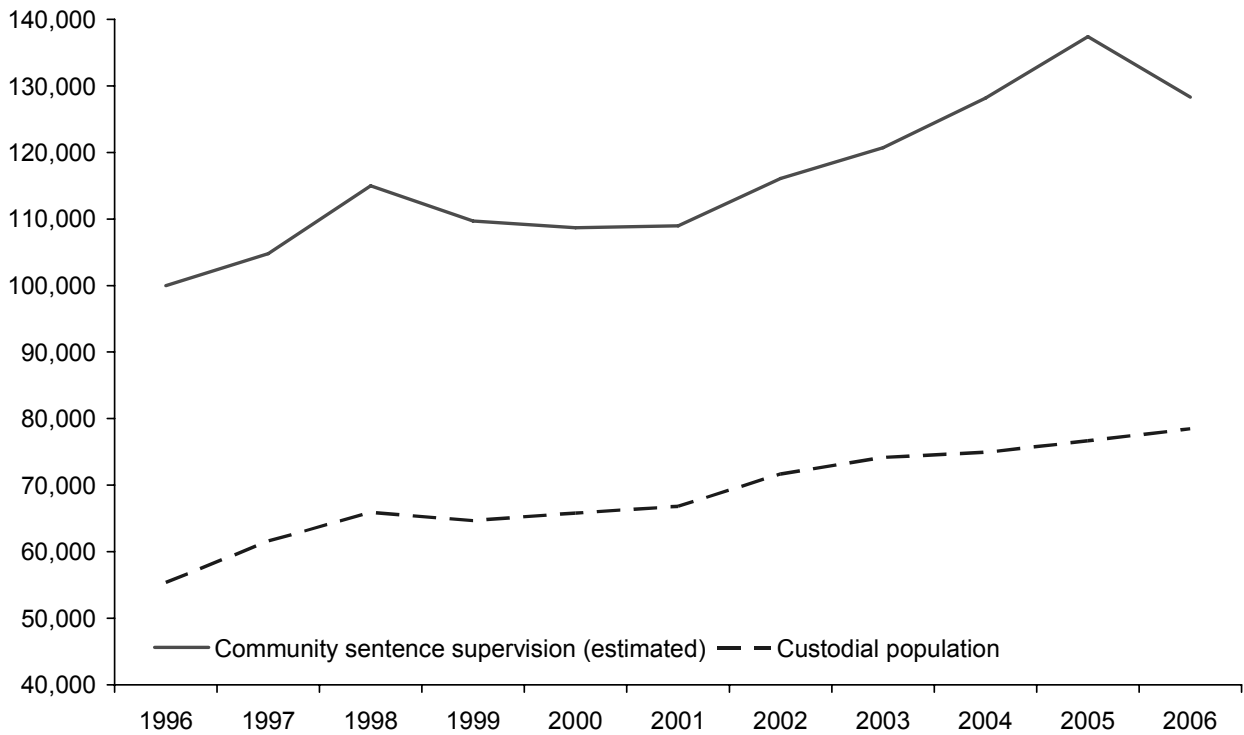
1.25 This indicates that there has been a general decrease in the numbers proceeded against and the number found guilty and sentenced in 2006 compared with 2005. There has been an increase in the use of custody and community sentences for summary non-motoring offences, which more than offset by a decrease for these types of disposal for summary motoring offences.

1.26 Figures 1.2, 1.3 and 1.4 illustrate the tendency for an increased use of custody over time. The number sentenced to custody at magistrates' courts for indictable offences dropped from 33,200 in 2005 to 31,900 in 2006 (Table 1.3). However, this has been caused by a drop in the number sentenced for indictable offences: the custody rate remained unchanged at 14 percent in 2006. The numbers sentenced to custody for summary offences (motoring and non-motoring) have decreased, but custody rates are unchanged. This (and other effects such as changes in sentence lengths) is reflected in a long-term increasing trend in the custodial population. Apart from the period 1999 to 2001, when the population was stable, there has been a sustained increasing trend. (See Figure 1.5.)

1.27 The number of offenders being supervised by the Probation Service under a court order increased by six per cent between 2005 and 2006, to reach 146,530 in December 2006. This represents an increase of 33 per cent from 1996. The number of offenders under pre or post-release supervision also increased between 1996 and 2006. Some 90,740 people were under such supervision in December 2006, representing an increase of 44 per cent on 1996. The increase from 2005 to 2006 was one per cent. Further information is available from Offender Management Caseload Statistics 2006⁶.

⁶ Offender Management Caseload Statistics England and Wales 2006; Ministry of Justice; December 2007.

Figure 1.5: Approximate community sentence workload⁷ and custodial population, 1996–2006



References:

Crime in England and Wales 2006/07; Sian Nicholas, Alison Walker, Chris Kershaw; Home Office Statistical Bulletin; July 2007.

Criminal statistics England and Wales 2006; RDS Office for Criminal Justice Reform; Ministry of Justice; November 2007.

Criminal Statistics England and Wales 2006; Ministry of Justice; November 2007.

The Intermittent Custody Pilot: A Descriptive Study; Clarissa Penfold, Gillian Hunter and Mike Hough; Home Office Online Report 23/06; 2006.

Offender Management Caseload Statistics England and Wales 2006; Ministry of Justice; December 2007.

⁷ This is a measure of the workload of the Probation Service, i.e. those being supervised by the Probation Service because of a court order. Not all of this results from community sentences. For example, this will include Suspended Sentence Orders (which are technically not community sentences), and exclude curfew-only Community Orders (which are community sentences, but not supervised by the Probation Service).

Table 1.1 Recorded crime and defendants proceeded against, cautioned and sentenced by type of offence, 1996-2006

England and Wales	1996	1997	1998/99 ⁽²⁾	1999/00	2000/01	2001/02	2002/03 ⁽³⁾	2003/04 ⁽³⁾	2004/05 ⁽³⁾	2005/06 ⁽³⁾	2006/07
Total recorded crime ⁽¹⁾⁽⁴⁾	5,036,552	4,598,357	5,109,089	5,301,187	5,170,843	5,525,024	5,974,960	6,013,759	5,637,511	5,555,174	5,428,273
	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Penalty notices for disorder (PND) ⁽⁴⁾	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	63,639	146,481	201,197
Total proceeded against	1,919,494	1,855,333	1,951,915	1,881,765	1,904,677	1,837,733	1,924,828	2,000,822	2,022,604	1,895,002	1,779,307
Total found guilty or cautioned ⁽⁴⁾	1,724,225	1,667,915	1,757,628	1,674,593	1,662,689	1,579,533	1,646,643	1,733,016	1,816,676	1,783,369	1,771,378
Total cautioned ⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾	286,198	282,093	287,894	266,132	238,987	229,860	225,358	241,806	255,768	298,945	349,977
Total sentenced	1,437,754	1,384,678	1,468,949	1,407,998	1,424,349	1,348,494	1,419,607	1,489,827	1,547,353	1,482,453	1,420,571
Indictable only offences	13,399	13,307	13,477	13,219	13,160	14,574	15,845	15,478	16,273	16,053	17,953
Percentage sentenced for indictable only offences	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.3
Triable either way (TEW) offences	286,927	305,542	327,625	328,445	313,050	308,629	320,899	318,452	300,664	290,545	284,584
Percentage sentenced for TEW offences	20.0	22.1	22.3	23.3	22.0	22.9	22.6	21.4	19.4	19.6	20.0
Summary non-motoring offences	488,372	416,515	462,669	433,475	490,603	441,946	487,027	493,286	522,498	508,729	495,520
Percentage sentenced for summary non-motoring offences	34.0	30.1	31.5	30.8	34.4	32.8	34.3	33.1	33.8	34.3	34.9
Summary motoring offences	649,056	649,314	665,178	632,859	607,536	583,345	595,836	662,611	707,918	667,126	622,514
Percentage sentenced for summary motoring offences	45.1	46.9	45.3	44.9	42.7	43.3	42.0	44.5	45.8	45.0	43.8
Total sentenced at magistrates' courts	1,364,089	1,305,176	1,388,589	1,330,828	1,350,008	1,276,426	1,343,416	1,413,764	1,471,099	1,406,712	1,343,985
Total committed for trial to the Crown Court	81,270	87,679	73,378 ⁽⁶⁾	72,290	70,240	79,169	82,825	81,595	78,409	80,874	79,468
Total committed for sentence to the Crown Court	4,863	7,303	19,192 ⁽⁶⁾	20,417	17,296	16,882	18,220	17,756	16,937	19,424	18,935
Total sentenced at the Crown Court	73,665	79,502	80,360	77,170	74,341	72,068	76,191	76,063	76,254	75,741	76,586

¹ Recorded crime relates to offences and court proceedings etc relate to defendants. Because of this, the two sets of data are not directly comparable.

² The number of crimes recorded in the financial year using the expanded coverage and revised counting rules which came into effect on 1 April 1998.

³ Numbers of recorded crimes will be affected by changes in reporting and recording. The national impact of recording changes in 2002/03 was estimated to be ten per cent for total recorded crime. The impact will vary for different types of offences. British Transport Police figures have been included from 2002/03.

⁴ All or part of the data in these rows come from sources of data other than the court proceedings database.

⁵ Includes reprimands and final warnings given to 10 to 17-year-olds who are too young to receive cautions, but not warnings given for possession of cannabis.

⁶ The Crime (Sentences) Act 1997, implemented on 1 October 1997, extended the circumstances in which a magistrates' court may commit a person convicted of an offence triable-either-way to the Crown Court for sentence. For further details see Appendix 1, paragraph 1.9.

Table 1.2 Offenders sentenced by offence group and outcome, all courts, 1996-2006

England and Wales		Number of offenders										
Offence group	Outcome	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Violence against the person	Total number sentenced	30,093	34,537	37,119	35,983	35,533	35,436	37,773	38,031	39,257	40,754	41,905
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	9,270	10,231	11,077	11,038	11,414	11,389	11,792	11,468	12,274	12,842	12,354
	Suspended sentence	514	595	611	524	516	459	504	473	505	1,335	5,569
	Community sentences	10,581	12,310	13,800	13,736	14,093	14,553	16,471	16,997	17,974	19,029	17,232
	Fines	3,978	4,683	4,866	4,450	3,990	3,915	4,001	3,944	3,487	2,811	2,273
	Other disposals	5,750	6,718	6,765	6,235	5,520	5,120	5,005	5,149	5,017	4,737	4,477
	Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	18.9	17.4	16.1	15.7	15.8	16.7	17.6	18.8	18.8	17.8	16.8
Sexual offences	Total number sentenced	4,407	4,468	4,590	4,310	3,941	4,037	4,373	4,333	4,823	4,747	4,932
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	2,490	2,514	2,687	2,615	2,431	2,400	2,562	2,505	2,841	2,701	2,808
	Suspended sentence	100	106	111	90	82	76	58	78	64	119	296
	Community sentences	1,116	1,140	1,176	1,160	1,060	1,047	1,207	1,169	1,404	1,444	1,347
	Fines	370	366	291	178	114	204	264	262	194	183	166
	Other disposals	331	342	325	267	254	310	282	319	320	300	315
	Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	37.1	37.9	38.7	37.5	38.7	37.7	39.6	40.0	39.9	41.5	41.0
Burglary	Total number sentenced	32,388	31,656	31,087	29,329	26,694	24,655	26,376	25,360	24,133	22,652	22,675
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	13,503	14,338	14,547	14,345	13,677	12,476	13,350	11,820	10,814	9,550	9,229
	Suspended sentence	175	136	163	150	130	100	106	121	94	408	1,752
	Community sentences	13,531	12,742	12,264	11,228	10,136	9,949	11,081	11,627	11,639	11,112	9,940
	Fines	1,843	1,486	1,285	1,101	818	616	609	545	468	423	415
	Other disposals	3,336	2,954	2,828	2,505	1,933	1,514	1,230	1,247	1,118	1,159	1,339
	Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	13.8	15.8	15.5	15.7	15.9	16.6	17.5	17.1	17.5	17.4	17.1
Robbery	Total number sentenced	5,909	5,597	5,562	5,652	5,944	6,846	7,731	7,339	7,513	7,139	8,169
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	4,199	4,008	3,962	4,085	4,341	4,775	5,881	5,150	5,063	4,407	4,802
	Suspended sentence	23	9	16	36	31	31	26	35	33	60	264
	Community sentences	1,412	1,307	1,356	1,306	1,392	1,833	1,715	2,024	2,299	2,539	2,957
	Fines	22	23	23	14	16	14	9	12	7	21	13
	Other disposals	253	250	205	211	164	193	100	118	111	112	133
	Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	38.1	39.1	35.3	35.7	36.1	35.4	38.9	39.3	38.4	35.0	32.3
Theft and handling stolen goods	Total number sentenced	114,370	118,214	125,247	130,648	127,580	126,410	126,717	118,594	110,241	103,318	98,646
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	16,639	19,396	21,818	24,427	25,983	26,205	27,945	25,517	22,759	20,472	19,631
	Suspended sentence	573	615	555	499	403	375	342	369	343	1,502	5,554
	Community sentences	35,288	36,640	38,592	39,995	41,488	44,572	47,095	43,447	42,362	40,866	36,947
	Fines	31,240	30,368	31,261	31,823	29,103	25,755	23,898	21,975	18,647	16,060	13,328
	Other disposals	30,630	31,195	33,021	33,904	30,603	29,503	27,437	27,286	26,130	24,418	23,186
	Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	6.0	5.9	5.1	4.5	4.2	4.2	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.3
Fraud and forgery	Total number sentenced	16,319	16,930	19,645	20,203	19,155	18,207	18,126	18,053	18,023	18,296	18,336
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	3,377	3,606	4,130	4,034	3,726	3,826	3,754	3,887	4,160	4,570	4,403
	Suspended sentence	395	437	413	426	453	403	330	313	376	620	1,687
	Community sentences	6,064	6,468	7,573	8,300	8,036	7,710	8,176	7,349	7,438	7,270	6,479
	Fines	3,095	3,040	3,457	3,512	3,223	2,930	2,686	2,952	2,728	2,532	2,313
	Other disposals	3,388	3,379	4,072	3,931	3,717	3,338	3,180	3,552	3,321	3,304	3,454
	Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	10.6	9.7	9.3	8.5	8.7	8.6	8.4	8.7	9.2	10.3	10.9
Criminal damage	Total number sentenced	9,754	10,425	10,722	10,728	10,159	10,526	10,826	11,112	11,582	11,502	12,518
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	1,075	1,098	1,176	1,252	1,222	1,202	1,178	1,201	1,266	1,282	1,333
	Suspended sentence	33	44	60	49	42	48	30	46	53	119	428
	Community sentences	3,287	3,478	3,877	3,888	4,028	4,277	4,844	4,999	5,599	5,675	6,049
	Fines	1,822	1,997	1,960	1,868	1,696	1,811	1,715	1,687	1,595	1,432	1,384
	Other disposals	3,537	3,808	3,649	3,671	3,171	3,188	3,059	3,179	3,069	2,994	3,324
	Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	18.0	19.8	15.5	15.5	14.9	15.9	16.4	16.5	16.7	15.1	12.9
Drug offences	Total number sentenced	34,044	40,438	48,783	48,946	44,955	45,680	49,015	51,215	39,147	38,899	39,478
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	6,694	7,749	8,458	8,731	8,141	8,499	8,284	8,140	7,981	7,783	7,532
	Suspended sentence	374	405	442	344	334	275	245	276	254	516	1,848
	Community sentences	6,106	7,194	8,622	8,635	8,064	8,267	8,803	9,582	9,078	9,693	9,127
	Fines	15,712	18,769	23,455	23,207	20,638	20,049	21,651	22,424	14,019	13,539	13,271
	Other disposals	5,158	6,321	7,806	8,029	7,778	8,590	10,032	10,793	7,815	7,368	7,700
	Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	28.1	28.9	27.0	28.7	30.1	32.5	34.5	35.2	37.3	35.8	33.8
Other (excl motoring offences)	Total number sentenced	43,107	47,076	49,331	47,564	44,552	43,531	47,354	50,993	53,981	52,565	49,750
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	6,699	7,268	7,903	7,608	8,102	7,583	8,177	8,721	10,461	10,681	9,713
	Suspended sentence	388	420	413	383	414	323	257	293	365	760	2,633
	Community sentences	6,608	7,362	7,957	7,781	7,870	8,017	9,070	9,751	11,242	11,871	11,156
	Fines	20,562	21,898	22,958	21,603	18,828	18,567	20,217	21,129	21,217	19,424	16,826
	Other disposals	8,850	10,128	10,100	10,189	9,338	9,041	9,633	11,099	10,696	9,829	9,422
	Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	9.6	9.1	8.5	8.5	8.5	9.2	9.9	9.9	8.6	9.2	9.0
Motoring offences	Total number sentenced	9,935	9,508	9,016	8,301	7,697	7,875	8,453	8,900	8,237	6,726	6,128
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	1,498	1,652	1,554	1,653	1,747	1,918	2,228	2,385	2,319	2,003	1,727
	Suspended sentence	47	56	50	46	48	49	65	51	56	171	768
	Community sentences	1,778	1,816	1,812	1,719	1,781	1,838	2,306	2,703	2,749	2,225	1,737
	Fines	5,973	5,405	5,036	4,365	3,684	3,605	3,420	3,320	2,733	2,008	1,639
	Other disposals	639	579	564	518	437	465	434	441	380	319	257
	Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	7.5	7.7	7.6	7.7	7.7	7.9	8.2	8.5	8.7	8.4	9.0
All indictable offences	Total number sentenced	300,326	318,849	341,102	341,664	326,210	323,203	336,744	333,930	316,937	306,598	302,537
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	65,444	71,860	77,312	79,788	80,784	80,273	85,151	80,794	79,938	76,291	73,532
	Suspended sentence	2,622	2,823	2,834	2,547	2,453	2,139	1,963	2,055	2,143	5,610	20,799
	Community sentences	85,771	90,457	97,029	97,748	97,948	102,063	110,768	109,648	111,784	111,724	102,971
	Fines	84,617	88,035	94,592	92,121	82,110	77,466	78,470	78,250	65,095	58,433	51,628
	Other disposals	61,872	65,674	69,335	69,460	62,915	61,262	60,392	63,183	57,977	54,540	53,607
	Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	15.8	15.7	14.5	14.2	14.0	14.7	15.5	15.7	16.1	15.8	15.3

For footnote see next page.

⁽¹⁾ The average custodial sentence length for 'other (excl motoring offences)' has been revised from 9.0 to 9.2

Table 1.2 Offenders sentenced by offence group and outcome, all courts, 1996-2006 (continued)

England and Wales		Number of offenders										
Offence group	Outcome	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Summary non-motoring offences	Total number sentenced	488,372	416,515	462,669	433,475	490,603	441,946	487,027	493,286	522,498	508,729	495,520
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	6,705	7,666	8,802	9,776	9,318	9,051	9,545	9,470	11,215	12,075	12,571
	Suspended sentence	224	196	200	236	248	259	216	264	320	1,515	6,041
	Community sentences	22,706	23,721	26,115	27,774	31,494	35,079	41,231	43,367	51,430	58,029	59,585
	Fines	402,697	327,312	367,901	335,041	390,551	341,296	379,448	378,689	394,954	375,891	356,512
	Other disposals	56,040	57,620	59,651	60,648	58,992	56,261	56,588	61,496	64,579	61,219	60,811
	Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.8
	Summary motoring offences	Total number sentenced	649,056	649,314	665,178	632,859	607,536	583,345	595,836	662,611	707,918	667,126
<i>Number given:</i>												
Immediate custody		13,100	14,315	14,452	15,759	16,085	16,949	16,911	17,406	15,169	12,870	9,914
Suspended sentence		533	472	414	378	371	357	340	398	392	2,541	6,669
Community sentences		24,160	25,812	26,244	26,111	26,096	27,855	34,521	38,666	39,732	34,494	28,281
Fines		585,710	583,325	598,250	565,258	540,686	511,359	514,819	576,678	622,642	590,740	553,395
Other disposals		25,553	25,390	25,818	25,353	24,298	26,825	29,245	29,463	29,983	26,481	24,255
Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾		3.3	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.4
All summary offences		Total number sentenced	1,137,428	1,065,829	1,127,847	1,066,334	1,098,139	1,025,291	1,082,863	1,155,897	1,230,416	1,175,855
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	19,805	21,981	23,254	25,535	25,403	26,000	26,456	26,876	26,384	24,945	22,485
	Suspended sentence	757	668	614	614	619	616	556	662	712	4,056	12,710
	Community sentences	46,866	49,533	52,359	53,885	57,590	62,934	75,752	82,033	91,162	92,523	87,866
	Fines	988,407	910,637	966,151	900,299	931,237	852,655	894,267	955,367	1,017,596	966,631	909,907
	Other disposals	81,593	83,010	85,469	86,001	83,290	83,086	85,832	90,959	94,562	87,700	85,066
	Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.0
	All offences	Total number sentenced	1,437,754	1,384,678	1,468,949	1,407,998	1,424,349	1,348,494	1,419,607	1,489,827	1,547,353	1,482,453
<i>Number given:</i>												
Immediate custody		85,249	93,841	100,566	105,323	106,187	106,273	111,607	107,670	106,322	101,236	96,017
Suspended sentence		3,379	3,491	3,448	3,161	3,072	2,755	2,519	2,717	2,855	9,666	33,509
Community sentences		132,637	139,990	149,388	151,633	155,538	164,997	186,520	191,681	202,946	204,247	190,837
Fines		1,073,024	998,672	1,060,743	992,420	1,013,347	930,121	972,737	1,033,617	1,082,691	1,025,064	961,535
Other disposals		143,465	148,684	154,804	155,461	146,205	144,348	146,224	154,142	152,539	142,240	138,673
Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾		12.8	12.7	11.8	11.5	11.4	11.8	12.6	12.6	12.9	12.6	12.4

⁽¹⁾ Excludes life and indeterminate sentences.

Table 1.3 Offenders sentenced by offence group and outcome, magistrates' courts, 1996-2006

England and Wales		Number of offenders										
Offence group	Outcome	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Violence against the person	Total number sentenced	18,276	21,453	23,718	22,873	22,259	21,944	23,311	23,199	24,015	24,782	25,173
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	2,151	2,696	3,401	3,447	3,575	3,426	3,561	3,469	3,709	3,940	3,775
	Suspended sentence	87	109	126	102	107	93	95	88	125	655	2,524
	Community sentences	7,354	8,418	9,721	9,760	10,084	10,470	11,855	12,044	13,131	14,107	13,411
	Fines	3,647	4,285	4,495	4,131	3,693	3,594	3,673	3,547	3,146	2,494	2,019
	Other disposals	5,037	5,945	5,975	5,433	4,800	4,361	4,127	4,051	3,904	3,586	3,444
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.3	3.1	3.1	3.2	3.6	3.9	3.8	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.0
Sexual offences	Total number sentenced	1,154	1,231	1,163	949	845	1,051	1,237	1,246	1,397	1,326	1,296
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	106	138	153	157	157	189	240	233	251	184	185
	Suspended sentence	4	13	10	5	2	5	8	5	10	29	77
	Community sentences	497	506	523	493	443	507	561	560	752	782	692
	Fines	324	319	248	135	90	165	236	233	178	156	153
	Other disposals	223	255	229	159	153	185	192	215	206	175	189
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.8	3.5	3.8	3.5	4.4	4.3	4.2	3.9	4.0	4.1	4.3
Burglary	Total number sentenced	20,655	17,834	17,073	15,840	14,228	13,574	14,230	14,231	13,848	13,536	14,098
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	4,616	4,065	4,103	4,079	4,046	4,026	4,279	4,152	3,831	3,425	3,390
	Suspended sentence	50	25	28	31	23	13	21	39	29	251	911
	Community sentences	10,995	9,510	9,053	8,304	7,602	7,571	8,235	8,396	8,535	8,444	8,194
	Fines	1,811	1,454	1,252	1,078	800	595	592	532	453	407	403
	Other disposals	3,183	2,780	2,637	2,348	1,757	1,369	1,103	1,112	1,000	1,009	1,200
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.5	3.4	3.5	3.6	4.3	4.5	4.7	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5
Robbery	Total number sentenced	1,429	1,271	1,237	1,063	1,306	1,855	1,554	1,759	2,057	2,300	2,991
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	239	195	228	188	297	466	444	386	431	428	564
	Suspended sentence	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
	Community sentences	975	859	847	715	896	1,269	1,070	1,318	1,588	1,832	2,357
	Fines	19	21	18	7	9	9	7	3	3	10	8
	Other disposals	196	196	144	153	104	111	33	52	35	30	59
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.8	3.7	4.0	3.9	6.6	8.0	9.7	9.1	9.4	8.4	8.7
Theft and handling stolen goods	Total number sentenced	101,652	105,352	113,458	120,011	117,858	117,489	117,639	109,788	101,853	95,483	90,778
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	10,194	12,612	15,457	18,374	20,303	21,253	23,048	21,043	18,528	16,684	15,971
	Suspended sentence	221	240	237	227	188	202	167	194	196	1,259	4,380
	Community sentences	30,864	32,295	34,641	36,699	38,508	41,595	43,840	40,125	39,205	37,845	34,642
	Fines	30,636	29,793	30,801	31,476	28,816	25,471	23,663	21,707	18,362	15,810	13,106
	Other disposals	29,737	30,412	32,322	33,235	30,043	28,968	26,921	26,719	25,562	23,885	22,679
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.4
Fraud and forgery	Total number sentenced	12,149	12,698	15,452	16,263	15,473	14,622	14,512	14,463	14,067	13,028	12,634
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	1,261	1,517	1,952	1,959	1,851	2,009	2,029	2,166	2,135	1,449	1,062
	Suspended sentence	73	82	118	114	121	108	101	92	111	266	847
	Community sentences	4,736	5,047	6,222	7,049	6,859	6,536	6,781	6,020	6,082	5,785	5,294
	Fines	2,917	2,887	3,299	3,402	3,110	2,830	2,586	2,832	2,605	2,422	2,214
	Other disposals	3,162	3,165	3,861	3,739	3,532	3,139	3,015	3,353	3,134	3,106	3,217
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	2.8	2.8	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.0	3.2	3.3	2.9	2.8
Criminal damage	Total number sentenced	8,369	8,790	8,906	8,974	8,517	8,863	9,161	9,409	9,747	9,813	10,877
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	425	436	496	539	537	531	541	564	571	607	674
	Suspended sentence	11	12	18	13	12	10	6	14	11	62	230
	Community sentences	2,766	2,813	3,106	3,209	3,362	3,595	4,139	4,281	4,849	4,996	5,550
	Fines	1,768	1,940	1,889	1,791	1,645	1,750	1,661	1,621	1,541	1,383	1,347
	Other disposals	3,399	3,589	3,397	3,422	2,961	2,977	2,814	2,929	2,775	2,765	3,076
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	2.1	2.1	2.3	2.3	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.5	2.6
Drug offences	Total number sentenced	24,144	29,180	36,952	37,581	34,294	35,088	38,733	40,637	28,704	28,519	29,297
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	612	756	1,170	1,328	1,129	1,162	1,122	1,046	830	947	1,040
	Suspended sentence	33	27	46	29	45	38	29	25	37	153	545
	Community sentences	3,588	4,301	5,644	6,028	5,653	6,095	6,749	7,218	6,812	7,218	7,440
	Fines	15,145	18,190	22,866	22,742	20,225	19,661	21,300	22,062	13,697	13,258	13,028
	Other disposals	4,766	5,906	7,226	7,454	7,242	8,132	9,533	10,286	7,328	6,943	7,244
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	2.4	2.2	2.4	2.3	2.5	2.6	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.8	2.6
Other (excl motoring offences)	Total number sentenced	33,433	36,872	38,716	37,510	34,349	33,795	37,230	40,085	42,917	41,274	38,788
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	1,907	2,317	2,696	2,708	2,909	2,826	3,190	3,342	4,776	4,878	4,707
	Suspended sentence	49	55	50	45	56	52	28	47	68	303	999
	Community sentences	3,758	4,230	4,663	4,572	4,694	4,697	5,442	5,908	7,434	8,133	8,047
	Fines	19,894	21,213	22,242	20,979	18,253	17,937	19,629	20,438	20,672	18,804	16,266
	Other disposals	7,825	9,057	9,065	9,206	8,437	8,283	8,941	10,350	9,967	9,156	8,769
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.2	1.8	1.8	1.9
Motoring offences	Total number sentenced	8,118	7,574	7,307	6,617	6,022	6,074	6,141	6,371	5,546	4,349	3,864
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	508	505	571	609	676	786	832	903	786	679	511
	Suspended sentence	7	15	15	10	22	13	20	9	17	96	361
	Community sentences	1,255	1,295	1,304	1,261	1,328	1,350	1,600	1,864	1,821	1,442	1,259
	Fines	5,737	5,222	4,892	4,261	3,593	3,488	3,291	3,196	2,589	1,874	1,522
	Other disposals	611	537	525	476	403	437	398	399	333	258	211
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.9	3.8	3.8	4.0	4.5	4.8	4.9	5.2	5.0	4.8	5.0
All indictable offences	Total number sentenced	229,379	242,255	263,982	267,681	255,151	254,355	263,748	261,188	244,151	234,410	229,796
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	22,019	25,237	30,227	33,388	35,480	36,674	39,286	37,304	35,848	33,221	31,879
	Suspended sentence	535	578	648	576	576	534	475	513	604	3,074	10,877
	Community sentences	66,788	69,274	75,724	78,090	79,429	83,685	90,272	87,734	90,209	90,584	86,886
	Fines	81,898	85,324	92,002	90,002	80,234	75,500	76,638	76,171	63,246	56,618	50,066
	Other disposals	58,139	61,842	65,381	65,625	59,432	57,962	57,077	59,466	54,244	50,913	50,088
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	2.9	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.9	2.9

Table 1.3 Offenders sentenced by offence group and outcome, magistrates' courts, 1996-2006 (continued)

England and Wales		Number of offenders										
Offence group	Outcome	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Summary non-motoring offences	Total number sentenced	486,345	414,363	460,248	431,141	488,148	439,504	484,636	490,767	519,825	505,915	492,347
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	6,237	7,189	8,224	9,179	8,726	8,519	9,018	8,953	10,642	11,385	11,835
	Suspended sentence	203	180	184	213	225	236	200	253	306	1,479	5,784
	Community sentences	22,029	22,943	25,300	26,979	30,616	34,139	40,309	42,440	50,438	56,976	58,570
	Fines	402,330	326,945	367,473	334,696	390,164	340,942	379,127	378,293	394,586	375,554	356,146
	Other disposals	55,546	57,106	59,067	60,074	58,417	55,668	55,983	60,828	63,853	60,521	60,012
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7
Summary motoring offences	Total number sentenced	648,365	648,558	664,359	632,006	606,709	582,567	595,032	661,809	707,123	666,387	621,842
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	12,910	14,091	14,164	15,407	15,769	16,675	16,609	17,139	14,894	12,644	9,717
	Suspended sentence	526	467	412	370	370	352	338	393	390	2,528	6,613
	Community sentences	23,988	25,598	26,010	25,908	25,887	27,645	34,283	38,413	39,492	34,284	28,149
	Fines	585,446	583,059	598,015	565,015	540,437	511,129	514,619	576,454	622,405	590,538	553,182
	Other disposals	25,495	25,343	25,758	25,306	24,246	26,766	29,183	29,410	29,942	26,393	24,181
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.4
All summary offences	Total number sentenced	1,134,710	1,062,921	1,124,607	1,063,147	1,094,857	1,022,071	1,079,668	1,152,576	1,226,948	1,172,302	1,114,189
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	19,147	21,280	22,388	24,586	24,495	25,194	25,627	26,092	25,536	24,029	21,552
	Suspended sentence	729	647	596	583	595	588	538	646	696	4,007	12,397
	Community sentences	46,017	48,541	51,310	52,887	56,503	61,784	74,592	80,853	89,930	91,260	86,719
	Fines	987,776	910,004	965,488	899,711	930,601	852,071	893,746	954,747	1,016,991	966,092	909,328
	Other disposals	81,041	82,449	84,825	85,380	82,663	82,434	85,165	90,238	93,795	86,914	84,193
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.1	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.0
All offences	Total number sentenced	1,364,089	1,305,176	1,388,589	1,330,828	1,350,008	1,276,426	1,343,416	1,413,764	1,471,099	1,406,712	1,343,985
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	41,166	46,517	52,615	57,974	59,975	61,868	64,913	63,396	61,384	57,250	53,431
	Suspended sentence	1,264	1,225	1,244	1,159	1,171	1,122	1,013	1,159	1,300	7,081	23,274
	Community sentences	112,805	117,815	127,034	130,977	135,932	145,469	164,864	168,587	180,139	181,844	173,605
	Fines	1,069,674	995,328	1,057,490	989,713	1,010,835	927,571	970,384	1,030,918	1,080,237	1,022,710	959,394
	Other disposals	139,180	144,291	150,206	151,005	142,095	140,396	142,242	149,704	148,039	137,827	134,281
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.0	2.9	2.8	2.8	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.0	3.0	3.0

Table 1.4 Offenders sentenced by offence group and outcome, the Crown Court, 1996-2006

England and Wales		Number of offenders										
Offence group	Outcome	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Violence against the person	Total number sentenced	11,817	13,084	13,401	13,110	13,274	13,492	14,462	14,832	15,242	15,972	16,732
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	7,119	7,535	7,676	7,591	7,839	7,963	8,231	7,999	8,565	8,902	8,579
	Suspended sentence	427	486	485	422	409	366	409	385	380	680	3,045
	Community sentences	3,227	3,892	4,079	3,976	4,009	4,083	4,616	4,953	4,843	4,922	3,821
	Fines	331	398	371	319	297	321	328	397	341	317	254
	Other disposals	713	773	790	802	720	759	878	1,098	1,113	1,151	1,033
Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	23.8	22.8	22.1	21.7	21.6	22.6	23.9	25.6	25.6	24.5	23.2	
Sexual offences	Total number sentenced	3,253	3,237	3,427	3,361	3,096	2,986	3,136	3,087	3,426	3,421	3,636
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	2,384	2,376	2,534	2,458	2,274	2,211	2,322	2,272	2,590	2,517	2,623
	Suspended sentence	96	93	101	85	80	71	50	73	54	90	219
	Community sentences	619	634	653	667	617	540	646	609	652	662	655
	Fines	46	47	43	43	24	39	28	29	16	27	13
	Other disposals	108	87	96	108	101	125	90	104	114	125	126
Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	38.6	39.9	40.9	39.7	41.1	40.7	43.4	43.8	43.4	44.4	44.1	
Burglary	Total number sentenced	11,733	13,822	14,014	13,489	12,466	11,081	12,146	11,129	10,285	9,116	8,577
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	8,887	10,273	10,444	10,266	9,631	8,450	9,071	7,668	6,983	6,125	5,839
	Suspended sentence	125	111	135	119	107	87	85	82	65	157	841
	Community sentences	2,536	3,232	3,211	2,924	2,534	2,378	2,846	3,231	3,104	2,668	1,746
	Fines	32	32	33	23	18	21	17	13	15	16	12
	Other disposals	153	174	191	157	176	145	127	135	118	150	139
Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	19.1	20.7	20.2	20.5	20.8	22.3	23.5	24.0	24.6	24.7	24.4	
Robbery	Total number sentenced	4,480	4,326	4,325	4,589	4,638	4,991	6,177	5,580	5,456	4,839	5,178
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	3,960	3,813	3,734	3,897	4,044	4,309	5,437	4,764	4,632	3,979	4,238
	Suspended sentence	23	9	16	36	31	31	26	35	33	60	261
	Community sentences	437	448	509	591	496	564	645	706	711	707	600
	Fines	3	2	5	7	7	5	2	9	4	11	5
	Other disposals	57	54	61	58	60	82	67	66	76	82	74
Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	40.2	40.9	37.3	37.3	38.3	38.4	41.3	41.7	41.1	38.0	35.7	
Theft and handling stolen goods	Total number sentenced	12,718	12,862	11,789	10,637	9,722	8,921	9,078	8,806	8,388	7,835	7,868
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	6,445	6,784	6,361	6,053	5,680	4,952	4,897	4,474	4,231	3,788	3,660
	Suspended sentence	352	375	318	272	215	173	175	175	147	243	1,174
	Community sentences	4,424	4,345	3,951	3,296	2,980	2,977	3,255	3,322	3,157	3,021	2,305
	Fines	604	575	460	347	287	284	235	268	285	250	222
	Other disposals	893	783	699	669	560	535	516	567	568	533	507
Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	11.5	12.4	11.7	10.7	10.4	11.1	11.5	12.1	12.3	12.8	12.7	
Fraud and forgery	Total number sentenced	4,170	4,232	4,193	3,940	3,682	3,585	3,614	3,590	3,956	5,268	5,702
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	2,116	2,089	2,178	2,075	1,875	1,817	1,725	1,721	2,025	3,121	3,341
	Suspended sentence	322	355	295	312	332	295	229	221	265	354	840
	Community sentences	1,328	1,421	1,351	1,251	1,177	1,174	1,395	1,329	1,356	1,485	1,185
	Fines	178	153	158	110	113	100	100	120	123	110	99
	Other disposals	226	214	211	192	185	199	165	199	187	198	237
Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	15.2	14.7	15.1	13.6	14.4	14.7	14.8	15.6	15.4	13.7	13.4	
Criminal damage	Total number sentenced	1,385	1,635	1,816	1,754	1,642	1,663	1,665	1,703	1,835	1,689	1,641
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	650	662	680	713	685	671	637	637	695	675	659
	Suspended sentence	22	32	42	36	30	38	24	32	42	57	198
	Community sentences	521	665	771	679	666	682	705	718	750	679	499
	Fines	54	57	71	77	51	61	54	66	54	49	37
	Other disposals	138	219	252	249	210	211	245	250	294	229	248
Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	28.6	31.7	25.3	25.6	24.6	26.4	28.2	28.8	28.3	27.2	25.3	
Drug offences	Total number sentenced	9,900	11,258	11,831	11,365	10,661	10,592	10,282	10,578	10,443	10,380	10,181
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	6,082	6,993	7,288	7,403	7,012	7,337	7,162	7,094	7,151	6,836	6,492
	Suspended sentence	341	378	396	315	289	237	216	251	217	363	1,303
	Community sentences	2,518	2,893	2,978	2,607	2,411	2,172	2,054	2,364	2,266	2,475	1,687
	Fines	567	579	589	465	413	388	351	362	322	281	243
	Other disposals	392	415	580	575	536	458	499	507	487	425	456
Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	30.7	31.7	30.9	33.4	34.5	37.2	39.5	40.0	41.3	40.4	38.8	
Other (excl motoring offences)	Total number sentenced	9,674	10,204	10,615	10,054	10,203	9,736	10,124	10,908	11,064	11,291	10,962
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	4,792	4,951	5,207	4,900	5,193	4,757	4,987	5,379	5,685	5,803	5,006
	Suspended sentence	339	365	363	338	358	271	229	246	297	457	1,634
	Community sentences	2,850	3,132	3,294	3,209	3,176	3,320	3,628	3,843	3,808	3,738	3,109
	Fines	668	685	716	624	575	630	588	691	545	620	560
	Other disposals	1,025	1,071	1,035	983	901	758	692	749	729	673	653
Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	12.5	12.4	11.8	12.0	11.9	13.3	14.7	14.7	14.3	15.5	15.7	
Motoring offences	Total number sentenced	1,817	1,934	1,709	1,684	1,675	1,801	2,312	2,529	2,691	2,377	2,264
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	990	1,147	983	1,044	1,071	1,132	1,396	1,482	1,533	1,324	1,216
	Suspended sentence	40	41	35	36	26	36	45	42	39	75	407
	Community sentences	523	521	508	458	453	488	706	839	928	783	478
	Fines	236	183	144	104	91	117	129	124	144	134	117
	Other disposals	28	42	39	42	34	28	36	42	47	61	46
Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	9.3	9.5	9.9	9.8	9.7	10.1	10.2	10.4	10.6	10.3	10.7	
All indictable offences	Total number sentenced	70,947	76,594	77,120	73,983	71,059	68,848	72,996	72,742	72,786	72,188	72,741
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	43,425	46,623	47,085	46,400	45,304	43,599	45,865	43,490	44,090	43,070	41,653
	Suspended sentence	2,067	2,245	2,186	1,971	1,877	1,605	1,488	1,542	1,539	2,536	9,922
	Community sentences	18,983	21,183	21,305	19,658	18,519	18,378	20,496	21,914	21,575	21,140	16,085
	Fines	2,719	2,711	2,590	2,119	1,876	1,966	1,832	2,079	1,849	1,815	1,562
	Other disposals	3,733	3,832	3,954	3,835	3,483	3,300	3,315	3,717	3,733	3,627	3,519
Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	22.4	22.8	22.2	22.5	22.8	24.5	26.3	26.8	27.0	25.9	25.2	

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Table 1.4 Offenders sentenced by offence group and outcome, the Crown Court, 1996-2006 (continued)

England and Wales		Number of offenders										
Offence group	Outcome	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Summary non-motoring offences	Total number sentenced	2,027	2,152	2,421	2,334	2,455	2,442	2,391	2,519	2,673	2,814	3,173
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	468	477	578	597	592	532	527	517	573	690	736
	Suspended sentence	21	16	16	23	23	23	16	11	14	36	257
	Community sentences	677	778	815	795	878	940	922	927	992	1,053	1,015
	Fines	367	367	428	345	387	354	321	396	368	337	366
	Other disposals	494	514	584	574	575	593	605	668	726	698	799
Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.5	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.7	3.9	
Summary motoring offences	Total number sentenced	691	756	819	853	827	778	804	802	795	739	672
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	190	224	288	352	316	274	302	267	275	226	197
	Suspended sentence	7	5	2	8	1	5	2	5	2	13	56
	Community sentences	172	214	234	203	209	210	238	253	240	210	132
	Fines	264	266	235	243	249	230	200	224	237	202	213
	Other disposals	58	47	60	47	52	59	62	53	41	88	74
Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	3.9	4.0	3.9	4.0	3.8	3.8	3.7	4.0	3.8	3.7	3.7	
All summary offences	Total number sentenced	2,718	2,908	3,240	3,187	3,282	3,220	3,195	3,321	3,468	3,553	3,845
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	658	701	866	949	908	806	829	784	848	916	933
	Suspended sentence	28	21	18	31	24	28	18	16	16	49	313
	Community sentences	849	992	1,049	998	1,087	1,150	1,160	1,180	1,232	1,263	1,147
	Fines	631	633	663	588	636	584	521	620	605	539	579
	Other disposals	552	561	644	621	627	652	667	721	767	786	873
Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	3.6	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.6	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.6	3.7	3.9	
All offences	Total number sentenced	73,665	79,502	80,360	77,170	74,341	72,068	76,191	76,063	76,254	75,741	76,586
	<i>Number given:</i>											
	Immediate custody	44,083	47,324	47,951	47,349	46,212	44,405	46,694	44,274	44,938	43,986	42,586
	Suspended sentence	2,115	2,286	2,204	2,002	1,901	1,633	1,506	1,558	1,555	2,585	10,235
	Community sentences	19,832	22,175	22,354	20,656	19,606	19,528	21,656	23,094	22,807	22,403	17,232
	Fines	3,350	3,344	3,253	2,707	2,512	2,550	2,353	2,699	2,454	2,354	2,141
	Other disposals	4,285	4,393	4,598	4,456	4,110	3,952	3,982	4,438	4,500	4,413	4,392
Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	22.1	22.5	21.8	22.1	22.4	24.2	25.9	26.3	26.5	25.5	24.7	

¹ Excludes life and indeterminate sentences.

Table 1.5 Persons aged 10 to 17 sentenced for indictable offences by sex and type of sentence or order, 1996-2006

Sex and Year	England and Wales														Number of persons (thousands) and percentage											
	Community sentences														Immediate custodial sentences											
	Absolute or conditional discharge	Fine	Community rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Supervision order	Community punishment order ⁽¹⁾	Attendance centre order	Community punishment and rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Curfew order	Reparation order	Action plan order	Drug treatment and testing order	Referral order ⁽²⁾	Community order ⁽³⁾	Total community sentences	Suspended sentence order ⁽⁴⁾	S90-92 PCC(S) Act 2000 ⁽⁵⁾	Secure training order	Detention and training order	Young offender institution	Unsuspected imprisonment	Intermittent custody	Total immediate custody	Other-wise dealt with	Total sentenced		
Number sentenced for indictable offences																										
Males	11.7	4.2	4.2	1.6	7.4	2.6	4.5	1.0	0.0	*	*	*	*	17.2	*	0.6	*	*	*	4.8	*	*	*	5.4	0.7	39.1
1996	12.0	4.5	1.7	7.5	2.8	4.5	1.2	0.0	0.0	*	*	*	*	17.7	*	0.7	*	*	*	5.1	*	*	*	5.8	0.7	40.7
1997	12.5	5.1	1.9	8.0	2.9	4.6	1.3	0.1	0.1	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	18.9	*	0.6	0.1	*	*	5.1	*	*	*	5.8	0.8	43.1
1998	12.0	5.3	1.9	7.8	3.0	4.8	1.3	0.2	0.2	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	19.1	*	0.6	0.2	*	*	5.1	*	*	*	5.9	1.6	43.9
1999	9.4	5.4	1.4	6.7	3.1	3.7	1.3	0.2	1.9	2.4	0.0	0.0	(6)	20.8	*	0.6	0.1	3.9	1.2	*	*	*	5.7	1.3	42.6	
2000	6.7	5.2	1.4	6.4	2.6	2.9	1.2	0.8	3.6	4.6	0.1	0.1	(6)	23.6	*	0.5	0.5	5.4	*	*	*	*	5.8	1.9	43.4	
2001	4.5	3.9	1.3	6.0	1.9	1.0	1.4	2.2	3.0	3.0	0.1	8.5	*	27.2	*	0.7	*	5.1	*	*	*	*	5.7	1.1	42.5	
2002	4.2	3.0	1.1	5.2	1.5	1.4	0.9	1.7	1.2	2.1	0.0	11.3	*	26.5	*	0.4	*	4.2	*	*	*	*	4.7	1.0	39.4	
2003	4.2	2.6	1.1	5.2	1.4	1.4	0.8	2.4	1.2	2.0	0.0	12.3	*	27.9	*	0.5	*	4.3	*	*	*	*	4.8	0.8	40.3	
2004	3.8	2.5	0.9	5.4	1.3	1.3	0.8	2.4	1.2	2.1	0.0	13.5	*	28.9	0.0 ⁽⁷⁾	0.4	*	4.0	*	*	*	0.1 ⁽⁶⁾	4.6	0.8	40.7	
2005	3.8	2.1	0.8	5.9	1.0	1.4	0.8	2.3	1.5	2.1	0.0	13.4	*	29.2	0.0 ⁽⁷⁾	0.4	*	4.3	0.0	0.1	0.0	4.8	0.8	40.9		
2006																										
Females	2.5	0.5	0.3	1.1	0.2	0.4	0.0	0.0	-	*	*	*	*	2.0	*	0.0	*	*	*	0.2	*	*	*	0.2	0.1	5.2
1996	2.5	0.5	0.3	1.2	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	*	*	*	*	2.3	*	0.0	*	*	*	0.2	*	*	*	0.3	0.1	5.6
1997	2.9	0.6	0.4	1.5	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	2.6	*	0.0	0.0	*	*	0.3	*	*	*	0.3	0.1	6.4
1998	2.8	0.7	0.4	1.4	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	2.6	*	0.0	0.0	*	*	0.3	*	*	*	0.4	0.2	6.6
1999	2.1	0.7	0.3	1.3	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.4	0.5	0.0	0.0	(6)	3.2	*	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.1	*	*	*	0.4	0.2	6.7	
2000	1.5	0.6	0.3	1.3	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.7	1.0	0.0	0.0	(6)	4.0	*	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.1	*	*	*	0.4	0.4	6.9	
2001	0.9	0.4	0.2	1.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.6	0.0	1.9	*	4.7	*	0.1	*	0.4	*	*	*	*	0.5	0.2	6.7	
2002	0.7	0.3	0.2	1.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.0	2.6	*	5.0	*	0.0	*	0.3	*	*	*	*	0.4	0.2	6.5	
2003	0.8	0.3	0.2	1.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.0	2.8	*	5.2	*	0.0	*	0.3	*	*	*	*	0.4	0.2	6.7	
2004	0.7	0.3	0.2	1.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.0	3.1	*	5.7	0.0 ⁽⁷⁾	0.0	*	0.4	*	*	*	0.0 ⁽⁶⁾	0.4	0.1	7.2	
2005	0.7	0.2	0.2	1.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.0	3.0	*	5.5	0.0 ⁽⁷⁾	0.0	*	0.3	*	*	*	0.0 ⁽⁶⁾	0.3	0.1	6.8	
2006																										
Total persons	14.2	4.7	1.9	8.5	2.8	4.9	1.0	0.0	0.0	*	*	*	*	19.1	*	0.6	*	*	*	5.0	*	*	*	5.6	0.7	44.3
1996	14.5	5.0	2.0	8.7	3.0	4.9	1.3	0.0	0.0	*	*	*	*	19.9	*	0.7	*	*	*	5.4	*	*	*	6.1	0.8	46.3
1997	15.4	5.7	2.3	9.5	3.1	5.0	1.4	0.1	0.1	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	21.5	*	0.6	0.1	*	*	5.4	*	*	*	6.1	0.9	49.6
1998	14.8	6.0	2.3	9.2	3.3	5.3	1.4	0.2	0.2	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	21.7	*	0.6	0.2	*	*	5.4	*	*	*	6.2	1.8	50.5
1999	11.5	6.1	1.7	8.0	3.3	4.1	1.4	0.3	2.3	2.9	0.0	0.0	(6)	24.0	*	0.6	0.1	4.2	1.3	*	*	*	6.1	1.6	49.3	
2000	8.3	5.8	1.7	7.7	2.8	3.2	1.3	0.8	4.4	5.6	0.1	10.4	*	27.6	*	0.5	0.5	5.7	*	*	*	*	6.2	2.3	50.3	
2001	5.4	4.2	1.5	7.0	2.1	2.0	1.1	1.6	2.6	3.6	0.1	13.9	*	31.9	*	0.7	*	5.5	*	*	*	*	6.2	1.4	49.1	
2002	4.9	3.3	1.3	6.2	1.6	1.5	1.0	1.9	1.5	2.5	0.1	13.9	*	31.4	*	0.5	*	4.6	*	*	*	*	5.1	1.2	45.9	
2003	4.9	2.9	1.3	6.3	1.5	1.5	0.9	2.6	1.4	2.4	0.0	15.1	*	33.1	*	0.6	*	4.6	*	*	*	*	5.1	1.0	47.0	
2004	4.6	2.7	1.1	6.5	1.4	1.5	0.8	2.7	1.5	2.5	0.0	16.6	*	34.6	0.0 ⁽⁷⁾	0.5	*	4.4	*	*	*	0.1 ⁽⁶⁾	5.0	1.0	47.9	
2005	4.5	2.3	1.0	7.0	1.1	1.5	0.9	2.7	1.7	2.5	0.0	16.4	*	34.7	0.0 ⁽⁷⁾	0.4	*	4.6	0.0	0.1	0.0	5.2	1.0	47.7		
2006																										

¹ New names for these community sentences came into force in April 2001. They are community rehabilitation order (previously probation order), community punishment order (previously community service order) and community punishment and rehabilitation order (previously combination order).

² Referral orders were introduced by the Youth Justice and Criminal Evidence Act 1998 and consolidated by the Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000; they were implemented nationally on 1 April 2002. The figures include extensions of referral orders.

³ The community order was introduced on 4 April 2005 and applies to offences committed on or after that date.

⁴ Fully suspended sentence for offences committed prior to 4 April 2005, suspended sentence order from 4 April 2005.

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Table 1.5 Persons aged 10 to 17 sentenced for indictable offences by sex and type of sentence or order, 1996-2006 (continued)

Sex and Year	England and Wales														Number of persons (thousands) and percentage											
	Community sentences							Immediate custodial sentences							Total sentenced											
	Absolute or conditional discharge	Fine	Community rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Supervision order	Community punishment order ⁽¹⁾	Attendance centre order	Community punishment and rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Curfew order	Reparation order	Action plan order	Drug treatment and testing order	Referral order ⁽²⁾	Community unity order ⁽³⁾	Total community sentences	Suspended sentence order ⁽⁴⁾	S90-92 PCC(S) Act 2000 ⁽⁵⁾	Secure training order	Detention and training order	Young offender institution	Unsupervised imprisonment	Intermittent custody	Total immediate custody	Otherwise dealt with			
Percentage sentenced for indictable offences																										
Males	11	30	4	19	7	12	2	0	*	*	*	*	*	44	*	2	*	*	*	12	*	*	14	2	100	
1996	11	29	4	18	7	11	3	0	*	*	*	*	*	43	*	2	*	*	*	13	*	*	14	2	100	
1997	12	29	4	19	7	11	3	0	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	44	*	1	0	*	*	12	*	*	13	2	100	
1998	27	12	4	18	7	11	3	0	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	43	*	1	0	*	*	12	*	*	13	4	100	
1999	22	13	3	16	7	9	3	1	4	6	0	(6)	(6)	43	*	1	0	9	3	3	*	*	13	3	100	
2000	16	12	3	15	6	7	3	2	8	11	0	(6)	(6)	54	*	1	*	12	*	*	*	*	13	4	100	
2001	11	9	3	14	5	4	2	3	5	7	0	20	*	64	*	2	*	12	*	*	*	*	13	3	100	
2002	11	8	3	13	4	4	2	4	3	5	0	29	*	67	*	1	*	11	*	*	*	*	12	3	100	
2003	10	7	3	13	3	3	2	6	3	5	0	31	*	69	*	1	*	11	*	*	*	*	12	2	100	
2004	9	6	2	13	3	3	2	6	3	5	0	33	*	71	0 ⁽⁷⁾	1	*	10	*	*	0 ⁽⁸⁾	*	11	2	100	
2005	9	5	2	14	2	3	2	6	4	5	0	33	0	72	0 ⁽⁷⁾	1	*	10	*	*	0 ⁽⁸⁾	*	12	2	100	
2006																										
Females	9	48	5	21	4	7	1	-	*	*	*	*	*	38	*	1	*	*	*	3	*	*	4	1	100	
1996	9	45	6	22	4	7	2	0	*	*	*	*	*	40	*	1	*	*	*	4	*	*	5	2	100	
1997	44	9	6	23	3	6	2	0	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	40	*	0	0	*	*	4	*	*	5	2	100	
1998	42	10	6	22	3	6	2	0	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	39	*	0	0	*	*	5	*	*	5	3	100	
1999	31	10	5	20	4	5	2	0	5	7	0	(6)	(6)	49	*	0	0	5	1	*	*	*	6	3	100	
2000	22	9	5	18	3	4	2	1	11	14	0	(6)	(6)	58	*	0	0	5	1	*	*	*	6	5	100	
2001	13	6	4	16	2	2	1	2	6	9	0	29	*	71	*	1	*	6	*	*	*	*	7	3	100	
2002	11	4	4	16	1	2	1	3	3	6	0	40	*	76	*	1	*	5	*	*	*	*	6	3	100	
2003	11	4	3	15	1	2	1	4	3	6	0	42	*	77	*	0	*	5	*	*	*	*	6	3	100	
2004	10	4	2	16	1	2	1	5	3	6	0	43	*	79	- ⁽⁷⁾	1	*	5	*	*	0 ⁽⁸⁾	*	6	2	100	
2005	10	3	3	16	1	2	1	5	3	6	0	43	0	80	0 ⁽⁷⁾	0	*	4,79883	*	*	0 ⁽⁸⁾	*	5	2	100	
2006																										
Total persons	11	32	4	19	6	11	2	0	*	*	*	*	*	43	*	1	*	*	*	11	*	*	13	2	100	
1996	11	31	4	19	6	11	3	0	*	*	*	*	*	43	*	2	*	*	*	12	*	*	13	2	100	
1997	12	31	5	19	6	10	3	0	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	43	*	1	0	*	*	11	*	*	12	2	100	
1998	29	12	5	18	6	10	3	0	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	43	*	1	0	*	*	11	*	*	12	4	100	
1999	23	12	4	16	7	8	3	1	5	6	0	(6)	(6)	49	*	1	0	8	3	*	*	*	12	3	100	
2000	16	12	3	15	6	6	3	2	9	11	0	(6)	(6)	55	*	1	*	11	*	*	*	*	12	5	100	
2001	11	9	3	14	4	4	2	3	5	7	0	21	*	65	*	1	*	11	*	*	*	*	13	3	100	
2002	11	7	3	14	4	3	2	4	3	5	0	30	*	68	*	1	*	10	*	*	*	*	11	3	100	
2003	10	6	3	13	3	3	2	6	3	5	0	32	*	70	*	1	*	10	*	*	*	*	11	2	100	
2004	10	6	2	14	3	3	2	6	3	5	0	35	*	72	0 ⁽⁷⁾	1	*	9	*	*	0 ⁽⁸⁾	*	10	2	100	
2005	9	5	2	15	2	3	2	6	4	5	0	34	0	73	0 ⁽⁷⁾	1	*	10	*	*	0 ⁽⁸⁾	*	11	2	100	
2006																										

⁵ Section 53 of the Children and Young Persons Act 1933 was repealed on 25 August 2000 and its provisions were transferred to Sections 90 to 92 of the Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000.

⁶ Numbers of reparation, action plan and drug treatment and testing orders given in pilot areas in 1998 and 1999 are included under 'Otherwise dealt with' as are referral orders given in pilot areas in 2000 and 2001.

⁷ See Preface and Appendix 3, paragraph 3.15.

⁸ Sentences for dangerous young offenders under the Criminal Justice Act 2003 which came into force on 4 April 2005 are included under 'Unsupervised imprisonment'.

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Table 1.6 Persons aged 18 to 20 sentenced for indictable offences by sex and type of sentence or order, 1996-2006 (continued)

Sex and Year	England and Wales													Number of persons (thousands) and percentage											
	Community sentences													Immediate custodial sentences											
	Absolute or conditional discharge	Fine	Community rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Supervision order	Community punishment order ⁽¹⁾	Attendance centre order	Community punishment and rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Curfew order	Reparation order	Action plan order	Drug treatment and testing order	Referral order ⁽²⁾	Community order ⁽³⁾	Total community sentences	Suspended sentence order ⁽⁴⁾	S90-92 PCC(S) Act 2000 ⁽⁵⁾	Secure training order	Detention and training order	Young offender institution	Unsupervised imprisonment	Intermittent custody	Total immediate custody	Otherwise dealt with	Total sentenced	
Percentage sentenced for indictable offences																									
Males	14	29	11	*	13	1	5	0	*	*	*	*	*	30	*	..	*	*	24	*	*	*	24	2	100
1996	14	29	11	*	12	1	6	0	*	*	*	*	*	30	*	..	*	*	25	*	*	*	25	2	100
1997	14	30	11	*	12	1	6	0	*	*	(6)	*	*	30	*	..	*	*	24	*	*	*	24	2	100
1998	14	29	11	*	12	1	6	0	*	*	(6)	*	*	30	*	..	*	*	24	*	*	*	24	2	100
1999	13	28	11	*	13	1	5	1	*	*	0	*	*	30	*	..	*	*	26	*	*	*	26	3	100
2000	14	27	12	*	13	1	4	1	*	*	1	*	*	31	*	..	*	*	26	*	*	*	26	3	100
2001	14	27	11	*	13	1	4	1	*	*	1	*	*	31	*	..	*	*	26	*	*	*	26	3	100
2002	14	28	10	*	13	1	5	2	*	*	1	*	*	31	*	..	*	*	26	*	*	*	26	3	100
2003	13	23	9	*	14	1	6	3	*	*	1	*	*	34	*	0	*	*	24	*	*	*	24	3	100
2004	13	22	6	*	9	1	4	2	*	*	1	*	*	35	1	0	*	*	25	0 ⁽⁷⁾	*	*	25	4	100
2005	12	22	0	0	1	1	1	1	*	*	0	*	28	32	7	0	*	*	24	1 ⁽⁷⁾	*	*	25	4	100
2006																									
Females	32	23	22	*	8	0	4	0	*	*	*	*	*	34	*	..	*	*	9	*	*	*	9	2	100
1996	31	22	23	*	8	0	4	0	*	*	(6)	*	*	36	*	..	*	*	9	*	*	*	9	2	100
1997	28	23	23	*	8	0	5	0	*	*	(6)	*	*	36	*	..	*	*	11	*	*	*	11	2	100
1998	27	23	23	*	8	0	4	0	*	*	(6)	*	*	36	*	..	*	*	11	*	*	*	11	2	100
1999	26	22	23	*	9	0	4	1	*	*	0	*	*	37	*	..	*	*	13	*	*	*	13	2	100
2000	26	20	23	*	9	0	3	1	*	*	1	*	*	38	*	..	*	*	14	*	*	*	14	3	100
2001	26	19	23	*	9	0	3	1	*	*	2	*	*	38	*	..	*	*	14	*	*	*	14	3	100
2002	27	20	20	*	10	0	3	2	*	*	2	*	*	36	*	..	*	*	14	*	*	*	14	3	100
2003	26	19	18	*	12	0	3	2	*	*	3	*	*	39	*	0	*	*	12	*	*	*	12	4	100
2004	25	18	11	*	8	0	3	2	*	*	1	*	14	39	1	0	*	*	14	0 ⁽⁷⁾	*	*	14	3	100
2005	23	15	1	0	1	0	0	1	*	*	0	*	32	36	7	0	*	*	14	0 ⁽⁷⁾	*	*	14	5	100
2006																									
Total persons	16	28	13	*	12	1	5	0	*	*	*	*	*	31	*	..	*	*	23	*	*	*	23	2	100
1996	16	28	13	*	12	1	5	0	*	*	(6)	*	*	31	*	..	*	*	23	*	*	*	23	2	100
1997	15	29	12	*	12	1	6	0	*	*	(6)	*	*	31	*	..	*	*	23	*	*	*	23	2	100
1998	16	28	13	*	12	1	5	0	*	*	(6)	*	*	31	*	..	*	*	23	*	*	*	23	2	100
1999	15	27	13	*	12	1	5	1	*	*	0	*	*	31	*	..	*	*	25	*	*	*	25	3	100
2000	15	26	13	*	12	1	4	1	*	*	1	*	*	32	*	..	*	*	25	*	*	*	25	3	100
2001	15	26	13	*	12	1	4	1	*	*	1	*	*	32	*	..	*	*	24	*	*	*	24	3	100
2002	16	27	12	*	13	1	4	2	*	*	1	*	*	32	*	..	*	*	22	*	*	*	22	3	100
2003	15	23	11	*	14	1	6	3	*	*	1	*	*	35	*	0	*	*	24	*	*	*	24	4	100
2004	14	21	6	*	9	1	4	2	*	*	1	*	13	35	1	0	*	*	24	0 ⁽⁷⁾	*	*	24	4	100
2005	13	19	1	0	1	0	1	1	*	*	0	*	29	32	7	0	*	*	23	1 ⁽⁷⁾	*	*	24	5	100
2006																									

⁴ Fully suspended sentence for offences committed prior to 4 April 2005. Suspended Sentence Order from 4 April 2005.

⁵ Section 53 of the Children and Young Persons Act 1933 was repealed on 25 August 2000 and its provisions were transferred to Sections 90 to 92 of the Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000.

⁶ Numbers of reparation, action plan and drug treatment and testing orders given in pilot areas in 1998 and 1999 are included under 'Otherwise dealt with' as are referral orders given in pilot areas in 2000 and 2001.

⁷ Sentences for dangerous young offenders under the Criminal Justice Act 2003 which came into force on 4 April 2005 are included under 'Unsupervised imprisonment'. For footnotes 1 to 3 see previous page.

Table 1.7 Persons aged 21 and over sentenced for indictable offences by sex and type of sentence or order, 1996-2006

Sex and Year	England and Wales														Number of persons (thousands) and percentage										
	Community sentences							Immediate custodial sentences							Total sentenced					Other-wise dealt with					
	Absolute or conditional discharge	Fine	Community rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Supervision order	Community punishment order ⁽¹⁾	Attendance centre order	Community punishment and rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Curfew order	Reparation order	Action plan order	Drug treatment and testing order	Referral order ⁽²⁾	Community order ⁽³⁾	Total community sentences	Suspended sentence order ⁽⁴⁾	S90-92 PCC(S) Act 2000 ⁽⁵⁾	Secure training order	Detention and training order	Young offender institution	Unsupervised imprisonment	Intermittent custody	Total immediate custody	Total sentenced		
Number sentenced for indictable offences																									
Males																									
1996	24.6	57.1	19.1	17.4	5.7	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	42.3	2.1	44.9	44.9	44.9	44.9	44.9	44.9	44.9	44.9	4.6	175.6	
1997	26.0	59.1	20.4	17.6	6.4	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	44.5	2.2	49.4	49.4	49.4	49.4	49.4	49.4	49.4	49.4	5.4	186.6	
1998	27.0	62.5	21.8	18.0	6.9	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	47.0	2.1	53.2	53.2	53.2	53.2	53.2	53.2	53.2	53.2	5.8	197.7	
1999	26.1	60.0	21.8	17.6	6.6	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	46.3	1.9	54.5	54.5	54.5	54.5	54.5	54.5	54.5	54.5	6.3	195.1	
2000	24.8	52.1	21.0	17.0	6.0	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	45.0	1.8	55.1	55.1	55.1	55.1	55.1	55.1	55.1	55.1	5.9	184.7	
2001	25.4	49.5	22.4	16.0	4.1	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	46.1	1.6	54.9	54.9	54.9	54.9	54.9	54.9	54.9	54.9	6.0	183.5	
2002	27.0	52.1	23.9	16.6	4.4	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	49.8	1.4	59.7	59.7	59.7	59.7	59.7	59.7	59.7	59.7	6.9	197.0	
2003	28.9	52.7	22.9	16.3	4.3	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	50.5	1.5	58.2	58.2	58.2	58.2	58.2	58.2	58.2	58.2	7.6	199.4	
2004	25.4	44.0	20.7	16.4	4.4	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	51.0	1.5	57.6	57.6	57.6	57.6	57.6	57.6	57.6	57.6	8.0	187.6	
2005	24.0	39.6	11.4	11.4	3.2	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	50.4	4.1	54.8	54.8	54.8	54.8	54.8	54.8	54.8	54.8	7.7	180.8	
2006	22.5	35.4	1.0	1.7	0.4	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	44.3	14.8	52.2	52.2	52.2	52.2	52.2	52.2	52.2	52.2	8.9	180.8	
Females																									
1996	7.7	6.8	5.7	1.8	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.4	0.6	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	0.6	27.2	
1997	8.3	7.3	6.3	2.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.3	0.7	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	0.7	30.3	
1998	9.0	7.8	7.1	2.3	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.6	0.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	0.9	33.7	
1999	8.6	7.8	7.4	2.6	1.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	11.2	0.7	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	1.0	34.8	
2000	8.1	7.3	7.3	2.7	1.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	11.1	0.6	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	1.0	33.6	
2001	8.2	6.8	7.1	2.6	0.7	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	11.1	0.5	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	1.1	33.5	
2002	8.8	7.3	7.7	2.7	0.8	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	12.2	0.5	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	1.2	36.4	
2003	9.4	7.8	7.1	2.6	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	11.8	0.5	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	1.5	37.5	
2004	8.7	6.8	6.2	2.9	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	11.9	0.6	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	1.5	36.0	
2005	7.9	5.8	3.4	2.3	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	11.5	1.1	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	1.4	33.6	
2006	7.3	4.7	0.4	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.6	3.1	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	1.5	32.2	
Total persons																									
1996	32.3	63.9	24.7	19.3	6.6	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	50.7	2.6	48.1	48.1	48.1	48.1	48.1	48.1	48.1	48.1	5.2	202.7	
1997	34.2	66.4	26.7	19.6	7.4	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	53.9	2.8	53.4	53.4	53.4	53.4	53.4	53.4	53.4	53.4	6.2	216.9	
1998	36.0	70.3	28.9	20.3	8.1	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	57.6	2.8	57.9	57.9	57.9	57.9	57.9	57.9	57.9	57.9	6.7	231.4	
1999	34.7	67.8	29.1	20.2	7.7	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	57.6	2.5	59.9	59.9	59.9	59.9	59.9	59.9	59.9	59.9	7.3	229.9	
2000	33.0	59.4	28.3	19.6	7.0	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	56.0	2.5	60.6	60.6	60.6	60.6	60.6	60.6	60.6	60.6	6.8	218.3	
2001	33.7	56.3	29.4	18.6	4.8	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	57.2	2.1	60.6	60.6	60.6	60.6	60.6	60.6	60.6	60.6	7.0	217.0	
2002	35.9	59.4	31.6	19.3	5.2	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	62.0	2.0	66.0	66.0	66.0	66.0	66.0	66.0	66.0	66.0	8.1	233.4	
2003	38.3	60.5	30.0	18.9	5.0	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	62.3	2.1	64.6	64.6	64.6	64.6	64.6	64.6	64.6	64.6	9.1	236.9	
2004	34.1	50.8	26.9	19.3	5.1	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	62.9	2.1	64.0	64.0	64.0	64.0	64.0	64.0	64.0	64.0	9.5	223.6	
2005	31.9	45.4	14.8	13.7	3.7	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	61.9	5.2	60.6	60.6	60.6	60.6	60.6	60.6	60.6	60.6	9.1	214.3	
2006	29.8	40.1	1.3	2.3	0.6	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	48.8	17.9	57.8	57.8	57.8	57.8	57.8	57.8	57.8	57.8	10.4	210.3	

¹ New names for these community sentences came into force in April 2001. They are community rehabilitation order (previously probation order), community punishment order (previously community service order) and community punishment and rehabilitation order (previously combination order).

² Referral orders were introduced by the Youth Justice and Criminal Evidence Act 1998 and consolidated by the Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000; they were implemented nationally on 1 April 2002.

³ The community order was introduced on 4 April 2005 and applies to offences committed on or after that date. For footnotes 4 to 6 see next page.

Table 1.7 Persons aged 21 and over sentenced for indictable offences by sex and type of sentence or order, 1996-2006 (continued)

Sex and Year	England and Wales														Number of persons (thousands) and percentage										
	Community sentences														Immediate custodial sentences										
	Absolute or conditional discharge	Fine	Community rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Supervision order	Community punishment order ⁽¹⁾	Attendance centre order	Community punishment and rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Curfew order	Reparation order	Action plan order	Drug treatment and testing order	Referral order ⁽²⁾	Community order ⁽³⁾	Total community sentences	Suspended sentence order ⁽⁴⁾	S90-92 PCC(S) Act 2000 ⁽⁵⁾	Secure training order	Detention and training order	Young offender institution	Unsupervised imprisonment	Intermittent custody	Total immediate custody	Otherwise dealt with	Total sentenced	
Percentage sentenced for indictable offences																									
Males	14	33	11	*	*	10	*	3	0	*	*	*	*	24	1	*	*	*	*	*	26	*	26	3	100
1996	14	32	11	*	*	9	*	3	0	*	*	*	*	24	1	*	*	*	*	*	26	*	26	3	100
1997	14	32	11	*	*	9	*	4	0	*	*	*	*	24	1	*	*	*	*	*	26	*	26	3	100
1998	14	32	11	*	*	9	*	4	0	*	*	*	*	24	1	*	*	*	*	*	27	*	27	3	100
1999	13	31	11	*	*	9	*	3	0	*	*	*	*	24	1	*	*	*	*	*	28	*	28	3	100
2000	13	28	11	*	*	9	*	3	0	*	*	*	*	24	1	*	*	*	*	*	30	*	30	3	100
2001	14	27	12	*	*	9	*	2	0	*	*	*	*	25	1	*	*	*	*	*	30	*	30	3	100
2002	14	26	12	*	*	8	*	2	1	*	*	*	*	25	1	*	*	*	*	*	30	*	30	3	100
2003	15	26	12	*	*	8	*	2	1	*	*	*	*	25	1	*	*	*	*	*	30	*	30	3	100
2004	14	23	11	*	*	9	*	2	2	*	*	*	*	27	1	*	*	*	*	*	31	0	31	4	100
2005	13	22	6	*	*	6	*	2	2	*	*	*	10	2	*	*	*	*	*	*	30	0	30	4	100
2006	13	20	1	*	*	1	*	0	0	*	*	23	25	8	*	*	*	*	*	29	0	29	5	100	
Females	28	25	21	*	*	7	*	3	0	*	*	*	*	31	2	*	*	*	*	12	*	12	2	100	
1996	27	24	21	*	*	7	*	3	0	*	*	*	*	31	2	*	*	*	*	13	*	13	2	100	
1997	27	23	21	*	*	7	*	3	0	*	*	*	*	31	2	*	*	*	*	14	*	14	3	100	
1998	25	22	21	*	*	8	*	3	0	*	*	*	*	32	2	*	*	*	*	16	*	16	3	100	
1999	24	22	22	*	*	8	*	3	0	*	*	*	*	33	2	*	*	*	*	16	*	16	3	100	
2000	24	22	22	*	*	8	*	3	0	*	*	*	*	33	2	*	*	*	*	16	*	16	3	100	
2001	25	20	21	*	*	8	*	2	0	*	*	*	*	33	2	*	*	*	*	17	*	17	3	100	
2002	24	20	21	*	*	7	*	2	1	*	*	*	*	33	1	*	*	*	*	17	*	17	3	100	
2003	25	21	19	*	*	7	*	2	1	*	*	*	*	32	1	*	*	*	*	17	*	17	4	100	
2004	24	19	17	*	*	8	*	2	2	*	*	*	33	2	*	*	*	*	18	0	18	4	100		
2005	23	17	10	*	*	7	*	1	2	*	*	11	34	3	*	*	*	*	17	0	17	4	100		
2006	23	15	1	*	*	2	*	0	1	*	*	27	31	10	*	*	*	*	17	0	17	5	100		
Total persons	16	32	12	*	*	10	*	3	0	*	*	*	*	25	1	*	*	*	*	24	*	24	3	100	
1996	16	31	12	*	*	9	*	3	0	*	*	*	*	25	1	*	*	*	*	25	*	25	3	100	
1997	16	30	12	*	*	9	*	3	0	*	*	*	*	25	1	*	*	*	*	25	*	25	3	100	
1998	15	29	13	*	*	9	*	3	0	*	*	*	*	25	1	*	*	*	*	26	*	26	3	100	
1999	15	27	13	*	*	9	*	3	0	*	*	*	*	26	1	*	*	*	*	28	*	28	3	100	
2000	16	26	14	*	*	9	*	2	0	*	*	*	*	26	1	*	*	*	*	28	*	28	3	100	
2001	15	25	14	*	*	8	*	2	1	*	*	*	*	27	1	*	*	*	*	28	*	28	3	100	
2002	16	26	13	*	*	8	*	2	1	*	*	*	*	26	1	*	*	*	*	27	*	27	4	100	
2003	15	23	12	*	*	9	*	2	2	*	*	*	28	1	*	*	*	*	29	0	29	4	100		
2004	15	21	7	*	*	6	*	2	2	*	*	10	29	2	*	*	*	*	28	0	28	4	100		
2005	14	19	1	*	*	1	*	0	0	*	*	23	26	9	*	*	*	*	27	0	27	5	100		

⁴ Fully suspended sentence for offences committed prior to 4 April 2005. Suspended Sentence Order from 4 April 2005.

⁵ Section 53 of the Children and Young Persons Act 1933 was repealed on 25 August 2000 and its provisions were transferred to Sections 90 to 92 of the Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000.

⁶ Numbers of reparation, action plan and drug treatment and testing orders given in pilot areas in 1998 and 1999 are included under 'Otherwise dealt with' as are referral orders given in pilot areas in 2000 and 2001. For footnotes 1 to 3 see previous page.

Table 1.8 Persons of all ages sentenced for indictable offences by sex and type of sentence or order, 1996-2006

Sex and age	England and Wales																							
	Community sentences							Immediate custodial sentences																
	Fine	Community rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Supervision order	Community punishment order ⁽¹⁾	Attendance centre order	Community punishment and rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Curfew order	Reparation order	Action plan order	Drug treatment and testing order	Referral order ⁽²⁾	Community unit order ⁽³⁾	Total community sentences	Suspended sentence order ⁽⁴⁾	S90-92 PCC(S) Act 2000 ⁽⁵⁾	Secure training order	Detention and training order	Young offender institution	Unsupervised imprisonment	Intermittent custody	Total immediate custody	Other-wise dealt with	Total sentenced	
Number sentenced for indictable offences																								
Males	42.8	74.6	25.9	25.9	5.0	9.1	0.1	*	*	*	*	*	73.5	2.1	0.6	*	*	*	16.0	44.9	*	61.6	6.2	260.8
1996	44.8	77.6	27.4	26.2	5.0	10.3	0.2	*	*	*	*	*	76.6	2.2	0.7	*	*	*	16.9	49.4	*	67.1	7.2	275.4
1997	46.6	83.1	29.4	27.2	5.1	11.2	0.5	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	81.4	2.1	0.6	0.1	*	*	17.6	53.2	*	71.5	7.7	292.4
1998	45.4	80.6	29.4	27.0	5.3	10.8	0.8	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	81.2	1.9	0.6	0.2	*	*	17.9	54.5	*	73.2	9.1	291.3
1999	40.8	71.2	27.9	26.4	4.1	9.9	1.3	1.9	2.4	0.2	(6)	(6)	80.9	1.8	0.6	0.1	3.9	5.1	14.3	55.1	*	73.9	8.5	277.1
2000	38.6	67.4	29.4	24.8	3.3	7.0	2.0	3.6	4.6	3.3	(6)	(6)	84.4	1.6	0.5	*	5.4	12.5	54.9	54.9	*	73.2	9.3	274.6
2001	37.9	68.3	30.4	24.5	2.1	7.5	3.2	2.2	3.0	4.0	(6)	(6)	91.3	1.4	0.7	*	5.1	12.0	59.7	59.7	*	77.4	9.4	285.6
2002	39.3	67.8	28.6	23.5	1.7	7.3	4.5	1.2	2.1	5.3	11.3	*	90.6	1.5	0.5	*	4.2	10.2	58.2	58.2	*	73.2	9.9	282.3
2003	34.8	55.9	25.5	23.5	1.7	7.6	7.2	1.2	2.0	6.3	12.3	*	92.5	1.5	0.5	*	4.3	10.1	57.6	57.6	0.1	72.5	10.3	267.5
2004	32.8	50.4	14.4	16.3	1.6	5.4	5.9	1.2	2.1	4.1	13.5	22.5	92.5	4.5	0.4	*	4.0	9.6	55.1	55.1	0.1	69.3	10.0	259.4
2005	31.1	45.0	3.1	3.1	1.6	1.4	3.4	1.5	2.1	0.2	13.4	51.2	85.8	17.4	0.4	*	4.3	9.4	52.7	52.7	0.0	66.9	11.4	257.6
2006																								
Females	12.0	8.6	7.2	2.5	0.4	1.1	0.0	*	*	*	*	*	12.3	0.6	0.0	*	*	*	0.7	3.2	*	3.9	0.8	38.0
1996	12.7	9.2	8.0	2.7	0.4	1.4	0.0	*	*	*	*	*	13.8	0.7	0.0	*	*	*	0.8	4.0	*	4.8	0.9	42.1
1997	13.9	10.1	9.0	3.1	0.4	1.6	0.1	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	15.7	0.7	0.0	0.0	*	*	1.0	4.7	*	5.8	1.2	47.2
1998	13.5	10.2	9.5	3.5	0.5	1.6	0.1	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	16.6	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	5.4	*	6.6	1.4	49.0
1999	12.2	9.6	9.3	3.6	0.4	1.4	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.0	(6)	(6)	17.1	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.3	1.1	5.5	5.5	*	6.9	1.4	47.8
2000	11.6	8.8	9.0	3.5	0.3	1.0	0.3	0.7	1.0	0.6	(6)	(6)	17.7	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.9	5.7	5.7	*	7.1	1.6	47.3
2001	11.4	8.9	9.6	3.4	0.2	1.1	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.9	1.9	*	19.5	0.5	0.1	*	0.4	0.9	6.4	6.4	*	7.8	1.7	49.9
2002	11.8	9.3	8.5	3.3	0.1	0.9	0.7	0.2	0.4	1.2	2.6	*	19.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.9	6.4	6.4	*	7.6	1.9	50.2
2003	11.0	8.1	7.4	3.7	0.1	0.9	1.1	0.2	0.4	1.6	2.8	*	19.3	0.6	0.0	*	0.3	0.7	6.4	6.4	0.0	7.5	1.9	48.3
2004	9.9	7.0	4.1	2.8	0.2	0.7	1.0	0.2	0.4	1.0	3.1	4.6	19.3	1.2	0.0	*	0.4	0.7	5.8	5.8	0.0	7.0	1.7	46.0
2005	9.1	5.6	0.6	0.7	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.4	0.1	3.0	10.2	17.2	3.4	0.0	*	0.3	0.7	5.6	5.6	0.0	6.6	1.9	43.9
2006																								
Total persons	54.8	83.2	33.1	28.3	5.4	10.2	0.1	*	*	*	*	*	85.8	2.6	0.6	*	*	*	16.7	48.1	*	65.4	7.0	298.8
1996	57.5	86.8	35.5	28.9	5.5	11.6	0.3	*	*	*	*	*	90.5	2.8	0.7	*	*	*	17.7	53.4	*	71.9	8.2	317.5
1997	60.4	93.2	38.4	30.2	5.5	12.8	0.6	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	97.0	2.8	0.6	0.1	*	*	18.7	57.9	*	77.3	8.9	339.6
1998	58.9	90.8	38.9	30.5	5.8	12.4	0.9	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	97.7	2.5	0.6	0.2	*	*	19.1	59.9	*	79.8	10.5	340.3
1999	53.0	80.8	37.2	29.9	4.4	11.4	1.5	2.3	2.9	0.3	(6)	(6)	97.9	2.5	0.6	0.1	4.2	15.3	60.6	60.6	*	80.8	9.9	324.9
2000	50.2	76.2	38.4	28.2	3.6	8.0	2.2	4.4	5.6	4.0	(6)	(6)	102.1	2.1	0.5	*	5.7	13.4	60.6	60.6	*	80.3	11.0	321.9
2001	49.3	77.3	40.0	27.9	2.3	8.5	3.6	2.6	3.6	4.9	10.4	*	110.8	2.0	0.7	*	5.5	12.9	66.0	66.0	*	85.2	11.1	335.5
2002	51.0	77.1	37.1	26.8	1.8	8.2	5.2	1.5	2.5	6.5	13.9	*	109.6	2.1	0.5	*	4.6	11.1	64.6	64.6	*	80.8	11.8	332.5
2003	45.8	64.0	32.9	27.1	1.9	8.5	8.3	1.4	2.4	7.8	15.2	*	111.8	2.1	0.6	*	4.6	10.8	64.0	64.0	0.1	79.9	12.2	315.8
2004	42.7	57.4	18.5	19.1	1.7	6.1	6.9	1.5	2.5	5.0	16.6	27.1	111.7	5.6	0.5	*	4.4	10.3	60.9	60.9	0.1	76.3	11.7	305.5
2005	40.2	50.7	2.6	3.8	1.7	1.7	4.0	1.7	2.5	0.3	10.2	61.3	103.0	20.8	0.5	*	4.6	10.1	58.3	58.3	0.1	73.5	13.3	301.5
2006																								

¹ New names for these community sentences came into force in April 2001. They are community rehabilitation order (previously probation order), community punishment order (previously community service order) and community punishment and rehabilitation order (previously combination order).
² Referral orders were introduced by the Youth Justice and Criminal Evidence Act, 1999 and consolidated by the Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000; they were implemented nationally on 1 April 2002. The figures include extensions of referral orders.
³ The community order was introduced on 4 April 2005 and applies to offences committed on or after that date.
⁴ For footnotes 4 to 6 see next page.

Table 1.8 Persons of all ages sentenced for indictable offences by sex and type of sentence or order, 1996-2006 (continued)

Sex and Year		England and Wales														Number of persons (thousands) and percentage								
		Community sentences							Immediate custodial sentences							Total immediate custody	Other-wise dealt with	Total sentenced						
Absolute or conditional discharge	Fine	Community rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Supervision order	Community punishment order ⁽¹⁾	Attendance centre order	Community unit punishment and rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Curfew order	Reparation order	Action plan order	Drug treatment and testing order	Referral order ⁽²⁾	Community unit order ⁽³⁾	Total community sentences	Suspended sentence order ⁽⁴⁾	S90-92 PCC(S) Act 2000 ⁽⁵⁾				Secure training order	Detention and training order	Young offender institution	Unsus-pended imprisonment	Inter-nit custody	
Percentage sentenced for indictable offences																								
Males	16	29	10	3	10	2	3	0	*	*	*	*	*	28	1	0	*	*	6	17	*	24	2	100
1996	16	28	10	3	10	2	4	0	*	*	*	*	*	28	1	0	*	*	6	18	*	24	3	100
1997	16	28	10	3	9	2	4	0	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	28	1	0	0	0	6	18	*	24	3	100
1998	16	28	10	3	9	2	4	0	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	29	1	0	0	0	6	19	*	25	3	100
1999	16	28	10	3	9	2	4	0	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	29	1	0	0	0	6	20	*	27	3	100
2000	15	26	10	2	10	1	4	0	1	1	0	(6)	(6)	31	1	0	*	*	5	20	*	27	3	100
2001	14	25	11	2	9	1	3	1	1	2	1	(6)	(6)	32	1	0	*	*	5	20	*	27	3	100
2002	13	24	11	2	9	1	3	1	1	1	1	3	*	32	1	0	*	*	4	21	*	27	3	100
2003	14	24	10	2	8	1	3	2	0	1	2	4	*	32	1	0	*	*	4	21	*	26	4	100
2004	13	21	10	2	9	1	3	3	0	1	2	5	*	35	1	0	*	*	4	22	0	27	4	100
2005	13	19	6	2	6	1	2	2	0	1	2	5	9	36	2	0	*	*	4	21	0	27	4	100
2006	12	17	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	5	20	33	7	0	*	*	4	20	0	26	4	100
Females	31	23	19	3	6	1	3	0	*	*	*	*	*	32	1	0	*	*	2	8	*	10	2	100
1996	30	22	19	3	7	1	3	0	*	*	*	*	*	33	2	0	*	*	2	9	*	11	2	100
1997	29	21	19	3	6	1	3	0	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	33	2	0	0	0	2	10	*	12	2	100
1998	28	21	19	3	7	1	3	0	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	34	1	0	0	0	2	11	*	13	3	100
1999	25	20	20	3	7	1	3	0	1	1	0	(6)	(6)	36	1	0	0	0	2	12	*	14	3	100
2000	25	19	19	3	7	1	2	1	2	1	0	(6)	(6)	37	1	0	*	*	2	12	*	15	3	100
2001	23	18	19	2	7	0	2	1	1	1	2	4	*	39	1	0	*	*	2	13	*	16	3	100
2002	23	19	17	2	7	0	2	1	0	1	2	5	*	38	1	0	*	*	2	13	*	15	4	100
2003	23	17	15	2	8	0	2	2	0	1	3	6	*	40	1	0	*	*	1	13	0	15	4	100
2004	22	15	9	2	6	0	2	2	1	1	2	7	10	42	3	0	*	*	2	13	0	15	4	100
2005	21	13	1	3	2	0	1	1	1	1	0	7	23	39	8	0	*	*	2	13	0	15	4	100
2006	18	28	11	3	9	2	3	0	*	*	*	*	*	29	1	0	*	*	6	16	*	22	2	100
1996	18	27	11	3	9	2	4	0	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	28	1	0	*	*	6	17	*	23	3	100
1997	18	27	11	3	9	2	4	0	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	29	1	0	0	0	6	17	*	23	3	100
1998	17	27	11	3	9	2	4	0	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	29	1	0	0	0	6	18	*	23	3	100
1999	16	25	11	2	9	1	3	0	1	1	0	(6)	(6)	30	1	0	0	0	5	19	*	25	3	100
2000	16	24	12	2	9	1	2	1	1	2	1	(6)	(6)	32	1	0	*	*	4	19	*	25	3	100
2001	15	23	12	2	8	1	3	1	1	1	1	3	*	33	1	0	*	*	4	20	*	25	3	100
2002	15	23	11	2	8	1	2	2	0	1	2	4	*	33	1	0	*	*	3	19	*	24	4	100
2003	14	20	10	2	9	1	3	3	0	1	2	5	*	35	1	0	*	*	3	20	0	25	4	100
2004	14	19	6	2	6	1	2	2	0	1	2	5	9	37	2	0	*	*	3	20	0	25	4	100
2005	13	17	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	5	20	34	7	0	*	*	3	19	0	24	4	100
2006	13	17	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	5	20	34	7	0	*	*	3	19	0	24	4	100

⁴ Fully suspended sentence for offences committed prior to 4 April 2005. Suspended Sentence Order from 4 April 2005.

⁵ Section 53 of the Children and Young Persons Act 1933 was repealed on 25 August 2000 and its provisions were transferred to Sections 90 to 92 of the Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000.

⁶ Numbers of reparation, action plan and drug treatment and testing orders given in pilot areas in 1998 and 1999 are included under 'Otherwise dealt with' as are referral orders given in pilot areas in 2000 and 2001. For footnotes 1 to 3 see previous page.

2. Custodial sentences (immediate and suspended)

Key points

- The total number of offenders sentenced to immediate custody increased by 13 per cent from 85,200 in 1996 to 96,000 in 2006. Between 2005 and 2006 custodial sentences at magistrates' courts decreased by 3,800 (7%) to 53,400 and at the Crown Court they decreased by 1,400 (3%) to 42,600.
- For *indictable* offences at all courts, the number of offenders sentenced to immediate custody decreased by four per cent from 76,300 in 2005 to 73,500 in 2006. Twenty four per cent of offenders sentenced for *indictable* offences in 2006, attracted a custodial sentence. Custody rates decreased in both the Crown Court and magistrates' courts in 2006. In the Crown Court, the custody rate for indictable offences dropped from 60 per cent in 2005 to 57 per cent in 2006; in magistrates' courts, there was a very small decrease and the overall figure stayed around 14 per cent.
- The average custodial sentence lengths for indictable offences at the Crown Court¹ increased from 22.4 months in 1996 to 25.2 months in 2006. However, this was a decrease from 25.9 months in 2005. In magistrates' courts during this period, they remained at between 2.7 months and 3.0 months.
- The suspended sentence order (SSO) was introduced by the Criminal Justice Act 2003 for offences committed from April 2005 and replaced the fully suspended sentence (FSS). The number of offenders who received suspended sentences at all courts in 2006 increased more than three fold (245%) since 2005, from 9,700 to 33,500. A higher proportion of offenders were sentenced to suspended sentences at the Crown Court.

Introduction

- 2.1 This chapter highlights some of the key statistics relating to custodial sentences (immediate and suspended) given in 2006. It includes statistics on custody rates² and average custodial sentence lengths and estimates their impact on prisons. More information on prisons is available from RDS-NOMS 'Offender Management Caseload Statistics 2006' (OMCS website, refer to Appendix 5).
- 2.2 Custodial sentences include immediate custody and suspended sentence orders. Over the last ten years, immediate custody has included:
- persons aged 12 to 14 given either Secure Training Orders under the Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 (implemented in March 1998) or Detention

¹ Offenders receiving an indeterminate sentence of imprisonment for public protection for a serious offence would previously have received a lengthy determinate sentence that would have been included in the calculation of average custodial sentence length. These longer sentences are now effectively excluded from the calculation. This may account for the observed decrease in average custodial sentence lengths since 2004/2005.

² Percentage of those sentenced given custody.

and Training Orders (DTOs); these superseded Secure Training Orders in April 2000;

- persons aged 10 to 17 at the time of an offence of murder sentenced under section 90 and persons aged 10 to 17 at the time of conviction under section 91 of the Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000³;
- persons aged 15 to 20 sentenced to detention in a Young Offenders' Institution (YOI) or custody for life and persons aged 15 to 17 sentenced to a DTO⁴;
- persons aged 21 and over sentenced under the Criminal Justice Act 1991 to immediate custody including life imprisonment;
- persons aged 18 and over sentenced under the Criminal Justice Act 2003 to intermittent custody (piloted from January 2004 but discontinued from November 2006);
- persons aged 10 and over sentenced to imprisonment (detention for persons under 18) for public protection (IPP), extended sentences of imprisonment (detention for persons under 18) for sexual and violent offenders (EPP) under the Criminal Justice Act 2003 (from April 2005);
- persons given the standard determinate sentence (also from April 2005).

2.3 The average custodial sentence length is calculated for all determinate custodial sentences. Indeterminate sentences, such as life sentences and the growing number of imprisonment for public protection sentences (introduced in April 2005 under the Criminal Justice Act 2003) cannot be included as the length of the sentence is not known. Offenders receiving an indeterminate sentence for public protection for a serious offence would under previous sentencing frameworks have received a lengthy determinate sentence that would have been included in the calculation of average custodial sentence length. These longer sentences are now excluded from the calculation. This may result in a reduction in average custodial sentence lengths. See Appendix 1, paragraph 1.23 and 1.24 for further details of IPPs.

Immediate custody (all offences)

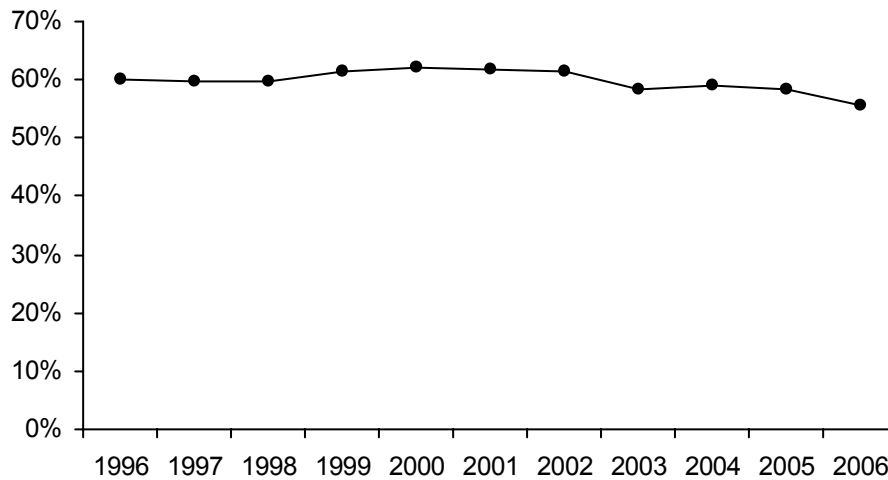
2.4 The total number of persons sentenced to immediate custody increased by 13 per cent from 1996 to 2006. The number of persons sentenced to immediate custody for all offences decreased from 2005 by just over 5,000, or five per cent, to 96,000 in 2006 (Tables 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3). This was made up of a decrease at magistrates' courts of around 3,800, or seven per cent, to 53,400 and a decrease at the Crown Court of 1,400, or three per cent, to 42,600.

2.5 In 2006, the Crown Court accounted for 44 per cent of all immediate custodial sentences given by the courts (Tables 2.2 and 2.3). This is a small increase from 43 per cent in 2005 but a decrease from 52 per cent in 1996.

³ This allows the Crown Court to pass custodial sentences on offenders under 18 of up to the maximum length for adults, or of indeterminate length.

⁴ This order superseded the sentences of detention in a young offenders' institution for 15- to 17-year-olds from April 2000.

Figure 2.1: Custody rates (percentage given immediate custody) at the Crown Court for all offences, 1996–2006



- 2.6 The total number of persons sentenced at magistrates’ courts decreased in 2006; however, the custody rate remained stable at four per cent, compared with three per cent in 1996 (Table 2.1). The custody rate decreased from 58 per cent to 56 per cent at the Crown Court between 2005 and 2006, the lowest level seen in the last ten years.
- 2.7 The total number of persons sentenced decreased in 2006 in each age group for both males and females, with the exception of females aged 18-20 where there was a slight rise (less than two per cent) (Table 2.4). For those given custody, there was a decrease in each age group and for both sexes, except males aged 10-17 where there was an increase of four per cent.

Immediate custody (indictable offences⁵)

- 2.8 In 2006, 77 per cent of all custodial sentences were for indictable (including triable either way) offences (Table 2.5). This is one percentage point higher than the proportion in 2005. This figure was also 77 per cent in 1996 (Figure 2.2).
- 2.9 For indictable offences at all courts, the number of persons sentenced to immediate custody decreased, by four per cent from 2005 to 73,500 in 2006 (Tables 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3). This was made up of a decrease in the number sentenced to immediate custody in the magistrates’ courts of four per cent and in the Crown Court of three per cent.
- 2.10 Although the percentage of custodial sentences accounted for by indictable offences (Figure 2.2) was the same in 1996 as in 2006, although it was less in many of the intervening years, the custody rate for indictable offences (Figure 2.3) has tended to increase, although the figure has fluctuated between 24 and 25 per cent since 2002.

⁵ This refers to offences ‘triable only on indictment’ and ‘triable either way’ (refer to Appendix 1).

Figure 2.2: Custody rates for indictable offences at all courts, 1996–2006

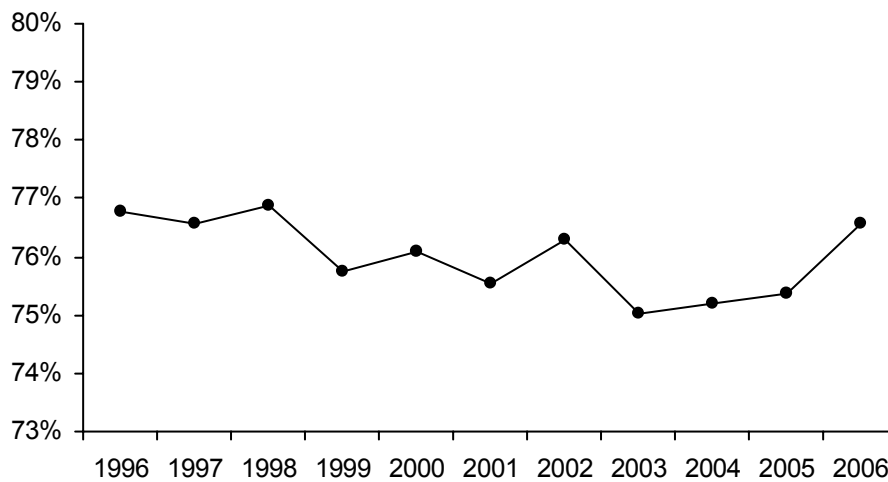
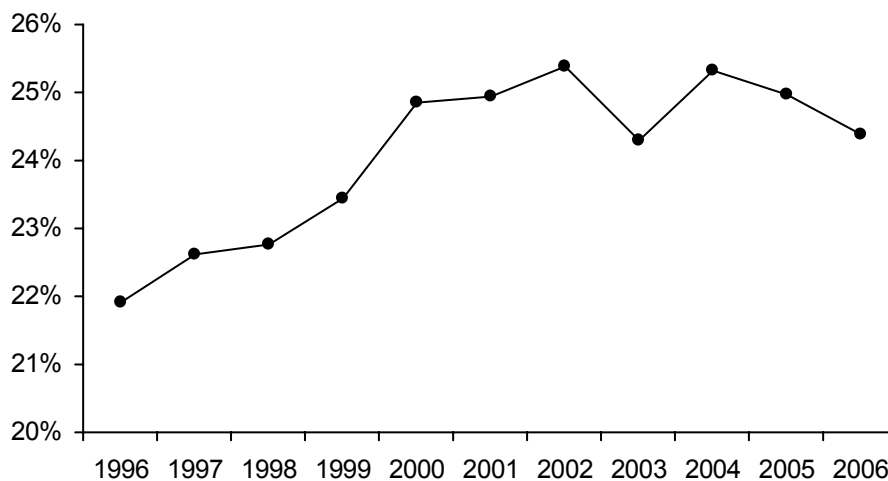
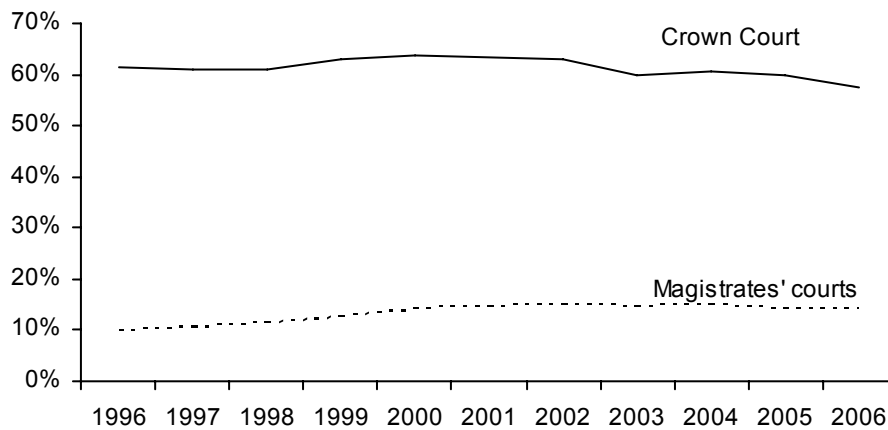


Figure 2.3: Percentage of indictable offenders given custodial sentences at all courts, 1996–2006



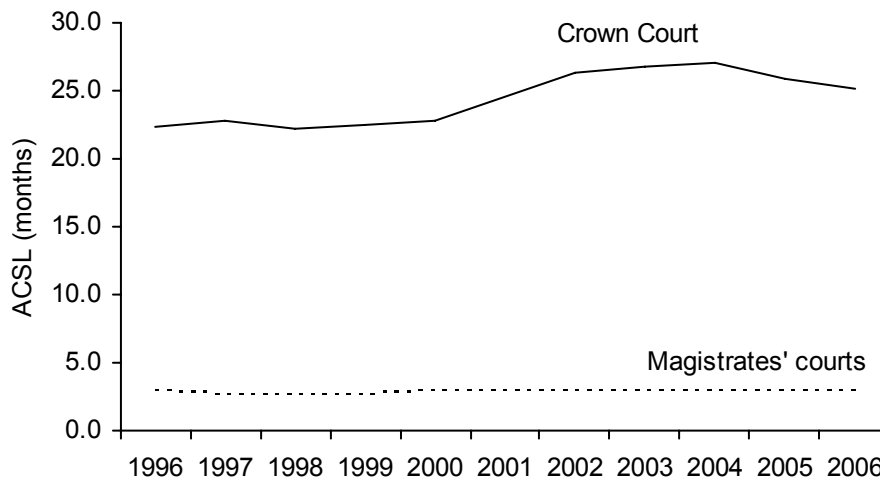
2.11 Custody rates for indictable offences again decreased in both the Crown Court and magistrates' courts in 2006. In the Crown Court, the custody rate dropped three percentage points from 60 per cent in 2005 to 57 per cent in 2006, the lowest rate in the years since 1996; in magistrates' courts, the decrease was a marginal one, and the custody rate remained at 14 per cent. There had been a period of sustained growth between 1996 and 2002 at magistrates' courts and between 1997 and 2000 at the Crown Court. (Table 2.11 and Figure 2.4).

Figure 2.4: Custody rates for indictable offences, 1996–2006



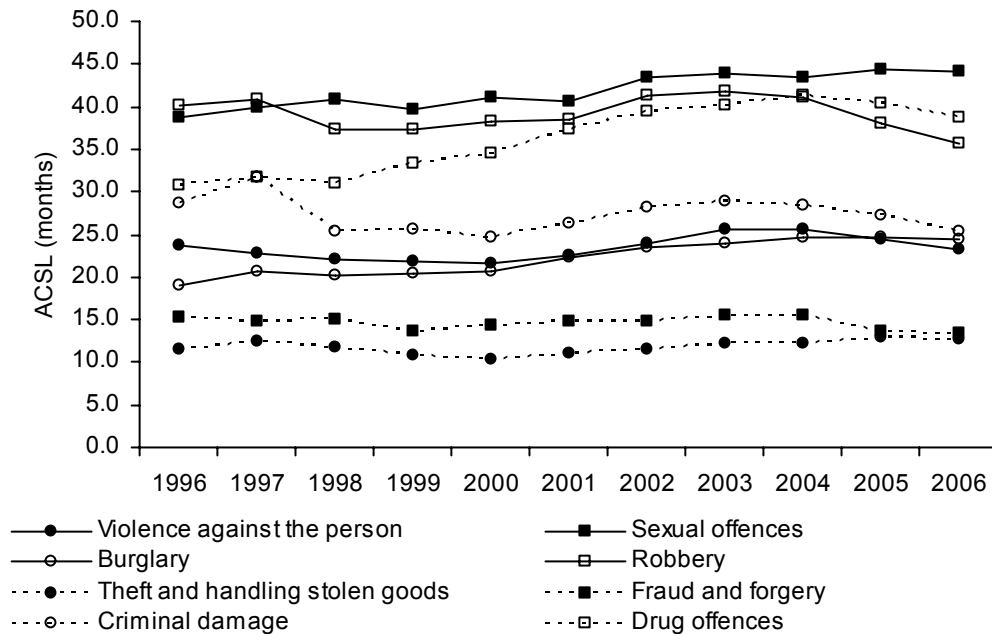
2.12 The average custodial sentence length for indictable offences decreased at the Crown Court, from 25.9 to 25.2 months between 2005 and 2006 (Table 2.12). At magistrates' courts, the average custodial sentence length for indictable offences remained at 2.9 months between 2005 and 2006. The average custodial sentence length for indictable offences in the Crown Court increased by 13 per cent, from 1996 to 2006. In magistrates' courts during this period, it remained between 2.7 and 3.0 months. Figure 2.5 shows that the decrease in average custodial sentence lengths at the Crown Court in the last two years has reversed the longer-term trend between 1996 and 2004. Average custodial sentence lengths have been stable at magistrates' courts for the past ten years.

Figure 2.5: Average custodial sentence lengths for indictable offences, 1996–2006



2.13 Figure 2.6 shows how the average custodial sentence length has changed over the last decade at the Crown Court, split by offence group. The decrease in overall average sentence length between 2005 and 2006 has been across most offence groups except indictable motoring offences and other indictable offences.

Figure 2.6: Average custodial sentence lengths at the Crown Court for indictable offences, split by indictable offence group, 1996–2006



Custodial sentences under the Criminal Justice Act 2003

- 2.14 Persons of all ages sentenced to indeterminate imprisonment (or detention in a YOI) for public protection (IPP) and extended sentences of imprisonment (or extended sentence of detention in a YOI) for sexual and violent offences (EPP) are shown in Table 2.9. The table also shows persons given determinate sentences, those sentenced to life and those sentenced to a suspended sentence, together with a total of all custodial sentences, whether immediate or suspended.
- 2.15 Determinate sentences (excluding extended sentences) increased from 84,900 in 1996 to 92,700 in 2006 (nine per cent) peaking in 2002 at 110,600. Between 2005 and 2006 they fell by six per cent.
- 2.16 1,300 persons were sentenced to an EPP in 2006 (although this figure may include a small number of persons sentenced to the previously available extended sentence under the Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000). 1,450 persons were sentenced to an IPP, 2006 being the first full year for which these sentences were available.
- 2.17 129,500 persons were sentenced to custody (immediate and suspended) in 2006, up from 88,600 or 46 per cent in 1996 (although this increase was largely as a result of suspended sentences increasing from 3,400 to 33,500 over the period – see paragraphs 2.28).

Sentencing under the Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000

- 2.18 Sections 109 and 110 of the Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000 came into force on 1 October 1997⁶. These sections provide that the court shall impose a life sentence on an offender convicted of a second serious offence and a sentence of at least seven years for a third drug trafficking (class A) offence. Section 109 has been replaced by the new indeterminate sentence of Imprisonment for Public Protection (IPP) which applies to offences committed after 4 April 2005.
- 2.19 Section 111 came into force on 1 December 1999 (originally enacted as section 4 of the Crime (Sentences) Act 1997). This provides that the Crown Court shall impose a sentence of at least three years for a third domestic burglary.
- 2.20 In each case, these sentences may be used if the offender:
- was over 18 when they committed the offence;
 - committed the offence on or after the relevant section came into force;
 - had been convicted of:
 - the first serious offence;
 - one of the two class A drug offences; or
 - two domestic burglaries (one committed after conviction for the other) before the current conviction;
 - had committed both the previous burglaries on or after 1 December 1999.
- 2.21 The court has discretion not to impose these sentences if it is of the opinion that there are exceptional circumstances relating to either of the offences, or to the offender, which justify its not doing so.
- 2.22 Table 2.6 shows persons sentenced under these provisions, as notified to the Ministry of Justice (previously Home Office) since 2000 (when the Crown Court computer system was updated to recognise these offences). According to the reports received from the courts, very few of this type of sentence are given. This is, in part, because these sentences only apply after one or two previous convictions and it will take time for numbers to build up. This may explain the increase in the number of persons sentenced under section 111 (46 in 2004, 89 in 2005 and 229 in 2006).
- 2.23 It is possible that sentences under sections 109 to 111 are not being correctly recorded in the statistics that are sent to the Ministry of Justice (previously Home Office). This would result in these disposals being undercounted.

Intermittent custody

- 2.24 On 26 January 2004, pilots of the new sentence of Intermittent Custody (IC) began at two prisons: Kirkham, near Preston, for adult male offenders and Morton Hall, in Lincolnshire, for females. IC is one of the sentences introduced by the Criminal Justice Act 2003. It is designed to reduce the negative outcomes, such as loss of employment, accommodation, and family disintegration, which can accompany even short periods of full-time custody. IC sentences can be imposed only by authorised

⁵ They were originally enacted as sections 2 and 3 of the Crime (Sentences) Act 1997, although the 1997 Act has now been consolidated into the Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) 2000 Act.

courts in the eleven Probation areas⁶ selected to participate in the pilot scheme. IC is not intended to replace community-based sentences. It is a custodial sentence and should be used only when the sentencing threshold has been crossed.

2.25 In 2006, there were just 80 cases where intermittent custody was imposed, compared with 186 in 2005 (Table 2.5).

2.26 The use of this disposal was discontinued from November 2006.

Suspended sentence orders

2.27 The suspended sentence order (SSO) was introduced by the Criminal Justice Act 2003 for offences committed from April 2005 and replaced the fully suspended sentence (FSS). This new sentence may be given to persons aged 18 and above (previously 21 and above) with a range of additional requirements similar to the community order: unpaid work, activity requirement, programme requirement, prohibited activity requirement, curfew requirement, exclusion requirement, supervision requirement, attendance centre requirement (where the offender is aged under 25). See 'Offender Management Caseload Statistics 2006' for further details (OMCS website, refer to Appendix 5).

2.28 In 2006, 33,500 suspended sentence orders were imposed, over three times the number (9,700) in 2005 and nearly 10 times the number (3,400) in 1996. The number of persons who received suspended sentences at magistrates' courts in 2006 increased more than three-fold over 2005, from 7,100 to 23,300, having been around 1,200 on average in the years from 1996 to 2004.

2.29 At the Crown Court 10,200 suspended sentences were imposed in 2006, nearly four times more than the 2,600 imposed in 2005. From 2001 to 2004 at the Crown Court, the figure remained stable at around 1,600 following a reduction from 2,300 in 1997 (Table 2.21).

2.30 The proportion of persons who were sentenced to suspended sentences at magistrates' courts was two per cent in 2006, compared with 0.1 per cent in 2004, the last full year before the changes brought about by the Criminal Justice Act 2003. At the Crown Court, the increase was from two per cent in 2004 to 13 per cent in 2006.

High-volume offences

2.31 The offence at magistrates' courts which generated the greatest number of custodial sentences in 2006 was 'theft from shops' (around 10,600). This was followed by 'driving while disqualified' (around 7,400) and 'common assault' (around 5,200).

2.32 At the Crown Court in 2006, most custodial sentences were imposed for 'other burglary in a dwelling' (around 4,400). This offence relates to burglary in a dwelling not covered by the specific offences 'burglary with the intent to commit an offence triable only on indictment' and 'burglary with the commission of an offence triable only on indictment or with violence or the threat of violence'. The second highest

⁶ Derbyshire, Greater Manchester, Humberside, Lancashire, Leicestershire, Lincolnshire, Nottinghamshire, Staffordshire, South Yorkshire, West Midlands and West Yorkshire.

volume of custodial sentences (around 4,200) was given for the offence 'robbery'. This does not align with the offence group robbery, which is shown throughout this publication, as that also includes the offence 'assault with intent to rob'. The next highest volume custodial offences were 'assaults occasioning actual bodily harm'

Table 2.1 Persons sentenced to immediate custody at magistrates' courts by length of sentence and average custodial sentence length, 1996-2006

England and Wales		Number of persons and percentages										
Custody rate and sentence length	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	
All offences												
Total persons sentenced	1,351,789	1,293,961	1,376,514	1,320,751	1,339,986	1,266,634	1,334,439	1,403,921	1,460,707	1,397,675	1,336,501	
Number given immediate custody	41,166	46,517	52,615	57,974	59,975	61,868	64,913	63,396	61,384	57,250	53,431	
<i>Percentage given immediate custody (%)</i>	3.0	3.6	3.8	4.4	4.5	4.9	4.9	4.5	4.2	4.1	4.0	
Up to and including 3 months	26,649	30,875	35,078	38,529	37,300	37,396	39,476	37,856	36,798	34,377	32,254	
Over 3 months and less than 6 months	11,026	12,326	13,854	15,387	17,212	18,440	19,370	19,835	19,161	18,365	16,839	
6 months	3,491	3,316	3,640	3,974	4,549	4,696	4,553	4,413	4,173	3,336	3,018	
Over 6 months ⁽¹⁾	*	*	43	84	914	1,336	1,514	1,292	1,252	1,172	1,320	
Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.0	2.9	2.8	2.8	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.0	3.0	3.0	
Indictable offences												
Total persons sentenced	227,983	241,021	262,613	266,452	253,961	253,195	262,653	259,895	243,152	233,450	228,892	
Number given immediate custody	22,019	25,237	30,227	33,388	35,480	36,674	39,286	37,304	35,848	33,221	31,879	
<i>Percentage given immediate custody (%)</i>	9.7	10.5	11.5	12.5	14.0	14.5	15.0	14.4	14.7	14.2	13.9	
Up to and including 3 months	14,650	17,542	21,169	23,454	23,296	23,368	25,457	23,937	22,947	21,510	20,353	
Over 3 months and less than 6 months	5,629	6,147	7,012	7,552	8,428	8,963	9,339	9,189	8,874	8,237	7,954	
6 months	1,740	1,548	2,003	2,298	2,843	3,011	2,979	2,889	2,775	2,308	2,266	
Over 6 months ⁽¹⁾	*	*	43	84	913	1,332	1,511	1,289	1,252	1,166	1,307	
Average custodial sentence length (months)	2.9	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.9	2.9	

¹ Over 6 months sentences relate to secure training orders given to juveniles (introduced in 1998) and replaced by detention and training orders in April 2000.

Table 2.2 Persons sentenced to immediate custody at the Crown Court by length of sentence and average custodial sentence length, 1996-2006

England and Wales		Number of persons and percentages										
Custody rate and sentence length	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	
All offences												
Total persons sentenced	73,578	79,417	80,262	77,035	74,202	71,888	76,065	75,891	76,119	75,600	76,439	
Number given immediate custody	44,083	47,324	47,951	47,349	46,212	44,405	46,694	44,274	44,938	43,986	42,586	
<i>Percentage given immediate custody (%)</i>	59.9	59.6	59.7	61.5	62.3	61.8	61.4	58.3	59.0	58.2	55.7	
Up to and including 3 months	4,003	4,179	4,349	4,530	4,285	3,488	3,066	2,898	2,909	2,723	2,458	
Over 3 months and up to and including 6 months	6,303	6,575	6,820	6,842	6,753	5,894	5,496	5,250	5,158	5,055	4,565	
Over 6 months and less than 12 months	5,502	5,808	5,920	5,489	5,505	5,001	5,076	4,746	5,094	5,290	5,081	
12 months	5,259	5,641	5,837	5,677	5,316	5,019	5,130	4,800	4,811	5,001	4,775	
Over 12 months and up to and including 18 months	6,812	7,071	7,417	7,061	6,575	6,323	6,769	6,297	6,150	6,079	6,060	
Over 18 months and up to and including 3 years	9,639	10,822	10,573	10,378	10,232	10,254	11,205	10,541	10,676	10,366	10,343	
Over 3 years and less than 4 years	780	935	1,096	1,222	1,354	1,617	1,969	1,861	2,082	1,745	1,533	
4 years	1,795	1,886	1,754	1,737	1,789	1,917	2,251	2,128	2,146	1,745	1,607	
Over 4 years and up to and including 5 years	1,384	1,553	1,511	1,539	1,536	1,748	2,099	2,090	2,161	1,920	1,670	
Over 5 years and up to and including 10 years	1,973	2,113	1,973	2,054	2,091	2,332	2,679	2,747	2,772	2,658	2,190	
Over 10 years and less than life	294	374	307	337	309	309	399	403	409	353	309	
Indeterminate sentence ⁽¹⁾	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	426	1,448	
Life	338	367	394	483	467	503	555	513	570	625	547	
Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽²⁾	22.1	22.5	21.8	22.1	22.4	24.2	25.9	26.3	26.5	25.5	24.7	
Indictable offences												
Total persons sentenced	70,864	76,509	77,023	73,852	70,921	68,671	72,870	72,571	72,654	72,052	72,596	
Number given immediate custody	43,425	46,623	47,085	46,400	45,304	43,599	45,865	43,490	44,090	43,070	41,653	
<i>Percentage given immediate custody (%)</i>	61.3	60.9	61.1	62.8	63.9	63.5	62.9	59.9	60.7	59.8	57.4	
Up to and including 3 months	3,645	3,803	3,907	4,074	3,823	3,060	2,636	2,502	2,490	2,298	2,028	
Over 3 months and up to and including 6 months	6,003	6,253	6,399	6,360	6,309	5,520	5,100	4,864	4,731	4,564	4,066	
Over 6 months and less than 12 months	5,502	5,808	5,918	5,483	5,504	4,998	5,074	4,745	5,093	5,290	5,081	
12 months	5,259	5,638	5,836	5,675	5,315	5,019	5,129	4,799	4,810	5,001	4,775	
Over 12 months and up to and including 18 months	6,812	7,071	7,417	7,058	6,575	6,322	6,769	6,297	6,150	6,079	6,060	
Over 18 months and up to and including 3 years	9,639	10,822	10,573	10,378	10,232	10,254	11,205	10,541	10,676	10,366	10,342	
Over 3 years and less than 4 years	780	935	1,096	1,222	1,354	1,617	1,969	1,861	2,082	1,745	1,532	
4 years	1,795	1,886	1,754	1,737	1,789	1,917	2,251	2,128	2,146	1,745	1,607	
Over 4 years and up to and including 5 years	1,384	1,553	1,511	1,539	1,536	1,748	2,099	2,090	2,161	1,920	1,670	
Over 5 years and up to and including 10 years	1,973	2,113	1,973	2,054	2,091	2,332	2,679	2,747	2,772	2,658	2,189	
Over 10 years and less than life	294	374	307	337	309	309	399	403	409	353	309	
Indeterminate sentence ⁽¹⁾	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	426	1,447	
Life	338	367	394	483	467	503	555	513	570	625	547	
Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽²⁾	22.4	22.8	22.2	22.5	22.8	24.5	26.3	26.8	27.0	25.9	25.2	

¹ Sentences of imprisonment for public protection introduced by the Criminal Justice Act 2003 on 4 April 2005.

² Excludes life and indeterminate sentences.

Table 2.3 Persons sentenced to immediate custody at all courts by length of sentence and average custodial sentence length, 1996-2006

England and Wales										Number of persons and percentages	
Custody rate and sentence length	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
All offences											
Total persons sentenced	1,425,367	1,373,378	1,456,776	1,397,786	1,414,188	1,338,522	1,410,504	1,479,812	1,536,826	1,473,275	1,412,940
Number given immediate custody	85,249	93,841	100,566	105,323	106,187	106,273	111,607	107,670	106,322	101,236	96,017
<i>Percentage given immediate custody (%)</i>	6.0	6.8	6.9	7.5	7.5	7.9	7.9	7.3	6.9	6.9	6.8
Up to and including 3 months	30,652	35,054	39,427	43,059	41,585	40,884	42,542	40,754	39,707	37,100	34,712
Over 3 months and up to and including 6 months	20,820	22,217	24,314	26,203	28,514	29,030	29,419	29,498	28,492	26,756	24,422
Over 6 months and less than 12 months	5,502	5,808	5,931	5,511	5,940	5,670	5,724	5,340	5,678	5,851	5,728
12 months	5,259	5,641	5,859	5,720	5,635	5,478	5,683	5,256	5,244	5,414	5,245
Over 12 months and up to and including 18 months	6,812	7,071	7,423	7,078	6,706	6,512	7,046	6,518	6,366	6,258	6,232
Over 18 months and up to and including 3 years	9,639	10,822	10,577	10,379	10,261	10,273	11,241	10,562	10,695	10,385	10,374
Over 3 years and less than 4 years	780	935	1,096	1,222	1,354	1,617	1,969	1,861	2,082	1,745	1,533
4 years	1,795	1,886	1,754	1,737	1,789	1,917	2,251	2,128	2,146	1,745	1,607
Over 4 years and up to and including 5 years	1,384	1,553	1,511	1,539	1,536	1,748	2,099	2,090	2,161	1,920	1,670
Over 5 years and up to and including 10 years	1,973	2,113	1,973	2,055	2,091	2,332	2,679	2,747	2,772	2,658	2,190
Over 10 years and less than life	294	374	307	337	309	309	399	403	409	353	309
Indeterminate sentence ⁽¹⁾	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	426	1,448
Life	338	367	394	483	467	503	555	513	570	625	547
Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽²⁾	12.8	12.7	11.8	11.5	11.4	11.8	12.6	12.6	12.9	12.6	12.4
Indictable offences											
Total persons sentenced	298,847	317,530	339,636	340,304	324,882	321,866	335,523	332,466	315,806	305,502	301,488
Number given immediate custody	65,444	71,860	77,312	79,788	80,784	80,273	85,151	80,794	79,938	76,291	73,532
<i>Percentage given immediate custody (%)</i>	21.9	22.6	22.8	23.4	24.9	24.9	25.4	24.3	25.3	25.0	24.4
Up to and including 3 months	18,295	21,345	25,076	27,528	27,119	26,428	28,093	26,439	25,437	23,808	22,381
Over 3 months and up to and including 6 months	13,372	13,948	15,414	16,210	17,580	17,494	17,418	16,942	16,380	15,109	14,285
Over 6 months and less than 12 months	5,502	5,808	5,929	5,505	5,939	5,664	5,720	5,336	5,677	5,848	5,725
12 months	5,259	5,638	5,858	5,718	5,633	5,477	5,682	5,255	5,243	5,412	5,241
Over 12 months and up to and including 18 months	6,812	7,071	7,423	7,075	6,706	6,511	7,045	6,518	6,366	6,257	6,230
Over 18 months and up to and including 3 years	9,639	10,822	10,577	10,379	10,261	10,273	11,241	10,562	10,695	10,385	10,369
Over 3 years and less than 4 years	780	935	1,096	1,222	1,354	1,617	1,969	1,861	2,082	1,745	1,532
4 years	1,795	1,886	1,754	1,737	1,789	1,917	2,251	2,128	2,146	1,745	1,607
Over 4 years and up to and including 5 years	1,384	1,553	1,511	1,539	1,536	1,748	2,099	2,090	2,161	1,920	1,670
Over 5 years and up to and including 10 years	1,973	2,113	1,973	2,055	2,091	2,332	2,679	2,747	2,772	2,658	2,189
Over 10 years and less than life	294	374	307	337	309	309	399	403	409	353	309
Indeterminate sentence ⁽¹⁾	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	426	1,447
Life	338	367	394	483	467	503	555	513	570	625	547
Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽²⁾	15.8	15.7	14.5	14.2	14.0	14.7	15.5	15.7	16.1	15.8	15.3

¹ Sentences of imprisonment for public protection introduced by the Criminal Justice Act 2003 on 4 April 2005.

² Excludes life and indeterminate sentences.

Table 2.4 Persons sentenced to immediate custody by age and sex showing number of prison places (excluding life and indeterminate sentence prisoners) required, 1996-2006

England and Wales		Number of persons										
Age and sex		1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Males												
Aged 10-17	Total number sentenced	66,433	69,647	75,496	79,262	80,570	84,087	83,186	80,838	83,413	82,465	80,136
	Number given immediate custody	6,273	6,775	6,881	7,244	6,968	7,147	6,886	5,776	5,881	5,512	5,730
	Number given immediate custody excluding life and indeterminate sentences	6,246	6,751	6,870	7,218	6,949	7,119	6,865	5,765	5,866	5,463	5,669
	Average sentence length excluding life and indeterminate sentences (months)	9.7	10.3	9.2	8.8	9.8	9.5	11.2	10.5	11.0	10.5	10.6
	Prison places required	2,536	2,906	2,629	2,653	2,828	2,814	3,215	2,510	2,689	2,390	2,504
Aged 18-20	Total number sentenced	134,556	139,129	147,868	147,003	142,824	139,919	140,914	143,365	137,732	127,302	123,660
	Number given immediate custody	14,205	15,143	16,152	17,048	17,324	16,882	16,290	14,465	13,817	13,351	13,046
	Number given immediate custody excluding life and indeterminate sentences	14,173	15,114	16,127	17,011	17,315	16,855	16,269	14,418	13,793	13,237	12,802
	Average sentence length excluding life and indeterminate sentences (months)	10.9	11.1	10.3	9.8	9.8	10.2	11.2	11.4	12.1	11.9	11.8
	Prison places required	6,444	6,999	6,902	6,958	7,077	7,187	7,618	6,831	6,954	6,563	6,294
Aged 21 and over	Total number sentenced	963,418	947,616	997,918	951,514	934,704	877,019	927,810	994,992	1,036,196	980,894	931,432
	Number given immediate custody	60,368	66,417	70,966	73,527	73,995	74,183	79,600	78,619	77,870	74,092	69,397
	Number given immediate custody excluding life and indeterminate sentences	60,098	66,124	70,622	73,126	73,577	73,754	79,106	78,188	77,361	73,254	67,768
	Average sentence length excluding life and indeterminate sentences (months)	13.7	13.6	12.7	12.4	12.2	12.6	13.2	13.2	13.5	13.2	12.9
	Prison places required	34,297	37,511	37,469	37,640	37,387	38,666	43,478	43,087	43,516	40,290	36,425
All ages	Total number sentenced	1,164,407	1,156,392	1,221,282	1,177,779	1,158,098	1,101,025	1,151,909	1,219,195	1,257,341	1,190,661	1,135,228
	Number given immediate custody	80,846	88,335	93,999	97,819	98,287	98,212	102,776	98,860	97,568	92,955	88,173
	Number given immediate custody excluding life and indeterminate sentences	80,517	87,989	93,619	97,355	97,841	97,728	102,240	98,371	97,020	91,954	86,239
	Average sentence length excluding life and indeterminate sentences (months)	12.9	12.9	12.0	11.6	11.6	12.0	12.7	12.8	13.1	12.9	12.6
	Prison places required	43,277	47,416	47,000	47,251	47,292	48,667	54,311	52,429	52,957	49,425	45,275
Females												
Aged 10-17	Total number sentenced	8,164	9,445	10,798	10,898	10,910	11,398	11,362	11,693	12,775	13,738	13,670
	Number given immediate custody	224	308	336	409	446	449	530	424	444	503	453
	Number given immediate custody excluding life and indeterminate sentences	224	305	335	406	444	448	529	424	443	498	453
	Average sentence length excluding life and indeterminate sentences (months)	9.4	9.7	7.1	7.6	8.3	9.4	11.1	10.8	9.0	9.5	8.3
	Prison places required	88	123	99	128	154	176	246	192	166	197	157
Aged 18-20	Total number sentenced	17,742	17,330	19,254	18,409	19,266	17,988	18,470	18,702	18,667	18,749	19,034
	Number given immediate custody	545	642	851	963	1,117	1,066	1,073	973	819	880	851
	Number given immediate custody excluding life and indeterminate sentences	544	640	851	961	1,116	1,063	1,071	969	817	875	841
	Average sentence length excluding life and indeterminate sentences (months)	9.2	9.1	7.8	8.0	7.8	8.7	10.3	9.5	10.2	10.2	9.5
	Prison places required	208	242	275	320	364	385	458	384	347	372	333
Aged 21 and over	Total number sentenced	235,054	190,211	205,442	190,700	225,914	208,111	228,763	230,222	248,043	250,127	245,008
	Number given immediate custody	3,634	4,556	5,380	6,132	6,337	6,546	7,228	7,413	7,491	6,898	6,540
	Number given immediate custody excluding life and indeterminate sentences	3,625	4,540	5,367	6,118	6,319	6,531	7,212	7,393	7,472	6,858	6,489
	Average sentence length excluding life and indeterminate sentences (months)	11.5	9.9	9.3	9.2	9.4	10.7	10.3	10.3	10.3	9.8	9.7
	Prison places required	1,733	1,874	2,081	2,343	2,466	2,919	3,092	3,160	3,207	2,800	2,623
All ages	Total number sentenced	260,960	216,986	235,494	220,007	256,090	237,497	258,595	260,617	279,485	282,614	277,712
	Number given immediate custody	4,403	5,506	6,567	7,504	7,900	8,061	8,831	8,810	8,754	8,281	7,844
	Number given immediate custody excluding life and indeterminate sentences	4,393	5,485	6,553	7,485	7,879	8,042	8,812	8,786	8,732	8,231	7,783
	Average sentence length excluding life and indeterminate sentences (months)	11.1	9.8	9.0	9.0	9.1	10.4	10.3	10.2	10.3	9.8	9.6
	Prison places required	2,028	2,238	2,455	2,791	2,985	3,480	3,795	3,736	3,747	3,361	3,113
All persons												
Aged 10-17	Total number sentenced	74,597	79,092	86,294	90,160	91,480	95,485	94,548	92,531	96,188	96,203	93,806
	Number given immediate custody	6,497	7,083	7,217	7,653	7,414	7,596	7,416	6,200	6,325	6,015	6,183
	Number given immediate custody excluding life and indeterminate sentences	6,470	7,056	7,205	7,624	7,393	7,567	7,394	6,189	6,309	5,961	6,122
	Average sentence length excluding life and indeterminate sentences (months)	9.7	10.3	9.1	8.8	9.7	9.5	11.2	10.5	10.9	10.4	10.5
	Prison places required	2,615	3,028	2,732	2,795	2,988	2,995	3,451	2,708	2,865	2,583	2,678
Aged 18-20	Total number sentenced	152,298	156,459	167,122	165,412	162,090	157,907	159,384	162,067	156,399	146,051	142,694
	Number given immediate custody	14,750	15,785	17,003	18,011	18,441	17,948	17,363	15,438	14,636	14,231	13,897
	Number given immediate custody excluding life and indeterminate sentences	14,717	15,754	16,978	17,972	18,431	17,918	17,340	15,387	14,610	14,112	13,643
	Average sentence length excluding life and indeterminate sentences (months)	10.8	11.0	10.1	9.7	9.7	10.1	11.2	11.3	12.0	11.8	11.7
	Prison places required	6,623	7,221	7,145	7,264	7,449	7,540	8,092	7,245	7,305	6,938	6,651
Aged 21 and over	Total number sentenced	1,198,472	1,137,827	1,203,360	1,142,214	1,160,618	1,085,130	1,156,572	1,225,214	1,284,239	1,231,021	1,176,440
	Number given immediate custody	64,002	70,973	76,346	79,659	80,332	80,729	86,828	86,032	85,361	80,990	75,937
	Number given immediate custody excluding life and indeterminate sentences	63,723	70,664	75,989	79,244	79,896	80,285	86,318	85,581	84,833	80,112	74,257
	Average sentence length excluding life and indeterminate sentences (months)	13.6	13.4	12.5	12.1	12.0	12.4	12.9	13.0	13.2	12.9	12.6
	Prison places required	36,110	39,454	39,578	39,952	39,948	41,481	46,396	46,356	46,658	43,060	38,985
All ages	Total number sentenced	1,425,367	1,373,378	1,456,776	1,397,786	1,414,188	1,338,522	1,410,504	1,479,812	1,536,826	1,473,275	1,412,940
	Number given immediate custody	85,249	93,841	100,566	105,323	106,187	106,273	111,607	107,670	106,322	101,236	96,017
	Number given immediate custody excluding life and indeterminate sentences	84,910	93,474	100,172	104,840	105,720	105,770	111,052	107,157	105,752	100,185	94,022
	Average sentence length excluding life and indeterminate sentences (months)	12.8	12.7	11.8	11.5	11.4	11.8	12.6	12.6	12.9	12.6	12.4
	Prison places required	45,285	49,463	49,251	50,236	50,217	52,004	58,302	56,257	56,842	52,597	48,578

Table 2.5 Persons sentenced to immediate custody by offence group and type of sentence, 1996-2006

England and Wales		Immediate custodial sentences							Number of persons
Offence group and year	S90-92 PCC(S) Act 2000 ⁽¹⁾	Secure training order	Detention and training order ⁽²⁾	Young offender institution ⁽²⁾	Unsuspected imprisonment ⁽²⁾	Intermittent custody	Total immediate custody	Total persons sentenced	
Violence against the person	1996	123	*	*	2,287	6,860	*	9,270	30,093
	1997	130	*	*	2,595	7,506	*	10,231	34,537
	1998	108	3	*	2,837	8,129	*	11,077	37,119
	1999	135	8	*	2,916	7,979	*	11,038	35,983
	2000	128	6	717	2,427	8,136	*	11,414	35,533
	2001	129	*	963	2,174	8,123	*	11,389	35,436
	2002	158	*	872	2,207	8,555	*	11,792	37,773
	2003	117	*	778	2,095	8,478	*	11,468	38,031
	2004	147	*	817	2,204	9,085	21	12,274	39,257
	2005	146	*	872	2,343	9,452	29	12,842	40,754
2006	134	*	890	2,160	9,156	14	12,354	41,905	
Sexual offences	1996	51	*	*	133	2,306	*	2,490	4,407
	1997	56	*	*	143	2,315	*	2,514	4,468
	1998	45	-	*	172	2,470	*	2,687	4,590
	1999	58	1	*	176	2,380	*	2,615	4,310
	2000	48	-	38	115	2,230	*	2,431	3,941
	2001	46	*	59	123	2,172	*	2,400	4,037
	2002	33	*	70	117	2,342	*	2,562	4,373
	2003	32	*	51	123	2,299	*	2,505	4,333
	2004	34	*	56	102	2,649	-	2,841	4,823
	2005	43	*	55	120	2,483	-	2,701	4,747
2006	24	*	46	124	2,614	-	2,808	4,932	
Burglary	1996	101	*	*	5,052	8,350	*	13,503	32,388
	1997	128	*	*	5,154	9,056	*	14,358	31,656
	1998	133	29	*	5,139	9,246	*	14,547	31,087
	1999	101	54	*	5,068	9,122	*	14,345	29,329
	2000	65	17	1,139	3,431	9,025	*	13,677	26,694
	2001	55	*	1,358	2,563	8,500	*	12,476	24,655
	2002	80	*	1,265	2,449	9,556	*	13,350	26,376
	2003	34	*	1,029	1,814	8,943	*	11,820	25,360
	2004	42	*	952	1,685	8,134	1	10,814	24,133
	2005	28	*	917	1,530	7,072	3	9,550	22,652
2006	24	*	1,040	1,494	6,670	1	9,229	22,675	
Robbery	1996	275	*	*	1,902	2,022	*	4,199	5,909
	1997	345	*	*	1,795	1,868	*	4,008	5,597
	1998	241	3	*	1,829	1,889	*	3,962	5,562
	1999	258	14	*	1,698	2,115	*	4,085	5,652
	2000	268	4	593	1,256	2,220	*	4,341	5,944
	2001	231	*	936	1,226	2,382	*	4,775	6,846
	2002	378	*	1,015	1,328	3,160	*	5,881	7,731
	2003	228	*	787	1,124	3,011	*	5,150	7,339
	2004	259	*	844	1,221	2,739	-	5,063	7,513
	2005	182	*	784	1,121	2,314	6	4,407	7,139
2006	210	*	934	1,239	2,419	-	4,802	8,169	
Theft and handling stolen goods	1996	10	*	*	4,115	12,514	*	16,639	114,370
	1997	17	*	*	4,656	14,723	*	19,396	118,214
	1998	18	35	*	5,021	16,744	*	21,818	125,247
	1999	5	61	*	5,400	18,961	*	24,427	130,648
	2000	4	30	1,023	4,621	20,305	*	25,983	127,580
	2001	6	*	1,419	3,928	20,852	*	26,205	126,410
	2002	6	*	1,306	3,548	23,085	*	27,945	126,717
	2003	5	*	1,022	2,767	21,723	*	25,517	118,594
	2004	3	*	975	2,271	19,501	9	22,759	110,241
	2005	5	*	879	1,962	17,604	22	20,472	103,318
2006	1	*	820	2,003	16,788	19	19,631	98,646	
Fraud and forgery	1996	-	*	*	222	3,155	*	3,377	16,309
	1997	1	*	*	262	3,343	*	3,606	16,929
	1998	-	-	*	331	3,799	*	4,130	19,641
	1999	1	-	*	388	3,645	*	4,034	20,200
	2000	-	-	38	303	3,385	*	3,726	19,149
	2001	-	*	58	358	3,410	*	3,826	18,206
	2002	-	*	32	305	3,417	*	3,754	18,123
	2003	-	*	38	305	3,544	*	3,887	18,051
	2004	1	*	37	266	3,838	18	4,160	18,019
	2005	2	*	48	293	4,195	32	4,570	18,291
2006	1	*	36	232	4,116	18	4,403	18,332	
Criminal damage	1996	33	*	*	299	743	*	1,075	9,754
	1997	32	*	*	282	784	*	1,098	10,425
	1998	20	8	*	296	852	*	1,176	10,722
	1999	29	17	*	322	884	*	1,252	10,728
	2000	27	4	108	256	827	*	1,222	10,159
	2001	21	*	125	217	839	*	1,202	10,526
	2002	17	*	126	221	814	*	1,178	10,826
	2003	15	*	91	214	881	*	1,201	11,112
	2004	20	*	101	197	947	1	1,266	11,582
	2005	7	*	94	234	945	2	1,282	11,502
2006	17	*	117	234	965	0	1,333	12,518	
Drug offences	1996	13	*	*	737	5,944	*	6,694	34,043
	1997	18	*	*	822	6,909	*	7,749	40,438
	1998	23	2	*	909	7,524	*	8,458	48,782
	1999	29	1	*	1,055	7,646	*	8,731	48,946
	2000	32	-	102	951	7,056	*	8,141	44,954
	2001	23	*	158	974	7,344	*	8,499	45,679
	2002	24	*	126	867	7,267	*	8,284	49,015
	2003	38	*	135	870	7,097	*	8,140	51,212
	2004	34	*	147	832	6,964	4	7,981	39,146
	2005	32	*	168	814	6,756	13	7,783	38,898
2006	24	*	190	846	6,467	5	7,532	39,478	

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Table 2.5 Persons sentenced to immediate custody by offence group and type of sentence, 1996 - 2006 (continued)

England and Wales		Immediate custodial sentences							Number of persons	
Offence group and year	S90-92 PCC(S) Act 2000 ⁽¹⁾	Secure training order	Detention and training order ⁽²⁾	Young offender institution ⁽²⁾	Unsuspending imprisonment ⁽²⁾	Intermittent custody	Total immediate custody	Total persons sentenced		
Other (excluding motoring offences)	1996	28	*	*	1,557	5,114	*	6,699	41,663	
	1997	21	*	*	1,650	5,597	*	7,268	45,776	
	1998	15	6	*	1,806	6,076	*	7,903	47,893	
	1999	15	3	*	1,682	5,908	*	7,608	46,226	
	2000	9	3	301	1,606	6,183	*	8,102	43,250	
	2001	15	*	427	1,419	5,722	*	7,583	42,215	
	2002	29	*	466	1,430	6,252	*	8,177	46,145	
	2003	15	*	406	1,322	6,978	*	8,721	49,548	
2004	25	*	441	1,518	8,464	13	10,461	52,869		
2005	30	*	421	1,522	8,677	31	10,681	51,481		
2006	25	*	382	1,427	7,875	4	9,713	48,713		
Motoring offences	1996	1	*	*	381	1,116	*	1,498	9,911	
	1997	-	*	*	369	1,283	*	1,652	9,490	
	1998	-	2	*	344	1,208	*	1,554	8,993	
	1999	-	4	*	398	1,251	*	1,653	8,282	
	2000	-	2	126	375	1,244	*	1,747	7,678	
	2001	-	*	204	427	1,287	*	1,918	7,856	
	2002	1	*	196	450	1,581	*	2,228	8,444	
	2003	-	*	247	454	1,684	*	2,385	8,886	
2004	-	*	210	456	1,646	7	2,319	8,223		
2005	1	*	166	405	1,423	8	2,003	6,720		
2006	-	*	135	338	1,250	4	1,727	6,120		
Total indictable offences	1996	635	*	*	16,685	48,124	*	65,444	298,847	
	1997	748	*	*	17,728	53,384	*	71,860	317,530	
	1998	603	88	*	18,684	57,937	*	77,312	339,636	
	1999	631	163	*	19,103	59,891	*	79,788	340,304	
	2000	581	66	4,185	15,341	60,611	*	80,784	324,882	
	2001	526	*	5,707	13,409	60,631	*	80,273	321,866	
	2002	726	*	5,474	12,922	66,029	*	85,151	335,523	
	2003	484	*	4,584	11,088	64,638	*	80,794	332,466	
2004	565	*	4,580	10,752	63,967	74	79,938	315,806		
2005	476	*	4,404	10,344	60,921	146	76,291	305,502		
2006	460	*	4,590	10,097	58,320	65	73,532	301,488		
Summary offences (excluding motoring)	1996	-	*	*	2,020	4,685	*	6,705	485,899	
	1997	-	*	*	2,309	5,357	*	7,666	414,230	
	1998	-	12	*	2,552	6,238	*	8,802	460,326	
	1999	-	21	*	2,975	6,780	*	9,776	431,372	
	2000	1 ⁽³⁾	12	503	2,209	6,593	*	9,318	488,560	
	2001	1 ⁽³⁾	*	726	1,830	6,494	*	9,051	440,097	
	2002	3 ⁽³⁾	*	701	1,851	6,990	*	9,545	485,352	
	2003	1 ⁽³⁾	*	589	1,704	7,176	*	9,470	491,514	
2004	-	*	731	1,895	8,579	10	11,215	520,623		
2005	2 ⁽³⁾	*	722	2,104	9,236	11	12,075	507,149		
2006	1 ⁽³⁾	*	772	2,292	9,501	5	12,571	493,888		
Summary motoring offences	1996	-	*	*	1,907	11,193	*	13,100	640,621	
	1997	-	*	*	2,083	12,232	*	14,315	641,618	
	1998	-	2	*	2,279	12,171	*	14,452	656,814	
	1999	-	11	*	2,760	12,988	*	15,759	626,110	
	2000	-	7	386	2,564	13,128	*	16,085	600,746	
	2001	-	*	636	2,709	13,604	*	16,949	576,559	
	2002	-	*	509	2,593	13,809	*	16,911	589,629	
	2003	-	*	553	2,635	14,218	*	17,406	655,832	
2004	-	*	446	1,992	12,706	25	15,169	700,397		
2005	1 ⁽³⁾	*	321	1,591	10,928	29	12,870	660,624		
2006	-	*	225	1,129	8,550	10	9,914	617,564		
Total summary offences	1996	-	*	*	3,927	15,878	*	19,805	1,126,520	
	1997	-	*	*	4,392	17,589	*	21,981	1,055,848	
	1998	-	14	*	4,831	18,409	*	23,254	1,117,140	
	1999	-	32	*	5,735	19,768	*	25,535	1,057,482	
	2000	1 ⁽³⁾	19	889	4,773	19,721	*	25,403	1,089,306	
	2001	1 ⁽³⁾	*	1,362	4,539	20,098	*	26,000	1,016,656	
	2002	3 ⁽³⁾	*	1,210	4,444	20,799	*	26,456	1,074,981	
	2003	1 ⁽³⁾	*	1,142	4,339	21,394	*	26,876	1,147,346	
2004	-	*	1,177	3,887	21,285	35	26,384	1,221,020		
2005	3 ⁽³⁾	*	1,043	3,695	20,164	40	24,945	1,167,773		
2006	1 ⁽³⁾	*	997	3,421	18,051	15	22,485	1,111,452		
All offences	1996	635	*	*	20,612	64,002	*	85,249	1,425,367	
	1997	748	*	*	22,120	70,973	*	93,841	1,373,378	
	1998	603	102	*	23,515	76,346	*	100,566	1,456,776	
	1999	631	195	*	24,838	79,659	*	105,323	1,397,786	
	2000	582	85	5,074	20,114	80,332	*	106,187	1,414,188	
	2001	527	*	7,069	17,948	80,729	*	106,273	1,338,522	
	2002	729	*	6,684	17,366	86,828	*	111,607	1,410,504	
	2003	485	*	5,726	15,427	86,032	*	107,670	1,479,812	
2004	565	*	5,757	14,639	85,252	109	106,322	1,536,826		
2005	479	*	5,447	14,039	81,085	186	101,236	1,473,275		
2006	461	*	5,587	13,518	76,371	80	96,017	1,412,940		

¹ Section 53 of the Children and Young Persons Act 1933 was repealed on 25 August 2000 and its provisions transferred to sections 90 to 92 of the Power of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000.

² Sentences for dangerous young offenders under the Criminal Justice Act 2003 which came into force on 4 April 2005 are included under 'Unsuspending imprisonment'.

³ See Preface and Appendix 3, paragraph 3.15.

Table 2.6 Persons sentenced under the Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000, 2000-2006

England and Wales		Number of persons		
Year	Section 109	Section 110	Section 111	
	Life for second serious offence	Minimum 7 years for third class A drug trafficking offence	Minimum 3 years for third domestic burglary	
2000	57	2	-	
2001	51	1	6	
2002	44	-	2	
2003	48	3	13	
2004	47	4	46	
2005	43 ⁽¹⁾	3	89	
2006	16 ⁽¹⁾	7	229	

¹ Section 109 was replaced on 4 April 2005 by sentences of imprisonment for public protection. Figures therefore relate to offences committed prior to that date.

Table 2.7 Persons sentenced to life imprisonment⁽¹⁾ by sex and age, 1996-2006

England and Wales										Number of persons	
Sex and age	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Males											
Aged 10-17	27	24	11	26	19	28	21	11	15	27	16
Aged 18-20	32	29	25	38	9	27	21	47	24	50	46
Aged 21 and over	270	293	344	401	418	429	494	431	509	517	469
All ages	329	346	380	465	446	484	536	489	548	594	531
Females											
Aged 10-17	-	3	1	3	2	1	1	-	1	1	-
Aged 18-20	1	2	-	2	1	3	2	4	2	4	2
Aged 21 and over	9	16	13	14	18	15	16	20	19	26	14
All ages	10	21	14	19	21	19	19	24	22	31	16
All persons											
Aged 10-17	27	27	12	29	21	29	22	11	16	28	16
Aged 18-20	33	31	25	40	10	30	23	51	26	54	48
Aged 21 and over	279	309	357	415	436	444	510	451	528	543	483
All ages	339	367	394	484	467	503	555	513	570	625	547

¹ Includes detention under the Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000, Secs 90-92 (Children and Young Persons Act 1933, Secs 53(1) and (2) prior to August 2000) (persons aged 10-17), custody for life under the Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000, Secs 93 and 94(1) (persons aged 18-20), mandatory life sentences under the Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000, Sec 109 (persons aged 18 and over) and immediate imprisonment (persons aged 21 and over). Indeterminate sentences for public protection under the Criminal Justice Act 2003 are **excluded**.

Table 2.8 Persons sentenced to immediate custody by age group, sex and type of sentence, 1996-2006

England and Wales		Immediate custodial sentences							Number of persons	
Age, sex and year		S90-92 PCC(S) Act 2000 ⁽¹⁾	Secure training order	Detention and training order ⁽²⁾	Young offender institution ⁽²⁾	Unsuspened imprisonment ⁽²⁾	Intermittent custody	Total immediate custody	Total persons sentenced	
Males										
Aged 10-17	1996	606	*	*	5,667	*	*	6,273	66,433	
	1997	715	*	*	6,060	*	*	6,775	69,647	
	1998	583	99	*	6,199	*	*	6,881	75,496	
	1999	600	183	*	6,461	*	*	7,244	79,262	
	2000	552	82	4,741	1,593	*	*	6,968	80,570	
	2001	493	*	6,654	*	*	*	7,147	84,087	
	2002	671	*	6,212	3 ⁽³⁾	*	*	6,886	83,186	
	2003	440	*	5,336	*	*	*	5,776	80,838	
2004	531	*	5,342	8 ⁽³⁾	*	*	5,881	83,413		
2005	432	*	4,992	*		88	*	5,512	82,465	
2006	432	*	5,154 *			144	*	5,730	80,136	
Aged 18-20	1996	..	*	*	14,205	*	*	14,205	134,556	
	1997	..	*	*	15,143	*	*	15,143	139,129	
	1998	..	*	*	16,152	*	*	16,152	147,868	
	1999	..	*	*	17,048	*	*	17,048	147,003	
	2000	..	*	*	17,324	*	*	17,324	142,824	
	2001	..	*	*	16,882	*	*	16,882	139,919	
	2002	..	*	*	16,290	*	*	16,290	140,914	
	2003	11	*	*	14,454	*	*	14,465	143,365	
2004	4	*	*	13,813	*	*	13,817	137,732		
2005	10	*	*	13,163		178	*	13,351	127,302	
2006	8	*	*	12,686		352	*	13,046	123,660	
Aged 21 and over	1996	*	*	*	*	60,368	*	60,368	963,418	
	1997	*	*	*	*	66,417	*	66,417	947,616	
	1998	*	*	*	*	70,966	*	70,966	997,918	
	1999	*	*	*	*	73,527	*	73,527	951,514	
	2000	*	*	*	*	73,995	*	73,995	934,704	
	2001	*	*	*	*	74,183	*	74,183	877,019	
	2002	*	*	*	*	79,600	*	79,600	927,809	
	2003	*	*	*	*	78,619	*	78,619	994,992	
2004	*	*	*	*	77,792	78	77,870	1,036,196		
2005	*	*	*	*	73,948	144	74,092	980,894		
2006	3	*	*	*	69,340	54	69,397	931,432		
All ages	1996	606	*	*	19,872	60,368	*	80,846	1,164,407	
	1997	715	*	*	21,203	66,417	*	88,335	1,156,392	
	1998	583	99	*	22,351	70,966	*	93,999	1,221,282	
	1999	600	183	*	23,509	73,527	*	97,819	1,177,779	
	2000	552	82	4,741	18,917	73,995	*	98,287	1,158,098	
	2001	493	*	6,654	16,882	74,183	*	98,212	1,101,025	
	2002	671	*	6,212	16,293	79,600	*	102,776	1,151,909	
	2003	451	*	5,336	14,454	78,619	*	98,860	1,219,195	
2004	535	*	5,342	13,821	77,792	78	97,568	1,257,341		
2005	442	*	4,992	13,163	74,214	144	92,955	1,190,661		
2006	443	*	5,154	12,686	69,836	54	88,173	1,135,228		
Females										
Aged 10-17	1996	29	*	*	195	*	*	224	8,164	
	1997	33	*	*	275	*	*	308	9,445	
	1998	20	3	*	313	*	*	336	10,798	
	1999	31	12	*	366	*	*	409	10,898	
	2000	30	3	333	80	*	*	446	10,910	
	2001	34	*	415	*	*	*	449	11,398	
	2002	58	*	472	*	*	*	530	11,362	
	2003	34	*	390	*	*	*	424	11,693	
2004	29	*	415	*	*	*	444	12,775		
2005	37	*	455	*	11	*	503	13,738		
2006	16	*	433	*		4	*	453	13,670	
Aged 18-20	1996	..	*	*	545	*	*	545	17,742	
	1997	..	*	*	642	*	*	642	17,330	
	1998	..	*	*	851	*	*	851	19,254	
	1999	..	*	*	963	*	*	963	18,409	
	2000	..	*	*	1,117	*	*	1,117	19,266	
	2001	..	*	*	1,066	*	*	1,066	17,988	
	2002	..	*	*	1,073	*	*	1,073	18,470	
	2003	-	*	*	973	*	*	973	18,702	
2004	1	*	*	818	*	*	819	18,667		
2005	-	*	*	876	4	*	880	18,749		
2006	2	*	*	832	17	*	851	19,034		

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Table 2.8 Persons sentenced to immediate custody by age group, sex and type of sentence, 1996-2006 (continued)

England and Wales		Immediate custodial sentences							Number of persons	
Age, sex and year		S90-92 PCC(S) Act 2000 ⁽¹⁾	Secure training order	Detention and training order ⁽²⁾	Young offender institution ⁽²⁾	Unsuspending imprisonment ⁽²⁾	Intermittent custody	Total immediate custody	Total persons sentenced	
Females (continued)										
Aged 21 and over	1996	*	*	*	*	3,634	*	3,634	235,054	
	1997	*	*	*	*	4,556	*	4,556	190,211	
	1998	*	*	*	*	5,380	*	5,380	205,442	
	1999	*	*	*	*	6,132	*	6,132	190,700	
	2000	*	*	*	*	6,337	*	6,337	225,914	
	2001	*	*	*	*	6,546	*	6,546	208,111	
	2002	*	*	*	*	7,228	*	7,228	228,763	
	2003	*	*	*	*	7,413	*	7,413	230,222	
2004	*	*	*	*	7,460	31	7,491	248,043		
2005	*	*	*	*	6,856	42	6,898	250,127		
2006	*	*	*	*	6,514	26	6,540	245,008		
All ages	1996	29	*	*	740	3,634	*	4,403	260,960	
	1997	33	*	*	917	4,556	*	5,506	216,986	
	1998	20	3	*	1,164	5,380	*	6,567	235,494	
	1999	31	12	*	1,329	6,132	*	7,504	220,007	
	2000	30	3	333	1,197	6,337	*	7,900	256,090	
	2001	34	*	415	1,066	6,546	*	8,061	237,497	
	2002	58	*	472	1,073	7,228	*	8,831	258,595	
	2003	34	*	390	973	7,413	*	8,810	260,617	
2004	30	*	415	818	7,460	31	8,754	279,485		
2005	37	*	455	876	6,871	42	8,281	282,614		
2006	18	*	433	832	6,535	26	7,844	277,712		
All persons										
Aged 10-17	1996	635	*	*	5,862	*	*	6,497	74,597	
	1997	748	*	*	6,335	*	*	7,083	79,092	
	1998	603	102	*	6,512	*	*	7,217	86,294	
	1999	631	195	*	6,827	*	*	7,653	90,160	
	2000	582	85	5,074	1,673	*	*	7,414	91,480	
	2001	527	*	7,069	*	*	*	7,596	95,485	
	2002	729	*	6,684	3 ⁽³⁾	*	*	7,416	94,548	
	2003	474	*	5,726	*	*	*	6,200	92,531	
2004	560	*	5,757	8 ⁽³⁾	*	*	6,325	96,188		
2005	469	*	5,447	*	99	*	6,015	96,203		
2006	448	*	5,587	*	148	*	6,183	93,806		
Aged 18-20	1996	..	*	*	14,750	*	*	14,750	152,298	
	1997	..	*	*	15,785	*	*	15,785	156,459	
	1998	..	*	*	17,003	*	*	17,003	167,122	
	1999	..	*	*	18,011	*	*	18,011	165,412	
	2000	..	*	*	18,441	*	*	18,441	162,090	
	2001	..	*	*	17,948	*	*	17,948	157,907	
	2002	..	*	*	17,363	*	*	17,363	159,384	
	2003	11	*	*	15,427	*	*	15,438	162,067	
2004	5	*	*	14,631	*	*	14,636	156,399		
2005	10	*	*	14,039	182	*	14,231	146,051		
2006	10	*	*	13,518	369	*	13,897	142,694		
Aged 21 and over	1996	*	*	*	*	64,002	*	64,002	1,198,472	
	1997	*	*	*	*	70,973	*	70,973	1,137,827	
	1998	*	*	*	*	76,346	*	76,346	1,203,360	
	1999	*	*	*	*	79,659	*	79,659	1,142,214	
	2000	*	*	*	*	80,332	*	80,332	1,160,618	
	2001	*	*	*	*	80,729	*	80,729	1,085,130	
	2002	*	*	*	*	86,828	*	86,828	1,156,572	
	2003	*	*	*	*	86,032	*	86,032	1,225,214	
2004	*	*	*	*	85,252	109	85,361	1,284,239		
2005	*	*	*	*	80,804	186	80,990	1,231,021		
2006	3	*	*	*	75,854	80	75,937	1,176,440		
All ages	1996	635	*	*	20,612	64,002	*	85,249	1,425,367	
	1997	748	*	*	22,120	70,973	*	93,841	1,373,378	
	1998	603	102	*	23,515	76,346	*	100,566	1,456,776	
	1999	631	195	*	24,838	79,659	*	105,323	1,397,786	
	2000	582	85	5,074	20,114	80,332	*	106,187	1,414,188	
	2001	527	*	7,069	17,948	80,729	*	106,273	1,338,522	
	2002	729	*	6,684	17,366	86,828	*	111,607	1,410,504	
	2003	485	*	5,726	15,427	86,032	*	107,670	1,479,812	
2004	565	*	5,757	14,639	85,252	109	106,322	1,536,826		
2005	479	*	5,447	14,039	81,085	186	101,236	1,473,275		
2006	461	*	5,587	13,518	76,371	80	96,017	1,412,940		

¹ Section 53 of the Children and Young Persons Act 1933 was repealed on 25 August 2000 and its provisions transferred to sections 90 to 92 of the Power of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000.

² Sentences for dangerous young offenders under the Criminal Justice Act 2003 which came into force on 4 April 2005 are included under 'Unsuspending imprisonment'.

³ See Preface and Appendix 3, paragraph 3.15.

Table 2.9 Persons sentenced to immediate and suspended custody by age group, sex and type of sentence, 1996-2006

England and Wales		Number of persons						
Age, sex and year	Immediate custodial sentences					Suspended sentence	Total custodial sentences	Total persons sentenced
	Determinate sentence	Extended sentence of imprisonment ⁽¹⁾ (EPP)	Imprisonment ⁽¹⁾ for public protection (IPP)	Life sentence	Total immediate custody			
Males								
Aged 10-17	1996	6,246	*	*	27	6,273	*	66,433
	1997	6,751	*	*	24	6,775	*	69,647
	1998	6,870	*	*	11	6,881	*	75,496
	1999	7,218	*	*	26	7,244	*	79,262
	2000	6,949	*	*	19	6,968	*	80,570
	2001	7,119	*	*	28	7,147	*	84,087
	2002	6,865	*	*	21	6,886	*	83,186
	2003	5,765	*	*	11	5,776	*	80,838
	2004	5,866	*	*	15	5,881	*	83,413
	2005	5,397	66	22	27	5,512	3 ⁽²⁾	82,465
2006	5,570	99	45	16	5,730	*	80,136	
Aged 18-20	1996	14,173	*	*	32	14,205	*	134,556
	1997	15,114	*	*	29	15,143	*	139,129
	1998	16,127	*	*	25	16,152	*	147,868
	1999	17,011	*	*	37	17,048	*	147,003
	2000	17,315	*	*	9	17,324	*	142,824
	2001	16,855	*	*	27	16,882	*	139,919
	2002	16,269	*	*	21	16,290	*	140,914
	2003	14,418	*	*	47	14,465	*	143,365
	2004	13,793	*	*	24	13,817	*	137,732
	2005	13,123	114	64	50	13,351	567	127,302
2006	12,648	154	198	46	13,046	3,740	123,660	
Aged 21 and over	1996	60,098	*	*	270	60,368	2,734	963,418
	1997	66,124	*	*	293	66,417	2,747	947,616
	1998	70,622	*	*	344	70,966	2,664	997,918
	1999	73,109	17 ⁽³⁾	*	401	73,527	2,403	951,514
	2000	73,517	60 ⁽³⁾	*	418	73,995	2,355	934,704
	2001	73,711	43 ⁽³⁾	*	429	74,183	2,115	877,019
	2002	78,662	444 ⁽³⁾	*	494	79,600	1,889	927,809
	2003	77,329	859 ⁽³⁾	*	431	78,619	2,093	994,992
	2004	76,177	1,184 ⁽³⁾	*	509	77,870	2,083	1,036,196
	2005	71,973	1,281 ⁽³⁾	321	517	74,092	7,526	980,894
2006	66,755	1,013	1160	469	69,397	25,253	931,432	
All ages	1996	80,517	*	*	328	80,846	2,734	1,164,407
	1997	87,989	*	*	346	88,335	2,747	1,156,392
	1998	93,619	*	*	380	93,999	2,664	1,221,282
	1999	97,338	17 ⁽³⁾	*	464	97,819	2,403	1,177,779
	2000	97,781	60 ⁽³⁾	*	446	98,287	2,355	1,158,098
	2001	97,685	43 ⁽³⁾	*	484	98,212	2,115	1,101,025
	2002	101,796	444 ⁽³⁾	*	536	102,776	1,889	1,151,909
	2003	97,512	859 ⁽³⁾	*	489	98,860	2,093	1,219,195
	2004	95,836	1,184 ⁽³⁾	*	548	97,568	2,083	1,257,341
	2005	90,493	1,461 ⁽³⁾	407	594	92,955	8,096	1,190,661
2006	84,973	1,266	1403	531	88,173	28,993	1,135,228	
Females								
Aged 10-17	1996	224	*	*	-	224	*	8,164
	1997	305	*	*	3	308	*	9,445
	1998	335	*	*	1	336	*	10,798
	1999	406	*	*	3	409	*	10,898
	2000	444	*	*	2	446	*	10,910
	2001	448	*	*	1	449	*	11,398
	2002	529	*	*	1	530	*	11,362
	2003	424	*	*	-	424	*	11,693
	2004	443	*	*	1	444	*	12,775
	2005	491	7	4	1	503	_(2)	13,738
2006	449	4	-	-	453	*	13,670	
Aged 18-20	1996	544	*	*	1	545	*	17,742
	1997	640	*	*	2	642	*	17,330
	1998	851	*	*	-	851	*	19,254
	1999	961	*	*	2	963	*	18,409
	2000	1,116	*	*	1	1,117	*	19,266
	2001	1,063	*	*	3	1,066	*	17,988
	2002	1,071	*	*	2	1,073	*	18,470
	2003	969	*	*	4	973	*	18,702
	2004	817	*	*	2	819	*	18,667
	2005	872	3	1	4	880	71	18,749
2006	832	9	8	2	851	447	19,034	

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Table 2.9 Persons sentenced to immediate and suspended custody by age group, sex and type of sentence, 1996-2006 (continued)

England and Wales		Immediate custodial sentences							Number of persons	
Age, sex and year		Determinate sentence	Extended sentence of imprisonment ⁽¹⁾ (EPP)	Imprisonment ⁽¹⁾ for public protection (IPP)	Life sentence	Total immediate custody	Suspended sentence	Total custodial sentences	Total persons sentenced	
Females (continued)										
Aged 21 and over	1996	3,625	*	*	9	3,634	645	4,279	235,054	
	1997	4,540	*	*	16	4,556	744	5,300	190,211	
	1998	5,367	*	*	13	5,380	784	6,164	205,442	
	1999	6,118	*	*	14	6,132	758	6,890	190,700	
	2000	6,317	2 ⁽³⁾	*	18	6,337	717	7,054	225,914	
	2001	6,531	-	*	15	6,546	640	7,186	208,111	
	2002	7,205	7 ⁽³⁾	*	16	7,228	630	7,858	228,763	
	2003	7,378	15 ⁽³⁾	*	20	7,413	624	8,037	230,222	
	2004	7,462	10 ⁽³⁾	*	19	7,491	772	8,263	248,043	
	2005	6,836	22 ⁽³⁾	14	26	6,898	1,499	8,397	250,127	
2006	6,469	20	37	14	6,540	4,069	10,609	245,008		
All ages	1996	4,393	*	*	10	4,403	645	5,048	260,960	
	1997	5,485	*	*	21	5,506	744	6,250	216,986	
	1998	6,553	*	*	14	6,567	784	7,351	235,494	
	1999	7,485	*	*	19	7,504	758	8,262	220,007	
	2000	7,877	2 ⁽³⁾	*	21	7,900	717	8,617	256,090	
	2001	8,042	-	*	19	8,061	640	8,701	237,497	
	2002	8,805	7 ⁽³⁾	*	19	8,831	630	9,461	258,595	
	2003	8,771	15 ⁽³⁾	*	24	8,810	624	9,434	260,617	
	2004	8,722	10 ⁽³⁾	*	22	8,754	772	9,526	279,485	
	2005	8,199	32 ⁽³⁾	19	31	8,281	1,570	9,851	282,614	
2006	7,750	33	45	16	7,844	4,516	12,360	277,712		
All persons										
Aged 10-17	1996	6,470	*	*	27	6,497	*	6,497	74,597	
	1997	7,056	*	*	27	7,083	*	7,083	79,092	
	1998	7,205	*	*	12	7,217	*	7,217	86,294	
	1999	7,624	*	*	29	7,653	*	7,653	90,160	
	2000	7,393	*	*	21	7,414	*	7,414	91,480	
	2001	7,567	*	*	29	7,596	*	7,596	95,485	
	2002	7,394	*	*	22	7,416	*	7,416	94,548	
	2003	6,189	*	*	11	6,200	*	6,200	92,531	
	2004	6,309	*	*	16	6,325	*	6,325	96,188	
	2005	5,888	73	26	28	6,015	3 ⁽²⁾	6,018	96,203	
2006	6,019	103	45	16	6,183	*	6,183	93,806		
Aged 18-20	1996	14,717	*	*	33	14,750	*	14,750	152,298	
	1997	15,754	*	*	31	15,785	*	15,785	156,459	
	1998	16,978	*	*	25	17,003	*	17,003	167,122	
	1999	17,972	*	*	39	18,011	*	18,011	165,412	
	2000	18,431	*	*	10	18,441	*	18,441	162,090	
	2001	17,918	*	*	30	17,948	*	17,948	157,907	
	2002	17,340	*	*	23	17,363	*	17,363	159,384	
	2003	15,387	*	*	51	15,438	*	15,438	162,067	
	2004	14,610	*	*	26	14,636	*	14,636	156,399	
	2005	13,995	117	65	54	14,231	638	14,869	146,051	
2006	13,480	163	206	48	13,897	4,187	18,084	142,694		
Aged 21 and over	1996	63,723	*	*	279	64,002	3,379	67,381	1,198,472	
	1997	70,664	*	*	309	70,973	3,491	74,464	1,137,827	
	1998	75,989	*	*	357	76,346	3,448	79,794	1,203,360	
	1999	79,227	17 ⁽³⁾	*	415	79,659	3,161	82,820	1,142,214	
	2000	79,834	62 ⁽³⁾	*	436	80,332	3,072	83,404	1,160,618	
	2001	80,242	43 ⁽³⁾	*	444	80,729	2,755	83,484	1,085,130	
	2002	85,867	451 ⁽³⁾	*	510	86,828	2,519	89,347	1,156,572	
	2003	84,707	874 ⁽³⁾	*	451	86,032	2,717	88,749	1,225,214	
	2004	83,639	1,194 ⁽³⁾	*	528	85,361	2,855	88,216	1,284,239	
	2005	78,809	1,303 ⁽³⁾	335	543	80,990	9,025	90,015	1,231,021	
2006	73,224	1,033	1,197	483	75,937	29,322	105,259	1,176,440		
All ages	1996	84,910	*	*	338	85,249	3,379	88,628	1,425,367	
	1997	93,474	*	*	367	93,841	3,491	97,332	1,373,378	
	1998	100,172	*	*	394	100,566	3,448	104,014	1,456,776	
	1999	104,823	17 ⁽³⁾	*	483	105,323	3,161	108,484	1,397,786	
	2000	105,658	62 ⁽³⁾	*	467	106,187	3,072	109,259	1,414,188	
	2001	105,727	43 ⁽³⁾	*	503	106,273	2,755	109,028	1,338,522	
	2002	110,601	451 ⁽³⁾	*	555	111,607	2,519	114,126	1,410,504	
	2003	106,283	874 ⁽³⁾	*	513	107,670	2,717	110,387	1,479,812	
	2004	104,558	1,194 ⁽³⁾	*	570	106,322	2,855	109,177	1,536,826	
	2005	98,692	1,493 ⁽³⁾	426	625	101,236	9,666	110,902	1,473,275	
2006	92,723	1,299	1,448	547	96,017	33,509	129,526	1,412,940		

¹ Detention for persons under 18.

² See Preface and Appendix 3, paragraph 3.15.

³ Persons whose offences were committed prior to 4 April 2005 will have been sentenced to an extended sentence under s85 of Powers of the Criminal Court (Sentencing) Act 2000.

Table 2.10 Number of persons sentenced to immediate custody by sex and offence group, 2006

England and Wales		Number of persons					
Sex and offence group	Immediate custodial sentences						Total persons sentenced
	S90-92 PCC(S) Act 2000 ⁽¹⁾	Detention and training order ⁽²⁾	Young offender institution ⁽²⁾	Unsus-pended imprisonment ⁽²⁾	Intermittent custody	Total immediate custody	
Males							
Indictable offences							
Violence against the person	126	796	2,053	8,150	12	11,690	37,416
Sexual offences	24	46	123	2,244	-	2,782	4,862
Burglary	24	1,003	1,450	6,413	1	8,925	21,567
Robbery	204	849	1,182	1,871	-	4,490	7,290
Theft and handling stolen goods	1	757	1,788	14,328	11	16,892	78,851
Fraud and forgery	1	31	188	3,395	7	3,622	12,314
Criminal damage	15	109	222	812	-	1,237	11,161
Drug offences	23	185	768	5,742	3	6,721	35,535
Other (excluding motoring offences)	24	353	1,319	7,058	3	8,855	42,809
Motoring offences	-	133	335	1,231	3	1,703	5,830
Total	442	4,262	9,428	51,244	40	66,917	257,635
Summary offences							
Summary offences (excluding motoring)	1	669	2,142	8,790	4	11,607	348,645
Summary motoring offences	-	223	1,116	8,300	10	9,649	528,948
Total	1	892	3,258	17,090	14	21,256	877,593
All offences	443	5,154	12,686	68,334	54	88,173	1,135,228
Females							
Indictable offences							
Violence against the person	8	94	107	430	2	664	4,489
Sexual offences	-	-	1	23	-	26	70
Burglary	-	37	44	223	-	304	1,108
Robbery	6	85	57	156	-	312	879
Theft and handling stolen goods	-	63	215	2,452	8	2,739	19,795
Fraud and forgery	-	5	44	721	11	781	6,018
Criminal damage	2	8	12	60	-	96	1,357
Drug offences	1	5	78	725	2	811	3,943
Other (excluding motoring offences)	1	29	108	718	1	858	5,904
Motoring offences	-	2	3	18	1	24	290
Total	18	328	669	5,526	25	6,615	43,853
Summary offences							
Summary offences (excluding motoring)	-	103	150	710	1	964	145,243
Summary motoring offences	-	2	13	250	-	265	88,616
Total	-	105	163	960	1	1,229	233,859
All offences	18	433	832	6,486	26	7,844	277,712
All persons							
Indictable offences							
Violence against the person	134	890	2,160	8,580	14	12,354	41,905
Sexual offences	24	46	124	2,267	-	2,808	4,932
Burglary	24	1,040	1,494	6,636	1	9,229	22,675
Robbery	210	934	1,239	2,027	-	4,802	8,169
Theft and handling stolen goods	1	820	2,003	16,780	19	19,631	98,646
Fraud and forgery	1	36	232	4,116	18	4,403	18,332
Criminal damage	17	117	234	872	-	1,333	12,518
Drug offences	24	190	846	6,467	5	7,532	39,478
Other (excluding motoring offences)	25	382	1,427	7,776	4	9,713	48,713
Motoring offences	-	135	338	1,249	4	1,727	6,120
Total	460	4,590	10,097	56,770	65	73,532	301,488
Summary offences							
Summary offences (excluding motoring)	1	772	2,292	9,500	5	12,571	493,888
Summary motoring offences	-	225	1,129	8,550	10	9,914	617,564
Total	1	997	3,421	18,050	15	22,485	1,111,452
All offences	461	5,587	13,518	74,820	80	96,017	1,412,940

¹ Section 53 of the Children and Young Persons Act 1933 was repealed on 25 August 2000 and its provisions transferred to sections 90 to 92 of the Power of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000.

² Sentences for dangerous young offenders under the Criminal Justice Act 2003 which came into force on 4 April 2005 are included under 'Unsus-pended imprisonment'.

Table 2.11 Percentage of persons sentenced to immediate custody by type of court and offence group, 1996-2006

Type of court and year		England and Wales													Percentage sentenced to immediate custody		
		Offence group													Total indictable offences	Summary non-motoring offences	Summary motoring offences
Violence against the person	Sexual offences	Burglary	Robbery	Theft and handling stolen goods	Fraud and forgery	Criminal damage	Drug offences	Other (excluding motoring)	Motoring offences	Total indictable offences	Summary non-motoring offences	Summary motoring offences	Total summary offences	Total all offences			
Magistrates' courts																	
1996	11.8	9.2	22.3	16.7	10.0	10.4	5.1	5.9	6.3	9.7	1.3	2.0	1.7	3.0			
1997	12.6	11.2	22.8	15.3	12.0	11.9	5.0	6.5	6.7	10.5	1.7	2.2	2.0	3.6			
1998	14.3	13.2	24.0	18.4	13.6	12.6	5.6	7.2	7.8	11.5	1.8	2.2	2.0	3.8			
1999	15.1	16.5	25.8	17.7	15.3	12.0	6.0	7.5	9.2	12.5	2.1	2.5	2.3	4.4			
2000	16.1	18.6	28.4	22.7	17.2	12.0	6.3	8.8	11.3	14.0	1.8	2.6	2.3	4.5			
2001	15.6	18.0	29.7	25.1	18.1	13.7	6.0	8.7	13.0	14.5	1.9	2.9	2.5	4.9			
2002	15.3	19.4	30.1	28.6	19.6	14.0	5.9	8.8	13.6	15.0	1.9	2.8	2.4	4.9			
2003	15.0	18.7	29.2	21.9	19.2	15.0	6.0	8.6	14.2	14.4	1.8	2.6	2.3	4.5			
2004	15.4	18.0	27.7	21.0	18.2	15.2	5.9	11.4	14.2	14.7	2.1	2.1	2.1	4.2			
2005	15.9	13.9	25.3	18.6	17.5	11.1	6.2	12.1	15.6	14.2	2.3	1.9	2.1	4.1			
2006	15.0	14.3	24.0	18.9	17.6	8.4	6.2	12.4	13.2	13.9	2.4	1.6	1.9	4.0			
The Crown Court																	
1996	60.2	73.3	75.7	88.4	50.7	50.8	46.9	61.4	54.5	61.3	23.1	27.5	24.2	59.9			
1997	57.6	73.4	74.3	88.1	52.7	49.4	40.5	62.1	59.3	60.9	22.2	29.6	24.1	59.6			
1998	57.3	73.9	74.5	86.3	54.0	51.9	37.4	61.6	57.5	61.1	23.9	35.2	26.7	59.7			
1999	57.9	73.1	76.1	84.9	56.9	52.7	40.6	65.1	62.0	62.8	25.6	41.3	29.8	61.5			
2000	59.1	73.4	77.3	87.2	58.4	50.9	41.7	65.8	63.9	63.9	24.1	38.2	27.7	62.3			
2001	59.0	74.0	76.3	86.3	55.5	50.7	40.3	69.3	62.9	63.5	21.8	35.2	25.1	61.8			
2002	56.9	74.0	74.7	88.0	53.9	47.7	38.3	69.7	60.4	62.9	22.0	37.6	25.9	61.4			
2003	53.9	73.6	68.9	85.4	50.8	48.0	37.4	67.1	58.6	59.9	20.5	33.3	23.6	58.3			
2004	56.2	75.6	67.9	84.9	50.4	51.2	37.9	68.5	57.0	60.7	21.5	34.6	24.5	59.0			
2005	55.7	73.6	67.2	82.2	48.3	59.3	40.0	65.9	55.7	59.8	24.6	30.6	25.8	58.2			
2006	51.3	72.1	68.1	81.8	46.5	58.6	40.2	63.8	53.8	57.4	23.2	29.3	24.3	55.7			
All Courts																	
1996	30.8	56.5	41.7	71.1	14.5	20.7	11.0	19.7	15.1	21.9	1.4	2.0	1.8	6.0			
1997	29.6	56.3	45.3	71.6	16.4	21.3	10.5	19.2	17.4	22.6	1.9	2.2	2.1	6.8			
1998	29.8	58.5	46.8	71.2	17.4	21.0	11.0	17.3	17.3	22.8	1.9	2.2	2.1	6.9			
1999	30.7	60.7	48.9	72.3	18.7	20.0	11.7	17.8	20.0	23.4	2.3	2.5	2.4	7.5			
2000	32.1	61.7	51.2	73.0	20.4	19.5	12.0	18.1	22.8	24.9	1.9	2.7	2.3	7.5			
2001	32.1	59.5	50.6	69.7	20.7	21.0	11.4	18.6	24.4	24.9	2.1	2.9	2.6	7.9			
2002	31.2	58.6	50.6	76.1	22.1	20.7	10.9	16.9	26.4	25.4	2.0	2.9	2.5	7.9			
2003	30.2	57.8	46.6	70.2	21.5	21.5	10.8	15.9	26.8	24.3	1.9	2.7	2.3	7.3			
2004	31.3	58.9	44.8	67.4	20.6	23.1	10.9	20.4	28.2	25.3	2.2	2.2	2.2	6.9			
2005	31.5	56.9	42.2	61.7	19.8	25.0	11.1	20.0	29.8	25.0	2.4	1.9	2.1	6.9			
2006	29.5	56.9	40.7	58.8	19.9	24.0	10.6	19.1	28.2	24.4	2.5	1.6	2.0	6.8			

Table 2.12 Average length of immediate custodial sentence⁽¹⁾ by type of court and offence group, 1996-2006

Type of court and year		England and Wales													Total all offences	
		Offence group														
		Violence against the person	Sexual offences	Burglary	Robbery	Theft and handling stolen goods	Fraud and forgery	Criminal damage	Drug offences	Other (excluding motoring)	Motoring offences	Total indictable offences	Summary non-motoring offences	Summary motoring offences	Total summary offences	Average length of sentence (months)
Magistrates' courts																
1996		3.3	3.8	3.5	3.8	2.6	2.8	2.1	2.4	2.2	3.9	2.9	2.6	3.3	3.1	3.0
1997		3.1	3.5	3.4	3.7	2.5	2.8	2.1	2.2	2.1	3.8	2.7	2.6	3.3	3.0	2.9
1998		3.1	3.8	3.5	4.0	2.4	2.9	2.3	2.4	2.2	3.8	2.7	2.6	3.3	3.0	2.8
1999		3.2	3.5	3.6	3.9	2.4	3.0	2.3	2.3	2.2	4.0	2.7	2.5	3.3	3.0	2.8
2000		3.6	4.4	4.3	6.6	2.5	3.0	2.8	2.5	2.4	4.5	2.9	2.7	3.4	3.1	3.0
2001		3.9	4.3	4.5	8.0	2.5	3.1	2.7	2.6	2.4	4.8	3.0	2.7	3.4	3.2	3.1
2002		3.8	4.2	4.7	9.7	2.5	3.0	2.7	2.4	2.4	4.9	3.0	2.7	3.4	3.2	3.1
2003		3.9	3.9	4.5	9.1	2.5	3.2	2.7	2.5	2.2	5.2	3.0	2.7	3.5	3.2	3.1
2004		3.9	4.0	4.5	9.4	2.5	3.3	2.7	2.6	1.8	5.0	3.0	2.7	3.5	3.2	3.0
2005		3.9	4.1	4.5	8.4	2.4	2.9	2.5	2.8	1.8	4.8	2.9	2.7	3.4	3.1	3.0
2006		4.0	4.3	4.5	8.7	2.4	2.8	2.6	2.6	1.9	5.0	2.9	2.7	3.4	3.0	3.0
The Crown Court																
1996		23.8	38.6	19.1	40.2	11.5	15.2	28.6	30.7	12.5	9.3	22.4	3.4	3.9	3.6	22.1
1997		22.8	39.9	20.7	40.9	12.4	14.7	31.7	31.7	14.7	9.5	22.8	3.5	4.0	3.6	22.5
1998		22.1	40.9	20.2	37.3	11.7	15.1	25.3	30.9	11.8	9.9	22.2	3.5	3.9	3.7	21.8
1999		21.7	39.7	20.5	37.3	10.7	13.6	25.6	33.4	12.0	9.8	22.5	3.6	4.0	3.7	22.1
2000		21.6	41.1	20.8	38.3	10.4	14.4	24.6	34.5	11.9	9.7	22.8	3.5	3.8	3.6	22.4
2001		22.6	40.7	22.3	38.4	11.1	14.7	26.4	37.2	13.3	10.1	24.5	3.3	3.8	3.5	24.2
2002		23.9	43.4	23.5	41.3	11.5	14.8	28.2	39.5	14.7	10.2	26.3	3.4	3.7	3.5	25.9
2003		25.6	43.8	24.0	41.7	12.1	15.6	28.8	40.0	14.7	10.4	26.8	3.4	4.0	3.6	26.3
2004		25.6	43.5	24.6	41.1	12.3	15.4	28.4	41.3	14.3	10.6	27.0	3.5	3.8	3.6	26.5
2005		24.5	44.4	24.7	38.0	12.8	13.7	27.2	40.4	15.5	10.3	25.9	3.7	3.7	3.7	25.5
2006		23.2	44.1	24.4	35.7	12.7	13.4	25.3	38.8	15.7	10.7	25.2	3.9	3.7	3.9	24.7
All Courts																
1996		18.9	37.1	13.8	38.1	6.0	10.6	18.0	28.1	9.6	7.5	15.8	2.7	3.3	3.1	12.8
1997		17.4	37.9	15.8	39.1	5.9	9.7	19.8	28.9	9.1	7.7	15.7	2.6	3.3	3.1	12.7
1998		16.1	38.7	15.5	35.3	5.1	9.3	15.5	27.0	8.5	7.6	14.5	2.6	3.3	3.1	11.8
1999		15.7	37.5	15.7	35.7	4.5	8.5	15.5	28.7	8.5	7.7	14.2	2.6	3.4	3.1	11.5
2000		15.8	38.7	15.9	36.1	4.2	8.7	14.9	30.1	8.5	7.7	14.0	2.7	3.4	3.1	11.4
2001		16.7	37.7	16.6	35.4	4.2	8.6	15.9	32.5	9.2	7.9	14.7	2.7	3.4	3.2	11.8
2002		17.6	39.6	17.5	38.9	4.1	8.4	16.4	34.5	9.9	8.2	15.5	2.7	3.4	3.2	12.6
2003		18.8	40.0	17.1	39.3	4.2	8.7	16.5	35.2	9.9	8.5	15.7	2.7	3.5	3.2	12.6
2004		18.8	39.9	17.5	38.4	4.3	9.2	16.7	37.3	8.6	8.7	16.1	2.8	3.5	3.2	12.9
2005		17.8	41.5	17.4	35.0	4.3	10.3	15.1	35.8	9.2	8.4	15.8	2.8	3.4	3.1	12.6
2006		16.8	41.0	17.1	32.3	4.3	10.9	12.9	33.8	9.0	9.0	15.3	2.8	3.4	3.0	12.4

¹ Excludes life and indeterminate sentences.

Table 2.12 Average length of immediate custodial sentence⁽¹⁾ by type of court and offence group, 1996-2006

Type of court and year		Offence group													Average length of sentence (months)	
		Violence against the person	Sexual offences	Burglary	Robbery	Theft and handling stolen goods	Fraud and forgery	Criminal damage	Drug offences	Other (excluding motoring)	Motoring offences	Total indictable offences	Summary non-motoring offences	Summary motoring offences	Total summary offences	Total all offences
Magistrates' courts																
1996	3.3	3.8	3.5	3.8	2.6	2.8	2.1	2.4	2.2	3.9	2.9	2.6	3.3	3.1	3.0	
1997	3.1	3.5	3.4	3.7	2.5	2.8	2.1	2.2	2.1	3.8	2.7	2.6	3.3	3.0	2.9	
1998	3.1	3.5	3.4	3.4	2.4	2.9	2.3	2.4	2.2	3.8	2.7	2.6	3.3	3.0	2.8	
1999	3.2	3.5	3.6	3.9	2.4	3.0	2.3	2.3	2.2	4.0	2.7	2.5	3.3	3.0	2.8	
2000	3.6	4.4	4.3	6.6	2.5	3.0	2.8	2.5	2.9	4.5	2.9	2.7	3.4	3.1	3.0	
2001	3.9	4.3	4.5	8.0	2.5	3.1	2.7	2.6	2.4	4.8	3.0	2.7	3.4	3.2	3.1	
2002	3.8	4.2	4.7	9.7	2.5	3.0	2.7	2.4	2.4	4.9	3.0	2.7	3.4	3.2	3.1	
2003	3.9	3.9	4.5	9.1	2.5	3.2	2.7	2.5	2.2	5.2	3.0	2.7	3.5	3.2	3.1	
2004	3.9	4.0	4.5	9.4	2.5	3.3	2.7	2.6	1.8	5.0	3.0	2.7	3.5	3.2	3.0	
2005	3.9	4.1	4.5	8.4	2.4	2.9	2.5	2.8	1.8	4.8	2.9	2.7	3.4	3.1	3.0	
2006	4.0	4.3	4.5	8.7	2.4	2.8	2.6	2.6	1.9	5.0	2.9	2.7	3.4	3.0	3.0	
The Crown Court																
1996	23.8	38.6	19.1	40.2	11.5	15.2	28.6	30.7	12.5	9.3	22.4	3.4	3.9	3.6	22.1	
1997	22.8	39.9	20.7	40.9	12.4	14.7	31.7	31.7	14.4	9.5	22.8	3.5	4.0	3.6	22.5	
1998	22.1	40.9	20.2	37.3	11.7	15.1	25.3	30.9	11.8	9.9	22.2	3.5	3.9	3.7	21.8	
1999	21.7	39.7	20.5	37.3	10.7	13.6	25.6	33.4	12.0	9.8	22.5	3.6	4.0	3.7	22.1	
2000	21.6	41.1	20.8	38.3	10.4	14.4	24.6	34.5	11.9	9.7	22.8	3.5	3.8	3.6	22.4	
2001	22.6	40.7	22.3	38.4	11.1	14.7	26.4	37.2	13.3	10.1	24.5	3.3	3.8	3.5	24.2	
2002	23.9	43.4	23.5	41.3	11.5	14.8	28.2	39.5	14.7	10.2	26.3	3.4	3.7	3.5	25.9	
2003	25.6	43.8	24.0	41.7	12.1	15.6	28.8	40.0	14.7	10.4	26.8	3.4	4.0	3.6	26.3	
2004	25.6	43.5	24.6	41.1	12.3	15.4	28.4	41.3	14.3	10.6	27.0	3.5	3.8	3.6	26.5	
2005	24.5	44.4	24.7	38.0	12.8	13.7	27.2	40.4	15.5	10.3	25.9	3.7	3.7	3.7	25.5	
2006	23.2	44.1	24.4	35.7	12.7	13.4	25.3	38.8	15.7	10.7	25.2	3.9	3.7	3.9	24.7	
All Courts																
1996	18.9	37.1	13.8	38.1	6.0	10.6	18.0	28.1	9.6	7.5	15.8	2.7	3.3	3.1	12.8	
1997	17.4	37.9	15.8	39.1	5.9	9.7	19.8	28.9	9.1	7.7	15.7	2.6	3.3	3.1	12.7	
1998	16.1	38.7	15.5	35.3	5.1	9.3	15.5	27.0	8.5	7.6	14.5	2.6	3.3	3.1	11.8	
1999	15.7	37.5	15.7	35.7	4.5	8.5	15.5	28.7	8.5	7.7	14.2	2.6	3.4	3.1	11.5	
2000	15.8	38.7	15.9	36.1	4.2	8.7	14.9	30.1	8.5	7.7	14.0	2.7	3.4	3.1	11.4	
2001	16.7	37.7	16.6	35.4	4.2	8.6	15.9	32.5	9.2	7.9	14.7	2.7	3.4	3.2	11.8	
2002	17.6	39.6	17.5	38.9	4.1	8.4	16.4	34.5	9.9	8.2	15.5	2.7	3.4	3.2	12.6	
2003	18.8	40.0	17.1	39.3	4.2	8.7	16.5	35.2	9.9	8.5	15.7	2.7	3.5	3.2	12.6	
2004	18.8	39.9	17.5	38.4	4.3	9.2	16.7	37.3	8.6	8.7	16.1	2.8	3.5	3.2	12.9	
2005	17.8	41.5	17.4	35.0	4.3	10.3	15.1	35.8	9.2	8.4	15.8	2.8	3.4	3.1	12.6	
2006	16.8	41.0	17.1	32.3	4.3	10.9	12.9	33.8	9.0	9.0	15.3	2.8	3.4	3.0	12.4	

¹ Excludes life and indeterminate sentences.

Table 2.13 Percentage of persons sentenced to immediate custody by sex and offence group, 1996-2006

Sex and year		Offence group													Percentage sentenced to immediate custody		
		Violence against the person	Sexual offences	Burglary	Robbery	Theft and handling stolen goods	Fraud and forgery	Criminal damage	Drug offences	Other (excluding motoring)	Motoring offences	Total indictable offences	Summary non-motoring offences	Summary motoring offences	Total summary offences	Total all offences	
Males																	
1996	32.4	56.6	42.3	73.3	16.0	23.6	11.2	19.9	17.1	15.7	23.6	1.9	2.3	2.1	6.9		
1997	31.2	56.5	46.0	74.4	18.0	24.3	11.0	19.3	16.9	18.2	24.3	2.3	2.5	2.4	7.6		
1998	31.5	58.7	47.5	73.6	19.1	24.5	11.2	17.3	17.5	18.0	24.5	2.4	2.4	2.4	7.7		
1999	32.2	61.0	49.6	74.4	20.3	23.0	12.1	17.6	17.5	20.9	25.1	2.7	2.8	2.8	8.3		
2000	33.8	61.8	52.0	75.0	22.2	22.8	12.3	17.7	19.9	23.6	26.7	2.4	3.0	2.8	8.5		
2001	33.6	59.6	51.5	71.7	22.6	24.4	11.8	18.0	19.2	25.4	26.7	2.6	3.3	3.0	8.9		
2002	32.6	59.0	51.4	78.2	24.1	24.7	11.2	16.4	18.8	27.4	27.1	2.5	3.2	2.9	8.9		
2003	31.6	58.1	47.3	72.8	23.5	24.8	11.2	15.4	18.8	28.0	25.9	2.4	3.0	2.7	8.1		
2004	32.8	59.1	45.4	70.2	22.6	27.1	11.3	20.1	20.8	29.3	27.1	2.7	2.4	2.5	7.8		
2005	33.3	57.1	42.8	64.6	21.7	29.3	11.4	19.9	21.8	30.9	26.7	3.1	2.2	2.5	7.8		
2006	31.2	57.2	41.4	61.6	21.4	29.4	11.1	18.9	20.7	29.2	26.0	3.3	1.8	2.4	7.8		
Females																	
1996	15.0	39.3	21.5	44.0	7.9	10.8	8.6	17.3	6.7	3.7	10.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	1.7		
1997	14.9	28.6	25.0	42.9	9.4	12.1	5.7	18.3	7.8	4.4	11.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	2.5		
1998	15.1	44.4	27.1	45.0	10.4	11.7	9.0	18.0	8.9	3.8	12.2	0.4	0.4	0.4	2.8		
1999	16.7	32.7	31.4	48.2	12.1	11.9	7.8	19.4	9.0	4.0	13.5	0.6	0.5	0.5	3.4		
2000	17.4	54.3	32.3	51.8	13.1	11.0	9.4	21.6	10.3	6.8	14.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	3.1		
2001	18.5	40.5	31.4	50.5	13.2	12.3	8.3	23.9	9.6	7.3	14.9	0.5	0.6	0.5	3.4		
2002	19.0	30.4	35.3	58.0	14.2	11.1	8.0	21.8	10.3	8.0	15.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	3.4		
2003	17.3	40.0	33.7	50.0	14.2	13.2	7.2	19.9	9.8	7.8	15.2	0.6	0.6	0.6	3.4		
2004	18.1	45.5	34.2	43.9	13.5	13.2	8.0	22.4	12.9	8.9	15.4	0.6	0.5	0.6	3.1		
2005	17.2	40.7	29.3	39.7	12.8	15.0	9.4	20.5	13.7	8.9	15.2	0.6	0.4	0.6	2.9		
2006	14.8	37.1	27.4	35.5	13.8	13.0	7.1	20.6	14.5	8.3	15.1	0.7	0.3	0.5	2.8		
All persons																	
1996	30.8	56.5	41.7	71.1	14.5	20.7	11.0	19.7	16.1	15.1	21.9	1.4	2.0	1.8	6.0		
1997	29.6	56.3	45.3	71.6	16.4	21.3	10.5	19.2	15.9	17.4	22.6	1.9	2.2	2.1	6.8		
1998	29.8	58.5	46.8	71.2	17.4	21.0	11.0	17.3	16.5	17.3	22.8	1.9	2.2	2.1	6.9		
1999	30.7	60.7	48.9	72.3	18.7	20.0	11.7	17.8	16.5	20.0	23.4	2.3	2.5	2.4	7.5		
2000	32.1	61.7	51.2	73.0	20.4	19.5	12.0	18.1	18.7	22.8	24.9	1.9	2.7	2.3	7.5		
2001	32.1	59.5	50.6	69.7	20.7	21.0	11.4	18.6	18.0	24.4	24.9	2.1	2.9	2.6	7.9		
2002	31.2	58.6	50.6	76.1	22.1	20.7	10.9	16.9	17.7	26.4	25.4	2.0	2.9	2.5	7.9		
2003	30.2	57.8	46.6	70.2	21.5	21.5	10.8	15.9	17.6	26.8	24.3	1.9	2.7	2.3	7.3		
2004	31.3	58.9	44.8	67.4	20.6	23.1	10.9	20.4	19.8	28.2	25.3	2.2	2.2	2.2	6.9		
2005	31.5	56.9	42.2	61.7	19.8	25.0	11.1	19.8	20.7	29.8	25.0	2.4	1.9	2.1	6.9		
2006	29.5	56.9	40.7	58.8	19.9	24.0	10.6	19.1	19.9	28.2	24.4	2.5	1.6	2.0	6.8		

Table 2.14 Average length of immediate custodial sentence⁽¹⁾ by sex and offence group, 1996-2006

Sex and year		England and Wales													Average length of sentence (months)		
		Offence group													Summary motoring offences	Total summary offences	Total all offences
		Violence against the person	Sexual offences	Burglary	Robbery	Theft and handling stolen goods	Fraud and forgery	Criminal damage	Drug offences	Other (excluding motoring)	Motoring offences	Total indictable offences	Summary non-motoring offences	Summary motoring offences	Total summary offences	Total all offences	
Males																	
1996		19.0	37.2	13.8	38.8	6.2	10.9	17.8	28.0	9.6	7.5	16.0	2.7	3.3	3.1	12.9	
1997		17.6	38.0	15.8	40.1	6.2	10.1	19.4	29.1	9.3	7.7	16.1	2.7	3.3	3.1	12.9	
1998		16.3	38.9	15.5	36.1	5.3	9.8	15.4	27.2	8.7	7.7	14.9	2.7	3.3	3.1	12.0	
1999		16.0	37.7	15.7	36.4	4.6	8.8	15.3	28.7	8.7	7.7	14.5	2.6	3.4	3.1	11.6	
2000		15.9	38.7	16.0	37.0	4.4	9.3	14.7	30.0	8.7	7.7	14.4	2.7	3.4	3.2	11.6	
2001		16.8	37.9	16.6	36.1	4.3	9.0	15.8	32.1	9.5	7.9	15.0	2.7	3.4	3.2	12.0	
2002		17.8	39.6	17.5	40.0	4.2	8.8	16.5	34.4	10.2	8.3	15.9	2.7	3.5	3.2	12.7	
2003		19.0	40.1	17.2	40.3	4.3	9.1	16.0	35.1	10.3	8.5	16.2	2.7	3.5	3.2	12.8	
2004		19.0	40.1	17.5	39.2	4.5	9.6	16.3	37.4	8.9	8.7	16.6	2.8	3.5	3.2	13.1	
2005		18.0	41.6	17.5	35.9	4.5	10.8	15.1	36.0	9.5	8.5	16.2	2.8	3.4	3.1	12.9	
2006		16.9	41.0	17.1	33.0	4.4	11.4	12.8	33.9	9.1	9.1	15.7	2.8	3.4	3.1	12.6	
Females																	
1996		17.0	16.4	12.3	24.1	4.6	8.0	20.4	28.9	8.6	6.3	12.3	2.1	2.6	2.4	11.1	
1997		14.8	11.5	13.6	20.9	3.9	7.3	26.5	27.2	6.0	7.4	10.9	2.2	2.5	2.3	9.8	
1998		12.9	24.8	13.6	22.2	3.4	6.6	16.6	25.6	6.1	6.0	9.9	2.2	2.6	2.3	9.0	
1999		11.9	13.4	13.3	23.2	3.4	6.5	18.5	28.5	5.2	6.6	9.8	2.2	2.7	2.4	9.0	
2000		13.2	38.0	13.2	23.4	3.3	5.8	17.6	30.4	5.3	5.9	10.1	2.3	2.8	2.5	9.1	
2001		15.2	21.1	14.6	26.7	3.3	6.5	16.7	35.2	5.7	6.1	11.5	2.4	2.6	2.5	10.4	
2002		15.4	39.3	16.0	26.1	3.2	6.3	15.8	35.1	6.1	4.9	11.4	2.4	2.8	2.6	10.3	
2003		14.3	29.4	14.7	27.2	3.3	6.8	22.8	35.8	5.2	6.5	11.4	2.4	2.9	2.6	10.2	
2004		15.8	22.6	16.4	27.9	3.2	7.1	20.5	36.7	5.1	7.3	11.6	2.5	2.9	2.7	10.3	
2005		15.3	29.8	15.9	23.4	3.3	8.0	15.7	34.2	5.9	5.4	11.2	2.6	3.0	2.7	9.8	
2006		14.6	42.5	14.9	22.0	3.5	8.5	14.3	32.5	7.3	7.0	10.9	2.5	3.0	2.6	9.6	
All persons																	
1996		18.9	37.1	13.8	38.1	6.0	10.6	18.0	28.1	9.6	7.5	15.8	2.7	3.3	3.1	12.8	
1997		17.4	37.9	15.8	39.1	5.9	9.7	19.8	28.9	9.1	7.7	15.7	2.6	3.3	3.1	12.7	
1998		16.1	38.7	15.5	35.3	5.1	9.3	15.5	27.0	8.5	7.6	14.5	2.6	3.3	3.1	11.8	
1999		15.7	37.5	15.7	35.7	4.5	8.5	15.5	28.7	8.5	7.7	14.2	2.6	3.4	3.1	11.5	
2000		15.8	38.7	15.9	36.1	4.2	8.7	14.9	30.1	8.5	7.7	14.0	2.7	3.4	3.1	11.4	
2001		16.7	37.7	16.6	35.4	4.2	8.6	15.9	32.5	9.2	7.9	14.7	2.7	3.4	3.2	11.8	
2002		17.6	39.6	17.5	38.9	4.1	8.4	16.4	34.5	9.9	8.2	15.5	2.7	3.4	3.2	12.6	
2003		18.8	40.0	17.1	39.3	4.2	8.7	16.5	35.2	9.9	8.5	15.7	2.7	3.5	3.2	12.6	
2004		18.8	39.9	17.5	38.4	4.3	8.2	16.7	37.3	8.6	8.7	16.1	2.8	3.5	3.2	12.9	
2005		17.8	41.5	17.4	35.0	4.3	10.3	15.1	35.8	9.2	8.4	15.8	2.8	3.4	3.1	12.6	
2006		16.8	41.0	17.1	32.3	4.3	10.9	12.9	33.8	9.0	9.0	15.3	2.8	3.4	3.0	12.4	

¹ Excludes life and indeterminate sentences.

Table 2.15 Average length of immediate custodial sentence at magistrates' courts by age and offence group, 1996-2006

England and Wales		Average length of sentence (months)														
Age and year	Offence group	Offence group											Total all offences			
		Violence against the person	Sexual offences	Burglary	Robbery	Theft and handling stolen goods	Fraud and forgery	Criminal damage	Drug offences	Other (excluding motoring)	Motoring offences	Total indictable offences		Summary offences (excluding motoring)	Summary motoring offences	Total summary offences
Aged 10 - 17	1996	3.5	4.1	3.7	3.8	3.5	2.7	3.1	3.1	3.1	4.3	3.6	3.0	3.4	3.1	3.5
	1997	3.5	3.2	3.5	3.7	3.2	3.5	2.8	3.2	3.2	3.8	3.4	3.0	3.3	3.1	3.3
	1998	3.4	4.4	3.7	3.9	3.3	3.0	4.0	3.4	3.3	3.9	3.5	3.0	3.3	3.1	3.4
	1999	3.5	3.4	3.8	3.9	3.4	2.9	4.2	3.2	3.0	4.2	3.6	3.0	3.5	3.1	3.4
	2000	6.0	8.6	6.6	6.2	5.1	6.0	6.4	5.8	4.0	6.4	6.0	4.0	5.8	4.0	5.5
	2001	6.8	8.1	7.2	8.1	5.7	5.2	6.4	6.5	6.4	7.1	6.7	4.4	4.5	4.5	6.1
	2002	7.1	9.3	8.1	9.9	6.3	5.0	7.1	6.7	7.3	7.7	7.5	4.5	4.6	4.6	6.8
	2003	7.4	8.1	7.8	9.2	6.1	6.1	7.5	7.7	6.8	7.8	7.3	4.5	4.6	4.5	6.6
	2004	7.1	8.5	7.8	9.5	6.2	5.9	7.0	7.5	7.4	7.4	7.2	4.5	4.6	4.6	6.6
	2005	7.2	8.0	7.7	8.5	5.7	6.0	6.9	7.2	6.4	7.1	7.0	4.6	4.4	4.5	6.4
2006	7.2	9.0	7.3	8.9	5.8	5.6	6.8	7.5	6.5	7.6	7.1	4.6	4.5	4.5	6.6	
Aged 18 - 20	1996	3.4	4.0	3.4	3.8	2.8	2.6	2.2	2.3	3.8	3.0	2.7	2.7	3.4	3.1	3.0
	1997	3.1	3.7	3.4	3.8	2.7	2.5	2.2	2.2	3.6	2.8	2.8	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.9
	1998	3.1	3.9	3.4	4.1	2.6	2.7	2.3	2.4	2.3	3.8	2.8	2.6	3.2	2.9	2.9
	1999	3.1	3.2	3.4	3.6	2.6	2.8	2.2	2.4	2.2	4.2	2.6	2.6	3.2	2.9	2.8
	2000	3.3	3.9	3.5	5.0	2.5	2.9	2.6	2.6	2.2	3.9	2.8	2.6	3.2	2.9	2.8
	2001	3.2	3.8	3.5	4.5	2.5	2.9	1.9	2.4	2.2	4.0	2.7	2.5	3.2	2.9	2.8
	2002	3.3	3.2	3.6	4.8	2.5	2.9	2.0	2.4	2.3	3.9	2.8	2.6	3.3	3.0	2.9
	2003	3.3	2.8	3.4	2.2	2.5	2.9	2.3	2.2	2.0	4.0	2.8	2.5	3.3	2.9	2.9
	2004	3.3	4.1	3.5	5.1	2.6	3.1	2.3	2.3	1.8	4.2	2.8	2.6	3.3	3.0	2.9
	2005	3.3	3.2	3.4	5.2	2.4	2.5	2.0	2.4	2.0	4.1	2.7	2.6	3.2	2.9	2.8
2006	3.5	3.8	3.4	5.5	2.3	2.7	2.0	2.7	2.0	3.9	2.7	2.5	3.2	2.7	2.7	
Aged 21 and over	1996	3.2	3.7	3.5	0.0	2.4	2.8	1.9	2.3	3.7	2.7	2.5	2.5	3.3	3.1	2.9
	1997	3.0	3.5	3.4	0.0	2.3	2.8	2.0	2.2	3.8	2.5	2.5	2.5	3.3	3.0	2.8
	1998	3.0	3.6	3.5	0.0	2.3	2.9	2.0	2.3	3.8	2.5	2.5	2.5	3.3	3.0	2.8
	1999	3.1	3.6	3.5	0.0	2.3	3.0	1.9	2.3	4.0	2.5	2.4	2.4	3.4	3.1	2.8
	2000	3.1	3.7	3.5	0.0	2.3	2.9	2.0	2.2	4.0	2.5	2.5	2.5	3.4	3.1	2.8
	2001	3.1	3.3	3.6	0.0	2.3	3.1	2.0	2.2	4.0	2.5	2.5	2.5	3.4	3.1	2.8
	2002	3.1	3.0	3.6	0.0	2.3	3.0	1.8	2.1	4.2	2.5	2.5	2.5	3.4	3.1	2.7
	2003	3.2	3.2	3.6	0.0	2.3	3.2	2.0	2.1	4.3	2.5	2.5	2.5	3.5	3.2	2.8
	2004	3.2	3.4	3.6	0.0	2.3	3.3	1.9	2.1	4.2	2.5	2.5	2.6	3.4	3.1	2.7
	2005	3.2	3.3	3.5	0.0	2.2	2.9	1.9	2.3	4.1	2.4	2.6	2.6	3.4	3.1	2.7
2006	3.2	3.6	3.5	0.0	2.2	2.7	1.9	2.0	4.1	2.3	2.6	2.6	3.4	3.0	2.6	
All ages	1996	3.3	3.8	3.5	3.8	2.6	2.8	2.1	2.4	3.9	2.9	2.6	2.6	3.3	3.1	3.0
	1997	3.1	3.5	3.4	3.7	2.5	2.8	2.1	2.2	3.8	2.7	2.6	2.6	3.3	3.0	2.9
	1998	3.1	3.8	3.5	4.0	2.4	2.9	2.3	2.4	3.8	2.8	2.6	2.6	3.3	3.0	2.8
	1999	3.2	3.5	3.6	3.9	2.4	3.0	2.3	2.3	4.0	2.7	2.5	2.5	3.3	3.0	2.8
	2000	3.6	4.4	4.3	6.6	2.5	3.0	2.8	2.5	4.5	2.9	2.7	2.7	3.4	3.1	3.0
	2001	3.9	4.3	4.5	8.0	2.5	3.0	2.7	2.6	4.8	3.1	3.0	2.7	3.4	3.2	3.1
	2002	3.8	4.2	4.7	9.7	2.5	3.0	2.7	2.4	4.9	3.0	3.0	2.7	3.4	3.2	3.1
	2003	3.9	4.0	4.5	9.1	2.5	3.2	2.7	2.5	5.2	3.0	2.7	2.7	3.5	3.2	3.1
	2004	3.9	4.0	4.5	9.4	2.5	3.3	2.7	2.6	5.0	3.0	3.0	2.7	3.5	3.2	3.0
	2005	3.9	4.1	4.5	8.4	2.4	2.9	2.5	2.8	4.8	2.9	2.7	2.7	3.4	3.1	3.0
2006	4.0	4.3	4.5	8.7	2.4	2.8	2.6	2.6	5.0	2.9	2.7	2.7	3.4	3.0	3.0	

Table 2.16 Average length of immediate custodial sentence⁽¹⁾ at the Crown Court by age and offence group, 1996-2006

Age and year	England and Wales														Average length of sentence (months)	
	Violence against the person	Sexual offences	Burglary	Robbery	Theft and handling stolen goods	Fraud and forgery	Criminal damage	Drug offences	Other (excluding motoring)	Motoring offences	Total indictable offences	Summary offences (excluding motoring)	Summary motoring offences	Total summary offences	Total all offences	
Aged 10 - 17																
1996	22.8	41.3	16.6	24.9	10.8	7.0	24.6	20.0	15.5	10.2	20.8	3.3	5.0	3.5	20.6	
1997	12.8	46.9	15.0	25.8	12.4	15.0	28.8	18.9	12.4	10.0	20.3	4.1	2.7	4.0	20.1	
1998	20.6	36.6	15.7	23.4	12.2	7.6	21.7	21.9	10.3	11.5	18.8	4.1	2.5	4.0	18.6	
1999	20.5	35.2	15.2	22.8	9.8	10.1	19.2	23.2	12.8	9.8	18.6	4.0	4.5	4.1	18.5	
2000	20.6	30.8	14.5	20.3	9.9	9.3	22.9	23.6	11.4	8.3	19.1	4.2	4.5	4.1	19.1	
2001	22.3	36.5	15.3	22.2	10.7	7.0	22.0	21.2	11.8	5.5	20.3	3.4	0.0	3.4	20.2	
2002	23.9	33.3	18.3	24.7	11.4	12.7	19.6	21.5	13.5	12.0	22.2	3.7	4.0	3.7	22.1	
2003	24.3	40.4	16.8	24.1	10.1	18.0	23.7	26.1	12.2	6.7	22.2	4.4	4.0	4.3	22.1	
2004	27.1	33.6	19.7	24.8	9.3	9.7	25.8	23.1	13.8	12.0	23.3	4.3	4.0	4.2	23.2	
2005	24.1	38.7	17.6	23.0	14.6	8.8	22.3	21.5	12.9	8.5	22.1	3.8	2.0	3.4	22.1	
2006	23.3	38.0	16.5	23.5	11.7	19.0	21.9	19.6	14.4	8.0	22.0	4.2	0.0	4.2	22.0	
Aged 18 - 20																
1996	19.6	35.1	16.9	30.9	10.2	9.6	23.7	19.4	10.5	9.4	18.3	3.5	4.0	3.6	18.1	
1997	11.8	42.3	17.7	32.7	11.8	10.6	21.8	22.5	9.8	9.6	18.9	3.6	4.2	3.8	18.6	
1998	19.0	38.5	17.2	31.4	10.1	8.8	21.1	21.1	9.6	9.9	18.1	3.7	3.6	3.7	17.8	
1999	19.2	32.7	17.6	32.2	9.3	8.1	21.5	21.9	10.5	9.5	18.2	3.7	4.1	3.8	17.9	
2000	19.1	42.9	17.6	32.5	9.0	8.4	19.8	24.1	10.5	8.8	18.7	3.6	3.9	3.7	18.4	
2001	20.7	36.5	18.5	32.9	9.4	8.9	21.4	24.3	11.3	9.4	19.8	3.5	4.0	3.7	19.5	
2002	21.8	36.5	19.4	35.0	10.7	11.0	23.3	28.2	12.5	9.7	21.4	3.6	3.7	3.6	21.0	
2003	37.4	37.4	20.0	34.5	10.6	10.5	22.5	28.8	12.4	10.2	21.8	3.5	4.0	3.6	21.5	
2004	23.4	35.4	21.4	34.4	10.9	10.2	20.7	29.8	12.3	10.3	22.4	3.6	3.8	3.7	22.0	
2005	19.5	38.2	19.5	31.8	10.7	10.3	24.4	29.4	13.2	10.5	21.8	3.8	3.9	3.8	21.4	
2006	21.6	39.8	19.5	32.2	10.1	11.1	21.5	28.3	13.2	10.2	21.8	3.8	3.9	3.8	21.3	
Aged 21 and over																
1996	24.6	38.7	20.2	51.4	11.8	15.4	30.4	32.0	12.9	9.3	23.4	3.4	3.9	3.6	23.1	
1997	23.6	39.6	22.3	52.6	12.5	14.9	34.7	32.8	13.0	9.5	23.9	3.4	4.0	3.6	23.6	
1998	23.0	41.1	21.8	46.3	12.0	15.4	26.6	32.0	12.4	9.8	23.3	3.4	4.0	3.6	23.0	
1999	22.5	40.3	22.2	44.9	11.1	14.0	27.6	34.8	12.6	9.9	23.8	3.5	4.0	3.7	23.4	
2000	22.3	41.4	22.3	46.2	10.7	14.8	26.0	35.9	12.2	9.8	24.0	3.4	3.7	3.5	23.6	
2001	23.1	41.0	23.8	46.2	11.5	15.0	28.1	39.0	12.2	10.3	25.9	3.3	3.7	3.5	25.4	
2002	24.5	43.9	24.8	49.1	11.7	15.0	30.5	41.1	13.8	10.3	27.6	3.3	3.8	3.5	27.2	
2003	26.3	44.2	25.0	48.2	12.4	15.8	30.7	41.6	15.2	10.5	27.9	3.4	4.0	3.6	27.5	
2004	26.1	44.0	25.4	48.3	12.5	15.7	30.1	43.0	14.7	10.7	28.0	3.5	3.8	3.6	27.6	
2005	24.9	44.9	25.9	45.4	13.1	13.9	28.4	42.1	16.0	10.2	26.9	3.7	3.7	3.7	26.4	
2006	23.6	44.5	25.6	41.8	13.1	13.5	26.5	40.5	16.3	10.9	26.1	3.9	3.7	3.9	25.6	
All ages																
1996	23.8	38.6	19.1	40.2	11.5	15.2	28.6	30.7	12.5	9.3	22.4	3.4	3.9	3.6	22.1	
1997	22.8	39.9	20.7	40.9	12.4	14.7	31.7	31.7	12.4	9.5	22.8	3.5	4.0	3.6	22.5	
1998	22.1	40.9	20.2	40.9	11.7	15.1	25.3	30.9	11.8	9.9	22.2	3.5	3.9	3.7	21.8	
1999	21.7	39.7	20.5	37.3	10.7	13.6	25.6	33.4	12.0	9.8	22.5	3.6	4.0	3.7	22.1	
2000	21.6	41.1	20.8	38.3	10.4	14.4	24.6	34.5	11.9	9.7	22.8	3.5	3.8	3.6	22.4	
2001	22.6	40.7	22.3	38.4	11.1	14.7	26.4	37.2	13.3	10.1	24.5	3.3	3.8	3.5	24.2	
2002	23.9	43.4	23.5	41.3	11.5	14.8	28.2	39.5	14.7	10.2	26.3	3.4	4.0	3.5	25.9	
2003	25.6	43.8	24.0	41.7	12.1	15.6	28.8	40.0	14.7	10.4	26.8	3.4	4.0	3.6	26.3	
2004	25.6	43.5	24.6	41.1	12.3	15.4	28.4	41.3	14.3	10.6	27.0	3.5	3.8	3.6	26.5	
2005	24.5	44.4	24.7	38.0	12.8	13.7	27.2	40.4	15.5	10.3	25.9	3.7	3.7	3.7	25.5	
2006	23.2	44.1	24.4	35.7	12.7	13.4	25.3	38.8	15.7	10.7	25.2	3.9	3.7	3.9	24.7	

¹ Excludes life and indeterminate sentences.

Table 2.17 Average length of immediate custodial sentence⁽¹⁾ at all courts by age and offence group, 1996-2006

Age and year	Offence group											Average length of sentence (months)			
	Violence against the person	Sexual offences	Burglary	Robbery	Theft and handling stolen goods	Fraud and forgery	Criminal damage	Drug offences	Other (excluding motoring)	Motoring offences	Total indictable offences	Summary offences (excluding motoring)	Summary motoring offences	Total summary offences	Total all offences
Aged 10 - 17															
1996	12.3	37.6	8.5	20.2	4.5	3.7	15.6	13.5	8.5	5.2	10.8	3.0	3.4	3.1	9.7
1997	12.5	40.0	9.6	21.9	5.3	4.9	17.5	14.0	7.3	4.6	11.5	3.1	3.3	3.1	10.3
1998	11.1	29.0	9.7	19.1	4.6	3.6	13.0	13.6	6.1	4.8	10.2	3.0	3.3	3.1	9.1
1999	10.9	30.1	9.4	19.2	4.1	4.1	12.2	14.5	7.0	4.8	10.0	3.0	3.5	3.1	8.8
2000	11.8	25.7	9.7	18.6	5.9	5.5	13.9	15.8	7.2	6.5	10.9	4.0	4.0	4.0	9.7
2001	11.6	26.2	9.3	16.7	5.9	5.3	16.7	13.3	8.0	7.1	10.6	4.4	4.5	4.5	9.5
2002	13.6	22.6	10.8	20.2	6.6	5.8	12.0	14.6	9.4	7.8	12.5	4.5	4.6	4.6	11.2
2003	13.4	27.8	9.4	18.6	6.3	6.2	13.5	18.0	8.7	7.7	11.8	4.5	4.6	4.5	10.5
2004	14.3	26.0	10.0	18.9	6.4	5.8	13.7	17.0	8.3	7.5	12.4	4.5	4.6	4.6	10.9
2005	13.1	29.7	9.3	17.0	6.1	6.6	11.4	15.2	8.4	7.1	11.6	4.5	4.4	4.5	10.4
2006	12.8	29.9	8.6	16.9	6.1	7.1	12.3	14.0	8.7	7.6	11.6	4.6	4.5	4.5	10.5
Aged 18 - 20															
1996	16.5	33.8	12.4	30.4	5.5	5.2	13.6	17.4	8.1	7.1	12.9	2.7	3.4	3.1	10.8
1997	15.4	37.8	13.7	32.4	6.0	5.7	13.5	19.7	7.3	7.4	13.2	2.8	3.3	3.1	11.0
1998	14.3	35.8	13.3	31.0	5.0	4.5	11.7	17.4	7.2	7.0	12.2	2.7	3.2	2.9	10.1
1999	14.3	29.3	13.6	31.8	4.3	4.5	12.7	18.2	6.5	7.2	11.9	2.7	3.2	3.0	9.7
2000	14.3	37.7	13.5	32.1	4.0	4.6	11.3	20.4	7.3	6.6	11.8	2.6	3.2	3.0	9.7
2001	16.0	32.7	13.9	32.5	4.0	4.2	12.1	20.5	8.1	7.2	12.6	2.6	3.2	3.0	10.1
2002	16.7	30.2	14.8	34.6	4.4	5.3	13.5	24.3	9.5	7.5	14.0	2.7	3.3	3.0	11.2
2003	17.8	31.8	14.6	34.3	4.5	5.0	13.0	25.4	9.2	8.1	14.5	2.6	3.3	3.0	11.3
2004	17.6	27.6	15.7	34.2	4.9	5.8	12.0	27.0	8.1	8.5	15.2	2.7	3.3	3.0	11.9
2005	17.4	34.4	13.9	31.4	4.5	6.8	14.1	26.5	9.1	8.5	15.0	2.7	3.2	2.9	11.8
2006	16.3	36.5	13.9	31.5	4.3	7.6	9.9	24.7	8.3	8.2	14.6	2.6	3.2	2.8	11.7
Aged 21 and over															
1996	20.2	37.3	15.5	51.4	6.3	10.9	19.6	29.5	10.0	7.8	17.0	2.6	3.3	3.1	13.6
1997	18.5	37.8	17.9	52.6	6.0	10.0	21.8	30.1	9.7	8.0	16.8	2.5	3.3	3.1	13.4
1998	17.1	39.2	17.5	46.3	5.2	9.8	16.8	28.2	9.0	8.0	15.5	2.6	3.3	3.1	12.5
1999	16.7	38.3	17.7	44.9	4.5	8.9	16.7	30.2	9.0	8.1	15.1	2.5	3.4	3.1	12.5
2000	16.7	39.3	17.8	46.2	4.2	9.1	16.2	31.6	8.8	8.1	14.9	2.6	3.4	3.1	12.0
2001	17.7	38.6	18.6	46.2	4.1	9.1	17.3	34.6	9.6	8.3	15.5	2.6	3.4	3.1	12.4
2002	18.4	40.9	19.1	49.1	3.9	8.7	18.0	36.1	10.0	8.5	16.1	2.6	3.4	3.1	12.9
2003	19.6	40.9	18.6	48.2	4.0	9.0	17.7	36.8	10.1	8.7	16.2	2.6	3.5	3.2	13.0
2004	19.6	40.8	18.7	48.3	4.1	9.4	18.0	39.0	8.7	8.9	16.6	2.6	3.5	3.1	13.2
2005	18.5	42.5	19.2	45.4	4.2	10.6	15.9	37.6	9.3	8.6	16.2	2.7	3.4	3.1	12.9
2006	17.5	41.7	19.1	41.8	4.2	11.1	13.9	35.6	9.1	9.4	15.7	2.7	3.4	3.0	12.6
All ages															
1996	18.9	37.1	13.8	38.1	6.0	10.6	18.0	28.1	9.6	7.5	15.8	2.7	3.3	3.1	12.8
1997	17.4	37.9	15.8	39.1	5.9	9.7	19.8	28.9	9.1	7.7	15.7	2.6	3.3	3.1	12.7
1998	16.1	38.7	15.5	35.3	5.1	9.3	15.5	27.0	8.5	7.6	14.5	2.6	3.3	3.1	11.8
1999	15.7	37.5	15.7	35.7	4.5	8.5	15.5	28.7	8.5	7.7	14.2	2.6	3.4	3.1	11.5
2000	15.8	38.7	15.9	36.1	4.2	8.7	14.9	30.1	8.5	7.7	14.0	2.7	3.4	3.1	11.4
2001	16.7	37.7	16.6	35.4	4.2	8.6	15.9	32.5	9.2	7.9	14.7	2.7	3.4	3.2	11.8
2002	17.6	39.6	17.5	38.9	4.1	8.4	16.4	34.5	9.9	8.2	15.5	2.7	3.4	3.2	12.6
2003	18.8	40.0	17.1	39.3	4.2	8.7	16.5	35.2	9.9	8.5	15.7	2.7	3.5	3.2	12.6
2004	18.8	39.9	17.5	38.4	4.3	9.2	16.7	37.3	8.6	8.7	16.1	2.8	3.5	3.2	12.9
2005	17.8	41.5	17.4	35.0	4.3	10.3	15.1	35.8	9.2	8.8	15.8	2.8	3.4	3.1	12.6
2006	16.8	41.0	17.1	32.3	4.3	10.9	12.9	33.8	9.0	9.0	15.3	2.8	3.4	3.0	12.4

¹ Excludes life and indeterminate sentences.

Table 2.18 Percentage of persons sentenced to immediate custody by age and offence group, 1996-2006

Age and year		Offence group													Total summary offences		Total all offences	
		Violence against the person	Sexual offences	Burglary	Robbery	Theft and handling stolen goods	Fraud and forgery	Criminal damage	Drug offences	Other (excluding motoring)	Motoring offences	Total indictable offences	Summary offences (excluding motoring)	Summary motoring offences				
Aged 10 - 17	1996	14.9	19.8	20.8	41.9	6.6	3.4	5.8	5.3	10.2	22.0	12.7	3.1	2.6	2.9	8.7		
	1997	14.2	18.8	22.7	44.5	7.4	4.2	4.3	5.6	10.0	21.4	13.2	3.1	2.6	3.0	9.0		
	1998	15.1	19.0	21.7	44.0	6.6	5.6	5.3	4.9	10.7	22.7	12.3	3.1	3.1	3.1	8.4		
	1999	15.9	21.7	23.4	44.4	6.7	5.0	6.2	5.4	10.6	23.5	12.3	3.6	3.6	3.6	8.5		
	2000	16.4	20.8	23.3	44.9	6.7	4.9	6.4	4.4	10.0	27.9	12.4	2.6	3.8	3.0	8.1		
	2001	15.8	20.6	22.5	41.8	6.9	5.7	5.0	4.2	10.2	30.5	12.4	2.6	3.8	3.0	8.0		
	2002	15.0	18.5	21.0	49.7	7.1	3.4	4.9	3.0	11.1	25.7	12.6	2.5	3.0	2.7	7.8		
2003	13.4	18.5	18.5	38.5	6.2	4.7	3.6	3.4	9.9	30.2	11.0	2.1	3.1	2.5	6.7			
2004	13.9	15.7	16.7	37.2	5.8	5.0	3.7	4.0	10.1	28.5	10.9	2.3	2.6	2.4	6.6			
2005	13.9	20.3	15.6	32.7	5.2	7.2	3.3	4.3	10.1	28.6	10.4	2.2	2.2	2.2	6.3			
2006	14.0	20.2	17.3	32.0	5.0	6.2	4.0	4.8	10.0	25.7	10.9	2.3	1.9	2.2	6.6			
Aged 18 - 20	1996	32.5	42.5	44.6	86.1	14.6	10.0	12.3	12.5	15.8	22.8	22.6	3.6	2.6	3.0	9.7		
	1997	32.6	45.1	46.8	86.7	16.1	10.6	12.0	11.4	15.2	22.6	22.7	4.1	2.9	3.3	10.1		
	1998	32.0	43.8	50.5	85.8	16.8	11.2	11.2	9.8	15.9	21.2	22.6	4.0	3.0	3.0	10.2		
	1999	33.2	46.9	52.3	86.2	17.3	11.8	11.4	10.9	14.8	24.8	22.8	4.7	3.7	4.1	10.9		
	2000	34.8	41.4	53.0	88.2	19.5	11.4	13.6	11.4	18.1	29.7	24.5	4.5	4.0	4.2	11.4		
	2001	34.3	45.7	53.1	85.1	19.5	13.9	12.7	11.9	18.0	34.9	24.5	4.1	4.6	4.4	11.4		
	2002	33.1	41.2	52.8	89.8	19.8	13.2	13.2	10.0	17.6	33.9	24.4	4.0	4.3	4.2	10.9		
2003	32.3	45.1	44.3	85.3	18.1	14.4	12.3	10.0	16.2	32.9	22.4	3.6	4.1	3.9	9.5			
2004	32.7	34.1	44.2	83.7	16.6	13.7	11.1	14.6	17.7	33.8	23.8	4.0	3.1	3.5	9.3			
2005	34.7	45.3	42.2	83.7	15.7	16.7	12.9	14.9	18.9	35.4	24.4	4.6	2.8	3.6	9.7			
2006	32.0	44.2	40.3	79.7	16.7	16.3	11.6	14.5	18.5	32.7	24.1	4.8	2.2	3.4	9.7			
Aged 21 and over	1996	34.7	61.5	51.5	93.2	16.5	23.1	12.6	21.9	16.9	13.6	23.7	1.1	2.0	1.6	5.3		
	1997	32.8	61.7	56.8	94.0	18.7	23.9	12.3	21.5	16.8	16.4	24.6	1.5	2.2	1.9	6.2		
	1998	32.9	64.5	58.7	90.4	20.5	23.4	12.9	19.8	17.3	16.3	25.0	1.6	2.1	1.9	6.3		
	1999	33.8	67.1	60.6	89.0	22.3	22.4	14.1	20.4	17.6	18.9	26.1	1.9	2.4	2.2	7.0		
	2000	35.8	69.2	64.1	91.0	24.0	21.8	14.1	21.3	20.2	20.9	27.8	1.6	2.5	2.1	6.9		
	2001	36.6	66.7	62.7	91.0	24.3	23.3	14.2	22.2	19.1	21.6	27.9	1.8	2.7	2.3	7.4		
	2002	35.3	66.3	62.4	91.6	25.6	23.0	13.0	20.5	18.6	24.9	28.3	1.7	2.7	2.3	7.5		
2003	34.0	63.6	57.7	89.0	25.0	23.4	13.7	19.0	18.8	25.2	27.3	1.7	2.5	2.2	7.0			
2004	35.6	67.2	56.5	88.6	24.5	25.2	14.4	24.0	21.4	26.8	28.6	1.9	2.0	2.0	6.6			
2005	35.6	63.3	54.5	84.0	23.9	26.7	14.7	23.5	22.4	28.7	28.3	2.2	1.9	2.0	6.6			
2006	33.2	62.6	52.1	82.3	23.9	25.4	14.0	22.2	21.4	27.5	27.5	2.3	1.5	1.9	6.5			
All ages	1996	30.8	56.5	41.7	71.1	14.5	20.7	11.0	19.7	16.1	15.1	21.9	1.4	2.0	1.8	6.0		
	1997	29.6	56.3	45.3	71.6	16.4	21.3	10.5	19.2	15.9	17.4	22.6	1.9	2.2	2.1	6.8		
	1998	29.8	58.5	46.8	71.2	17.4	17.3	11.0	17.3	16.5	17.3	22.8	1.9	2.2	2.1	6.9		
	1999	30.7	60.7	48.9	72.3	18.7	20.0	11.7	17.8	16.5	20.0	23.4	2.3	2.5	2.4	7.5		
	2000	32.1	61.7	51.2	73.0	20.4	19.5	12.0	18.1	18.7	22.8	24.9	1.9	2.7	2.3	7.5		
	2001	32.1	59.5	50.6	69.7	20.7	21.0	11.4	18.6	18.0	24.4	24.9	2.1	2.9	2.9	7.9		
	2002	31.2	58.6	50.6	76.1	22.1	20.7	10.9	16.9	17.7	26.4	25.4	2.0	2.9	2.5	7.9		
2003	30.2	57.8	46.6	70.2	21.5	21.5	10.8	15.9	17.6	26.8	24.3	1.9	2.7	2.3	7.3			
2004	31.3	58.9	44.8	67.4	20.6	23.1	10.9	20.4	19.8	28.2	25.3	2.1	2.1	2.1	6.9			
2005	31.5	56.9	42.2	61.7	19.8	25.0	11.1	20.0	20.7	29.8	25.0	2.4	1.9	2.1	6.9			
2006	29.5	56.9	40.7	58.8	19.9	24.0	10.6	19.1	19.9	28.2	24.4	2.5	1.6	2.0	6.8			

Table 2.19 Persons sentenced⁽¹⁾ for indictable offences at the Crown Court: Plea⁽²⁾, immediate custody and average sentence length, 2006

England and Wales		Number of persons, percentages and average sentence length (months)							
Sex and offence group	Total number sentenced			Immediate custody				Average length of sentence ⁽³⁾	
	Guilty plea	Not guilty plea	Percentage pleading guilty	Guilty plea	Percentage of guilty pleas	Not guilty plea	Percentage of not guilty pleas	Guilty plea	Not guilty plea
Males									
Indictable offences									
Violence against the person	10,059	2,584	79.6	5,031	50.0	1,821	70.5	22.9	35.6
Sexual offences	2,038	1,189	63.2	1,394	68.4	1,005	84.5	37.4	57.6
Burglary	4,600	431	91.4	3,223	70.1	315	73.1	26.9	34.2
Robbery	3,971	753	84.1	3,287	82.8	653	86.7	34.9	46.5
Theft and handling stolen goods	3,834	488	88.7	1,727	45.0	212	43.4	14.6	21.2
Fraud and forgery	2,248	323	87.4	1,365	60.7	199	61.6	15.3	25.9
Criminal damage	1,041	122	89.5	424	40.7	70	57.4	27	38.2
Drug offences	5,727	878	86.7	3,659	63.9	733	83.5	36.4	65.4
Other (excluding motoring) offences	7,163	846	89.4	3,179	44.4	547	64.7	15.6	28.4
Motoring offences	1,149	189	85.9	553	48.1	71	37.6	10.4	12.4
Total	41,830	7,803	84.3	23,842	57.0	5,626	72.1	25.7	43
Females									
Indictable offences									
Violence against the person	1,070	231	82.2	246	23.0	94	40.7	20.5	34.9
Sexual offences	36	19	65.5	10	27.8	15	78.9	38.7	48.2
Burglary	240	26	90.2	121	50.4	9	34.6	22.6	22.3
Robbery	329	56	85.5	214	65.0	41	73.2	23.8	32.4
Theft and handling stolen goods	712	137	83.9	181	25.4	38	27.7	12.3	17.3
Fraud and forgery	849	104	89.1	266	31.3	33	31.7	11.1	16.6
Criminal damage	157	11	93.5	43	27.4	2	18.2	30.2	48.6
Drug offences	823	149	84.7	375	45.6	116	77.9	33.2	59.4
Other (excluding motoring) offences	765	120	86.4	211	27.6	51	42.5	16.4	27
Motoring offences	43	12	78.2	6	14.0	1	8.3	9.3	1.3
Total	5,024	865	85.3	1,673	33.3	400	46.2	21.3	37.8
All persons									
Indictable offences									
Violence against the person	11,129	2,815	79.8	5,277	47.4	1,915	68.0	22.8	35.5
Sexual offences	2,074	1,208	63.2	1,404	67.7	1,020	84.4	37.4	57.4
Burglary	4,840	457	91.4	3,344	69.1	324	70.9	26.7	33.9
Robbery	4,300	809	84.2	3,501	81.4	694	85.8	34.2	45.6
Theft and handling stolen goods	4,546	625	87.9	1,908	42.0	250	40.0	14.4	20.6
Fraud and forgery	3,097	427	87.9	1,631	52.7	232	54.3	14.6	24.6
Criminal damage	1,198	133	90.0	467	39.0	72	54.1	27.3	38.4
Drug offences	6,550	1,027	86.4	4,034	61.6	849	82.7	36.1	64.6
Other (excluding motoring) offences	7,928	966	89.1	3,390	42.8	598	61.9	15.7	28.3
Motoring offences	1,192	201	85.6	559	46.9	72	35.8	10.4	12.3
Total	46,854	8,668	84.4	25,515	54.5	6,026	69.5	25.4	42.7

¹ Excludes persons sentenced after summary conviction.

² Final plea recorded on completion of trial.

³ Excludes life and indeterminate sentences.

Table 2.20 Persons sentenced⁽¹⁾ for indictable offences at the Crown Court: Plea⁽²⁾, immediate custody and average sentence length, 1996-2006

England and Wales		Number of persons, percentages and average sentence length (months)								
		Total number sentenced			Immediate custody				Average length of sentence ⁽³⁾	
Sex and year		Guilty plea	Not guilty plea	Percentage pleading guilty	Guilty plea	Percentage of guilty pleas	Not guilty plea	Percentage of not guilty pleas	Guilty plea	Not guilty plea
Males	1996	49,942	10,810	82.2	30,854	61.8	7,694	71.2	20.8	34.3
	1997	53,662	10,593	83.5	32,908	61.3	7,701	72.7	21.2	37.2
	1998	43,949	9,817	81.7	26,310	59.9	7,150	72.8	21.8	37.0
	1999	40,177	9,248	81.3	24,828	61.8	6,802	73.6	22.7	38.5
	2000	39,491	8,977	81.5	24,861	63.0	6,774	75.5	23.0	37.4
	2001	39,457	8,812	81.7	24,646	62.5	6,525	74.0	24.4	39.1
	2002	42,201	8,990	82.4	26,048	61.7	6,763	75.2	26.1	41.8
	2003	42,687	8,387	83.6	25,197	59.0	6,097	72.7	26.3	45.0
	2004	43,066	8,422	83.6	25,780	59.9	6,318	75.0	26.6	45.5
	2005	41,675	7,830	84.2	24,766	59.4	5,738	73.3	26.2	44.0
	2006	41,830	7,803	84.3	23,842	57.0	5,626	72.1	25.7	43.0
Females	1996	4,835	1,059	82.0	1,651	34.1	468	44.2	17.7	29.8
	1997	5,545	999	84.7	1,819	32.8	462	46.2	18.3	27.5
	1998	4,634	990	82.4	1,483	32.0	430	43.4	17.9	33.6
	1999	4,401	978	81.8	1,619	36.8	460	47.0	19.4	32.2
	2000	4,477	887	83.5	1,665	37.2	445	50.2	20.9	33.4
	2001	4,484	953	82.5	1,774	39.6	508	53.3	23.7	36.8
	2002	4,863	983	83.2	1,927	39.6	500	50.9	23.3	38.1
	2003	4,940	910	84.4	1,816	36.8	453	49.8	24.6	36.8
	2004	5,183	926	84.8	1,952	37.7	480	51.8	23.4	37.7
	2005	5,169	870	85.6	1,779	34.4	435	50.0	22.8	34.3
	2006	5,024	865	85.3	1,673	33.3	400	46.2	21.3	37.8
All persons	1996	54,777	11,869	82.2	32,505	59.3	8,162	68.8	20.6	34.1
	1997	59,207	11,592	83.6	34,727	58.7	8,163	70.4	21.1	36.6
	1998	48,583	10,807	81.8	27,793	57.2	7,580	70.1	21.6	36.8
	1999	44,578	10,226	81.3	26,447	59.3	7,262	71.0	22.5	38.1
	2000	43,968	9,864	81.7	26,526	60.3	7,219	73.2	22.9	37.1
	2001	43,941	9,765	81.8	26,420	60.1	7,033	72.0	24.4	38.9
	2002	47,064	9,973	82.5	27,975	59.4	7,263	72.8	25.9	41.6
	2003	47,627	9,297	83.7	27,013	56.7	6,550	70.5	26.2	44.4
	2004	48,249	9,348	83.8	27,732	57.5	6,798	72.7	26.3	44.9
	2005	46,844	8,700	84.3	26,545	56.7	6,173	71.0	26.0	43.3
	2006	46,854	8,668	84.4	25,515	54.5	6,026	69.5	25.4	42.7

¹ Excludes persons sentenced after summary conviction.

² Final plea recorded on completion of trial.

³ Excludes life and indeterminate sentences.

Table 2.21 Persons sentenced to suspended sentence order by sex, age and type of court, 1996-2006

England and Wales				Number of persons			
Sex, age and year	Suspended sentence order ⁽¹⁾			Sex, age and year	Suspended sentence order ⁽¹⁾		
	Magistrates' courts	The Crown Court	All courts		Magistrates' courts	The Crown Court	All courts
Males				Females (continued)			
Aged 10-17				Aged 21 and over			
1996	*	*	*	1996	210	435	645
1997	*	*	*	1997	252	492	744
1998	*	*	*	1998	275	509	784
1999	*	*	*	1999	285	473	758
2000	*	*	*	2000	277	440	717
2001	*	*	*	2001	257	383	640
2002	*	*	*	2002	246	384	630
2003	*	*	*	2003	247	377	624
2004	*	*	*	2004	328	444	772
2005	2 ⁽²⁾	1 ⁽²⁾	3 ⁽²⁾	2005	881	618	1,499
2006	*	*	*	2006	2,520	1,549	4,069
Aged 18-20				All ages			
1996	*	*	*	1996	210	435	645
1997	*	*	*	1997	252	492	744
1998	*	*	*	1998	275	509	784
1999	*	*	*	1999	285	473	758
2000	*	*	*	2000	277	440	717
2001	*	*	*	2001	257	383	640
2002	*	*	*	2002	246	384	630
2003	*	*	*	2003	247	377	624
2004	*	*	*	2004	328	444	772
2005	473	94	567	2005	935	635	1,570
2006	2,411	1,329	3,740	2006	2,785	1,731	4,516
Aged 21 and over				All Persons			
1996	1,054	1,680	2,734	Aged 10-17			
1997	973	1,774	2,747	1996	*	*	*
1998	969	1,695	2,664	1997	*	*	*
1999	874	1,529	2,403	1998	*	*	*
2000	894	1,461	2,355	1999	*	*	*
2001	865	1,250	2,115	2000	*	*	*
2002	767	1,122	1,889	2001	*	*	*
2003	912	1,181	2,093	2002	*	*	*
2004	972	1,111	2,083	2003	*	*	*
2005	5,671	1,855	7,526	2004	*	*	*
2006	18,078	7,175	25,253	2005	2 ⁽²⁾	1 ⁽²⁾	3 ⁽²⁾
All ages				2006	*	*	*
1996	1,054	1,680	2,734	Aged 18-20			
1997	973	1,774	2,747	1996	*	*	*
1998	969	1,695	2,664	1997	*	*	*
1999	874	1,529	2,403	1998	*	*	*
2000	894	1,461	2,355	1999	*	*	*
2001	865	1,250	2,115	2000	*	*	*
2002	767	1,122	1,889	2001	*	*	*
2003	912	1,181	2,093	2002	*	*	*
2004	972	1,111	2,083	2003	*	*	*
2005	6,146	1,950	8,096	2004	*	*	*
2006	20,489	8,504	28,993	2005	527	111	638
Females				2006	2,676	1,511	4,187
Aged 10-17				Aged 21 and over			
1996	*	*	*	1996	1,264	2,115	3,379
1997	*	*	*	1997	1,225	2,266	3,491
1998	*	*	*	1998	1,244	2,204	3,448
1999	*	*	*	1999	1,159	2,002	3,161
2000	*	*	*	2000	1,171	1,901	3,072
2001	*	*	*	2001	1,122	1,633	2,755
2002	*	*	*	2002	1,013	1,506	2,519
2003	*	*	*	2003	1,159	1,558	2,717
2004	*	*	*	2004	1,300	1,555	2,855
2005	_(2)	_(2)	_(2)	2005	6,552	2,473	9,025
2006	*	*	*	2006	20,598	8,724	29,322
Aged 18-20				All ages			
1996	*	*	*	1996	1,264	2,115	3,379
1997	*	*	*	1997	1,225	2,266	3,491
1998	*	*	*	1998	1,244	2,204	3,448
1999	*	*	*	1999	1,159	2,002	3,161
2000	*	*	*	2000	1,171	1,901	3,072
2001	*	*	*	2001	1,122	1,633	2,755
2002	*	*	*	2002	1,013	1,506	2,519
2003	*	*	*	2003	1,159	1,558	2,717
2004	*	*	*	2004	1,300	1,555	2,855
2005	54	17	71	2005	7,081	2,585	9,666
2006	265	182	447	2006	23,274	10,235	33,509

¹ Fully suspended sentence for offences committed prior to 4 April 2005, suspended sentence order from 4 April 2005.

² See Preface and Appendix 3, paragraph 3.15.

Table 2.22 Persons sentenced to suspended sentence order by offence group and type of court, 1996-2006

England and Wales				Number of persons					
Offence group and year	Suspended sentence order ⁽¹⁾			Offence group and year	Suspended sentence order ⁽¹⁾				
	Magistrates' courts	The Crown Court	All courts		Magistrates' courts	The Crown Court	All courts		
Violence against the person	1996	87	427	514	Other	1996	49	339	388
	1997	109	486	595	(excluding motoring offences)	1997	55	365	420
	1998	126	485	611		1998	50	363	413
	1999	102	422	524		1999	45	338	383
	2000	107	409	516		2000	56	358	414
	2001	93	366	459		2001	52	271	323
	2002	95	409	504		2002	28	229	257
	2003	88	385	473		2003	47	246	293
	2004	125	380	505		2004	68	297	365
	2005	655	680	1,335		2005	303	457	760
	2006	2,524	3,045	5,569		2006	999	1,634	2,633
Sexual offences	1996	4	96	100	Motoring offences	1996	7	40	47
	1997	13	93	106		1997	15	41	56
	1998	10	101	111		1998	15	35	50
	1999	5	85	90		1999	10	36	46
	2000	2	80	82		2000	22	26	48
	2001	5	71	76		2001	13	36	49
	2002	8	50	58		2002	20	45	65
	2003	5	73	78		2003	9	42	51
	2004	10	54	64		2004	17	39	56
	2005	29	90	119		2005	96	75	171
	2006	77	219	296		2006	361	407	768
Burglary	1996	50	125	175	Total indictable offences	1996	535	2,087	2,622
	1997	25	111	136		1997	578	2,245	2,823
	1998	28	135	163		1998	648	2,186	2,834
	1999	31	119	150		1999	576	1,971	2,547
	2000	23	107	130		2000	576	1,877	2,453
	2001	13	87	100		2001	534	1,605	2,139
	2002	21	85	106		2002	475	1,488	1,963
	2003	39	82	121		2003	513	1,542	2,055
	2004	29	65	94		2004	604	1,539	2,143
	2005	251	157	408		2005	3,074	2,536	5,610
	2006	911	841	1,752		2006	10,877	9,922	20,799
Robbery	1996	*	23	23	Summary offences	1996	203	21	224
	1997	*	9	9	(excluding motoring)	1997	180	16	196
	1998	*	16	16		1998	184	16	200
	1999	*	36	36		1999	213	23	236
	2000	*	31	31		2000	225	23	248
	2001	*	31	31		2001	236	23	259
	2002	*	26	26		2002	200	16	216
	2003	*	35	35		2003	253	11	264
	2004	*	33	33		2004	306	14	320
	2005	*	60	60		2005	1,479	36	1,515
	2006	3	261	264		2006	5,784	257	6,041
Theft and handling stolen goods	1996	221	352	573	Summary motoring offences	1996	526	7	533
	1997	240	375	615		1997	467	5	472
	1998	237	318	555		1998	412	2	414
	1999	227	272	499		1999	370	8	378
	2000	188	215	403		2000	370	1	371
	2001	202	173	375		2001	352	5	357
	2002	167	175	342		2002	338	2	340
	2003	194	175	369		2003	393	5	398
	2004	196	147	343		2004	390	2	392
	2005	1,259	243	1,502		2005	2,528	13	2,541
	2006	4,380	1,174	5,554		2006	6,613	56	6,669
Fraud and forgery	1996	73	322	395	Total summary offences	1996	729	28	757
	1997	82	355	437		1997	647	21	668
	1998	118	295	413		1998	596	18	614
	1999	114	312	426		1999	583	31	614
	2000	121	332	453		2000	595	24	619
	2001	108	295	403		2001	588	28	616
	2002	101	229	330		2002	538	18	556
	2003	92	221	313		2003	646	16	662
	2004	111	265	376		2004	696	16	712
	2005	266	354	620		2005	4,007	49	4,056
	2006	847	840	1,687		2006	12,397	313	12,710
Criminal damage	1996	11	22	33	All offences	1996	1,264	2,115	3,379
	1997	12	32	44		1997	1,225	2,266	3,491
	1998	18	42	60		1998	1,244	2,204	3,448
	1999	13	36	49		1999	1,159	2,002	3,161
	2000	12	30	42		2000	1,171	1,901	3,072
	2001	10	38	48		2001	1,122	1,633	2,755
	2002	6	24	30		2002	1,013	1,506	2,519
	2003	14	32	46		2003	1,159	1,558	2,717
	2004	11	42	53		2004	1,300	1,555	2,855
	2005	62	57	119		2005	7,081	2,585	9,666
	2006	230	198	428		2006	23,274	10,235	33,509
Drug offences	1996	33	341	374					
	1997	27	378	405					
	1998	46	396	442					
	1999	29	315	344					
	2000	45	289	334					
	2001	38	237	275					
	2002	29	216	245					
	2003	25	251	276					
	2004	37	217	254					
	2005	153	363	516					
	2006	545	1,303	1,848					

¹ Fully suspended sentence for offences committed prior to 4 April 2005, suspended sentence order from 4 April 2005.

3. Community sentences

Key points

- The total number of community sentences has seen a steady increase between 1996 and 2006 with the number increasing by 44 per cent from 132,600 to 190,800 during this period. Between 2005 and 2006, the rate of community sentences at the Crown Court fell from 30 per cent to 23 per cent; however, the rate at magistrates' courts remained stable at 13 per cent.
- The number of offenders given community sentences for *indictable* offences fell between 2005 and 2006 from 111,700 to 103,000. This formed 34 per cent of the total number of offenders sentenced for *indictable* offences, compared with 37 per cent in 2005.
- All the old types of community sentence¹ applicable to adults declined in number in 2005 with the introduction of the community order from April 2005 for *indictable* offences.

Introduction

- 3.1 This chapter highlights some of the key statistics relating to community sentences given in 2006. It includes statistics on the overall trends in the different community sentences and the rates at which people are sentenced to community penalties. For further detailed information, please see 'Offender Management Caseload Statistics 2006', (Ministry of Justice).
- 3.2 The community order was introduced by the Criminal Justice Act 2003 and came into force for offences committed on or after 4 April 2005. As part of the reform of sentences, the various kinds of community order previously available for adults have been replaced by this single generic community order with a range of possible requirements. Courts are able to choose different elements to make up a bespoke community order, which is relevant to that particular offender and the crime(s) they committed. Technological advances, such as electronic tagging, provide ways to restrict liberty and reduce crime without requiring a prison sentence. (See Appendix 1 for details and also 'Offender Management Caseload Statistics 2006', Chapter 6).

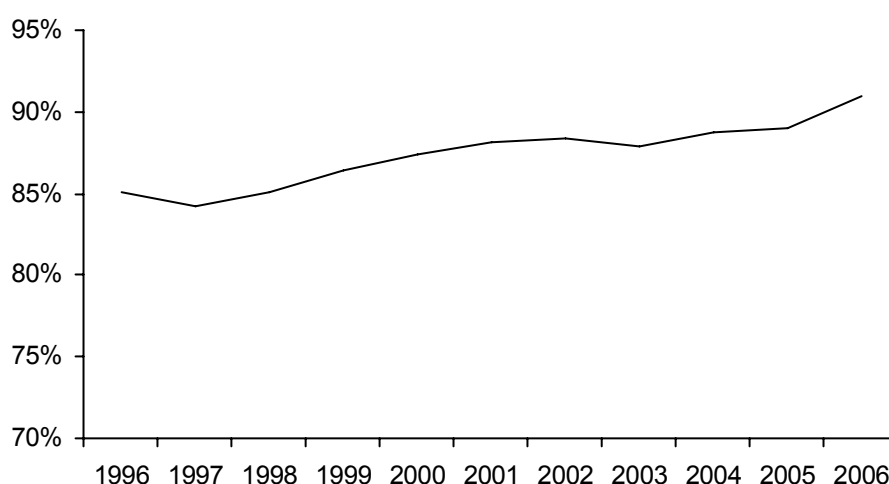
Trends in community sentences (all offences)

- 3.3 The total number of community sentences given at all courts increased by 44 per cent from 132,600 to 190,800 between 1996 and 2006. Between 2005 and 2006, the number decreased by seven per cent (see Table 3.3).

¹ This includes; Community rehabilitation orders, supervision orders, community punishment orders, attendance centre orders, curfew orders, drug treatment and testing orders etc.

- 3.4 In 2006, 91 per cent of community sentences were given at magistrates' courts. This proportion has increased by two percentage points since 2004. The longer-term variation is shown in Figure 3.1. The proportion of all community sentences given by the magistrates' courts has increased since 1996.
- 3.5 There was a five per cent decrease in community sentences for all offences at magistrates' courts between 2005 and 2006 (Table 3.1). The total number of community sentences in magistrates' courts in 2006 was 173,600, this was 13 per cent of all sentences at magistrates' courts. This proportion remained at 13 per cent in 2005 and 2006, after a steady increase from eight per cent in 1996.
- 3.6 At the Crown Court, the number of community sentences fell by 23 per cent, between 2005 and 2006, to around 17,200, the lowest level in the last ten years. The proportion of those sentenced at the Crown Court over this period who were given community sentences has also fallen to 23 per cent in 2006 from 30 per cent in 2005, which is also the lowest level in the past ten years (Tables 3.2 and 3.11).

Figure 3.1: Proportion of community sentences given at magistrates' courts (all offences), 1996–2006

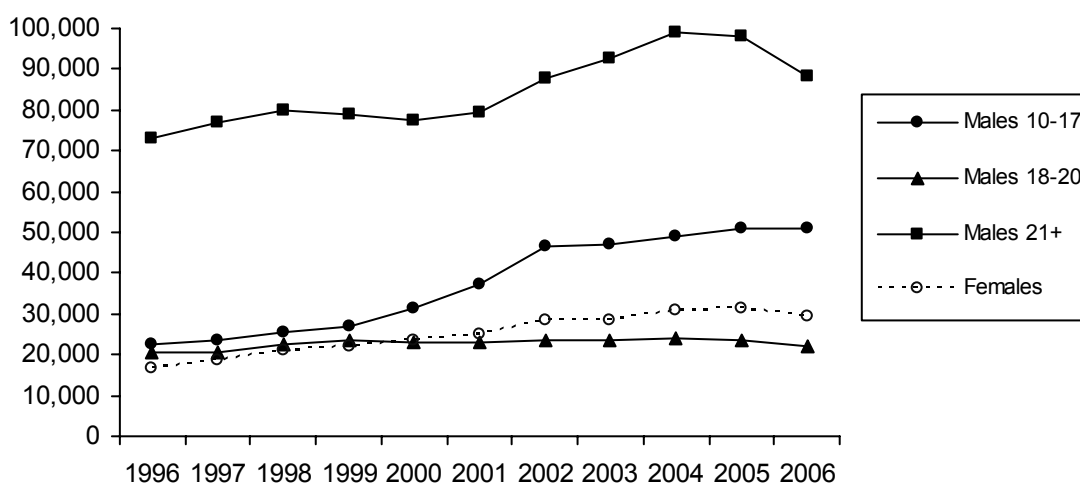


- 3.7 The change in the different types of community sentence at the Crown Court shows a slightly different pattern from that at magistrates' courts mainly because juveniles are not dealt with at the Crown Court. There have been decreases for all the old community sentences, again because of the new community order introduced by the Criminal Justice Act 2003 in April 2005. For several types of community sentences, such as those only applicable to juveniles, there are so few sentences given at the Crown Court that reliable conclusions cannot be drawn about the significance of changes in numbers from year to year.
- 3.8 The proportion of persons given community sentences at all courts between 2005 and 2006 has decreased slightly for all persons aged over 18, but increased by two percentage points for persons aged 10–17 (Table 3.4).
- 3.9 The actual numbers given community sentences has remained stable for boys (10–17), decreased by seven per cent for men aged 18–20 and fell ten per cent

for men aged 21 and over from 2005 to 2006. For women, the pattern is similar, with the number of community sentences for girls aged 10–17 increasing by two per cent, decreasing by nine per cent for women aged 18–20; and decreasing by eleven per cent for women aged 21 and over.

3.10 Figure 3.2 shows that the number of community sentences given to men aged 18–20 has remained fairly stable for ten years. The number of community sentences given to women and to younger males (aged 10–17) remained stable between 2002 and 2006. The largest change has occurred for men aged 21 and over: since 2001, there was a 24 per cent increase from 79,600 in 2001 to 98,200 in 2005, although this number reduced back to the 2002 level in 2006, at 88,200. This is still a rise of 21 per cent over the period 1996-2006.

Figure 3.2: Community sentences split by age and sex, 1996–2006



Trends in community sentences (indictable offences)

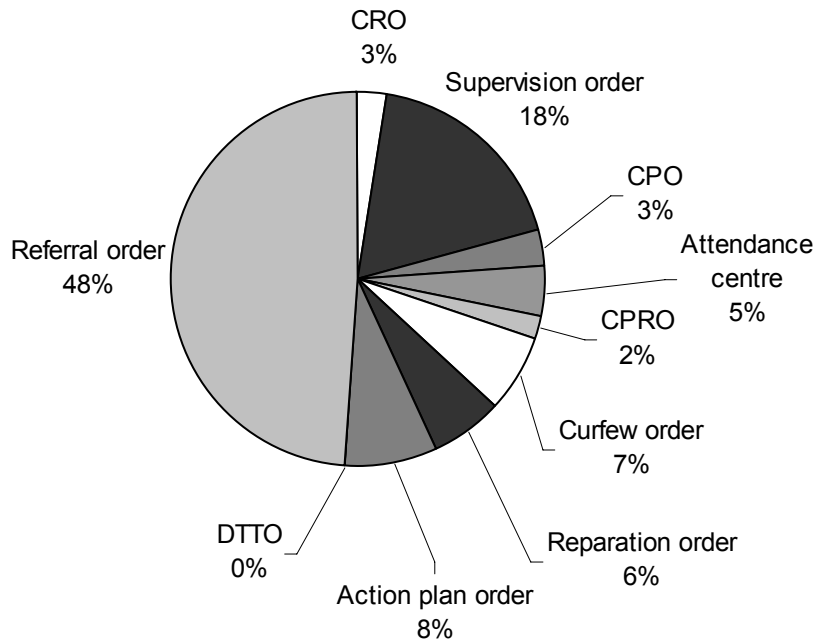
3.11 In 2006, 84 per cent of community sentences for indictable offences were given at magistrates' courts. This proportion has increased from 81 per cent in 2005 and is now the highest proportion in the last ten years.

3.12 The total number of community sentences given for indictable offences fell eight per cent between 2005 and 2006 to 103,000.

3.13 As noted earlier, all the old types of community sentence applicable to adults declined in number in 2006 with the introduction of the community order from April 2005 (see paragraph 3.2 for details). Referral orders, which are only applicable to juveniles, fell by one per cent for indictable offences. Figure 3.3 shows that the most commonly used community sentence for indictable offences for persons aged 10-17 in 2006 was the referral order, which accounted for 48 per cent of all community sentences given to this age group. The large increase in the community orders, shown in Figure 3.4 is due to the Criminal Justice Act 2003, which amalgamated many of the old community sentences into the community order. The old sentence types are now only applicable for offences committed prior to April 2005. See Figures 3.3 and 3.4 for a breakdown of

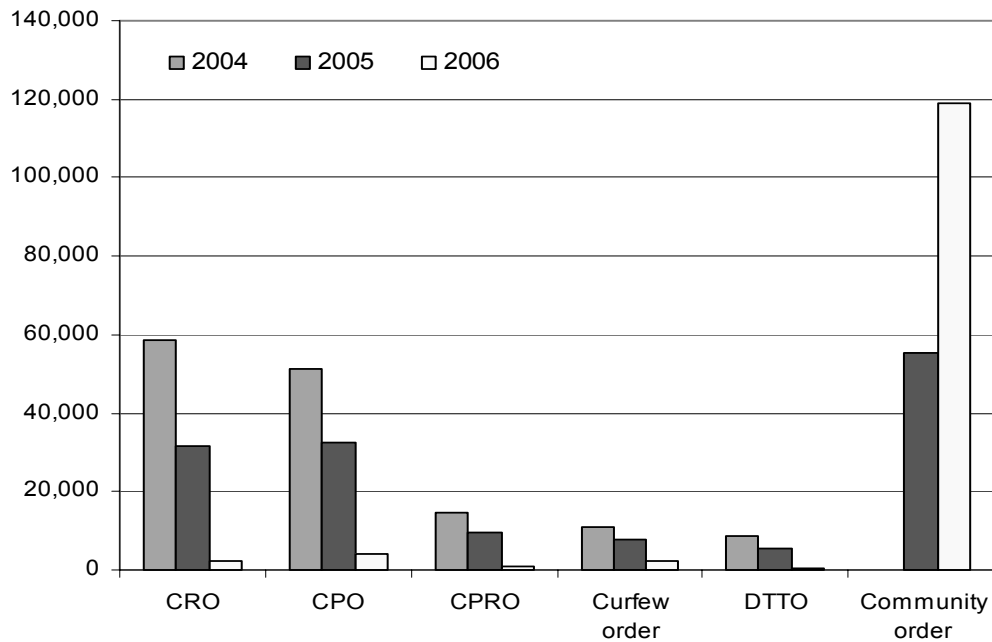
community sentences for juveniles in 2006 and the switch to community orders for adults (aged 18 and over) for 2004-2006.

Figure 3.3: Proportions of different types of community sentences² for indictable offences, ages 10-17, 2006



² CRO = Community Reparation Order, CPO = Community Punishment Order, CRPO = Community Reparation and Punishment Order and DTTO = Drug Treatment and Testing Order.

Figure 3.4: Proportions of different types of community sentences² for indictable offences, aged 18 and over, 2004-2006.



3.14 In 2006, 54 per cent of all community sentences were for indictable offences. This is about the same proportion as in 2005 and the lowest proportion for ten years, indicating an increasing use of community sentences for summary offences (Figure 3.5). From 2005 to 2006, the proportion of those sentenced for indictable offences that were given community sentences decreased from 37 per cent to 34 per cent (Figure 3.6).

Figure 3.5: Percentage of community sentences accounted for by indictable offences, 1996–2006

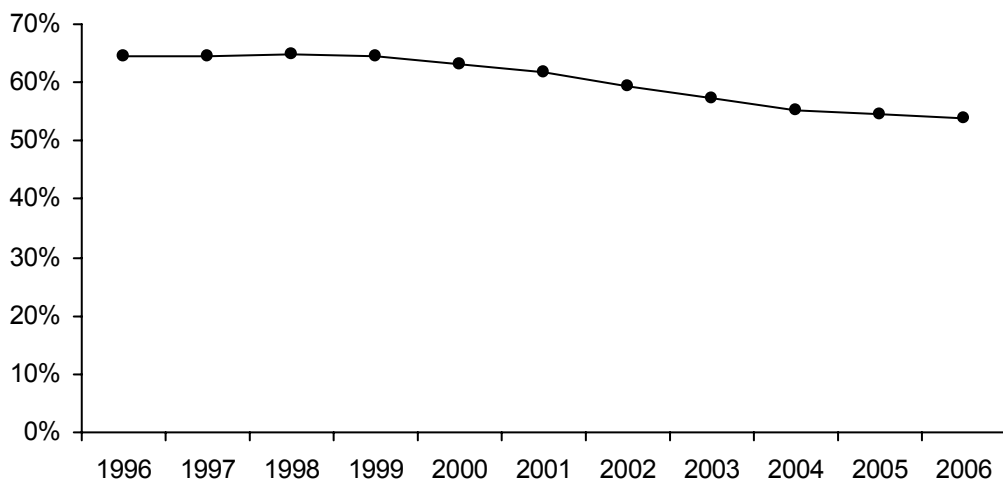
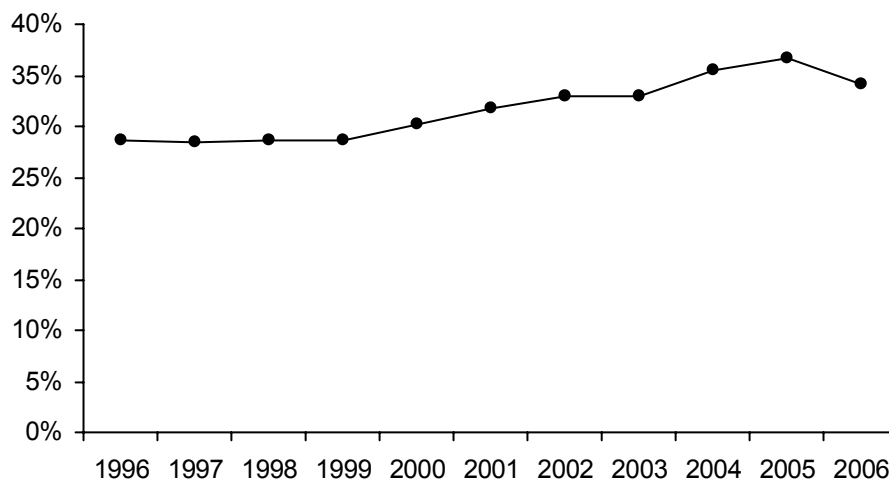


Figure 3.6: Percentage of indictable offences given community sentences, 1996–2006



High-volume offences

- 3.15 The offence at magistrates' courts where a community sentence was imposed most frequently in 2006 was 'common assault' (around 23,600). This was followed by 'theft from shops' (around 18,300), 'driving with alcohol in the blood above the prescribed limit' (around 11,700), 'criminal damage, £5,000 or less' (around 10,400) and 'driving while disqualified' (around 10,100).
- 3.16 At the Crown Court community sentences were most often imposed for 'assaults occasioning actual bodily harm' (around 2,300), followed by 'affray' (around 1,800), 'burglary in a dwelling' (around 1,300) and 'wounding or inflicting grievous bodily harm' (around 600).

Table 3.1 Persons sentenced to community sentences at magistrates' courts by type of community sentence, 1996-2006

England and Wales		Number of persons and percentages									
Type of community sentence	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
All offences											
Total persons sentenced	1,351,789	1,293,961	1,376,514	1,320,751	1,339,986	1,266,634	1,334,439	1,403,921	1,460,707	1,397,675	1,336,501
Percentage given community sentences (%)	8.3	9.1	9.2	9.9	10.1	11.5	12.4	12.0	12.3	13.0	13.0
Community sentences:											
Community rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	43,750	46,175	49,816	50,635	49,366	50,967	56,010	55,269	53,407	28,229	3,004
Supervision order	10,336	10,430	11,567	11,821	10,872	10,526	9,845	9,421	9,696	10,208	10,850
Community punishment order ⁽¹⁾	36,848	37,502	39,462	41,128	41,725	41,859	42,503	41,942	45,613	27,919	4,453
Attendance centre order	7,378	7,549	7,984	8,612	6,985	5,778	4,007	3,275	3,421	3,300	3,162
Community punishment and rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	14,339	15,746	17,260	17,292	16,045	13,091	12,733	12,066	12,703	8,272	1,747
Curfew order	154	413	945	1,489	2,426	3,615	5,794	8,927	14,260	11,486	6,235
Reparation order	*	*	(4)	(4)	3,975	7,949	4,987	3,106	3,075	3,211	3,738
Action plan order	*	*	(4)	(4)	4,318	8,577	6,120	4,326	4,467	4,813	4,845
Drug treatment and testing order	*	*	(4)	(4)	220	3,107	3,657	4,586	5,932	3,436	157
Referral order ⁽²⁾	*	*	*	*	(4)	(4)	19,208	25,669	27,565	29,958	30,070
Community order ⁽³⁾	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	51,012	105,344
Total community sentences	112,805	117,815	127,034	130,977	135,932	145,469	164,864	168,587	180,139	181,844	173,605
Indictable offences											
Total persons sentenced	227,983	241,021	262,613	266,452	253,961	253,195	262,653	259,895	243,152	233,450	228,892
Percentage given community sentences (%)	29.3	28.7	28.8	29.3	31.3	33.1	34.4	33.8	37.1	38.8	38.0
Community sentences:											
Community rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	26,294	27,876	30,435	31,559	30,550	30,890	32,654	29,589	26,082	13,509	1,777
Supervision order	7,964	7,930	8,651	8,387	7,385	7,157	6,379	5,815	5,876	6,145	6,707
Community punishment order ⁽¹⁾	19,710	19,813	21,654	22,519	22,182	20,861	20,157	18,879	19,364	12,616	2,519
Attendance centre order	5,337	5,383	5,449	5,714	4,391	3,525	2,268	1,800	1,863	1,717	1,701
Community punishment and rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	7,386	8,021	9,005	9,087	8,295	6,506	5,866	5,225	5,357	3,705	1,156
Curfew order	97	251	530	824	1,334	2,001	3,128	4,585	7,449	6,336	3,687
Reparation order	*	*	(4)	(4)	2,253	4,352	2,556	1,457	1,400	1,448	1,719
Action plan order	*	*	(4)	(4)	2,839	5,520	3,562	2,440	2,415	2,530	2,463
Drug treatment and testing order	*	*	(4)	(4)	200	2,873	3,308	4,067	5,250	2,989	124
Referral order ⁽²⁾	*	*	*	*	(4)	(4)	10,394	13,877	15,153	16,594	16,372
Community order ⁽³⁾	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	22,995	48,661
Total community sentences	66,788	69,274	75,724	78,090	79,429	83,685	90,272	87,734	90,209	90,584	86,886

¹ Some community sentences were renamed in April 2001. Community rehabilitation order was previously probation order, community punishment order was previously community service order and community punishment and rehabilitation order was previously combination order.

² Referral orders were introduced nationally on 1 April 2002. The figures include extensions of referral orders (retrospectively for 2002 - 2004).

³ The community order was introduced on 4 April 2005 and applies to offences committed on or after that date.

⁴ Numbers of reparation, action plan and drug treatment and testing orders given in pilot areas in 1998 and 1999 are included under 'Otherwise dealt with' in Chapter 4 as are referral orders given in pilot areas in 2000 and 2001.

Table 3.2 Persons sentenced to community sentences at the Crown Court by type of community sentence, 1996-2006

England and Wales		Number of persons and percentages									
Type of community sentence	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
All offences											
Total persons sentenced	73,578	79,417	80,262	77,035	74,202	71,888	76,065	75,891	76,119	75,600	76,439
Percentage given community sentences (%)	27.0	27.9	27.9	26.8	26.4	27.2	28.5	30.4	30.0	29.6	22.5
Community sentences:											
Community rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	7,151	7,917	8,345	7,733	7,093	7,980	7,771	7,933	7,254	5,354	850
Supervision order	580	819	867	858	684	557	657	449	423	392	346
Community punishment order ⁽¹⁾	9,047	9,621	9,104	8,469	8,258	7,905	8,288	8,440	8,273	6,889	1,379
Attendance centre order	83	91	81	67	56	46	24	8	11	5	7
Community punishment and rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	2,961	3,714	3,923	3,441	3,196	1,571	2,751	3,093	3,269	2,540	521
Curfew order	10	13	34	88	171	248	472	672	882	643	276
Reparation order	*	*	(3)	(3)	9	26	17	5	12	6	7
Action plan order	*	*	(3)	(3)	38	73	61	22	19	19	22
Drug treatment and testing order	*	*	(3)	(3)	101	1,122	1,615	2,472	2,664	2,105	149
Community order ⁽³⁾	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	4,450	13,675
Total community sentences	19,832	22,175	22,354	20,656	19,606	19,528	21,656	23,094	22,807	22,403	17,232
Indictable offences											
Total of persons sentenced	70,864	76,509	77,023	73,852	70,921	68,671	72,870	72,571	72,654	72,052	72,596
Percentage given community sentences (%)	26.8	27.7	27.7	26.6	26.1	26.8	28.1	30.2	29.7	29.3	22.2
Community sentences:											
Community rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	6,854	7,578	7,970	7,361	6,698	7,509	7,337	7,502	6,853	5,039	815
Supervision order	575	798	848	837	662	543	636	432	410	376	335
Community punishment order ⁽¹⁾	8,618	9,108	8,592	8,000	7,759	7,360	7,784	7,950	7,762	6,511	1,321
Attendance centre order	77	84	72	62	49	39	18	7	10	4	7
Community punishment and rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	2,849	3,603	3,791	3,316	3,057	1,517	2,654	2,972	3,117	2,422	506
Curfew order	10	12	32	82	156	230	429	635	814	608	266
Reparation order	*	*	(3)	(3)	8	24	14	5	9	5	7
Action plan order	*	*	(3)	(3)	34	62	54	18	16	16	18
Drug treatment and testing order	*	*	(3)	(3)	96	1,094	1,570	2,393	2,584	2,048	147
Community order ⁽²⁾	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	4,111	12,663
Total community sentences	18,983	21,183	21,305	19,658	18,519	18,378	20,496	21,914	21,575	21,140	16,085

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Table 3.3 Persons sentenced to community sentences at all courts by type of community sentence, 1996-2006

England and Wales											Number of persons and percentages	
Type of community sentence	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	
All offences												
Total persons sentenced	1,425,367	1,373,378	1,456,776	1,397,786	1,414,188	1,338,522	1,410,504	1,479,812	1,536,826	1,473,275	1,412,940	
Percentage given community sentences (%)	9.3	10.2	10.3	10.8	11.0	12.3	13.2	13.0	13.2	13.9	13.5	
Community sentences:												
Community rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	50,901	54,092	58,161	58,368	56,459	58,947	63,781	63,202	60,661	33,583	3,854	
Supervision order	10,916	11,249	12,434	12,679	11,556	11,083	10,502	9,870	10,119	10,600	11,196	
Community punishment order ⁽¹⁾	45,895	47,123	48,566	49,597	49,983	49,764	50,791	50,382	53,886	34,808	5,832	
Attendance centre order	7,461	7,640	8,065	8,679	7,041	5,824	4,031	3,283	3,432	3,305	3,169	
Community punishment and rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	17,300	19,460	21,183	20,733	19,241	14,662	15,484	15,159	15,972	10,812	2,268	
Curfew order	164	426	979	1,577	2,597	3,863	6,266	9,599	15,142	12,129	6,511	
Reparation order	*	*	(4)	(4)	3,984	7,975	5,004	3,111	3,087	3,217	3,745	
Action plan order	*	*	(4)	(4)	4,356	8,650	6,181	4,348	4,486	4,832	4,867	
Drug treatment and testing order	*	*	(4)	(4)	321	4,229	5,272	7,058	8,596	5,541	306	
Referral order ⁽²⁾	*	*	*	*	(4)	(4)	19,208	25,669	27,565	29,958	30,070	
Community order ⁽³⁾	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	55,462	119,109	
Total community sentences	132,637	139,990	149,388	151,633	155,538	164,997	186,520	191,681	202,946	204,247	190,837	
Indictable offences												
Total persons sentenced	298,847	317,530	339,636	340,304	324,882	321,866	335,523	332,466	315,806	305,502	301,488	
Percentage given community sentences (%)	28.7	28.5	28.6	28.7	30.1	31.7	33.0	33.0	35.4	36.6	34.2	
Community sentences:												
Community rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	33,148	35,454	38,405	38,920	37,248	38,399	39,991	37,091	32,935	18,548	2,592	
Supervision order	8,539	8,728	9,499	9,224	8,047	7,700	7,015	6,247	6,286	6,521	7,042	
Community punishment order ⁽¹⁾	28,328	28,921	30,246	30,519	29,941	28,221	27,941	26,829	27,126	19,127	3,840	
Attendance centre order	5,414	5,467	5,521	5,776	4,440	3,564	2,286	1,807	1,873	1,721	1,708	
Community punishment and rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	10,235	11,624	12,796	12,403	11,352	8,023	8,520	8,197	8,474	6,127	1,662	
Curfew order	107	263	562	906	1,490	2,231	3,557	5,220	8,263	6,944	3,953	
Reparation order	*	*	(4)	(4)	2,261	4,376	2,570	1,462	1,409	1,453	1,726	
Action plan order	*	*	(4)	(4)	2,873	5,582	3,616	2,458	2,431	2,546	2,481	
Drug treatment and testing order	*	*	(4)	(4)	296	3,967	4,878	6,460	7,834	5,037	271	
Referral order ⁽²⁾	*	*	*	*	(4)	(4)	10,394	13,877	15,153	16,594	16,372	
Community order ⁽³⁾	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	27,106	61,324	
Total community sentences	85,771	90,457	97,029	97,748	97,948	102,063	110,768	109,648	111,784	111,724	102,971	

¹ Some community sentences were renamed in April 2001. Community rehabilitation order was previously probation order, community punishment order was previously community service order and community punishment and rehabilitation order was previously combination order.

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Table 3.4 Persons sentenced to community sentences and community sentence rate by age and sex, 1996-2006

England and Wales		Number of persons and percentages										
Sex and age		1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Males												
Aged 10-17	Total number sentenced	66,433	69,647	75,496	79,262	80,570	84,087	83,186	80,838	83,413	82,465	80,136
	Number given community sentences	22,649	23,619	25,640	27,076	31,353	37,117	46,677	46,975	48,983	51,005	51,163
	<i>Percentage given community sentences (%)</i>	34.1	33.9	34.0	34.2	38.9	44.1	56.1	58.1	58.7	61.9	63.8
Aged 18-20	Total number sentenced	134,556	139,129	147,868	147,003	142,824	139,919	140,914	143,365	137,732	127,302	123,660
	Number given community sentences	20,408	20,714	22,730	23,557	23,101	23,115	23,443	23,491	24,260	23,676	22,089
	<i>Percentage given community sentences (%)</i>	15.2	14.9	15.4	16.0	16.2	16.5	16.6	16.4	17.6	18.6	17.9
Aged 21 and over	Total number sentenced	963,418	947,616	997,918	951,514	934,704	877,019	927,810	994,992	1,036,196	980,894	931,432
	Number given community sentences	72,988	76,877	79,966	78,831	77,459	79,646	87,962	92,670	98,923	98,178	88,192
	<i>Percentage given community sentences (%)</i>	7.6	8.1	8.0	8.3	8.3	9.1	9.5	9.3	9.5	10.0	9.5
All ages	Total number sentenced	1,164,407	1,156,392	1,221,282	1,177,779	1,158,098	1,101,025	1,151,910	1,219,195	1,257,341	1,190,661	1,135,228
	Number given community sentences	116,045	121,210	128,336	129,464	131,913	139,878	158,082	163,136	172,166	172,859	161,444
	<i>Percentage given community sentences (%)</i>	10.0	10.5	10.5	11.0	11.4	12.7	13.7	13.4	13.7	14.5	14.2
Females												
Aged 10-17	Total number sentenced	8,164	9,445	10,798	10,898	10,910	11,398	11,362	11,693	12,775	13,738	13,670
	Number given community sentences	2,474	2,911	3,301	3,547	4,619	5,742	7,510	8,138	9,156	10,101	10,335
	<i>Percentage given community sentences (%)</i>	30.3	30.8	30.6	32.5	42.3	50.4	66.1	69.6	71.7	73.5	75.6
Aged 18-20	Total number sentenced	17,742	17,330	19,254	18,409	19,266	17,988	18,470	18,702	18,667	18,749	19,034
	Number given community sentences	2,344	2,681	3,109	3,377	3,398	3,253	3,300	2,989	3,213	3,080	2,790
	<i>Percentage given community sentences (%)</i>	13.2	15.5	16.1	18.3	17.6	18.1	17.9	16.0	17.2	16.4	14.7
Aged 21 and over	Total number sentenced	235,054	190,211	205,442	190,700	225,914	208,111	228,763	230,222	248,043	250,127	245,008
	Number given community sentences	11,774	13,188	14,642	15,245	15,608	16,124	17,628	17,418	18,411	18,207	16,268
	<i>Percentage given community sentences (%)</i>	5.0	6.9	7.1	8.0	6.9	7.7	7.7	7.6	7.4	7.3	6.6
All ages	Total number sentenced	260,960	216,986	235,494	220,007	256,090	237,497	258,595	260,617	279,485	282,614	277,712
	Number given community sentences	16,592	18,780	21,052	22,169	23,625	25,119	28,438	28,545	30,780	31,388	29,393
	<i>Percentage given community sentences (%)</i>	6.4	8.7	8.9	10.1	9.2	10.6	11.0	11.0	11.0	11.1	10.6
All persons												
Aged 10-17	Total number sentenced	74,597	79,092	86,294	90,160	91,480	95,485	94,548	92,531	96,188	96,203	93,806
	Number given community sentences	25,123	26,530	28,941	30,623	35,972	42,859	54,187	55,113	58,139	61,106	61,498
	<i>Percentage given community sentences (%)</i>	33.7	33.5	33.5	34.0	39.3	44.9	57.3	59.6	60.4	63.5	65.6
Aged 18-20	Total number sentenced	152,298	156,459	167,122	165,412	162,090	157,907	159,384	162,067	156,399	146,051	142,694
	Number given community sentences	22,752	23,395	25,839	26,934	26,499	26,368	26,743	26,480	27,473	26,756	24,879
	<i>Percentage given community sentences (%)</i>	14.9	15.0	15.5	16.3	16.3	16.7	16.8	16.3	17.6	18.3	17.4
Aged 21 and over	Total number sentenced	1,198,472	1,137,827	1,203,360	1,142,214	1,160,618	1,085,130	1,156,573	1,225,214	1,284,239	1,231,021	1,176,440
	Number given community sentences	84,762	90,065	94,608	94,076	93,067	95,770	105,590	110,088	117,334	116,385	104,460
	<i>Percentage given community sentences (%)</i>	7.1	7.9	7.9	8.2	8.0	8.8	9.1	9.0	9.1	9.5	8.9
All ages	Total number sentenced	1,425,367	1,373,378	1,456,776	1,397,786	1,414,188	1,338,522	1,410,505	1,479,812	1,536,826	1,473,275	1,412,940
	Number given community sentences	132,637	139,990	149,388	151,633	155,538	164,997	186,520	191,681	202,946	204,247	190,836
	<i>Percentage given community sentences (%)</i>	9.3	10.2	10.3	10.8	11.0	12.3	13.2	13.0	13.2	13.9	13.5

Table 3.5 Persons sentenced to community sentences by offence group and type of sentence, 1996-2006

England and Wales													Number of persons	
Offence group and year	Community sentences											Total community sentences	Total persons sentenced	
	Community rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Supervision order	Community punishment order ⁽¹⁾	Attendance centre order	Community punishment and rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Curfew order	Reparation order	Action plan order	Drug treatment and testing order	Referral order ⁽²⁾	Community order ⁽³⁾			
Violence against the person	1996	3,143	974	4,286	755	1,413	10	*	*	*	*	*	10,581	30,093
	1997	3,774	1,034	4,830	829	1,822	21	*	*	*	*	*	12,310	34,537
	1998	4,390	1,170	5,373	788	2,013	66	*	*	*	*	*	13,800	37,119
	1999	4,321	1,118	5,341	811	2,051	94	*	*	*	*	*	13,736	35,983
	2000	4,096	1,164	5,465	590	2,035	152	184	403	4	*	*	14,093	35,533
	2001	4,375	1,040	5,444	509	1,519	312	378	912	64	*	*	14,553	35,436
	2002	4,770	881	5,636	322	1,779	440	246	552	99	1,746	*	16,471	37,773
	2003	4,912	878	5,560	229	1,804	758	151	336	99	2,270	*	16,997	38,031
	2004	4,910	899	5,587	272	2,033	1,062	147	346	190	2,528	*	17,974	39,257
	2005	3,259	984	4,095	217	1,559	960	131	349	131	3,005	4,339	19,029	40,754
2006	438	1,099	616	240	408	522	157	401	19	3,070	10,262	17,232	41,905	
Sexual offences	1996	728	190	123	17	57	1	*	*	*	*	*	1,116	4,407
	1997	737	217	113	14	56	3	*	*	*	*	*	1,140	4,468
	1998	751	242	90	12	79	2	*	*	*	*	*	1,176	4,590
	1999	729	252	106	6	62	5	*	*	*	*	*	1,160	4,310
	2000	645	234	103	3	61	5	4	5	-	*	*	1,060	3,941
	2001	640	236	94	10	32	9	5	21	-	*	*	1,047	4,037
	2002	693	218	97	1	60	16	1	17	1	103	*	1,207	4,373
	2003	703	162	126	1	42	23	1	14	-	97	*	1,169	4,333
	2004	762	184	145	7	66	58	4	18	4	156	*	1,404	4,823
	2005	593	177	84	3	44	44	8	13	3	152	323	1,444	4,747
2006	127	150	16	1	14	33	2	13	0	140	851	1,347	4,932	
Burglary	1996	4,485	2,199	3,700	1,201	1,917	29	*	*	*	*	*	13,531	32,388
	1997	4,097	2,181	3,238	1,176	1,994	56	*	*	*	*	*	12,742	31,656
	1998	3,946	2,235	2,891	1,054	2,050	88	*	*	*	*	*	12,264	31,087
	1999	3,576	1,901	2,707	1,017	1,872	155	*	*	*	*	*	11,228	29,329
	2000	3,012	1,506	2,446	634	1,542	209	277	454	56	*	*	10,136	26,694
	2001	2,971	1,336	1,981	384	982	359	466	811	659	*	*	9,949	24,655
	2002	3,083	1,240	1,809	190	1,086	520	258	515	1,015	1,365	*	11,081	26,376
	2003	3,133	1,065	1,832	153	1,092	740	116	303	1,477	1,716	*	11,627	25,360
	2004	2,569	947	1,700	152	1,111	1,052	116	292	1,692	2,008	*	11,639	24,133
	2005	1,395	1,097	1,111	125	753	828	123	315	1,061	2,142	2,162	11,112	22,652
2006	251	1,179	274	137	199	622	124	320	51	2,053	4,730	9,940	22,675	
Robbery	1996	185	673	175	266	113	*	*	*	*	*	*	1,412	5,909
	1997	158	606	158	229	155	1	*	*	*	*	*	1,307	5,597
	1998	172	622	167	193	200	2	*	*	*	*	*	1,356	5,562
	1999	212	549	212	179	148	6	*	*	*	*	*	1,306	5,652
	2000	163	523	211	159	161	12	34	127	2	*	*	1,392	5,944
	2001	228	666	200	105	172	55	64	311	32	*	*	1,833	6,846
	2002	182	518	157	37	168	151	26	108	47	321	*	1,715	7,731
	2003	180	452	174	24	166	249	10	58	110	601	*	2,024	7,339
	2004	185	514	175	21	164	320	9	60	106	745	*	2,299	7,513
	2005	148	545	149	26	135	379	13	71	75	858	140	2,539	7,139
2006	78	704	88	21	101	329	17	67	6	1,121	425	2,957	8,169	
Theft and handling stolen goods	1996	15,580	3,178	10,534	2,310	3,641	45	*	*	*	*	*	35,288	114,370
	1997	16,634	3,245	10,278	2,347	4,019	117	*	*	*	*	*	36,640	118,214
	1998	17,500	3,668	10,380	2,533	4,269	242	*	*	*	*	*	38,592	125,247
	1999	18,515	3,697	10,398	2,722	4,261	402	*	*	*	*	*	39,995	130,648
	2000	18,622	3,038	10,240	2,188	3,901	663	1,371	1,283	182	*	*	41,488	127,580
	2001	19,117	2,845	9,609	1,784	2,773	939	2,605	2,381	2,519	*	*	44,572	126,410
	2002	19,840	2,589	9,248	1,177	2,588	1,469	1,473	1,636	2,912	4,163	*	47,095	126,717
	2003	17,026	2,270	8,225	904	2,184	1,986	826	1,103	3,572	5,351	*	43,447	118,594
	2004	14,284	2,234	2,239	868	2,111	2,836	760	1,082	4,437	5,790	*	36,641	110,241
	2005	6,720	2,166	4,963	873	1,407	2,084	856	1,172	2,414	6,285	11,926	40,866	103,318
2006	651	2,300	797	851	303	1,094	941	1,045	94	5,782	23,089	36,947	98,646	
Fraud and forgery	1996	2,468	107	2,610	80	795	4	*	*	*	*	*	6,064	16,309
	1997	2,550	110	2,814	78	903	13	*	*	*	*	*	6,468	16,929
	1998	2,977	135	3,203	104	1,125	29	*	*	*	*	*	7,573	19,641
	1999	3,160	159	3,700	120	1,112	49	*	*	*	*	*	8,300	20,200
	2000	3,018	138	3,604	75	998	90	51	54	8	*	*	8,036	19,149
	2001	2,925	123	3,449	69	729	89	79	117	130	*	*	7,710	18,206
	2002	3,002	117	3,569	36	719	123	49	81	205	275	*	8,176	18,123
	2003	2,485	83	3,270	38	612	197	17	58	277	312	*	7,349	18,051
	2004	2,134	82	3,599	43	601	324	22	42	312	279	*	7,438	18,019
	2005	1,438	96	2,993	37	448	305	17	39	212	267	1,418	7,270	18,291
2006	333	60	1,060	29	190	161	23	37	13	239	4,334	6,479	18,332	
Criminal damage	1996	1,380	557	646	307	389	8	*	*	*	*	*	3,287	9,754
	1997	1,423	608	754	259	420	14	*	*	*	*	*	3,478	10,425
	1998	1,636	634	791	275	497	44	*	*	*	*	*	3,877	10,722
	1999	1,441	737	835	334	487	54	*	*	*	*	*	3,888	10,728
	2000	1,426	618	809	248	450	77	182	217	1	*	*	4,028	10,159
	2001	1,401	620	782	178	330	95	404	423	44	*	*	4,277	10,526
	2002	1,542	575	804	139	351	207	206	241	48	731	*	4,844	10,826
	2003	1,529	500	813	122	320	240	130	185	68	1,092	*	4,999	11,112
	2004	1,587	588	858	138	408	426	145	232	67	1,150	*	5,599	11,582
	2005	959	548	602	102	320	369	124	201	51	1,258	1,141	5,675	11,502
2006	115	688	100	108	68	248	208	211	3	1,434	2,866	6,049	12,518	
Drug offences	1996	2,717	180	2,242	99	862	6	*	*	*	*	*	6,106	34,043
	1997	3,284	199	2,578	97	1,023	13	*	*	*	*	*	7,194	40,438
	1998	4,102	235	2,877	157	1,218	33	*	*	*	*	*	8,622	48,782
	1999	4,230	276	2,753	187	1,138	51	*	*	*	*	*	8,635	48,946
	2000	3,647	290	2,652	169	977	100	55	141	33	*	*	8,064	44,954
	2001	3,849	267	2,411	194	629	137	172	242	366	*	*	8,267	45,679
	2002	3,652	275	2,245	168	625	208	162	203	349	916	*	8,803	49,015
	2003	3,525	279	2,330	150	689	346	117	168	589	1,989	*	9,582	51,212
	2004	3,085	281	2,130	148	663	482	98	155	720	1,316	*	9,078	39,146
	2005	1,795	324	1,414	154	496	445	89	157	881	1,374	2,564	9,693	38,898
2006	179	334	191	156	107	202	141	166	63	1,273	6,315	9,127	39,478	

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Table 3.5 Persons sentenced to community sentences by offence group and type of sentence, 1996-2006 (continued)

England and Wales															Number of persons	
Offence group and year		Community sentences											Total community sentences	Total persons sentenced		
		Community rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Supervision order	Community punishment order ⁽¹⁾	Attendance centre order	Community punishment and rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Curfew order	Reparation order	Action plan order	Drug treatment and testing order	Referral order ⁽²⁾	Community order ⁽³⁾				
Other (excluding motoring offences)	1996	2,022	407	3,075	341	759	4	*	*	*	*	*	*	6,608	41,663	
	1997	2,342	461	3,252	400	888	19	*	*	*	*	*	*	7,362	45,776	
	1998	2,478	489	3,617	359	966	48	*	*	*	*	*	*	7,957	47,893	
	1999	2,334	462	3,650	356	903	76	*	*	*	*	*	*	7,781	46,226	
	2000	2,247	449	3,544	337	871	154	94	165	9	*	*	*	7,870	43,250	
	2001	2,484	469	3,348	294	603	184	188	313	134	*	*	*	8,017	42,215	
	2002	2,740	504	3,442	196	748	326	136	219	156	603	*	*	9,070	46,145	
	2003	2,963	458	3,455	161	818	561	90	195	199	851	*	*	9,751	49,548	
	2004	2,841	481	3,832	200	865	1,536	102	184	227	974	*	*	11,242	52,869	
	2005	1,942	529	3,044	175	691	1,420	91	216	146	1,068	2,549	11,871	51,481		
2006	371	457	604	151	205	696	106	199	21	1,098	7,248	11,156	48,713			
Motoring offences	1996	440	74	937	38	289	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	1,778	9,911	
	1997	455	67	906	38	344	6	*	*	*	*	*	*	1,816	9,490	
	1998	453	69	857	46	379	8	*	*	*	*	*	*	1,812	8,993	
	1999	402	73	817	44	369	14	*	*	*	*	*	*	1,719	8,282	
	2000	372	87	867	37	356	28	9	24	1	*	*	*	1,781	7,678	
	2001	409	98	903	37	254	52	15	51	19	*	*	*	1,838	7,856	
	2002	487	98	934	20	396	97	13	44	46	171	*	*	2,306	8,444	
	2003	635	100	1,044	25	470	120	4	38	69	198	*	*	2,703	8,886	
	2004	578	76	1,140	24	452	167	6	20	79	207	*	*	2,749	8,223	
	2005	299	55	672	9	274	110	1	13	63	185	544	2,225	6,720		
2006	49	71	94	14	67	46	7	22	1	162	1,204	1,737	6,120			
Total indictable offences	1996	33,148	8,539	28,328	5,414	10,235	107	*	*	*	*	*	*	85,771	298,847	
	1997	35,454	8,728	28,921	5,467	11,624	263	*	*	*	*	*	*	90,457	317,530	
	1998	38,405	9,499	30,246	5,521	12,796	562	*	*	*	*	*	*	97,029	339,636	
	1999	38,920	9,224	30,519	5,776	12,403	906	*	*	*	*	*	*	97,748	340,304	
	2000	37,248	8,047	29,941	4,440	11,352	1,490	2,261	2,873	296	*	*	*	97,948	324,882	
	2001	38,399	7,700	28,221	3,564	8,023	2,231	4,376	5,582	3,967	*	*	*	102,063	321,866	
	2002	39,991	7,015	27,941	2,286	8,520	3,557	2,570	3,616	4,878	10,394	*	*	110,768	335,523	
	2003	37,091	6,247	26,829	1,807	8,197	5,220	1,462	2,458	6,460	13,877	*	*	109,648	332,466	
	2004	32,935	6,286	27,126	1,873	8,474	8,263	1,409	2,431	7,834	15,153	*	*	111,784	315,806	
	2005	18,548	6,521	19,127	1,721	6,127	6,944	1,453	2,546	5,037	16,594	27,106	111,724	305,502		
2006	2,592	7,042	3,840	1,708	1,662	3,953	1,726	2,481	271	16,372	61,324	102,971	301,488			
Summary non-motoring offences	1996	8,162	1,953	8,517	1,923	2,126	25	*	*	*	*	*	*	22,706	485,899	
	1997	8,428	2,068	8,768	2,052	2,335	70	*	*	*	*	*	*	23,721	414,230	
	1998	9,361	2,510	8,800	2,424	2,802	218	*	*	*	*	*	*	26,115	460,326	
	1999	9,574	2,987	9,363	2,710	2,835	305	*	*	*	*	*	*	27,774	431,372	
	2000	9,598	2,988	10,237	2,397	2,802	552	1,584	1,324	12	*	*	*	31,494	488,560	
	2001	10,436	2,788	10,661	2,030	2,237	913	3,262	2,650	102	*	*	*	35,079	440,097	
	2002	11,737	2,828	10,958	1,577	2,378	1,467	2,190	2,149	127	5,820	*	*	41,231	485,352	
	2003	12,235	2,934	10,929	1,315	2,341	2,177	1,445	1,534	203	8,254	*	*	43,367	491,514	
	2004	13,814	3,249	12,773	1,377	2,871	3,639	1,511	1,749	301	10,146	*	*	51,430	520,623	
	2005	9,075	3,590	9,617	1,439	2,459	3,277	1,650	2,035	255	11,257	13,375	58,029	507,149		
2006	962	3,792	1,601	1,369	447	2,049	1,896	2,179	21	11,820	33,449	59,585	493,888			
Summary motoring offences	1996	9,591	424	9,050	124	4,939	32	*	*	*	*	*	*	24,160	640,621	
	1997	10,210	453	9,434	121	5,501	93	*	*	*	*	*	*	25,812	641,618	
	1998	10,395	425	9,520	120	5,585	199	*	*	*	*	*	*	26,244	656,814	
	1999	9,874	468	9,715	193	5,495	366	*	*	*	*	*	*	26,111	626,110	
	2000	9,613	521	9,805	204	5,087	555	139	159	13	*	*	*	26,096	600,746	
	2001	10,112	595	10,882	230	4,402	719	337	418	160	*	*	*	27,855	576,559	
	2002	12,053	659	11,892	168	4,586	1,242	244	416	267	2,994	*	*	34,521	589,629	
	2003	13,876	689	12,624	161	4,621	2,202	204	356	395	3,538	*	*	38,666	655,832	
	2004	13,912	584	13,987	182	4,627	3,240	167	306	461	2,266	*	*	39,732	700,397	
	2005	5,960	489	6,064	145	2,226	1,908	114	251	249	2,107	14,981	34,494	660,624		
2006	300	362	391	92	159	509	123	207	14	1,878	24,246	28,281	617,564			
Total summary offences	1996	17,753	2,377	17,567	2,047	7,065	57	*	*	*	*	*	*	46,866	1,126,520	
	1997	18,638	2,521	18,202	2,173	7,836	163	*	*	*	*	*	*	49,533	1,055,848	
	1998	19,756	2,935	18,320	2,544	8,387	417	*	*	*	*	*	*	52,359	1,117,140	
	1999	19,448	3,455	19,078	2,903	8,330	671	*	*	*	*	*	*	53,885	1,057,482	
	2000	19,211	3,509	20,042	2,601	7,889	1,107	1,723	1,483	25	*	*	*	57,590	1,089,306	
	2001	20,548	3,383	21,543	2,260	6,639	1,632	3,599	3,068	262	*	*	*	62,934	1,016,656	
	2002	23,790	3,487	22,850	1,745	6,964	2,709	2,434	2,565	394	8,814	*	*	75,752	1,074,981	
	2003	26,111	3,623	23,553	1,476	6,962	4,379	1,649	1,890	598	11,792	*	*	82,033	1,147,346	
	2004	27,726	3,833	26,760	1,559	7,498	6,879	1,678	2,055	762	12,412	*	*	91,162	1,221,020	
	2005	15,035	4,079	15,681	1,584	4,685	5,185	1,764	2,286	504	13,364	28,356	92,523	1,167,773		
2006	1,262	4,154	1,992	1,461	606	2,558	2,019	2,386	35	13,698	57,695	87,866	1,111,452			
All offences	1996	50,901	10,916	45,895	7,461	17,300	164	*	*	*	*	*	*	132,637	1,425,367	
	1997	54,092	11,249	47,123	7,640	19,460	426	*	*	*	*	*	*	139,990	1,373,378	
	1998	58,161	12,434	48,566	8,065	21,183	979	*	*	*	*	*	*	149,388	1,456,776	
	1999	58,368	12,679	49,597	8,679	20,733	1,577	*	*	*	*	*	*	151,633	1,397,786	
	2000	56,459	11,556	49,983	7,041	19,241	2,597	3,984	4,356	321	*	*	*	155,538	1,414,188	
	2001	58,947	11,083	49,764	5,824	14,662	3,863	7,975	8,650	4,229	*	*	*	164,997	1,338,522	
	2002	63,781	10,502	50,791	4,031	15,484	6,266	5,004	6,181	5,272	19,208	*	*	186,520	1,410,504	
	2003	63,202	9,870	50,382	3,283	15,159	9,599	3,111	4,348	7,058	25,669	*	*	191,681	1,479,812	
	2004	60,661	10,119	53,886	3,432	15,972	15,142	3,087	4,486	8,596	27,565	*	*	202,946	1,536,826	
	2005	33,583	10,600	34,808	3,305	10,812	12,129	3,217	4,832	5,541	29,958	55,462	204,247	1,473,275		
2006	3,854	11,196	5,832	3,169	2,268	6,511	3,745	4,867	306	30,070	119,019	190,837	1,412,940			

¹ Some community sentences were renamed in April 2001. Community rehabilitation order was previously probation order, community punishment order was previously community service order and community punishment and rehabilitation order was previously combination order.

² Referral orders were introduced nationally on 1 April 2002. The figures include extensions of referral orders (retrospectively for 2002 - 2004).

³ The community order was introduced on 4 April 2005 and applies to offences committed on or after that date.

Table 3.6 Persons sentenced to community sentences by sex and offence group, 2006 (continued)

Sex and offence group	Community sentences											Total persons sentenced	
	Community rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Supervision order	Community punishment order ⁽¹⁾	Attendance centre order	Community punishment and rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Curfew order	Reparation order	Action plan order	Drug treatment and testing order	Referral order ⁽²⁾	Community order ⁽³⁾		Total community sentences
All persons													
Indictable offences													
Violence against the person	438	1,099	616	240	408	522	157	401	19	3,070	10,262	17,232	41,905
Sexual offences	127	150	16	1	14	33	2	13	0	140	851	1,347	4,932
Burglary	251	1,179	274	137	199	622	124	320	51	2,053	4,730	9,940	22,675
Robbery	78	704	88	21	101	329	17	67	6	1,121	425	2,957	8,169
Theft and handling stolen goods	651	2,300	797	851	303	1,094	941	1,045	94	5,782	23,089	36,947	98,646
Fraud and forgery	333	60	1,060	29	190	161	23	37	13	239	4,334	6,479	18,332
Criminal damage	115	688	100	108	68	248	208	211	3	1,434	2,866	6,049	12,518
Drug offences	179	334	191	156	107	202	141	166	63	1,273	6,315	9,127	39,478
Other (excluding motoring offences)	371	457	604	151	205	696	106	199	21	1,098	7,248	11,156	48,713
Motoring offences	49	71	94	14	67	46	7	22	1	162	1,204	1,737	6,120
Total	2,592	7,042	3,840	1,708	1,662	3,953	1,726	2,481	271	16,372	61,324	102,971	301,488
Summary offences													
Offences (excluding motoring offences)	962	3,792	1,601	1,369	447	2,049	1,896	2,179	21	11,820	33,449	59,585	493,888
Motoring offences	300	362	391	92	159	509	123	207	14	1,878	24,246	28,281	617,564
Total	1,262	4,154	1,992	1,461	606	2,558	2,019	2,386	35	13,698	57,695	87,866	1,111,452
All offences	3,854	11,196	5,832	3,169	2,268	6,511	3,745	4,867	306	30,070	119,019	190,837	1,412,940

¹ Some community sentences were renamed in April 2001. Community rehabilitation order was previously probation order, community punishment order was previously probation order and community punishment and rehabilitation order was previously combination order.

² Referral orders were introduced nationally on 1 April 2002. The figures include extensions of referral orders.

³ The community order was introduced on 4 April 2005 and applies to offences committed on or after that date.

Table 3.7 Persons sentenced to community sentences by age group, sex and type of sentence, 1996-2006

England and Wales													Number of persons	
Age, sex and year	Community sentences											Total sentences	Total persons sentenced	
	Community rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Supervision order	Community punishment order ⁽¹⁾	Attendance centre order	Community punishment and rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Curfew order	Reparation order	Action plan order	Drug treatment and testing order	Referral order ⁽²⁾	Community order ⁽³⁾			
Males														
Aged 10-17														
1996	2,181	9,536	3,503	6,162	1,254	13	*	*	*	*	*	22,649	66,433	
1997	2,331	9,669	3,762	6,313	1,510	34	*	*	*	*	*	23,619	69,647	
1998	2,621	10,573	3,894	6,731	1,677	144	*	*	*	*	*	25,640	75,496	
1999	2,674	10,734	4,340	7,250	1,780	298	*	*	*	*	*	27,076	79,262	
2000	2,044	9,711	4,495	5,828	1,819	393	3,382	3,678	3	*	*	31,353	80,570	
2001	2,075	9,330	4,050	4,787	1,658	1,189	6,746	7,229	53	*	*	37,117	84,087	
2002	1,981	8,910	3,156	3,265	1,556	2,184	4,256	5,243	61	16,065	*	46,677	83,186	
2003	1,902	8,240	2,642	2,560	1,402	2,651	2,662	3,703	55	21,158	*	46,975	80,838	
2004	1,817	8,391	2,466	2,561	1,226	3,624	2,633	3,753	43	22,469	*	48,983	83,413	
2005	1,564	8,719	2,305	2,555	1,154	3,622	2,710	3,989	32	24,355	*	51,005	82,465	
2006	1,339	9,187	1,755	2,536	1,107	3,613	3,192	4,005	8	24,421	*	51,163	80,136	
Aged 18-20														
1996	7,715	*	8,365	799	3,497	32	*	*	*	*	*	20,408	134,556	
1997	7,757	*	8,299	742	3,847	69	*	*	*	*	*	20,714	139,129	
1998	8,220	*	9,258	726	4,345	181	*	*	*	*	*	22,730	147,868	
1999	8,420	*	9,674	766	4,387	310	*	*	*	*	*	23,557	147,003	
2000	8,107	*	9,725	631	4,061	548	*	*	29	*	*	23,101	142,824	
2001	8,587	*	9,840	577	3,050	656	*	*	405	*	*	23,115	139,919	
2002	8,569	*	9,854	459	3,252	913	*	*	396	*	*	23,443	140,914	
2003	7,851	*	9,913	506	3,297	1,447	*	*	436	41 ⁽⁴⁾	*	23,491	143,365	
2004	6,943	*	10,280	614	3,749	2,204	*	*	457	13 ⁽⁴⁾	*	24,260	137,732	
2005	3,699	*	6,170	461	2,335	1,516	*	*	219	*	9,276	23,676	127,302	
2006	269	*	571	359	287	457	*	*	10	*	20,136	22,089	123,660	
Aged 21 and over														
1996	31,470	*	30,346	*	11,064	108	*	*	*	*	*	72,988	963,418	
1997	33,452	*	30,864	*	12,274	287	*	*	*	*	*	76,877	947,616	
1998	35,514	*	30,856	*	13,072	524	*	*	*	*	*	79,966	997,918	
1999	35,044	*	30,535	*	12,466	786	*	*	*	*	*	78,831	951,514	
2000	34,120	*	30,297	*	11,420	1,384	*	*	238	*	*	77,459	934,704	
2001	36,263	*	30,162	*	8,491	1,622	*	*	3,108	*	*	79,646	877,019	
2002	40,259	*	32,069	*	9,179	2,557	*	*	3,898	*	*	87,962	927,809	
2003	41,501	*	32,238	*	9,113	4,387	*	*	5,330	101 ⁽⁴⁾	*	92,670	994,992	
2004	40,554	*	34,831	*	9,665	7,431	*	*	6,436	6 ⁽⁴⁾	*	98,923	1,036,196	
2005	22,009	*	21,651	*	6,333	5,283	*	*	4,243	*	38,659	98,178	980,894	
2006	1,428	*	2,500	*	590	1,506	*	*	202	*	81,966	88,192	931,432	
All ages														
1996	41,366	9,536	42,214	6,961	15,815	153	*	*	*	*	*	116,045	1,164,407	
1997	43,540	9,669	42,925	7,055	17,631	390	*	*	*	*	*	121,210	1,156,392	
1998	46,355	10,573	44,008	7,457	19,094	849	*	*	*	*	*	128,336	1,221,282	
1999	46,138	10,734	44,549	8,016	18,633	1,394	*	*	*	*	*	129,464	1,177,779	
2000	44,271	9,711	44,517	6,459	17,300	2,325	3,382	3,678	270	*	*	131,913	1,158,098	
2001	46,925	9,330	44,052	5,364	13,199	3,467	6,746	7,229	3,566	*	*	139,878	1,101,025	
2002	50,809	8,910	45,079	3,724	13,987	5,654	4,256	5,243	4,355	16,065	*	158,082	1,151,909	
2003	51,254	8,240	44,793	3,066	13,812	8,485	2,662	3,703	5,821	21,300	*	163,136	1,219,195	
2004	49,314	8,391	47,577	3,175	14,640	13,259	2,633	3,753	6,936	22,488	*	172,166	1,257,341	
2005	27,272	8,719	30,126	3,016	9,822	10,421	2,710	3,989	4,494	24,355	47,935	172,859	1,190,661	
2006	3,036	9,187	4,826	2,895	1,984	5,576	3,192	4,005	220	24,421	102,102	161,444	1,135,228	
Females														
Aged 10-17														
1996	351	1,380	216	469	58	-	*	*	*	*	*	2,474	8,164	
1997	395	1,580	257	549	127	3	*	*	*	*	*	2,911	9,445	
1998	463	1,861	255	573	138	11	*	*	*	*	*	3,301	10,798	
1999	506	1,945	330	623	121	22	*	*	*	*	*	3,547	10,898	
2000	397	1,845	335	552	162	47	602	678	1	*	*	4,619	10,910	
2001	411	1,753	263	418	130	105	1,229	1,421	12	*	*	5,742	11,398	
2002	344	1,592	175	286	107	169	748	938	8	3,143	*	7,510	11,362	
2003	329	1,630	128	197	107	289	449	645	14	4,350	*	8,138	11,693	
2004	304	1,728	120	220	90	426	454	733	4	5,077	*	9,156	12,775	
2005	272	1,881	140	252	80	519	507	843	4	5,603	*	10,101	13,738	
2006	245	2,009	123	253	77	560	553	862	4	5,649	*	10,335	13,670	
Aged 18-20														
1996	1,505	*	553	31	254	1	*	*	*	*	*	2,344	17,742	
1997	1,695	*	639	36	308	3	*	*	*	*	*	2,681	17,330	
1998	1,956	*	697	35	406	15	*	*	*	*	*	3,109	19,254	
1999	2,075	*	824	40	402	36	*	*	*	*	*	3,377	18,409	
2000	2,089	*	843	30	374	52	*	*	10	*	*	3,398	19,266	
2001	1,962	*	853	42	239	63	*	*	94	*	*	3,253	17,988	
2002	1,969	*	823	21	264	88	*	*	135	*	*	3,300	18,470	
2003	1,597	*	867	20	241	143	*	*	117	4 ⁽⁴⁾	*	2,989	18,702	
2004	1,528	*	1,007	37	258	222	*	*	161	*	*	3,213	18,667	
2005	798	*	662	37	187	163	*	*	78	*	1,155	3,080	18,749	
2006	78	*	55	21	23	57	*	*	7	*	2,549	2,790	19,034	

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Table 3.7 Persons sentenced to community sentences by age group, sex and type of sentence, 1996-2006 (continued)

England and Wales													Number of persons	
Age, sex and year	Community sentences											Total sentences	Total persons sentenced	
	Community rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Supervision order	Community punishment order ⁽¹⁾	Attendance centre order	Community punishment and rehabilitation order ⁽¹⁾	Curfew order	Reparation order	Action plan order	Drug treatment and testing order	Referral order ⁽²⁾	Community order ⁽³⁾			
Females (continued)														
Aged 21 and over														
1996	7,679	*	2,912	*	1,173	10	*	*	*	*	*	11,774	235,054	
1997	8,462	*	3,302	*	1,394	30	*	*	*	*	*	13,188	190,211	
1998	9,387	*	3,606	*	1,545	104	*	*	*	*	*	14,642	205,442	
1999	9,649	*	3,894	*	1,577	125	*	*	*	*	*	15,245	190,700	
2000	9,702	*	4,288	*	1,405	173	*	*	40	*	*	15,608	225,914	
2001	9,649	*	4,596	*	1,094	228	*	*	557	*	*	16,124	208,111	
2002	10,659	*	4,714	*	1,126	355	*	*	774	*	*	17,628	228,763	
2003	10,022	*	4,594	*	999	682	*	*	1,106	15 ⁽⁴⁾	*	17,418	230,222	
2004	9,515	*	5,182	*	984	1,235	*	*	1,495	*	*	18,411	248,043	
2005	5,241	*	3,880	*	723	1,026	*	*	965	*	6,372	18,207	250,127	
2006	495	*	828	*	184	318	*	*	75	*	14,368	16,268	245,008	
All Ages														
1996	9,535	1,380	3,681	500	1,485	11	*	*	*	*	*	16,592	260,960	
1997	10,552	1,580	4,198	585	1,829	36	*	*	*	*	*	18,780	216,986	
1998	11,806	1,861	4,558	608	2,089	130	*	*	*	*	*	21,052	235,494	
1999	12,230	1,945	5,048	663	2,100	183	*	*	*	*	*	22,169	220,007	
2000	12,188	1,845	5,466	582	1,941	272	602	678	51	*	*	23,625	256,090	
2001	12,022	1,753	5,712	460	1,463	396	1,229	1,421	663	*	*	25,119	237,497	
2002	12,972	1,592	5,712	307	1,497	612	748	938	917	3,143	*	28,438	258,595	
2003	11,948	1,630	5,589	217	1,347	1,114	449	645	1,237	4,369	*	28,545	260,617	
2004	11,347	1,728	6,309	257	1,332	1,883	454	733	1,660	5,077	*	30,780	279,485	
2005	6,311	1,881	4,682	289	990	1,708	507	843	1,047	5,603	7,527	31,388	282,614	
2006	818	2,009	1,006	274	284	935	553	862	86	5,649	16,917	29,393	277,712	
All persons														
Aged 10-17														
1996	2,532	10,916	3,719	6,631	1,312	13	*	*	*	*	*	25,123	74,597	
1997	2,726	11,249	4,019	6,862	1,637	37	*	*	*	*	*	26,530	79,092	
1998	3,084	12,434	4,149	7,304	1,815	155	*	*	*	*	*	28,941	86,294	
1999	3,180	12,679	4,670	7,873	1,901	320	*	*	*	*	*	30,623	90,160	
2000	2,441	11,556	4,830	6,380	1,981	440	3,984	4,356	4	*	*	35,972	91,480	
2001	2,486	11,083	4,313	5,205	1,788	1,294	7,975	8,650	65	*	*	42,859	95,485	
2002	2,325	10,502	3,331	3,551	1,663	2,353	5,004	6,181	69	19,208	*	54,187	94,548	
2003	2,231	9,870	2,770	2,757	1,509	2,940	3,111	4,348	69	25,508	*	55,113	92,531	
2004	2,121	10,119	2,586	2,781	1,316	4,050	3,087	4,486	47	27,546	*	58,139	96,188	
2005	1,836	10,600	2,445	2,807	1,234	4,141	3,217	4,832	36	29,958	*	61,106	96,203	
2006	1,584	11,196	1,878	2,789	1,184	4,173	3,745	4,867	12	30,070	*	61,498	93,806	
Aged 18-20														
1996	9,220	*	8,918	830	3,751	33	*	*	*	*	*	22,752	152,298	
1997	9,452	*	8,938	778	4,155	72	*	*	*	*	*	23,395	156,459	
1998	10,176	*	9,955	761	4,751	196	*	*	*	*	*	25,839	167,122	
1999	10,495	*	10,498	806	4,789	346	*	*	*	*	*	26,934	165,412	
2000	10,196	*	10,568	661	4,435	600	*	*	39	*	*	26,499	162,090	
2001	10,549	*	10,693	619	3,289	719	*	*	499	*	*	26,368	157,907	
2002	10,538	*	10,677	480	3,516	1,001	*	*	531	*	*	26,743	159,384	
2003	9,448	*	10,780	526	3,538	1,590	*	*	553	45 ⁽⁴⁾	*	26,480	162,067	
2004	8,471	*	11,287	651	4,007	2,426	*	*	618	13 ⁽⁴⁾	*	27,473	156,399	
2005	4,497	*	6,832	498	2,522	1,679	*	*	297	*	10,431	26,756	146,051	
2006	347	*	626	380	310	514	*	*	17	*	22,685	24,879	142,694	
Aged 21 and over														
1996	39,149	*	33,258	*	12,237	118	*	*	*	*	*	84,762	1,198,472	
1997	41,914	*	34,166	*	13,668	317	*	*	*	*	*	90,065	1,137,827	
1998	44,901	*	34,462	*	14,617	628	*	*	*	*	*	94,608	1,203,360	
1999	44,693	*	34,429	*	14,043	911	*	*	*	*	*	94,076	1,142,214	
2000	43,822	*	34,585	*	12,825	1,557	*	*	278	*	*	93,067	1,160,618	
2001	45,912	*	34,758	*	9,585	1,850	*	*	3,665	*	*	95,770	1,085,130	
2002	50,918	*	36,783	*	10,305	2,912	*	*	4,672	*	*	105,590	1,156,572	
2003	51,523	*	36,832	*	10,112	5,069	*	*	6,436	116 ⁽⁴⁾	*	110,088	1,225,214	
2004	50,069	*	40,013	*	10,649	8,666	*	*	7,931	6 ⁽⁴⁾	*	117,334	1,284,239	
2005	27,250	*	25,531	*	7,056	6,309	*	*	5,208	*	45,031	116,385	1,231,021	
2006	1,923	*	3,328	*	774	1,824	*	*	277	*	96,334	104,460	1,176,440	
All Ages														
1996	50,901	10,916	45,895	7,461	17,300	164	*	*	*	*	*	132,637	1,425,367	
1997	54,092	11,249	47,123	7,640	19,460	426	*	*	*	*	*	139,990	1,373,378	
1998	58,161	12,434	48,566	8,065	21,183	979	*	*	*	*	*	149,388	1,456,776	
1999	58,368	12,679	49,597	8,679	20,733	1,577	*	*	*	*	*	151,633	1,397,786	
2000	56,459	11,556	49,983	7,041	19,241	2,597	3,984	4,356	321	*	*	155,538	1,414,188	
2001	58,947	11,083	49,764	5,824	14,662	3,863	7,975	8,650	4,229	*	*	164,997	1,338,522	
2002	63,781	10,502	50,791	4,031	15,484	6,266	5,004	6,181	5,272	19,208	*	186,520	1,410,504	
2003	63,202	9,870	50,382	3,283	15,159	9,599	3,111	4,348	7,058	25,669	*	191,681	1,479,812	
2004	60,661	10,119	53,886	3,432	15,972	15,142	3,087	4,486	8,596	27,565	*	202,946	1,536,826	
2005	33,583	10,600	34,808	3,305	10,812	12,129	3,217	4,832	5,541	29,958	55,462	204,247	1,473,275	
2006	3,854	11,196	5,832	3,169	2,268	6,511	3,745	4,867	306	30,070	119,019	190,837	1,412,940	

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⁴ See Preface and Appendix 3, paragraph 3.15.

Table 3.8 Percentage of persons sentenced to community sentences by age and offence group, 1996-2006

Age and year	Offence groups													Percentage of all persons sentenced	
	Violence against the person	Sexual offences	Burglary	Robbery	Theft and handling stolen goods	Fraud and forgery	Criminal damage	Drug offences	Other (excluding motoring)	Motoring offences	Total indictable offences	Summary offences (excluding motoring)	Summary motoring offences	Total summary offences	Total all offences
Aged 10 - 17															
1996	48.2	62.9	54.9	48.9	38.4	43.3	48.5	28.4	29.8	48.5	43.2	25.7	9.1	19.8	33.7
1997	48.7	60.7	55.1	45.7	38.6	41.2	49.0	26.4	31.7	51.1	43.1	25.2	9.6	20.1	33.5
1998	51.5	65.6	56.2	48.3	38.3	39.7	52.6	23.1	32.2	54.1	43.3	25.2	9.4	20.3	33.5
1999	51.7	66.0	55.2	47.7	39.0	42.0	51.5	24.7	31.4	53.0	42.9	26.8	10.8	22.6	34.0
2000	56.1	67.0	58.8	49.6	47.7	50.7	59.8	25.7	36.8	55.2	48.7	26.8	12.2	28.3	39.3
2001	59.6	64.5	64.1	53.4	57.3	58.2	65.1	27.6	42.2	55.5	54.9	44.7	33.7	44.9	44.9
2002	69.9	70.6	71.4	48.7	70.9	75.2	40.8	50.7	50.7	67.3	65.0	59.0	32.4	49.0	57.3
2003	73.3	70.8	74.9	59.3	74.2	74.3	78.8	46.7	53.8	66.7	68.4	61.5	33.5	50.8	59.6
2004	75.3	74.8	77.4	61.3	74.5	75.3	81.4	50.5	55.5	67.6	70.4	63.9	26.3	50.9	60.4
2005	77.0	72.5	79.2	65.7	76.5	76.0	82.2	52.1	58.8	66.5	72.3	67.8	25.5	54.8	63.5
2006	78.1	70.6	77.1	65.8	76.4	75.0	82.2	53.2	62.0	71.4	72.8	69.6	25.6	58.0	65.6
Aged 18 - 20															
1996	38.5	44.6	41.4	12.4	33.4	39.5	34.5	18.3	17.4	31.4	30.9	10.4	4.4	6.7	14.9
1997	37.6	39.4	41.0	12.1	33.7	42.6	32.1	17.7	18.5	32.2	30.6	10.1	4.4	6.6	15.0
1998	40.4	40.8	38.3	12.8	33.8	42.5	37.5	17.2	18.8	34.7	30.6	10.6	4.9	7.3	15.5
1999	40.9	40.7	38.1	12.9	33.8	43.5	36.5	16.9	19.9	33.9	30.9	11.8	5.4	8.0	16.3
2000	41.2	44.2	37.5	10.7	34.3	45.3	38.6	17.3	20.7	36.2	31.2	11.6	5.7	8.2	16.3
2001	41.2	37.5	38.4	13.4	35.7	45.5	35.6	17.6	21.3	36.6	31.6	11.8	6.5	8.8	16.7
2002	43.8	39.1	39.8	9.8	37.3	45.2	37.4	14.9	20.7	39.0	31.8	12.3	7.0	9.3	16.8
2003	45.1	39.6	45.9	13.4	36.5	42.2	38.1	14.1	22.6	41.2	32.0	12.1	7.4	10.5	17.6
2004	46.0	53.2	47.3	15.1	37.5	42.3	42.1	19.9	16.7	45.3	34.8	14.6	7.6	10.5	17.6
2005	48.0	38.2	45.7	14.4	37.4	42.0	40.9	21.9	26.1	43.3	35.2	16.7	6.8	11.2	18.3
2006	39.6	33.6	39.8	11.3	35.7	34.8	38.6	19.7	26.4	37.3	32.1	16.4	5.9	11.0	17.4
Aged 21 and over															
1996	30.8	19.9	35.0	4.0	28.3	36.6	27.9	17.3	13.8	14.3	25.0	3.2	3.6	3.4	7.1
1997	31.8	20.2	31.9	4.2	28.4	37.4	28.2	17.3	13.6	15.5	24.8	4.0	3.9	3.9	7.9
1998	32.9	19.6	31.0	6.8	27.9	37.9	30.1	17.4	14.2	15.9	24.9	3.8	3.8	3.8	7.9
1999	34.0	20.5	29.7	7.3	27.5	40.6	29.7	17.2	14.2	16.2	25.0	4.2	3.9	4.0	8.2
2000	34.6	19.7	28.0	6.0	28.3	40.8	31.1	17.2	14.9	18.0	25.7	3.9	3.9	3.9	8.0
2001	35.3	18.9	30.1	5.7	29.9	40.7	30.1	17.0	15.1	17.1	26.4	4.7	4.3	4.4	8.8
2002	36.1	19.9	30.4	5.9	30.3	43.2	32.3	15.5	15.3	20.0	26.6	4.6	4.8	4.7	9.1
2003	37.0	20.6	35.1	8.4	29.5	38.7	31.4	15.9	15.1	23.9	26.3	4.8	4.9	4.8	9.0
2004	37.8	20.5	36.5	8.4	31.0	39.4	33.8	19.6	16.7	26.8	28.2	5.4	4.9	5.1	9.1
2005	38.3	23.6	35.9	11.6	31.4	37.9	35.5	21.1	18.3	27.0	28.9	6.5	4.6	5.4	9.5
2006	31.1	21.4	29.0	11.2	28.7	33.9	32.9	19.2	17.7	21.4	25.8	6.8	4.0	5.2	8.9
All ages															
1996	35.2	25.3	41.8	23.9	30.9	37.2	33.7	17.9	15.9	17.9	28.7	4.7	3.8	4.2	9.3
1997	35.6	25.5	31.0	23.4	31.0	38.2	33.4	17.8	16.1	19.1	28.5	5.7	4.0	4.7	10.2
1998	37.2	25.6	39.5	24.4	30.8	38.6	36.2	17.7	16.6	20.1	28.6	5.7	4.0	4.7	10.3
1999	38.2	26.9	38.3	23.1	30.6	41.1	36.2	17.6	16.8	20.8	28.7	6.4	4.2	5.1	10.8
2000	39.7	26.9	38.0	23.4	32.5	42.0	39.6	17.9	18.2	23.2	30.1	6.4	4.3	5.3	11.0
2001	41.1	25.9	40.4	26.8	35.3	45.1	40.6	18.1	19.0	23.4	31.7	6.4	4.8	5.3	12.3
2002	43.6	27.6	42.0	22.2	37.2	44.7	44.7	18.0	19.7	27.3	33.0	8.5	5.9	7.0	13.2
2003	44.7	27.0	45.8	27.6	36.6	40.7	45.0	18.7	19.7	30.4	33.0	8.8	5.9	7.1	13.0
2004	45.8	29.1	48.2	30.6	38.4	41.3	48.3	23.2	21.3	33.4	35.4	9.9	5.7	7.5	13.2
2005	46.7	30.4	49.1	35.6	39.6	39.7	49.3	24.9	23.1	33.1	36.6	11.4	5.2	7.9	13.9
2006	41.1	27.3	43.8	36.2	37.5	35.3	48.3	23.1	22.9	28.4	34.2	12.1	4.6	7.9	13.5

4. Fines and other disposals

Key points

- The number of offenders fined for *all* offences dropped from 1,073,000 in 1996 to 961,500 in 2006, a decrease of ten per cent.
- Both the magistrates' courts and the Crown Court recorded the lowest figure for the number of offenders fined for *indictable* offences during the last decade at 50,100 and 1,600 respectively in 2006. The proportion of offenders fined for indictable offences declined at magistrates' courts from 36 per cent to 22 per cent and at the Crown Court from four per cent to two per cent between 1996 and 2006.
- Over the last decade, summary motoring offences have produced the highest volume of fines in magistrates' courts. The number of fines in this category has decreased by six per cent, from 590,500 in 2005 to 553,200 in 2006.

Introduction

- 4.1 This chapter looks at all types of disposal other than immediate custody (Chapter 2) and community sentences (Chapter 3). These other types of disposal are:
- fines;
 - absolute and conditional discharges; and
 - otherwise dealt with.
- 4.2 The category 'otherwise dealt with' includes sentences of compensation, hospital or guardianship orders under the Mental Health Act 1983, police cells, recognizance and other disposals not separately shown elsewhere. It also includes sentences passed in pilot studies (except for intermittent custody, see Chapter 2) and cases where the result of the court proceeding was incorrectly recorded.

Trends in fines (all offences)

- 4.3 Fines are different from custodial and community sentences as they may be imposed on companies and other organisations. Therefore, Tables 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3 show the numbers of fines imposed on males, females and others (these groups combined are described as offenders).
- 4.4 The number of offenders fined for all offences at all courts dropped from 1,073,000 in 1996 to 930,100 in 2001 and then grew steadily to 2004 when it peaked at 1,082,700. This figure decreased by five per cent in 2005 to 1,025,100 and by six per cent in 2006 to 961,500.
- 4.5 Magistrates, who generally deal with less serious cases, give fines within specified bands and are subject to a top limit. The Crown Court deals with the more serious offences and has the power to award unlimited fines. As would be expected, the number of fines given at the Crown Court (Table 4.2) is much smaller than at magistrates' courts (Table 4.1). However, the average amount of the fine is higher at the Crown Court (Table 4.7) than at magistrates' courts (Table 4.6), in particular the amount in 'other' (companies and other public bodies) in relation to safety-related cases.

4.6 Between 1996 and 2006, at magistrates' courts, the total number of offenders fined decreased by 10 per cent to 959,400 while the total number of offenders sentenced decreased by one per cent to 1,344,000. This resulted in a decrease in the proportion of offenders fined at magistrates' courts from 78 per cent to 71 per cent in ten years (Table 4.4 and Figure 4.1). The total number of offenders fined at magistrates' courts for all offences decreased by six per cent from 2005 to 2006. This is the second consecutive year-on-year decrease. It is possible that the Penalty Notice for Disorder (see Chapter 1), which came into effect in 2004 as an alternative to court proceedings, may account for a small proportion of the decrease found.

4.7 The total number of fines for summary motoring offences at magistrates' courts was 585,400 in 1996 (Table 4.1). This offence group has produced the highest number of fines throughout the period 1996 to 2006. The figure dropped by 13 per cent to a low of 511,100 in 2001 and then increased by 22 per cent to a high of 622,400. In 2004 it then dropped by five per cent in 2005 to 590,500, the first decrease in five years and dropped again by six per cent in 2006 to 553,200, its lowest level since 2002. The proportion fined for this offence group has varied between 87 and 90 per cent since 1996 (Table 4.5).

Figure 4.1: Proportion of offenders fined at magistrates' courts, 1996–2006

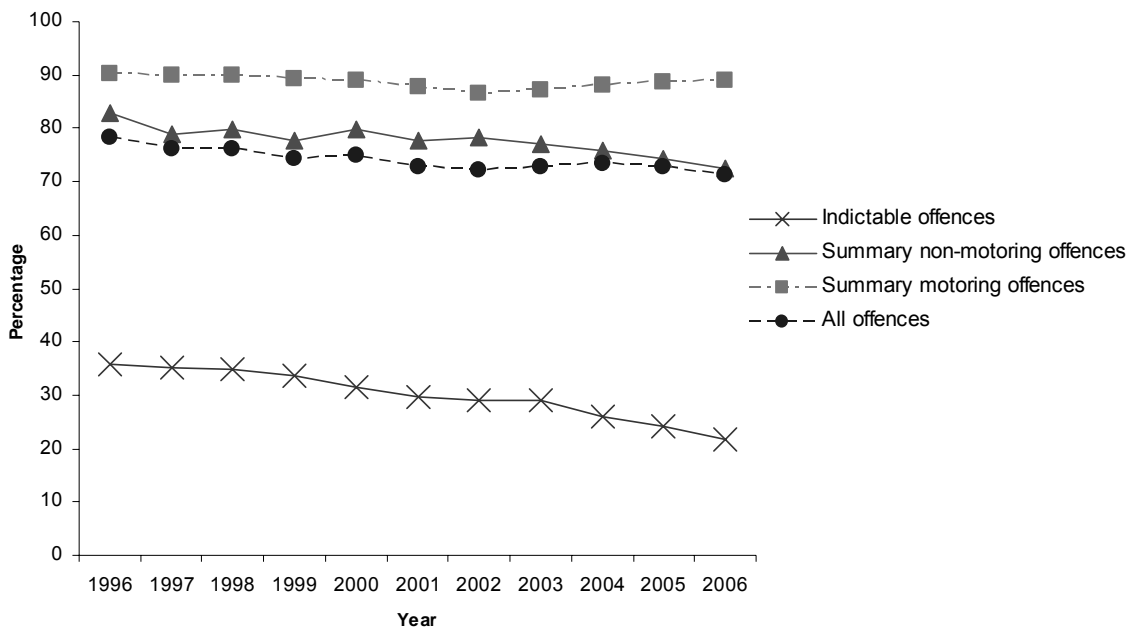
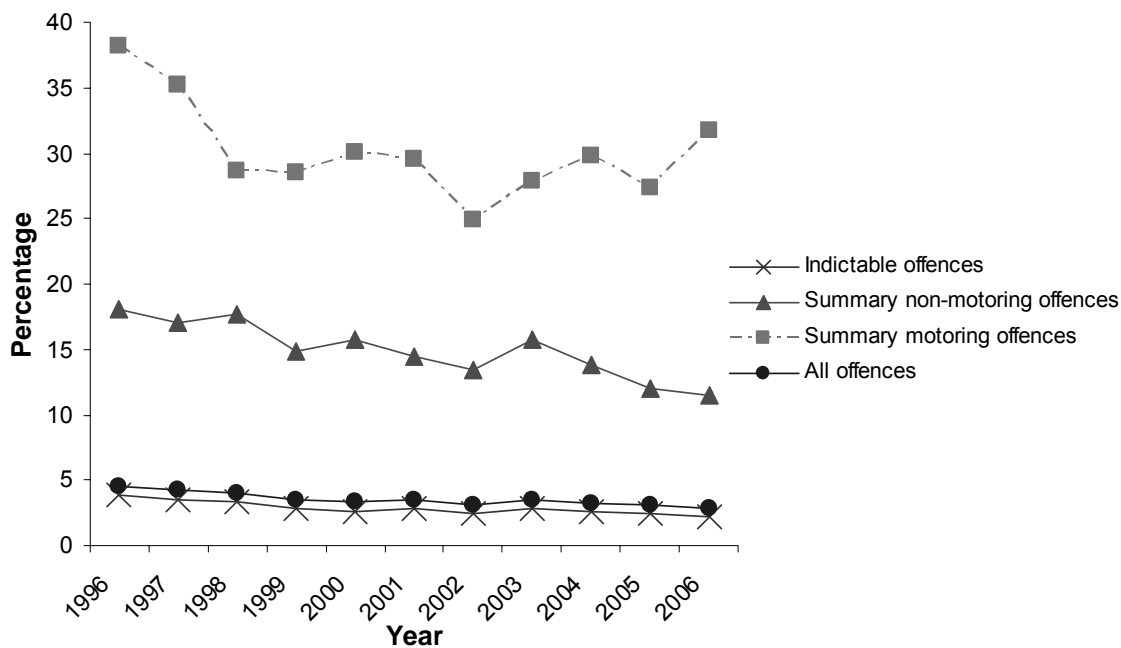


Figure 4.2: Proportion of offenders fined at the Crown Court, 1996–2006



4.8 There were 2,100 fines at the Crown Court in 2006, a decrease of nine per cent from 2005. The proportion of offenders fined at the Crown Court remained at three per cent in 2004 and 2005 (Figure 4.2 and Table 4.5).

4.9 The average fine imposed on persons for all offences by the Crown Court decreased by 12 per cent to £750 from 2005 to 2006. The average fine imposed on persons for all offences by magistrates' courts increased by five per cent to £150 between 2005 and 2006 (Tables 4.6 and 4.7).

4.10 The average fine given at the Crown Court to persons for all offences from 1996 to 2006 has increased from £460 to £750, The average fine given to persons at magistrates' courts for all offences increased from £130 to £150.

4.11 In 2006, persons sentenced at the Crown Court for other indictable (excluding motoring) offences had the largest average fine imposed (£1,480). This is an increase of one per cent from 2005. Fraud and forgery had the second largest average in 2006 at £1,260. This is an increase of 31 per cent from 2005.

4.12 At magistrates' courts in 2006 the largest average fine imposed on persons was for indictable motoring offences (£230). This is an increase of eight per cent from 2005, when the same offence group had an average fine of £210 (Table 4.6).

4.13 The average fine imposed by magistrates' courts for others (companies and public bodies etc.) remained at £950 between 2005 and 2006 (Table 4.6). The average fine imposed by the Crown Court for others was £55,060 in 2006, a 48 per cent decrease from 2005. The significant drop in the average fine imposed by the Crown Court may be due to several health and safety related offences that resulted in fines of over £1,000,000 in 2005. These offences may only be tried at the Crown Court, causing a large increase in the average fine.

4.14 The average fine given at the Crown Court to others (companies and public bodies etc.) from 1996 to 2006 for all offences has more than doubled but the average fine given at magistrates' courts increased by 41 per cent. Among the fines imposed at the Crown Court in 2006, the average fine amount for

summary offences decreased from £13,200 in 2005, to £1,500 in 2006 (Table 4.7). The number of offenders in this category is very small (see Table 4.2) and therefore large variations in the figures are likely.

Trends in fines (indictable offences)

- 4.15 The number of offenders fined for indictable offences at all courts decreased by 12 per cent from 58,400 in 2005 to 51,600 in 2006 (Table 4.3). This comprised 17 per cent of the total number of offenders sentenced for indictable offences, compared with 16 per cent in 2005 and 28 per cent in 1996 (Table 4.5). Both the magistrates' courts and the Crown Court recorded the lowest figure for the number of offenders fined for the last decade at 50,100 and 1,600 respectively in 2006 (Tables 4.1 and 4.2).
- 4.16 The number of offenders receiving fines for drug offences at all courts decreased by two per cent from 2005 to 2006 (Table 4.3). Most of this decline can be explained by the reclassification of cannabis from a Class B to a Class C drug and the resulting reduction in persons proceeded against. This legislation was brought into force in January 2004, as part of the Criminal Justice Act 2003.
- 4.17 The proportion of offenders dealt with at magistrates' courts who were fined was much higher than at the Crown Court (Figures 4.1 and 4.2). At magistrates' courts, 22 per cent of offenders sentenced for indictable offences were fined, a decline of two percentage points from the previous year. During the same period, the proportion fined at the Crown Court decreased by half of one percentage point, to two per cent. The proportion of offenders fined for indictable offences declined at both magistrates' courts (36% to 22%) and at the Crown Court (4% to 2%) between 1996 and 2006, with 2006 representing the lowest proportion at both courts over the period. This decline is seen for most offence groups.
- 4.18 Parents were ordered to pay the fine in 13 per cent of cases for 10- to 17-year-olds where they received fines for indictable offences in 2006 (Table 4.12). This was a similar figure to 2005, where ten per cent of parents were ordered to pay fines. For offenders aged under 15 years, 46 per cent of their parents were ordered to pay the fine in 2006, compared to 33 per cent in 2005.

Trends in other disposals

- 4.19 The majority of indictable offenders sentenced to 'other' disposals received conditional discharges: 36,300 at magistrates' courts and 1,730 at the Crown Court in 2006 (Table 4.5). The rate of offenders sentenced to conditional discharges for all offences reduced from four to three per cent at the Crown Court and remained the same at seven per cent at magistrates' courts between 1996 and 2006.
- 4.20 Less than 0.1 per cent of offenders were given an absolute discharge in the Crown Court in 2006. By contrast the figure was nearly one per cent at the magistrate's courts. The number of offenders receiving absolute discharges at magistrates' courts went from 19,920 in 1996 to its lowest level at 11,810 in 2006. The number of offenders sentenced to absolute discharges also decreased at the Crown Court, from 100 in 1996 to 70 in 2006.

4.21 The number of offenders 'otherwise dealt with' (ordered to pay compensation, given hospital or guardianship orders, police cells or recognizances, etc.), for all offences, increased by 26 per cent from 1,510 to 2,050 at the Crown Court and by 116 per cent from 17,270 to 37,300 at magistrates' courts between 1996 and 2006 (Table 4.5). The rate of offenders 'otherwise dealt with' for all offences increased from two to three per cent at the Crown Court and by one to three per cent at magistrates' courts between 1996 and 2006.

Trends in compensation orders

4.22 In 2006, 137,450 offenders in both courts were ordered to pay compensation, an increase of four per cent on 2005 (Table 4.9). This increase was mainly among summary offences (excluding motoring offences). Over the period 2001 to 2006, the total number of offenders ordered to pay compensation at magistrates' courts increased by four per cent from 38,200 to 40,500 for indictable offences and increased by 55 per cent from 58,900 to 91,400 for summary offences. At the Crown Court, the total number of offenders ordered to pay compensation for indictable offences has remained relatively stable for the past three years at around 5,100.

4.23 Offenders sentenced at magistrates' courts in 2006 for criminal damage had the highest proportion of compensation orders at 51 per cent, compared to those for drug offences, with the lowest proportion at less than one per cent (Table 4.9). Figures were much lower at the Crown Court where the highest proportions of offenders were ordered to pay compensation for criminal damage, violence against the person and summary offences, all at around 15 per cent.

4.24 In 2006, parents were ordered to pay in 36 per cent of cases where 10- to 17-year-olds received a compensation order for indictable offences (Table 4.12). There has been a significant increase in parents ordered to pay compensation orders for children aged 15–17 (up nine percentage points to 30%) and under 15 (up nine percentage points to 58%) between 2001 and 2006.

Trends in confiscation orders for drug trafficking

4.25 In 2006, 960 confiscation orders were made for drug trafficking. This is a decrease of two per cent on the 980 confiscation orders made in 2005 (Table 4.10). The percentage of confiscation orders made for drug trafficking offences among all eligible offences remained at 14 per cent for 2005 and 2006.

4.26 More than half of the confiscation orders made were under £1,000 each year since 2000 (Table 4.10). There were only a few confiscation orders of £100,000 or over each year (1–3%).

Trends in forfeiture

4.27 The number of forfeiture orders in both courts combined was at 43,600 and 43,500 for 2005 and 2006 respectively. The number has increased by 62 per cent since 1996 (Table 4.11).

4.28 The majority of offenders given a forfeiture order by both magistrates' courts and the Crown Court from 2001 to 2006 had committed drug offences (Table 4.11). Just over 73 per cent of offenders sentenced for drug offences were

given a forfeiture order. This proportion increased by two percentage points to 73 per cent at magistrates' courts and reduced by three percentage points to 59 per cent in the Crown Court between 2005 and 2006. This offence group had a much higher percentage of forfeiture orders than other offence group.

High Volume Offences

4.29 The offences for which fines were most often imposed at magistrates' courts were for 'driving without insurance' (around 184,400), 'speeding' (around 152,900), 'failing to pay motor vehicle licence' (around 125,000) and 'miscellaneous motoring offences' (around 68,100).

Table 4.1 Offenders given fines at magistrates' courts by sex and offence group, 1996 - 2006

England and Wales											Number of offenders	
Sex and offence group	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	
Males												
Indictable offences												
Violence against the person	3,463	4,074	4,235	3,870	3,449	3,400	3,449	3,334	2,929	2,301	1,882	
Sexual offences	322	317	246	133	89	164	234	231	177	154	150	
Burglary	1,773	1,424	1,221	1,052	790	572	564	506	442	387	393	
Robbery	18	19	17	7	6	8	7	3	3	7	7	
Theft and handling stolen goods	26,260	25,386	25,984	26,461	23,931	21,173	19,587	17,895	15,028	13,050	11,014	
Fraud and forgery	2,496	2,471	2,766	2,825	2,562	2,337	2,122	2,350	2,121	1,965	1,682	
Criminal damage	1,704	1,871	1,825	1,712	1,564	1,670	1,569	1,520	1,445	1,320	1,283	
Drug offences	14,139	17,047	21,552	21,336	19,037	18,589	20,104	20,761	12,822	12,427	12,301	
Other (excluding motoring offences)	16,605	17,724	18,393	17,407	14,856	14,572	16,078	16,491	17,003	15,548	13,609	
Motoring offences	5,396	4,842	4,568	3,936	3,313	3,206	3,032	2,933	2,350	1,693	1,406	
Total	72,176	75,175	80,807	78,739	69,597	65,691	66,746	66,024	54,320	48,852	43,727	
Summary offences												
Offences (excluding motoring offences)	261,555	238,837	270,995	254,104	273,958	240,305	266,215	273,656	279,407	252,018	233,206	
Motoring offences	512,448	507,028	516,758	487,379	462,588	436,840	437,124	489,532	527,772	499,850	466,649	
Total	774,003	745,865	787,753	741,483	736,546	677,145	703,339	763,188	807,179	751,868	699,855	
All offences	846,179	821,040	868,560	820,222	806,143	742,836	770,085	829,212	861,499	800,720	743,582	
Females												
Indictable offences												
Violence against the person	184	211	260	261	244	194	224	213	217	193	137	
Sexual offences	2	2	2	2	1	1	2	2	1	2	3	
Burglary	38	30	31	26	10	23	28	26	11	20	10	
Robbery	1	2	1	-	3	1	-	-	-	3	1	
Theft and handling stolen goods	4,376	4,407	4,817	5,015	4,885	4,298	4,076	3,812	3,334	2,760	2,092	
Fraud and forgery	415	415	529	574	543	493	461	482	482	454	528	
Criminal damage	64	69	64	79	81	80	92	101	96	63	64	
Drug offences	1,005	1,143	1,313	1,406	1,187	1,071	1,196	1,298	875	831	727	
Other (excluding motoring offences)	1,981	2,322	2,546	2,399	2,269	2,257	2,497	2,979	2,718	2,345	1,846	
Motoring offences	320	364	302	306	263	263	250	250	225	176	111	
Total	8,386	8,965	9,865	10,068	9,486	8,681	8,826	9,163	7,959	6,847	5,519	
Summary offences												
Offences (excluding motoring offences)	138,654	86,039	94,323	78,664	114,248	98,863	111,314	102,933	113,399	122,067	121,370	
Motoring offences	65,008	68,679	73,206	71,146	71,299	67,719	71,521	80,328	87,323	84,357	81,694	
Total	203,662	154,718	167,529	149,810	185,547	166,582	182,835	183,261	200,722	206,424	203,064	
All offences	212,048	163,683	177,394	159,878	195,033	175,263	191,661	192,424	208,681	213,271	208,583	
All persons												
Indictable offences												
Violence against the person	3,647	4,285	4,495	4,131	3,693	3,594	3,673	3,547	3,146	2,494	2,019	
Sexual offences	324	319	248	135	90	165	236	233	178	156	153	
Burglary	1,811	1,454	1,252	1,078	800	595	592	532	453	407	403	
Robbery	19	21	18	7	9	9	7	3	3	10	8	
Theft and handling stolen goods	30,636	29,793	30,801	31,476	28,816	25,471	23,663	21,707	18,362	15,810	13,106	
Fraud and forgery	2,911	2,886	3,295	3,399	3,105	2,830	2,583	2,832	2,603	2,419	2,210	
Criminal damage	1,768	1,940	1,889	1,791	1,645	1,750	1,661	1,621	1,541	1,383	1,347	
Drug offences	15,144	18,190	22,865	22,742	20,224	19,660	21,300	22,059	13,697	13,258	13,028	
Other (excluding motoring offences)	18,586	20,046	20,939	19,806	17,125	16,829	18,575	19,470	19,721	17,893	15,455	
Motoring offences	5,716	5,206	4,870	4,242	3,576	3,469	3,282	3,183	2,575	1,869	1,517	
Total	80,562	84,140	90,672	88,807	79,083	74,372	75,572	75,187	62,279	55,699	49,246	
Summary offences												
Offences (excluding motoring offences)	400,209	324,876	365,318	332,768	388,206	339,168	377,529	376,589	392,806	374,085	354,576	
Motoring offences	577,456	575,707	589,964	558,525	533,887	504,559	508,645	569,860	615,095	584,207	548,343	
Total	977,665	900,583	955,282	891,293	922,093	843,727	886,174	946,449	1,007,901	958,292	902,919	
All offences	1,058,227	984,723	1,045,954	980,100	1,001,176	918,099	961,746	1,021,636	1,070,180	1,013,991	952,165	

For footnotes see next page

Table 4.1 Offenders given fines at magistrates' courts by sex and offence group, 1996 - 2006 (continued)

England and Wales										Number of offenders	
Sex and offence group	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Others⁽¹⁾											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sexual offences	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Burglary	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Robbery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Theft and handling stolen goods	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fraud and forgery	6	1	4	3	5	-	3	-	2	3	4
Criminal damage	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Drug offences	1	-	1	-	1	1	-	3	-	-	-
Other (excluding motoring offences)	1,308	1,167	1,303	1,173	1,128	1,108	1,054	968	951	911	811
Motoring offences	21	16	22	19	17	19	9	13	14	5	5
Total	1,336	1,184	1,330	1,195	1,151	1,128	1,066	984	967	919	820
Summary offences											
Offences (excluding motoring offences)	2,121	2,069	2,155	1,928	1,958	1,774	1,598	1,704	1,780	1,469	1,570
Motoring offences	7,990	7,352	8,051	6,490	6,550	6,570	5,974	6,594	7,310	6,331	4,839
Total	10,111	9,421	10,206	8,418	8,508	8,344	7,572	8,298	9,090	7,800	6,409
All offences	11,447	10,605	11,536	9,613	9,659	9,472	8,638	9,282	10,057	8,719	7,229
All offenders											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	3,647	4,285	4,495	4,131	3,693	3,594	3,673	3,547	3,146	2,494	2,019
Sexual offences	324	319	248	135	90	165	236	233	178	156	153
Burglary	1,811	1,454	1,252	1,078	800	595	592	532	453	407	403
Robbery	19	21	18	7	9	9	7	3	3	10	8
Theft and handling stolen goods	30,636	29,793	30,801	31,476	28,816	25,471	23,663	21,707	18,362	15,810	13,106
Fraud and forgery	2,917	2,887	3,299	3,402	3,110	2,830	2,586	2,832	2,605	2,422	2,214
Criminal damage	1,768	1,940	1,889	1,791	1,645	1,750	1,661	1,621	1,541	1,383	1,347
Drug offences	15,145	18,190	22,866	22,742	20,225	19,661	21,300	22,062	13,697	13,258	13,028
Other (excluding motoring offences)	19,894	21,213	22,242	20,979	18,253	17,937	19,629	20,438	20,672	18,804	16,266
Motoring offences	5,737	5,222	4,892	4,261	3,593	3,488	3,291	3,196	2,589	1,874	1,522
Total	81,898	85,324	92,002	90,002	80,234	75,500	76,638	76,171	63,246	56,618	50,066
Summary offences											
Offences (excluding motoring offences)	402,330	326,945	367,473	334,696	390,164	340,942	379,127	378,293	394,586	375,554	356,146
Motoring offences	585,446	583,059	598,015	565,015	540,437	511,129	514,619	576,454	622,405	590,538	553,182
Total	987,776	910,004	965,488	899,711	930,601	852,071	893,746	954,747	1,016,991	966,092	909,328
All offences	1,069,674	995,328	1,057,490	989,713	1,010,835	927,571	970,384	1,030,918	1,080,237	1,022,710	959,394

¹ Companies, public bodies, etc.

Table 4.2 Offenders given fines at the Crown Court by sex and offence group, 1996 - 2006

England and Wales										Number of offenders	
Sex and offence group	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Males											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	321	376	357	308	284	309	311	378	324	301	247
Sexual offences	45	45	41	41	21	38	28	29	16	27	13
Burglary	31	32	33	22	18	21	17	13	14	15	11
Robbery	3	2	5	6	6	5	2	8	4	8	5
Theft and handling stolen goods	538	506	405	306	255	242	208	231	243	217	196
Fraud and forgery	165	134	147	99	103	91	84	108	105	93	80
Criminal damage	52	53	68	73	50	57	50	59	52	46	37
Drug offences	519	522	531	429	388	361	325	333	300	255	231
Other (excluding motoring offences)	554	577	591	469	422	439	440	499	395	441	384
Motoring offences	229	172	136	100	88	115	123	117	136	125	110
Total	2,457	2,419	2,314	1,853	1,635	1,678	1,588	1,775	1,589	1,528	1,314
Summary offences											
Offences (excluding motoring offences)	346	347	415	332	364	325	300	372	338	310	331
Motoring offences	251	255	219	232	240	217	189	213	221	189	197
Total	597	602	634	564	604	542	489	585	559	499	528
All offences	3,054	3,021	2,948	2,417	2,239	2,220	2,077	2,360	2,148	2,027	1,842
Females											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	10	22	14	11	13	12	17	19	17	16	7
Sexual offences	1	2	2	2	3	1	-	-	-	-	-
Burglary	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Robbery	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	3	-
Theft and handling stolen goods	66	69	55	41	32	42	27	37	42	33	26
Fraud and forgery	12	19	11	11	9	8	16	10	17	17	19
Criminal damage	2	4	3	4	1	4	4	7	2	3	-
Drug offences	48	57	58	36	25	27	26	29	22	26	12
Other (excluding motoring offences)	35	27	34	29	22	20	26	26	22	47	35
Motoring offences	7	10	8	4	3	2	6	6	8	9	5
Total	182	210	185	140	109	116	122	135	131	155	105
Summary offences											
Offences (excluding motoring offences)	17	20	12	11	22	26	21	23	27	22	34
Motoring offences	13	11	16	11	9	13	11	11	16	13	16
Total	30	31	28	22	31	39	32	34	43	35	50
All offences	212	241	213	162	140	155	154	169	174	190	155
All persons											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	331	398	371	319	297	321	328	397	341	317	254
Sexual offences	46	47	43	43	24	39	28	29	16	27	13
Burglary	32	32	33	23	18	21	17	13	15	16	12
Robbery	3	2	5	7	7	5	2	9	4	11	5
Theft and handling stolen goods	604	575	460	347	287	284	235	268	285	250	222
Fraud and forgery	177	153	158	110	112	99	100	118	122	110	99
Criminal damage	54	57	71	77	51	61	54	66	54	49	37
Drug offences	567	579	589	465	413	388	351	362	322	281	243
Other (excluding motoring offences)	589	604	625	498	444	459	466	525	417	488	419
Motoring offences	236	182	144	104	91	117	129	123	144	134	115
Total	2,639	2,629	2,499	1,993	1,744	1,794	1,710	1,910	1,720	1,683	1,419
Summary offences											
Offences (excluding motoring offences)	363	367	427	343	386	351	321	395	365	332	365
Motoring offences	264	266	235	243	249	230	200	224	237	202	213
Total	627	633	662	586	635	581	521	619	602	534	578
All offences	3,266	3,262	3,161	2,579	2,379	2,375	2,231	2,529	2,322	2,217	1,997

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Table 4.2 Offenders given fines at the Crown Court by sex and offence group, 1996 - 2006 (continued)

England and Wales										Number of offenders	
Sex and offence group	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Others⁽¹⁾											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sexual offences	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Burglary	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Robbery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Theft and handling stolen goods	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fraud and forgery	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	2	1	-	-
Criminal damage	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Drug offences	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other (excluding motoring offences)	79	81	91	126	131	171	122	166	128	132	141
Motoring offences	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2
Total	80	82	91	126	132	172	122	169	129	132	143
Summary offences											
Offences (excluding motoring offences)	4	-	1	2	1	3	-	1	3	5	1
Motoring offences	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	4	-	1	2	1	3	-	1	3	5	1
All offences	84	82	92	128	133	175	122	170	132	137	144
All offenders											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	331	398	371	319	297	321	328	397	341	317	254
Sexual offences	46	47	43	43	24	39	28	29	16	27	13
Burglary	32	32	33	23	18	21	17	13	15	16	12
Robbery	3	2	5	7	7	5	2	9	4	11	5
Theft and handling stolen goods	604	575	460	347	287	284	235	268	285	250	222
Fraud and forgery	178	153	158	110	113	100	100	120	123	110	99
Criminal damage	54	57	71	77	51	61	54	66	54	49	37
Drug offences	567	579	589	465	413	388	351	362	322	281	243
Other (excluding motoring offences)	668	685	716	624	575	630	588	691	545	620	560
Motoring offences	236	183	144	104	91	117	129	124	144	134	117
Total	2,719	2,711	2,590	2,119	1,876	1,966	1,832	2,079	1,849	1,815	1,562
Summary offences											
Offences (excluding motoring offences)	367	367	428	345	387	354	321	396	368	337	366
Motoring offences	264	266	235	243	249	230	200	224	237	202	213
Total	631	633	663	588	636	584	521	620	605	539	579
All offences	3,350	3,344	3,253	2,707	2,512	2,550	2,353	2,699	2,454	2,354	2,141

¹ Companies, public bodies, etc.

Table 4.3 Offenders given fines at all courts by sex and offence group, 1996 - 2006

England and Wales										Number of offenders	
Sex and offence group	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Males											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	3,784	4,450	4,592	4,178	3,733	3,709	3,760	3,712	3,253	2,602	2,129
Sexual offences	367	362	287	174	110	202	262	260	193	181	163
Burglary	1,804	1,456	1,254	1,074	808	593	581	519	456	402	404
Robbery	21	21	22	13	12	13	9	11	7	15	12
Theft and handling stolen goods	26,798	25,892	26,389	26,767	24,186	21,415	19,795	18,126	15,271	13,267	11,210
Fraud and forgery	2,661	2,605	2,913	2,924	2,665	2,428	2,206	2,458	2,226	2,058	1,762
Criminal damage	1,756	1,924	1,893	1,785	1,614	1,727	1,619	1,579	1,497	1,366	1,320
Drug offences	14,658	17,569	22,083	21,765	19,425	18,950	20,429	21,094	13,122	12,682	12,532
Other (excluding motoring offences)	17,159	18,301	18,984	17,876	15,278	15,011	16,518	16,990	17,398	15,989	13,993
Motoring offences	5,625	5,014	4,704	4,036	3,401	3,321	3,155	3,050	2,486	1,818	1,516
Total	74,633	77,594	83,121	80,592	71,232	67,369	68,334	67,799	55,909	50,380	45,041
Summary offences											
Offences (excluding motoring offences)	261,901	239,184	271,410	254,436	274,322	240,630	266,515	274,028	279,745	252,328	233,537
Motoring offences	512,699	507,283	516,977	487,611	462,828	437,057	437,313	489,745	527,993	500,039	466,846
Total	774,600	746,467	788,387	742,047	737,150	677,687	703,828	763,773	807,738	752,367	700,383
All offences	849,233	824,061	871,508	822,639	808,382	745,056	772,162	831,572	863,647	802,747	745,424
Females											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	194	233	274	272	257	206	241	232	234	209	144
Sexual offences	3	4	4	4	4	2	2	2	1	2	3
Burglary	39	30	31	27	10	23	28	26	12	21	11
Robbery	1	2	1	1	4	1	-	1	-	6	1
Theft and handling stolen goods	4,442	4,476	4,872	5,056	4,917	4,340	4,103	3,849	3,376	2,793	2,118
Fraud and forgery	427	434	540	585	552	501	477	492	499	471	547
Criminal damage	66	73	67	83	82	84	96	108	98	66	64
Drug offences	1,053	1,200	1,371	1,442	1,212	1,098	1,222	1,327	897	857	739
Other (excluding motoring offences)	2,016	2,349	2,580	2,428	2,291	2,277	2,523	3,005	2,740	2,392	1,881
Motoring offences	327	374	310	310	266	265	256	256	233	185	116
Total	8,568	9,175	10,050	10,208	9,595	8,797	8,948	9,298	8,090	7,002	51,710
Summary offences											
Offences (excluding motoring offences)	138,671	86,059	94,335	78,675	114,270	98,889	111,335	102,956	113,426	122,089	121,404
Motoring offences	65,021	68,690	73,222	71,157	71,308	67,732	71,532	80,339	87,339	84,370	81,710
Total	203,692	154,749	167,557	149,832	185,578	166,621	182,867	183,295	200,765	206,459	203,114
All offences	212,260	163,924	177,607	160,040	195,173	175,418	191,815	192,593	208,855	213,461	208,738
All persons											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	3,978	4,683	4,866	4,450	3,990	3,915	4,001	3,944	3,487	2,811	2,273
Sexual offences	370	366	291	178	114	204	264	262	194	183	166
Burglary	1,843	1,486	1,285	1,101	818	616	609	545	468	423	415
Robbery	22	23	23	14	16	14	9	12	7	21	13
Theft and handling stolen goods	31,240	30,368	31,261	31,823	29,103	25,755	23,898	21,975	18,647	16,060	13,328
Fraud and forgery	3,088	3,039	3,453	3,509	3,217	2,929	2,683	2,950	2,725	2,529	2,309
Criminal damage	1,822	1,997	1,960	1,868	1,696	1,811	1,715	1,687	1,595	1,432	1,384
Drug offences	15,711	18,769	23,454	23,207	20,637	20,048	21,651	22,421	14,019	13,539	13,271
Other (excluding motoring offences)	19,175	20,650	21,564	20,304	17,569	17,288	19,041	19,995	20,138	18,381	15,874
Motoring offences	5,952	5,388	5,014	4,346	3,667	3,586	3,411	3,306	2,719	2,003	1,632
Total	83,201	86,769	93,171	90,800	80,827	76,166	77,282	77,097	63,999	57,382	166,445
Summary offences											
Offences (excluding motoring offences)	400,572	325,243	365,745	333,111	388,592	339,519	377,850	376,984	393,171	374,417	354,941
Motoring offences	577,720	575,973	590,199	558,768	534,136	504,789	508,845	570,084	615,332	584,409	548,556
Total	978,292	901,216	955,944	891,879	922,728	844,308	886,695	947,068	1,008,503	958,826	903,497
All offences	1,061,493	987,985	1,049,115	982,679	1,003,555	920,474	963,977	1,024,165	1,072,502	1,016,208	954,162

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Table 4.3 Offenders given fines at all courts by sex and offence group, 1996 - 2006 (continued)

England and Wales										Number of offenders	
Sex and offence group	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Others⁽¹⁾											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sexual offences	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Burglary	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Robbery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Theft and handling stolen goods	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fraud and forgery	7	1	4	3	6	1	3	2	3	3	4
Criminal damage	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Drug offences	1	-	1	-	1	1	-	3	-	-	-
Other (excluding motoring offences)	1,387	1,248	1,394	1,299	1,259	1,279	1,176	1,134	1,079	1,043	952
Motoring offences	21	17	22	19	17	19	9	14	14	5	7
Total	1,416	1,266	1,421	1,321	1,283	1,300	1,188	1,153	1,096	1,051	963
Summary offences											
Offences (excluding motoring offences)	2,125	2,069	2,156	1,930	1,959	1,777	1,598	1,705	1,783	1,474	1,571
Motoring offences	7,990	7,352	8,051	6,490	6,550	6,570	5,974	6,594	7,310	6,331	4,839
Total	10,115	9,421	10,207	8,420	8,509	8,347	7,572	8,299	9,093	7,805	6,410
All offences	11,531	10,687	11,628	9,741	9,792	9,647	8,760	9,452	10,189	8,856	7,373
All offenders											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	3,978	4,683	4,866	4,450	3,990	3,915	4,001	3,944	3,487	2,811	2,273
Sexual offences	370	366	291	178	114	204	264	262	194	183	166
Burglary	1,843	1,486	1,285	1,101	818	616	609	545	468	423	415
Robbery	22	23	23	14	16	14	9	12	7	21	13
Theft and handling stolen goods	31,240	30,368	31,261	31,823	29,103	25,755	23,898	21,975	18,647	16,060	13,328
Fraud and forgery	3,095	3,040	3,457	3,512	3,223	2,930	2,686	2,952	2,728	2,532	2,313
Criminal damage	1,822	1,997	1,960	1,868	1,696	1,811	1,715	1,687	1,595	1,432	1,384
Drug offences	15,712	18,769	23,455	23,207	20,638	20,049	21,651	22,424	14,019	13,539	13,271
Other (excluding motoring offences)	20,562	21,898	22,958	21,603	18,828	18,567	20,217	21,129	21,217	19,424	16,826
Motoring offences	5,973	5,405	5,036	4,365	3,684	3,605	3,420	3,320	2,733	2,008	1,639
Total	84,617	88,035	94,592	92,121	82,110	77,466	78,470	78,250	65,095	58,433	51,628
Summary offences											
Offences (excluding motoring offences)	402,697	327,312	367,901	335,041	390,551	341,296	379,448	378,689	394,954	375,891	356,512
Motoring offences	585,710	583,325	598,250	565,258	540,686	511,359	514,819	576,678	622,642	590,740	553,395
Total	988,407	910,637	966,151	900,299	931,237	852,655	894,267	955,367	1,017,596	966,631	909,907
All offences	1,073,024	998,672	1,060,743	992,420	1,013,347	930,121	972,737	1,033,617	1,082,691	1,025,064	961,535

¹ Companies, public bodies, etc.

Table 4.4 Offenders sentenced to fines and 'other' disposals by sex, age, type of court and type of sentence 1996 - 2006

England and Wales											Number of offenders				
Sex and age	Magistrates' courts					The Crown Court					All Courts				
	Absolute discharge	Conditional discharge	Fine	Otherwise dealt with ⁽¹⁾	Total offenders sentenced	Absolute discharge	Conditional discharge	Fine	Otherwise dealt with ⁽¹⁾	Total offenders sentenced	Absolute discharge	Conditional discharge	Fine	Otherwise dealt with ⁽¹⁾	Total offenders sentenced
Males															
Aged 10-17															
1996	730	19,571	15,519	1,502	62,792	7	87	21	74	3,641	737	19,658	15,540	1,576	66,433
1997	766	20,035	16,602	1,620	65,127	4	114	25	87	4,520	770	20,149	16,627	1,707	69,647
1998	697	21,532	18,635	1,861	71,075	6	108	24	112	4,421	703	21,640	18,659	1,973	75,496
1999	633	22,055	18,837	3,170	74,856	6	89	24	128	4,406	639	22,144	18,861	3,298	79,262
2000	919	17,939	19,668	3,511	76,863	4	127	12	69	3,707	923	18,066	19,680	3,580	80,570
2001	1,196	13,406	20,303	4,729	81,020	4	120	22	43	3,067	1,200	13,526	20,325	4,772	84,087
2002	4,190	8,094	14,068	3,124	79,792	1	89	9	48	3,394	4,191	8,183	14,077	3,172	83,186
2003	4,976	7,264	12,617	3,113	78,292	3	64	13	37	2,546	4,979	7,328	12,630	3,150	80,838
2004	2,930	7,896	14,703	2,886	80,672	5	79	9	41	2,741	2,935	7,975	14,712	2,927	83,413
2005	2,572	7,608	13,100	2,519	80,087	2	63	13	68	2,378	2,574	7,671	13,113	2,587	82,465
2006	2,462	7,328	10,892	2,437	77,766	5	56	8	55	2,370	2,467	7,384	10,900	2,492	80,136
Aged 18-20															
1996	1,673	11,686	83,304	2,425	122,891	8	266	339	242	11,665	1,681	11,952	83,643	2,667	134,556
1997	1,621	12,217	85,751	2,805	126,496	9	318	334	217	12,633	1,630	12,535	86,085	3,022	139,129
1998	1,596	13,006	90,544	2,914	135,054	10	276	398	242	12,814	1,606	13,282	90,942	3,156	147,868
1999	1,411	13,406	87,366	3,390	134,660	8	278	310	229	12,343	1,419	13,684	87,676	3,619	147,003
2000	1,367	12,310	84,716	3,185	130,703	10	295	283	233	12,121	1,377	12,605	84,999	3,418	142,824
2001	1,233	12,471	81,810	3,597	128,085	18	284	312	197	11,834	1,251	12,755	82,122	3,794	139,919
2002	1,319	12,358	83,122	3,640	128,871	13	272	279	178	12,043	1,332	12,630	83,401	3,818	140,914
2003	1,332	12,653	86,919	3,687	132,064	8	310	336	164	11,301	1,340	12,963	87,255	3,851	143,365
2004	1,017	11,489	81,975	4,391	126,530	5	329	287	162	11,202	1,022	11,818	82,262	4,553	137,732
2005	949	10,644	73,338	4,029	116,149	9	257	275	207	11,153	958	10,901	73,613	4,236	127,302
2006	831	10,422	68,556	4,149	111,825	8	264	303	252	11,835	839	10,686	68,859	4,401	123,660
Aged 21 and over															
1996	13,624	49,640	747,356	11,162	911,573	70	1,735	2,694	1,047	51,845	13,694	51,375	750,500	12,209	963,418
1997	12,641	52,289	718,687	12,433	892,539	53	1,733	2,662	1,077	55,077	12,694	54,022	721,349	13,510	947,616
1998	12,323	53,911	759,381	13,172	942,411	50	1,716	2,526	1,243	55,507	12,373	55,627	761,907	14,415	997,918
1999	10,737	52,840	714,019	14,063	898,664	71	1,719	2,083	1,221	52,850	10,808	54,559	716,102	15,284	951,514
2000	10,159	50,825	701,759	13,573	883,668	47	1,558	1,944	1,030	51,036	10,206	52,383	703,703	14,603	934,704
2001	9,724	51,638	640,723	14,506	827,247	53	1,531	1,886	1,014	49,772	9,777	53,169	642,609	15,520	877,019
2002	9,981	54,430	672,895	16,611	874,896	45	1,564	1,789	1,043	52,914	10,026	55,994	674,684	17,654	927,810
2003	9,274	58,459	729,676	19,197	940,769	48	1,807	2,011	1,208	54,223	9,322	60,266	731,687	20,405	994,992
2004	8,264	55,040	764,821	24,301	982,123	39	1,772	1,852	1,231	54,073	8,303	56,812	766,673	25,532	1,036,196
2005	7,079	52,264	714,282	22,732	927,117	36	1,532	1,739	1,434	53,777	7,115	53,796	716,021	24,166	980,894
2006	6,238	48,887	664,134	24,791	877,482	46	1,422	1,531	1,541	53,950	6,284	50,309	665,665	26,332	931,432
All ages															
1996	16,027	80,897	846,179	15,089	1,097,256	85	2,088	3,054	1,363	67,151	16,112	82,985	849,233	16,452	1,164,407
1997	15,028	84,541	821,040	16,858	1,084,162	66	2,165	3,021	1,381	72,230	15,094	86,706	824,061	18,239	1,156,392
1998	14,616	88,449	868,560	17,947	1,148,540	66	2,100	2,948	1,597	72,742	14,682	90,549	871,508	19,544	1,221,282
1999	12,781	88,301	820,222	20,623	1,108,180	85	2,086	2,417	1,578	69,599	12,866	90,387	822,639	22,201	1,177,779
2000	12,445	81,074	806,143	20,269	1,091,234	61	1,980	2,239	1,332	66,864	12,506	83,054	808,382	21,601	1,158,098
2001	12,153	77,515	742,836	22,832	1,036,352	75	1,935	2,220	1,254	64,673	12,228	79,450	745,056	24,086	1,101,025
2002	15,490	74,882	770,085	23,375	1,083,558	59	1,925	2,077	1,269	68,351	15,549	76,807	772,162	24,644	1,151,909
2003	15,582	78,376	829,212	25,927	1,151,125	59	2,181	2,360	1,409	68,070	15,641	80,557	831,572	27,336	1,219,195
2004	12,211	74,425	861,499	31,578	1,189,325	49	2,180	2,148	1,434	68,016	12,260	76,605	863,647	33,012	1,257,341
2005	10,600	70,516	800,720	29,280	1,123,353	47	1,852	2,027	1,709	67,308	10,647	72,368	802,747	30,989	1,190,661
2006	9,531	66,637	743,582	31,377	1,067,073	59	1,742	1,842	1,848	68,155	9,590	68,379	745,424	33,225	1,135,228
Females															
Aged 10-17															
1996	77	3,771	1,422	162	7,901	-	26	-	8	263	-	3,797	-	170	8,164
1997	91	4,078	1,830	183	9,043	-	30	3	11	402	-	4,108	1,833	194	9,445
1998	106	4,392	2,389	237	10,445	-	28	2	7	353	-	4,420	2,391	244	10,798
1999	99	4,561	1,834	419	10,543	-	21	-	8	355	-	4,582	-	427	10,898
2000	98	3,535	1,708	469	10,561	-	24	3	8	349	-	3,559	1,711	477	10,910
2001	135	2,620	1,714	699	11,063	1	28	-	10	335	136	2,648	-	709	11,398
2002	517	1,280	1,042	459	10,896	2	14	1	7	466	519	1,294	1,043	466	11,362
2003	614	1,175	877	440	11,339	-	20	1	4	354	-	1,195	878	444	11,693
2004	473	1,281	950	441	12,476	-	19	4	7	299	-	1,300	954	448	12,775
2005	488	1,306	939	377	13,420	1	15	2	6	318	489	1,321	941	383	13,738
2006	439	1,335	692	382	13,437	-	16	7	11	233	439	1,351	699	393	13,670
Aged 18-20															
1996	281	2,593	11,664	197	16,925	1	82	23	12	817	282	2,675	11,687	209	17,742
1997	199	2,810	10,613	250	16,352	2	77	37	19	978	201	2,887	10,650	269	17,330
1998	216	3,020	11,626	301	18,256	-	78	22	31	998	-	3,098	11,648	332	19,254
1999	213	2,986	10,402	364	17,392	3	66	14	21	1,017	216	3,052	10,416	385	18,409
2000	165	2,959	11,147	346	18,202	3	89	15	27	1,064	168	3,048	11,162	373	19,266
2001	143	2,769	10,308	318	16,975	3	79	20	29	1,013	146	2,848	10,328	347	17,988
2002	171	2,710	10,698	408	17,394	1	77	13	19	1,076	172	2,787	10,711	427	18,470
2003	175	2,674	11,367	404	17,687	-	77	19	24	1,015	-	2,751	11,386	428	18,702
2004	129	2,449	11,387	544	17,624	1	93	14	18	1,043	130	2,542	11,401	562	18,667
2005	140	2,266	11,720	477	17,709	1	79	18	17	1,040	141	2,345	11,738	494	18,749
2006	132	2,116	12,031	560	17,989	-	58	20	29	1,045	132	2,174	12,051	589	19,034
Aged 21 and over															
1996	3,143	14,560	198,962	1,530	229,707	16	474	189	127	5,347	3,159	15,034	199,151	1,657	235,054
1997	2,600	15,347	151,240	1,696	184,404	10	495	201	134	5,807	2,610	15,842	151,441	1,830	190,211
1998	2,453	15,976	163,379	1,954	199,273	16	509	189	160	6,169	2,469	16,485	163,568	2,114	205,442
1999	2,441	15,439	147,642	2,314	184,636	14	432	148	135	6,064	2,455	15,871	147,790	2,449	190,700
2000	2,631	15,522	182,178	2,219	191,989	13	424	122	143	5,925	2,644	15,946	182,300	2,362	225,914
2001	2,493	15,823	163,241	2,576	202,244	8	403	135	122	5,867	2,501	16,226	163,376	2,698	208,111
2002	2,579	16,972	179,921	3,059	222,591	13	448	140	144	6,172	2,59				

Table 4.4 Offenders sentenced to fines and 'other' disposals by sex, age, type of court and type of sentence 1996 - 2006 (continued)

England and Wales											Number of offenders				
Sex and age	Magistrates' courts					The Crown Court					All Courts				
	Absolute discharge	Conditional discharge	Fine	Otherwise dealt with ⁽¹⁾	Total offenders sentenced	Absolute discharge	Conditional discharge	Fine	Otherwise dealt with ⁽¹⁾	Total offenders sentenced	Absolute discharge	Conditional discharge	Fine	Otherwise dealt with ⁽¹⁾	Total offenders sentenced
Females (continued)															
All ages															
1996	3,501	20,924	212,048	1,889	254,533	17	582	212	147	6,427	3,518	21,506	212,260	2,036	260,960
1997	2,890	22,235	163,683	2,129	209,799	12	602	241	164	7,187	2,902	22,837	163,924	2,293	216,986
1998	2,775	23,388	177,394	2,492	227,974	16	615	213	198	7,520	2,791	24,003	177,607	2,690	235,494
1999	2,753	22,986	159,878	3,097	212,571	17	519	162	164	7,436	2,770	23,505	160,040	3,261	220,007
2000	2,894	22,016	195,033	3,034	248,752	16	537	140	178	7,338	2,910	22,553	195,173	3,212	256,090
2001	2,771	21,212	175,263	3,593	230,282	12	510	155	161	7,215	2,783	21,722	175,418	3,754	237,497
2002	3,267	20,962	191,661	3,926	250,881	16	539	154	170	7,714	3,283	21,501	191,815	4,096	258,595
2003	2,993	21,914	192,424	4,351	252,796	15	576	169	196	7,821	3,008	22,490	192,593	4,547	260,617
2004	2,506	21,007	208,681	5,977	271,382	18	623	174	193	8,103	2,524	21,630	208,855	6,170	279,485
2005	2,345	19,720	213,271	5,048	274,322	4	582	190	215	8,292	2,349	20,302	213,461	5,263	282,614
2006	2,153	18,450	208,583	5,878	269,428	7	527	155	206	8,284	2,160	18,977	208,738	6,084	277,712
All persons															
Aged 10-17															
1996	807	23,342	16,941	1,664	70,693	7	113	21	82	3,904	814	23,455	16,962	1,746	74,597
1997	857	24,113	18,432	1,803	74,170	4	144	28	98	4,922	861	24,257	18,460	1,901	79,092
1998	803	25,924	21,024	2,098	81,520	6	136	26	119	4,774	809	26,060	21,050	2,217	86,294
1999	732	26,616	20,671	3,589	85,399	6	110	24	136	4,761	738	26,726	20,695	3,725	90,160
2000	1,017	21,474	21,376	3,980	87,424	4	151	15	77	4,056	1,021	21,625	21,391	4,057	91,480
2001	1,331	16,026	22,017	5,428	92,083	5	148	22	53	3,402	1,336	16,174	22,039	5,481	95,485
2002	4,707	9,374	15,110	3,583	90,688	3	103	10	55	3,860	4,710	9,477	15,120	3,638	94,548
2003	5,590	8,439	13,494	3,553	89,631	3	84	14	41	2,900	5,593	8,523	13,508	3,594	92,531
2004	3,403	9,177	15,653	3,327	93,148	5	98	13	48	3,040	3,408	9,275	15,666	3,375	96,188
2005	3,060	8,914	14,039	2,896	93,507	3	78	15	74	2,696	3,063	8,992	14,054	2,970	96,203
2006	2,901	8,663	11,584	2,819	91,203	5	72	15	66	2,603	2,906	8,735	11,599	2,885	93,806
Aged 18-20															
1996	1,954	14,279	94,968	2,622	139,816	9	348	362	254	12,482	1,963	14,627	95,330	2,876	152,298
1997	1,820	15,027	96,364	3,055	142,848	11	395	371	236	13,611	1,831	15,422	96,735	3,291	156,459
1998	1,812	16,026	102,170	3,215	153,310	10	354	420	273	13,812	1,822	16,380	102,590	3,488	167,122
1999	1,624	16,392	97,768	3,754	152,052	11	344	324	250	13,360	1,635	16,736	98,092	4,004	165,412
2000	1,532	15,269	95,863	3,531	148,905	13	384	298	260	13,185	1,545	15,653	96,161	3,791	162,090
2001	1,376	15,240	92,118	3,915	145,060	21	363	332	226	12,847	1,397	15,603	92,450	4,141	157,907
2002	1,490	15,068	93,820	4,048	146,265	14	349	292	197	13,119	1,504	15,417	94,112	4,245	159,384
2003	1,507	15,327	98,286	4,091	149,751	8	387	355	188	12,316	1,515	15,714	98,641	4,279	162,067
2004	1,146	13,938	93,362	4,935	144,154	6	422	301	180	12,245	1,152	14,360	93,663	5,115	156,399
2005	1,089	12,910	85,058	4,506	133,858	10	336	293	224	12,193	1,099	13,246	85,351	4,730	146,051
2006	963	12,538	80,587	4,709	129,814	8	322	323	281	12,880	971	12,860	80,910	4,990	142,694
Aged 21 and over															
1996	16,767	64,200	946,318	12,692	1,141,280	86	2,209	2,883	1,174	57,192	16,853	66,409	949,201	13,866	1,198,472
1997	15,241	67,636	869,927	14,129	1,076,943	63	2,228	2,863	1,211	60,884	15,304	69,864	872,790	15,340	1,137,827
1998	14,776	69,887	922,760	15,126	1,141,684	66	2,225	2,715	1,403	61,676	14,842	72,112	925,475	16,529	1,203,360
1999	13,178	68,279	861,661	16,377	1,083,300	85	2,151	2,311	1,356	58,914	13,263	70,430	863,892	17,733	1,142,214
2000	12,790	66,347	883,937	15,792	1,103,657	60	1,982	2,066	1,173	56,961	12,850	68,329	886,003	16,965	1,160,618
2001	12,217	67,461	803,964	17,082	1,029,491	61	1,934	2,021	1,136	55,639	12,278	69,395	805,985	18,218	1,085,130
2002	12,560	71,402	852,816	19,670	1,097,486	58	2,012	1,929	1,187	59,086	12,618	73,414	854,745	20,857	1,156,572
2003	11,478	76,524	909,856	22,714	1,164,539	63	2,286	2,160	1,376	60,675	11,541	78,810	912,016	24,090	1,225,214
2004	10,168	72,317	961,165	29,299	1,223,405	56	2,283	2,008	1,399	60,834	10,224	74,600	963,173	30,698	1,284,239
2005	8,939	68,487	923,613	27,026	1,170,310	39	2,020	2,046	1,269	60,711	8,978	70,507	925,659	28,655	1,231,021
2006	7,820	63,886	859,994	29,727	1,115,484	53	1,875	1,659	1,707	60,956	7,873	65,761	861,653	31,434	1,176,440
All ages															
1996	19,528	101,821	1,058,227	16,978	1,351,789	102	2,670	3,266	1,510	73,578	19,630	104,491	1,061,493	18,488	1,425,367
1997	17,918	106,776	984,723	18,987	1,293,961	78	2,767	3,262	1,545	79,417	17,996	109,543	987,985	20,532	1,373,378
1998	17,391	111,837	1,045,954	20,439	1,376,514	82	2,715	3,161	1,795	80,262	17,473	114,552	1,049,115	22,234	1,456,776
1999	15,534	111,287	980,100	23,720	1,320,751	102	2,605	2,579	1,742	77,035	15,636	113,892	982,679	25,462	1,397,786
2000	15,339	103,090	1,001,176	23,303	1,339,986	77	2,517	2,379	1,510	74,202	15,416	105,607	1,003,555	24,813	1,414,188
2001	14,924	98,727	918,099	26,425	1,266,634	87	2,445	2,375	1,415	71,888	15,011	101,172	920,474	27,840	1,338,522
2002	18,757	95,844	961,746	27,301	1,334,439	75	2,464	2,231	1,439	76,065	18,832	98,308	963,977	28,740	1,410,504
2003	18,575	100,290	1,021,636	30,278	1,403,921	74	2,757	2,529	1,605	75,891	18,649	103,047	1,024,165	31,883	1,479,812
2004	14,717	95,432	1,070,180	37,555	1,460,707	67	2,803	2,322	1,627	76,119	14,784	98,235	1,072,502	39,182	1,536,826
2005	12,945	90,236	1,013,991	34,328	1,397,675	51	2,434	2,217	1,924	75,600	12,996	92,670	1,016,208	36,252	1,473,275
2006	11,684	85,087	952,165	37,255	1,336,501	66	2,269	1,997	2,054	76,439	11,750	87,356	954,162	39,309	1,412,940
Others⁽²⁾															
1996	396	169	11,447	288	12,300	-	-	84	3	87	-	-	11,531	291	12,387
1997	312	136	10,605	162	11,215	-	-	82	3	85	-	-	10,687	165	11,300
1998	277	143	11,536	119	12,075	3	1	92	2	98	280	144	11,628	121	12,173
1999	217	115	9,613	132	10,077	1	3	128	3	135	218	118	9,741	135	10,212
2000	203	124	9,659	36	10,022	1	2	133	3	139	204	126	9,792	39	10,161
2001	170	96	9,472	54	9,792	-	3	175	2	180	-	99	9,647	56	9,972
2002	147	115	8,638	77	8,977	-	-	122	4	126	-	-	8,760	81	9,103
2003	162	94	9,282	305	9,843	-	1	170	1	172	-	95	9,452	306	10,015
2004	154	75	10,057	106	10,392	-	2	132	1	135	-	77	10,189	107	10,527
2005	143	75	8,719	100	9,037	1	-	137	3	141	144	-	8,856	103	9,178
2006	128	86	7,229	41	7,484	1	-	144	2	147	129	86	7,373	43	7,631
All offenders															
1996	19,924	101,990	1,069,674	17,266	1,364,089	102	2,670	3,350	1,513	73,665	20,026	104,660	1,073,024	18,779	1,437,754
1997	18,230	106,912	995,328	19,149	1,305,176	78	2,767	3,344	1,548	79,502	18,308	109,679	998,672	20,697	1,384,678
1998	17,868	111,980	1,057,490	20,558	1,388,589	85	2,716	3,253	1,797	80,360	17,753	114,696	1,060,743	22,355	1,468,949
1999	15,751	111,402	989,713	23,852	1,330,828	103	2,608	2,707	1,745	77,170	15,854	114,010	992,420	25,597	1,407,998
2000	15,542	103,214	1,010,835	23,339	1,350,008	78	2,519								

Table 4.5 Offenders sentenced to fines and 'other' disposals by offence group, type of court and type of sentence, 1996-2006

England and Wales		Number of offenders														
		Magistrates' courts					The Crown Court				All Courts					
		Absolute discharge	Conditional discharge	Fine	Otherwise dealt with ⁽¹⁾	Total offenders sentenced	Absolute discharge	Conditional discharge	Fine	Otherwise dealt with ⁽¹⁾	Total offenders sentenced	Absolute discharge	Conditional discharge	Fine	Otherwise dealt with ⁽¹⁾	Total offenders sentenced
Violence against the person	1996	73	4,333	3,647	631	18,276	7	347	331	359	11,817	80	4,680	3,978	990	30,093
	1997	82	5,209	4,285	654	21,453	7	394	398	372	13,084	89	5,603	4,683	1,026	34,537
	1998	115	5,223	4,495	637	23,718	14	400	371	376	13,401	129	5,623	4,866	1,013	37,119
	1999	79	4,679	4,131	675	22,873	16	423	319	363	13,110	95	5,102	4,450	1,038	35,983
	2000	84	3,989	3,693	727	22,259	7	391	297	322	13,274	91	4,380	3,990	1,049	35,533
	2001	96	3,550	3,594	715	21,944	14	421	321	324	13,492	110	3,971	3,915	1,039	35,436
	2002	152	3,289	3,673	686	23,311	15	439	328	424	14,462	167	3,728	4,001	1,110	37,773
	2003	189	3,239	3,547	623	23,199	13	516	397	569	14,832	202	3,755	3,944	1,192	38,031
	2004	160	3,173	3,146	571	24,015	8	493	341	612	15,242	168	3,666	3,487	1,183	39,257
	2005	150	2,737	2,494	699	24,782	8	451	317	692	15,972	158	3,188	2,811	1,391	40,754
2006	112	2,409	2,019	923	25,173	13	352	254	668	16,732	125	2,761	2,273	1,591	41,905	
Sexual offences	1996	5	195	324	23	1,154	5	42	46	61	3,253	10	237	370	84	4,407
	1997	6	212	319	37	1,231	2	43	47	42	3,237	8	255	366	79	4,468
	1998	4	200	248	25	1,163	2	43	43	51	3,427	6	243	291	76	4,590
	1999	4	130	135	25	949	5	44	43	59	3,361	9	174	178	84	4,310
	2000	3	126	90	24	845	1	52	24	48	3,096	4	178	114	72	3,941
	2001	13	130	165	42	1,051	7	64	39	54	2,986	20	194	204	96	4,037
	2002	14	142	236	36	1,237	5	41	28	44	3,136	19	183	264	80	4,373
	2003	18	165	233	32	1,246	4	56	29	44	3,087	22	221	262	76	4,333
	2004	7	169	178	30	1,397	9	62	16	43	3,426	16	231	194	73	4,823
	2005	10	132	156	33	1,326	1	64	27	60	3,421	11	196	183	93	4,747
2006	10	113	153	66	1,296	7	33	13	86	3,636	17	146	166	152	4,932	
Burglary	1996	53	2,907	1,811	223	20,655	2	91	32	60	11,733	55	2,998	1,843	283	32,388
	1997	36	2,530	1,454	214	17,834	5	117	32	52	13,822	41	2,647	1,486	266	31,656
	1998	42	2,371	1,252	224	17,073	-	102	33	89	14,014	-	2,473	1,285	313	31,087
	1999	28	2,053	1,078	267	15,840	4	70	23	83	13,489	32	2,123	1,101	350	29,329
	2000	32	1,483	800	242	14,228	2	111	18	63	12,466	34	1,594	818	305	26,694
	2001	35	947	595	387	13,574	4	69	21	72	11,081	39	1,016	616	459	24,655
	2002	62	794	592	247	14,230	3	60	17	64	12,146	65	854	609	311	26,376
	2003	69	806	532	237	14,231	4	78	13	53	11,129	73	884	545	290	25,360
	2004	81	710	453	209	13,848	1	71	15	46	10,285	82	781	468	255	24,133
	2005	76	676	407	257	13,536	3	63	16	84	9,116	79	739	423	341	22,652
2006	81	727	403	392	14,098	1	57	12	81	8,577	82	784	415	473	22,675	
Robbery	1996	1	180	19	15	1,429	2	3	3	52	4,480	3	183	22	67	5,909
	1997	4	170	21	22	1,271	1	12	2	41	4,326	5	182	23	63	5,597
	1998	1	134	18	9	1,237	1	7	5	53	4,325	2	141	23	62	5,562
	1999	3	124	7	26	1,063	2	11	7	45	4,589	5	135	14	71	5,652
	2000	1	76	9	27	1,306	-	8	7	52	4,638	-	84	16	79	5,944
	2001	3	54	9	54	1,855	4	13	5	65	4,991	7	67	14	119	6,846
	2002	3	10	7	20	1,554	-	15	2	52	6,177	-	25	9	72	7,731
	2003	6	17	3	29	1,759	-	15	9	51	5,580	-	32	12	80	7,339
	2004	3	17	3	15	2,057	-	22	4	54	5,456	-	39	7	69	7,513
	2005	4	7	10	19	2,300	3	10	11	69	4,839	7	17	21	88	7,139
2006	6	16	8	37	2,991	1	10	5	63	5,178	7	26	13	100	8,169	
Theft and handling stolen goods	1996	446	27,794	30,636	1,497	101,652	18	771	604	104	12,718	464	28,565	31,240	1,601	114,370
	1997	398	28,364	29,793	1,650	105,352	8	652	575	123	12,862	406	29,016	30,368	1,773	118,214
	1998	378	30,065	30,801	1,879	113,458	10	570	460	119	11,789	388	30,635	31,261	1,998	125,247
	1999	327	30,231	31,476	2,677	120,011	9	529	347	131	10,637	336	30,760	31,823	2,808	130,648
	2000	420	27,319	28,816	2,304	117,858	13	450	287	97	9,722	433	27,769	29,103	2,401	127,580
	2001	396	25,699	25,471	2,873	117,489	6	429	284	100	8,921	402	26,128	25,755	2,973	126,410
	2002	696	23,673	23,663	2,552	117,639	5	431	235	80	9,078	701	24,104	23,898	2,632	126,717
	2003	705	23,482	21,707	2,532	109,788	5	490	268	72	8,806	710	23,972	21,975	2,604	118,594
	2004	652	22,242	18,362	2,668	101,853	9	472	285	87	8,388	681	22,714	18,647	2,755	110,241
	2005	644	20,646	15,810	2,595	95,483	5	440	250	88	7,835	649	21,086	16,060	2,683	103,318
2006	673	18,633	13,106	3,373	90,778	8	386	222	113	7,868	681	19,019	13,328	3,486	98,646	
Fraud and forgery	1996	51	2,897	2,917	214	12,149	6	193	178	27	4,170	57	3,090	3,095	241	16,319
	1997	26	2,911	2,887	228	12,698	3	193	153	18	4,232	29	3,104	3,040	246	16,930
	1998	41	3,579	3,299	241	15,452	4	176	158	31	4,193	45	3,755	3,457	272	19,645
	1999	29	3,423	3,402	287	16,263	6	161	110	25	3,940	35	3,584	3,512	312	20,203
	2000	47	3,162	3,110	323	15,473	7	159	113	19	3,682	54	3,321	3,223	342	19,155
	2001	43	2,807	2,830	289	14,622	8	171	100	20	3,585	51	2,978	2,930	309	18,207
	2002	60	2,696	2,586	259	14,512	6	136	100	23	3,614	66	2,832	2,686	282	18,126
	2003	61	3,005	2,832	287	14,463	7	171	120	21	3,590	68	3,176	2,952	308	18,053
	2004	51	2,785	2,605	298	14,067	2	170	123	15	3,956	53	2,955	2,728	313	18,023
	2005	50	2,748	2,422	308	13,028	2	165	110	31	5,268	52	2,913	2,532	339	18,296
2006	40	2,782	2,214	395	12,634	5	191	99	41	5,702	45	2,973	2,313	436	18,336	
Criminal damage	1996	48	2,729	1,768	622	8,369	1	59	54	78	1,385	49	2,788	1,822	700	9,754
	1997	40	2,919	1,940	630	8,790	-	115	57	104	1,635	-	3,034	1,997	734	10,425
	1998	52	2,800	1,889	545	8,906	2	109	71	141	1,816	54	2,909	1,960	686	10,722
	1999	47	2,723	1,791	652	8,974	4	110	77	135	1,754	51	2,833	1,868	787	10,728
	2000	35	2,323	1,645	603	8,517	1	115	51	94	1,642	36	2,438	1,696	697	10,159
	2001	36	2,209	1,750	732	8,863	1	104	61	106	1,663	37	2,313	1,811	838	10,526
	2002	90	2,069	1,661	655	9,161	2	136	54	107	1,665	92	2,205	1,715	762	10,826
	2003	89	2,255	1,621	585	9,409	2	132	66	116	1,703	91	2,387	1,687	701	11,112
	2004	73	2,130	1,541	572	9,747	2	157	54	135	1,835	75	2,287	1,595	707	11,582
	2005	87	2,189	1,383	489	9,813	3	101	49	125	1,689	90	2,290	1,432	614	11,502
2006	91	2,360	1,347	625	10,877	1	106	37	141	1,641	92	2,466	1,384	766	12,518	
Drug offences	1996	88	4,538	15,145	140	24,144	14	325	567	53	9,900	102	4,863	15,712	193	34,044
	1997	79	5,638	18,190	189	29,180	15	354	579	46	11,258	94	5,992	18,769	235	40,438
	1998	117	6,843	22,866	266	36,952	10	384	589	186	11,831	127	7,227	23,455	452	48,783
	1999	100	7,054	22,742	300	37,581	10	364	465	201	11,365	110	7,418	23,207	501	48,946
	2000	138	6,811	20,225	293	34,294	9	335	413	192	10,661	147	7,146	20,638	485	44,955
	2001	187	7,564	19,661	381	35										

Table 4.5 Offenders sentenced to fines and 'other' disposals by offence group, type of court and type of sentence, 1996-2006 (continued)

England and Wales													Number of offenders			
Offence group and year	Magistrates' courts					The Crown Court					All Courts					
	Absolute discharge	Conditional discharge	Fine	Otherwise dealt with ⁽¹⁾	Total offenders sentenced	Absolute discharge	Conditional discharge	Fine	Otherwise dealt with ⁽¹⁾	Total offenders sentenced	Absolute discharge	Conditional discharge	Fine	Otherwise dealt with ⁽¹⁾	Total offenders sentenced	
Other (excluding motoring offences)	1996	1,593	4,025	19,894	2,207	33,433	41	383	668	601	9,674	1,634	4,408	20,562	2,808	43,107
	1997	1,557	4,432	21,213	3,068	36,872	27	415	685	629	10,204	1,584	4,847	21,898	3,697	47,376
	1998	1,384	4,323	22,242	3,358	38,716	34	419	716	582	10,615	1,418	4,742	22,958	3,940	49,331
	1999	1,246	3,976	20,979	3,984	37,510	39	386	624	558	10,054	1,285	4,362	21,603	4,542	47,564
	2000	1,129	3,383	18,253	3,925	34,349	29	355	575	517	10,203	1,158	3,738	18,828	4,442	44,552
	2001	1,128	2,973	17,937	4,182	33,795	19	344	630	395	9,736	1,147	3,317	18,567	4,577	43,531
	2002	1,201	3,003	19,629	4,737	37,230	23	331	588	338	10,124	1,224	3,334	20,217	5,075	47,354
	2003	1,333	3,217	20,438	5,800	40,085	15	407	691	327	10,908	1,348	3,624	21,129	6,127	50,993
	2004	1,044	3,171	20,672	5,752	42,917	18	395	545	316	11,064	1,062	3,566	21,217	6,068	53,981
	2005	860	3,004	18,804	5,292	41,274	16	347	620	310	11,291	876	3,351	19,424	5,602	52,565
	2006	860	2,832	16,266	5,077	38,788	7	318	560	328	10,962	867	3,150	16,826	5,405	49,570
Motoring offences	1996	62	507	5,737	42	8,118	-	17	236	11	1,817	-	524	5,973	53	9,935
	1997	34	467	5,222	36	7,574	-	24	183	18	1,934	-	491	5,405	54	9,508
	1998	41	441	4,892	43	7,307	-	31	144	8	1,709	-	472	5,036	51	9,016
	1999	42	403	4,261	31	6,617	1	21	104	20	1,684	43	424	4,365	51	8,301
	2000	40	324	3,593	39	6,022	2	17	91	15	1,675	42	341	3,684	54	7,697
	2001	28	362	3,488	47	6,074	2	11	117	15	1,801	30	373	3,605	62	7,875
	2002	31	340	3,291	27	6,141	-	24	129	12	2,312	-	364	3,420	39	8,453
	2003	35	345	3,196	19	6,371	1	27	124	14	2,529	36	372	3,320	33	8,900
	2004	28	253	2,589	52	5,546	1	27	144	19	2,691	29	280	2,733	71	8,237
	2005	16	192	1,874	50	4,349	-	27	134	34	2,377	-	219	2,008	84	6,726
	2006	10	159	1,522	42	3,864	-	24	117	22	2,264	10	183	1,639	64	6,128
Total indictable offences	1996	2,420	50,105	81,898	5,614	229,379	96	2,231	2,719	1,406	70,947	2,516	52,336	84,617	7,020	300,326
	1997	2,262	52,852	85,324	6,728	242,255	68	2,319	2,711	1,445	76,594	2,330	55,171	88,035	8,173	318,849
	1998	2,175	55,979	92,002	7,227	263,982	77	2,241	2,590	1,636	77,120	2,252	58,220	94,592	8,863	341,102
	1999	1,905	54,796	90,002	8,924	267,681	96	2,119	2,119	1,620	73,983	2,001	56,915	92,121	10,544	341,664
	2000	1,929	48,996	80,234	8,507	255,151	71	1,993	1,876	1,419	71,059	2,000	50,989	82,110	9,926	326,210
	2001	1,965	46,295	75,500	9,702	254,355	76	1,923	1,966	1,301	68,848	2,041	48,218	77,466	11,003	323,203
	2002	2,737	44,581	76,638	9,759	263,748	74	1,940	1,832	1,301	72,996	2,811	46,521	78,470	11,060	336,744
	2003	3,070	45,722	76,171	10,674	261,188	65	2,221	2,079	1,431	72,742	3,135	47,943	78,250	12,105	333,930
	2004	2,535	40,998	63,246	10,711	244,151	62	2,209	1,849	1,462	72,786	2,597	43,207	65,095	12,173	316,937
	2005	2,264	38,439	56,618	10,210	234,410	44	1,961	1,815	1,622	72,188	2,308	40,400	58,433	11,832	306,598
	2006	2,284	36,304	50,066	11,580	229,796	56	1,736	1,562	1,727	72,741	2,260	38,400	51,628	13,307	302,537
Summary non-motoring offences	1996	5,686	43,226	402,330	6,634	486,345	5	422	367	67	2,027	5,691	43,648	402,697	6,701	488,372
	1997	4,732	45,321	326,945	7,053	414,363	6	427	367	81	2,152	4,738	45,748	327,312	7,134	416,515
	1998	4,741	47,150	367,473	7,176	460,248	7	458	428	119	2,421	4,748	47,608	367,901	7,295	462,669
	1999	4,203	47,697	334,696	8,174	431,141	7	477	345	90	2,334	4,210	48,174	335,041	8,264	433,475
	2000	4,801	45,684	390,164	7,932	488,148	6	497	387	72	2,455	4,807	46,181	390,551	8,004	490,603
	2001	4,291	43,372	340,942	8,005	439,504	10	511	354	72	2,442	4,301	43,883	341,296	8,077	441,946
	2002	5,674	42,516	379,127	7,793	484,636	1	510	321	94	2,391	5,675	43,026	379,448	7,887	487,027
	2003	5,004	45,386	378,293	10,438	490,767	8	513	396	147	2,519	5,012	45,899	378,689	10,585	493,286
	2004	4,200	45,047	394,586	14,606	519,825	3	576	368	147	2,673	4,203	45,623	394,954	14,753	522,498
	2005	3,985	43,413	375,554	13,123	505,915	6	457	337	235	2,814	3,991	43,870	375,891	13,358	508,729
	2006	3,696	41,510	356,146	14,806	492,347	11	516	366	272	3,173	3,707	42,026	356,512	15,078	495,520
Summary motoring offences	1996	11,818	8,659	585,446	5,018	648,365	1	17	264	40	691	11,819	8,676	585,710	5,058	649,056
	1997	11,236	8,739	583,059	5,368	648,558	4	21	266	22	756	11,240	8,760	583,325	5,390	649,314
	1998	10,752	8,851	598,015	6,155	664,359	1	17	235	42	819	10,753	8,868	598,250	6,197	665,178
	1999	9,643	8,909	565,015	6,754	632,006	-	12	243	35	853	-	8,921	565,258	6,789	632,859
	2000	8,812	8,534	540,437	6,900	606,709	1	29	249	22	827	8,813	8,563	540,686	6,922	607,536
	2001	8,838	9,156	511,129	8,772	582,567	1	14	230	44	778	8,839	9,170	511,359	8,816	583,345
	2002	10,495	8,862	514,619	9,826	595,032	-	14	200	48	804	-	8,876	514,819	9,874	595,836
	2003	10,663	9,276	576,454	9,471	661,809	1	24	224	28	802	10,664	9,300	576,678	9,499	662,611
	2004	8,136	9,462	622,405	12,344	707,123	2	20	237	19	795	8,138	9,482	622,642	12,363	707,918
	2005	6,839	8,459	590,538	11,095	666,387	2	16	202	70	739	6,841	8,475	590,740	11,165	667,126
	2006	5,912	7,359	553,182	10,910	621,842	-	17	213	57	672	5,912	7,376	553,395	10,967	622,514
Total summary offences	1996	17,504	51,885	987,776	11,652	1,134,710	6	439	631	107	2,718	17,510	52,324	988,407	11,759	1,137,428
	1997	15,968	54,060	910,004	12,421	1,062,921	10	448	633	103	2,908	15,978	54,508	910,637	12,524	1,065,829
	1998	15,493	56,001	965,488	13,331	1,124,607	8	475	663	161	3,240	15,501	56,476	966,151	13,492	1,127,847
	1999	13,846	56,606	899,711	14,928	1,063,147	7	489	588	125	3,187	13,853	57,095	900,299	15,053	1,066,334
	2000	13,613	54,218	930,601	14,832	1,094,857	7	526	636	94	3,282	13,620	54,744	931,237	14,926	1,098,139
	2001	13,129	52,528	852,071	16,777	1,022,071	11	525	584	116	3,220	13,140	53,053	852,655	16,893	1,025,291
	2002	16,168	51,378	893,746	17,619	1,079,668	1	524	521	142	3,195	16,169	51,902	894,267	17,761	1,082,863
	2003	15,667	54,662	954,747	19,909	1,152,576	9	537	620	175	3,321	15,676	55,199	955,367	20,084	1,155,897
	2004	12,336	54,509	1,016,991	26,950	1,226,948	5	596	605	166	3,468	12,341	55,105	1,017,596	27,116	1,230,416
	2005	10,824	51,872	966,092	24,218	1,172,302	8	473	539	305	3,553	10,832	52,345	966,631	24,523	1,175,855
	2006	9,608	48,869	909,328	25,716	1,114,189	11	533	579	329	3,845	9,619	49,402	909,907	26,045	1,118,034
All offences	1996	19,924	101,990	1,069,674	17,266	1,364,089	102	2,670	3,350	1,513	73,665	20,026	104,660	1,073,024	18,779	1,437,754
	1997	18,230	106,912	995,328	19,149	1,305,176	78	2,767	3,344	1,548	79,502	18,308	109,679	998,672	20,697	1,384,678
	1998	17,668	111,980	1,057,490	20,558	1,388,589	85	2,716	3,253	1,797	80,360	17,753	114,696	1,060,743	22,355	1,468,949
	1999	15,751	111,402	989,713	23,852	1,330,828	103	2,608	2,707	1,745	77,170	15,854	114,010	992,420	25,597	1,407,998
	2000	15,542	103,214	1,010,835	23,339	1,350,008	78	2,519	2,512	1,513	74,341	15,620	105,733	1,013,347	24,852	1,424,349
	2001	15,094	98,823	927,571	26,479	1,276,426	87	2,448	2,550	1,417	72,068	15,181	101,271	930,121	27,896	1,348,494
	2002	18,905	95,959	970,384	27,378	1										

Table 4.6 Average fine amounts imposed at magistrates' courts by type of offence and sex, 1996-2006

England and Wales										Average fine amount (£)	
Sex and offence group	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Males											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	155	150	150	154	155	141	144	151	156	166	186
Sexual offences	178	188	196	223	175	150	156	172	149	201	136
Burglary	136	136	139	147	131	143	138	151	155	170	159
Robbery	78	67	61	148	117	122	66	373	25	64	101
Theft and handling stolen goods	104	101	96	91	89	84	86	88	89	94	99
Fraud and forgery	145	148	151	144	142	150	153	159	165	197	198
Criminal damage	106	109	102	105	104	107	111	111	122	120	118
Drug offences	97	94	90	89	93	88	83	86	96	101	106
Other (excluding motoring offences)	139	128	134	133	153	148	141	153	148	173	190
Motoring offences	167	163	180	170	164	165	169	179	204	214	230
Total	120	115	113	110	114	110	108	115	122	134	142
Summary offences											
Summary offences (excluding motoring)	102	102	103	104	109	110	115	112	117	116	124
Summary motoring offences	163	165	164	164	167	147	158	171	158	164	171
Total	142	145	143	143	145	134	142	150	144	148	155
All offences	140	142	140	140	143	132	139	147	142	147	155
Females											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	123	116	105	119	117	120	125	105	106	118	135
Sexual offences	110	88	75	175	50	100	55	130	50	325	130
Burglary	110	91	166	118	130	107	108	106	89	124	92
Robbery	50	125	50	-	75	50	-	-	-	57	30
Theft and handling stolen goods	92	88	83	80	78	74	76	77	78	83	87
Fraud and forgery	110	102	111	104	111	122	108	130	162	179	181
Criminal damage	87	83	79	75	68	80	76	76	92	81	84
Drug offences	90	85	80	83	84	82	81	77	82	89	93
Other (excluding motoring offences)	91	70	97	78	86	84	74	81	94	100	118
Motoring offences	141	123	132	134	138	130	133	133	186	197	209
Total	95	85	90	84	85	83	81	83	93	100	111
Summary offences											
Summary offences (excluding motoring)	97	94	97	97	100	101	107	107	115	116	121
Summary motoring offences	132	130	130	130	131	118	128	141	132	138	147
Total	108	110	111	113	112	108	115	122	122	125	131
All offences	107	109	110	111	110	107	114	120	121	124	131
All persons											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	153	148	148	152	153	140	143	148	152	162	182
Sexual offences	178	188	195	222	174	150	156	172	148	203	136
Burglary	136	135	140	146	131	142	137	149	154	167	157
Robbery	77	73	61	148	103	114	66	373	25	62	92
Theft and handling stolen goods	102	99	94	89	88	83	84	86	87	92	97
Fraud and forgery	140	141	144	137	137	145	145	154	164	193	194
Criminal damage	105	108	101	104	102	106	109	109	120	118	117
Drug offences	96	93	89	89	93	88	83	85	95	101	106
Other (excluding motoring offences)	134	121	129	127	145	139	132	142	141	163	182
Motoring offences	166	160	177	168	162	162	166	175	202	212	229
Total	118	112	111	107	110	107	105	111	119	130	139
Summary offences											
Summary offences (excluding motoring)	100	100	101	102	106	107	113	111	116	116	123
Summary motoring offences	160	161	160	160	162	143	154	167	154	160	168
Total	135	139	137	138	139	129	136	145	139	143	150
All offences	134	137	135	135	136	127	134	142	138	142	149

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Table 4.6 Average fine amounts imposed at magistrates' courts by type of offence and sex, 1996-2006 (continued)

England and Wales										Average fine amount (£)	
Sex and offence group	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Others⁽¹⁾											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sexual offences	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Burglary	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Robbery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Theft and handling stolen goods	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fraud and forgery	2,733	50	562	1,167	870	-	250	-	288	1,500	562
Criminal damage	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Drug offences	50	-	1,000	-	75	400	-	1,000	-	-	-
Other (excluding motoring offences)	2,282	2,630	2,899	3,501	3,682	3,955	4,027	4,215	4,415	4,527	4,283
Motoring offences	401	523	593	471	538	652	584	738	619	738	1,080
Total	2,252	2,599	2,852	3,447	3,620	3,896	3,987	4,159	4,351	4,496	4,245
Summary offences											
Summary offences (excluding motoring)	511	650	666	608	665	661	629	594	639	993	732
Summary motoring offences	288	318	339	354	359	342	352	379	428	420	455
Total	335	391	408	412	429	410	410	424	470	528	523
All offences	559	637	690	790	809	825	852	820	843	946	945
All offenders											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	153	148	148	152	153	140	143	148	152	162	182
Sexual offences	178	188	195	222	174	150	156	172	148	203	136
Burglary	136	135	140	146	131	142	137	149	154	167	157
Robbery	77	73	61	148	103	114	66	373	25	62	92
Theft and handling stolen goods	102	99	94	89	88	83	84	86	87	92	97
Fraud and forgery	146	141	145	138	138	145	145	154	164	195	195
Criminal damage	105	108	101	104	102	106	109	109	120	118	117
Drug offences	96	93	89	89	93	88	83	85	95	101	106
Other (excluding motoring offences)	275	259	291	315	363	375	341	335	337	375	386
Motoring offences	167	161	178	169	164	165	167	178	205	214	232
Total	152	147	150	151	161	163	159	163	183	201	206
Summary offences											
Summary offences (excluding motoring)	102	104	105	105	109	110	115	113	119	119	125
Summary motoring offences	161	163	162	162	164	146	156	170	157	163	170
Total	137	142	140	141	141	131	138	147	142	146	153
All offences	138	142	141	142	143	134	140	148	145	149	155

¹ Companies, public bodies, etc.

Table 4.7 Average fine amounts imposed at the Crown Court by type of offence and sex, 1996-2006

England and Wales										Average fine amount (£)	
Sex and offence group	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Males											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	347	404	407	467	410	497	457	485	501	523	501
Sexual offences	700	450	865	487	901	511	385	574	588	743	1,158
Burglary	250	487	577	368	342	731	359	637	604	469	323
Robbery	283	150	356	2,525	3,054	590	1,500	288	262	626	1,050
Theft and handling stolen goods	389	504	404	543	652	530	492	989	631	815	831
Fraud and forgery	964	896	1,391	3,615	953	1,443	1,004	3,083	1,802	1,024	864
Criminal damage	224	187	186	381	331	250	326	259	429	332	277
Drug offences	276	325	315	344	319	344	404	458	433	595	463
Other (excluding motoring offences)	889	680	620	858	952	1,070	1,536	1,293	1,152	1,522	1,464
Motoring offences	348	536	567	617	511	647	559	752	638	671	752
Total	508	507	516	729	618	675	781	943	766	906	869
Summary offences											
Summary offences (excluding motoring)	284	273	279	260	327	308	311	351	367	601	349
Summary motoring offences	314	312	298	327	357	385	400	432	440	1,205	443
Total	297	290	286	287	339	339	346	381	396	830	384
All offences	466	464	466	626	543	593	679	803	670	887	730
Females											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	410	622	488	389	252	344	235	271	421	412	421
Sexual offences	25,000 ⁽²⁾	225	225	1,550	750	1,250	-	-	-	-	-
Burglary	100	-	-	300	-	-	-	-	400	1,500	100
Robbery	-	-	-	800	25	-	-	525	-	208	-
Theft and handling stolen goods	194	230	245	183	229	328	456	208	643	362	501
Fraud and forgery	748	392	261	4,877	236	381	906	448	362	594	2,924
Criminal damage	162	81	223	75	100	188	138	221	188	417	-
Drug offences	211	337	200	179	171	155	235	308	216	353	292
Other (excluding motoring offences)	584	227	1,048	837	705	417	446	1,558	635	846	1,611
Motoring offences	111	335	356	575	417	500	650	383	403	411	660
Total	454	316	402	735	332	314	434	527	481	546	1,284
Summary offences											
Summary offences (excluding motoring)	176	195	99	167	186	174	274	173	276	239	260
Summary motoring offences	300	318	289	322	278	288	498	245	397	458	352
Total	230	239	208	245	213	212	351	196	321	320	290
All offences	422	306	376	669	305	289	417	460	441	504	963
All persons											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	349	416	410	464	403	491	446	475	497	518	499
Sexual offences	1,228	440	835	536	882	529	385	574	588	743	1,158
Burglary	245	487	577	365	342	731	359	637	590	533	304
Robbery	283	150	356	2,279	2,621	590	1,500	314	262	512	1,050
Theft and handling stolen goods	367	471	385	501	605	500	488	881	632	755	793
Fraud and forgery	950	833	1,312	3,741	895	1,357	988	2,860	1,601	958	1,259
Criminal damage	222	180	188	365	327	246	312	255	420	337	277
Drug offences	271	326	304	331	310	331	392	446	418	572	454
Other (excluding motoring offences)	871	660	643	857	939	1,041	1,475	1,306	1,125	1,457	1,477
Motoring offences	341	525	555	615	508	644	563	734	625	654	748
Total	504	492	507	729	600	652	757	913	745	872	900
Summary offences											
Summary offences (excluding motoring)	279	269	274	257	319	298	309	341	360	577	341
Summary motoring offences	313	312	298	327	354	380	406	423	437	1,157	436
Total	293	287	282	286	333	331	346	370	391	796	376
All offences	463	452	460	629	529	573	661	780	653	854	748

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Table 4.7 Average fine amounts imposed at the Crown Court by type of offence and sex, 1996-2006 (continued)

England and Wales										Average fine amount (£)	
Sex and offence group	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Others⁽¹⁾											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sexual offences	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Burglary	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Robbery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Theft and handling stolen goods	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fraud and forgery	110,000	-	-	-	4,500	300	-	2,000	100	-	-
Criminal damage	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Drug offences	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other (excluding motoring offences)	21,039	38,741	26,373	88,804	31,743	37,328	36,164	43,256	90,063	108,631	56,005
Motoring offences	-	10,000	-	-	-	-	-	1,000	-	-	15,425
Total	22,151	38,391	26,373	88,804	31,536	37,112	36,164	42,518	89,365	108,631	55,437
Summary offences											
Summary offences (excluding motoring)	20,625	-	20,000	10,050	2,000	48,833	-	35,000	707,667	13,150	1,500
Summary motoring offences	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	20,625	-	20,000	10,050	2,000	48,833	-	35,000	707,667	13,150	1,500
All offences	22,078	38,391	26,303	87,573	31,314	37,313	36,164	42,474	103,418	105,147	55,062
All offenders											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	349	416	410	464	403	491	446	475	497	518	499
Sexual offences	1,228	440	835	536	882	529	385	574	588	743	1,158
Burglary	245	487	577	365	342	731	359	637	590	533	304
Robbery	283	150	356	2,279	2,621	590	1,500	314	262	512	1,050
Theft and handling stolen goods	367	471	385	501	605	500	488	881	632	755	793
Fraud and forgery	1,562	833	1,312	3,741	927	1,346	988	2,846	1,589	958	1,259
Criminal damage	222	180	188	365	327	246	312	255	420	337	277
Drug offences	271	326	304	331	310	331	392	446	418	572	454
Other (excluding motoring offences)	3,256	5,163	3,913	18,615	7,957	10,890	8,672	11,384	22,013	24,275	15,206
Motoring offences	341	577	555	615	508	644	563	736	625	654	999
Total	1,141	1,638	1,416	5,966	2,777	3,842	3,115	4,295	6,927	8,709	5,893
Summary offences											
Summary offences (excluding motoring)	501	269	320	314	324	710	309	428	6,126	764	344
Summary motoring offences	313	312	298	327	354	380	406	423	437	1,157	436
Total	422	287	312	319	336	580	346	426	3,898	911	378
All offences	1,005	1,383	1,191	4,740	2,159	3,095	2,502	3,407	6,180	6,924	4,401

¹ Companies, public bodies, etc.

² Included only one offender

Table 4.8 Average fine amounts imposed at all courts by type of offence and sex, 1996-2006

England and Wales										Average fine amount (£)	
Sex and offence group	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Males											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	171	172	170	177	175	171	170	185	190	207	222
Sexual offences	242	221	291	285	314	218	181	217	185	282	218
Burglary	138	144	151	152	136	164	145	163	169	181	164
Robbery	107	75	128	1,245	1,585	302	384	311	161	363	497
Theft and handling stolen goods	109	109	101	96	95	90	90	100	98	106	111
Fraud and forgery	196	186	213	261	174	199	185	287	242	234	229
Criminal damage	109	111	105	116	111	112	118	116	133	127	123
Drug offences	103	101	95	94	98	93	88	92	103	111	113
Other (excluding motoring offences)	164	146	149	152	176	175	178	186	171	210	225
Motoring offences	175	176	191	182	173	182	184	201	228	245	268
Total	133	127	125	124	125	124	124	136	141	158	164
Summary offences											
Summary offences (excluding motoring)	102	102	103	104	110	110	115	112	117	117	124
Summary motoring offences	163	165	164	164	167	147	158	171	158	164	171
Total	142	145	143	144	145	134	142	150	144	148	156
All offences	142	144	141	142	144	133	140	149	144	149	156
Females											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	137	164	124	130	124	133	133	119	129	140	149
Sexual offences	8,407	156	150	862	575	675	55	130	50	325	130
Burglary	110	91	166	125	130	107	108	106	115	190	92
Robbery	50	125	50	800	62	50	-	525	-	132	30
Theft and handling stolen goods	93	90	84	80	79	76	78	78	85	86	92
Fraud and forgery	128	114	114	193	113	126	135	136	169	194	277
Criminal damage	89	83	85	75	68	85	79	85	94	96	84
Drug offences	95	97	85	85	86	84	84	82	85	97	97
Other (excluding motoring offences)	99	71	110	87	92	87	78	94	98	114	145
Motoring offences	140	128	137	140	141	133	145	138	193	208	229
Total	102	91	96	93	88	86	85	90	99	110	133
Summary offences											
Summary offences (excluding motoring)	97	94	97	97	100	101	107	107	115	116	121
Summary motoring offences	132	130	130	130	131	118	128	141	132	138	147
Total	108	110	111	113	112	108	115	122	122	125	132
All offences	108	109	110	111	110	107	114	120	121	125	132
All persons											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	169	171	168	174	171	169	168	181	186	203	218
Sexual offences	308	220	289	298	323	223	180	216	185	283	216
Burglary	138	143	151	151	136	162	143	161	168	181	162
Robbery	105	79	125	1,213	1,205	284	384	329	161	297	461
Theft and handling stolen goods	107	106	98	94	93	87	88	96	95	102	108
Fraud and forgery	187	176	198	250	163	186	176	262	229	227	240
Criminal damage	109	110	104	114	109	111	116	114	131	125	121
Drug offences	103	101	95	94	97	92	88	91	102	110	112
Other (excluding motoring offences)	157	137	144	145	165	163	164	172	161	197	216
Motoring offences	173	173	187	179	171	178	181	196	225	242	265
Total	130	124	121	121	121	120	120	131	135	152	160
Summary offences											
Summary offences (excluding motoring)	100	100	102	102	107	107	113	111	117	116	123
Summary motoring offences	160	161	160	160	162	143	154	167	154	160	168
Total	135	139	137	138	139	129	136	145	140	143	150
All offences	135	138	136	137	137	128	135	144	139	144	151

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Table 4.8 Average fine amounts imposed at all courts by type of offence and sex, 1996-2006 (continued)

England and Wales										Average fine amount (£)	
Sex and offence group	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Others⁽¹⁾											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sexual offences	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Burglary	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Robbery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Theft and handling stolen goods	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fraud and forgery	18,057	50	562	1,167	1,475	300	250	2,000	225	1,500	562
Criminal damage	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Drug offences	50	-	1,000	-	75	400	-	1,000	-	-	-
Other (excluding motoring offences)	3,350	4,973	4,431	11,775	6,602	8,416	7,361	9,930	14,575	17,702	11,944
Motoring offences	401	1,081	593	471	538	652	584	757	619	738	5,179
Total	3,377	4,917	4,358	11,588	6,492	8,291	7,292	9,781	14,358	17,575	11,847
Summary offences											
Summary offences (excluding motoring)	549	650	675	618	666	742	629	614	1,829	1,034	733
Summary motoring offences	288	318	339	354	359	342	352	379	428	421	455
Total	343	391	410	415	429	427	410	428	703	536	523
All offences	715	927	893	1,930	1,224	1,487	1,344	1,569	2,172	2,558	2,002
All offenders											
Indictable offences											
Violence against the person	169	171	168	174	171	169	168	181	186	203	218
Sexual offences	308	220	289	298	323	223	180	216	185	283	216
Burglary	138	143	151	151	136	162	143	161	168	181	162
Robbery	105	79	125	1,213	1,205	284	384	329	161	297	461
Theft and handling stolen goods	107	106	98	94	93	87	88	96	95	102	108
Fraud and forgery	227	176	198	251	166	186	176	263	229	228	241
Criminal damage	109	110	104	114	109	111	116	114	131	125	121
Drug offences	103	101	95	94	97	92	88	91	102	110	112
Other (excluding motoring offences)	372	413	404	844	595	732	583	696	894	1,137	879
Motoring offences	174	175	189	180	172	180	182	198	227	243	286
Total	184	192	185	285	221	257	228	273	375	465	378
Summary offences											
Summary offences (excluding motoring)	103	104	105	105	109	111	115	113	124	120	126
Summary motoring offences	161	163	162	162	164	146	156	170	158	163	170
Total	137	142	140	141	141	132	139	147	145	146	153
All offences	141	146	144	154	148	142	146	157	158	164	165

¹ Companies, public bodies, etc.

Table 4.9 Offenders⁽¹⁾ ordered to pay compensation by type of court and offence⁽²⁾, in 1996 and 2001-2006

England and Wales								Number of offenders and percentages	
Type of court and offence group	Total number of offenders ordered to pay compensation							2006	
	1996	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	Offenders given compensation orders as a percentage of all offenders sentenced	Average compensation (£)
Magistrates' courts									
Indictable offences									
Violence against the person	9,772	7,765	7,754	7,748	7,483	7,940	8,137	32	254
Sexual offences	278	226	253	257	313	331	308	24	174
Burglary	5,957	3,269	3,515	3,757	3,823	3,831	3,951	28	229
Robbery	646	731	568	714	850	1,075	1,239	41	92
Theft and handling stolen goods	16,997	16,260	16,667	16,436	15,912	16,071	16,509	18	212
Fraud and forgery	4,237	4,184	4,110	4,196	3,835	3,660	3,529	28	501
Criminal damage	4,671	4,560	4,731	4,857	4,969	4,760	5,504	51	202
Drug offences	114	23	12	27	25	31	32	0	97
Other (excluding motoring offences)	1,326	1,114	1,044	1,073	1,112	1,078	1,178	3	247
Motoring offences	147	83	96	117	108	110	101	3	357
Total	44,145	38,215	38,750	39,182	38,430	38,887	40,488	18	243
Summary offences (excluding motoring offences)	44,961	58,917	58,917	75,610	79,327	87,356	91,381	19	120
All offences (excluding summary motoring offences)	89,106	97,132	97,667	114,792	117,757	126,243	131,869	17	158
As sole or main penalty for all offences (excluding summary motoring offences)	6,493	6,894	6,983	7,287	6,636	6,820	7,591	..	209
The Crown Court									
Indictable offences									
Violence against the person	2,105	2,200	2,445	2,604	2,460	2,430	2,650	16	695
Sexual offences	43	39	44	48	47	39	44	1	763
Burglary	505	351	377	392	359	335	299	3	821
Robbery	148	158	157	153	156	169	176	3	2,066
Theft and handling stolen goods	1,097	675	691	669	685	676	622	8	4,050
Fraud and forgery	560	393	413	348	373	407	353	6	7,312
Criminal damage	231	240	269	253	294	248	212	13	715
Drug offences	10	19	6	3	4	7	4	0	530
Other (excluding motoring offences)	604	674	747	748	664	652	683	6	1,216
Motoring offences	47	46	53	53	74	70	81	4	621
Total	5,350	4,795	5,202	5,271	5,116	5,033	5,124	7	1,682
Summary offences (excluding motoring offences)	376	397	398	402	442	411	453	14	392
All offences (excluding summary motoring offences)	5,726	5,192	5,600	5,673	5,558	5,444	5,577	7	1,577
As sole or main penalty for all offences (excluding summary motoring offences)	96	84	94	106	109	114	112	..	889

¹ Including compensation orders given as secondary disposals for principal offences.

² Excluding summary motoring offences.

Table 4.10 Offenders ordered to pay confiscation orders for drug trafficking offences by amount, 2001-2006

England and Wales	Number of offenders and amount					
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Total sentenced for drug trafficking offences ⁽¹⁾	6,653	6,404	6,797	6,906	6,911	6,676
Confiscation order not made	5,876	5,710	6,013	6,197	5,929	5,715
Confiscation order made						
under £1,000	454	428	471	378	604	590
£1,000 and under £3,000	155	114	130	124	196	203
£3,000 and under £10,000	77	70	78	102	93	84
£10,000 and under £30,000	47	37	57	38	49	39
£30,000 and under £100,000	30	25	32	44	24	30
£100,000 and under £300,000	10	13	14	15	11	7
£300,000 and under £1 million	3	3	2	6	4	6
£1 million and over	1	4	-	2	1	2
Total with order made	777	694	784	709	982	961
Orders made as a percentage of eligible offences	12	11	12	10	14	14
Total amount confiscated (£)	7,980,000	14,048,000	6,992,000	16,170,000	7,895,964	11,411,952
Average amount of confiscation order (£)	10,270	20,242	8,918	22,807	8,041	11,875

(1) Excludes offenders committed for sentence or where the sentence could have been awarded at the magistrates' court.

Table 4.11 Offenders given forfeiture orders by type of court and offence⁽¹⁾, in 1996 and 2001 - 2006

England and Wales		Number of offenders and percentages						
Type of court and offence group	Total number of offenders given forfeiture orders							2006
	1996	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	Offenders given forfeiture orders as a percentage of all offenders sentenced
Magistrates' courts								
Indictable offences								
Violence against the person	2,470	5,452	6,579	6,815	7,556	7,335	7,505	30
Sexual offences	3	4	3	2	2	1	11	1
Burglary	254	103	93	102	79	98	106	1
Robbery	7	21	11	10	8	18	12	0
Theft and handling stolen goods	504	350	374	359	318	377	396	0
Fraud and forgery	222	238	292	348	355	365	276	2
Criminal damage	31	54	55	70	81	66	71	1
Drug offences	12,187	18,309	19,960	25,063	20,305	20,737	21,298	73
Other (excluding motoring offences)	2,050	1,493	1,714	1,908	2,075	2,114	2,177	6
Motoring offences	91	82	96	148	120	105	77	2
Total	17,819	26,106	29,177	34,825	30,899	31,216	31,929	14
Summary offences (excluding motoring offences)	2,678	1,775	1,606	1,461	1,408	2,039	1,834	0
All offences (excluding summary motoring offences)	20,497	27,881	30,783	36,286	32,307	33,255	33,763	4
The Crown Court								
Indictable offences								
Violence against the person	611	1,120	1,212	1,345	1,366	1,328	1,168	7
Sexual offences	23	50	43	48	57	79	83	2
Burglary	251	181	227	185	172	150	151	2
Robbery	242	278	274	244	237	203	237	5
Theft and handling stolen goods	205	114	145	115	153	126	174	2
Fraud and forgery	216	148	188	261	216	411	506	9
Criminal damage	22	30	32	34	44	26	28	2
Drug offences	4,131	6,332	6,240	6,785	6,670	6,354	5,984	59
Other (excluding motoring offences)	656	791	927	1,432	1,509	1,562	1,274	12
Motoring offences	16	16	29	29	45	37	31	1
Total	6,373	9,060	9,317	10,478	10,469	10,276	9,636	13
Summary offences (excluding motoring offences)	29	47	54	44	51	71	77	2
All offences (excluding summary motoring offences)	6,402	9,107	9,371	10,522	10,520	10,347	9,713	13

¹ Excluding summary motoring offences.

Table 4.12 Persons aged 10 to 17 sentenced for indictable offences whose parents were ordered to pay fines or compensation, 2001 - 2006

England and Wales		Number of persons and percentage			
Age, sex and year		Parents to pay fine		Parents to pay compensation ⁽¹⁾	
		Number	As a percentage of all fines	Number	As a percentage of all compensation orders
Aged 10-14	Males				
	2001	161	33	901	50
	2002	108	40	985	53
	2003	65	35	950	52
	2004	84	47	1,000	52
	2005	50	32	1,173	56
	2006	57	46	1,175	59
	Females				
	2001	34	36	156	44
	2002	15	38	195	54
	2003	5	38	179	50
	2004	7	24	191	53
	2005	8	36	218	55
	2006	7	50	220	57
	Total				
	2001	195	34	1,057	49
	2002	123	40	1,180	53
	2003	70	35	1,129	52
	2004	91	44	1,191	53
	2005	58	33	1,391	56
	2006	64	46	1,395	58
Aged 15-17	Males				
	2001	362	8	1,376	20
	2002	290	8	1,437	22
	2003	241	8	1,610	25
	2004	195	8	1,691	25
	2005	189	8	1,931	27
	2006	201	10	2,239	30
	Females				
	2001	52	10	230	24
	2002	30	9	256	25
	2003	25	10	258	25
	2004	20	9	274	25
	2005	30	12	371	30
	2006	23	14	427	34
	Total				
	2001	414	8	1,606	21
	2002	320	8	1,693	23
	2003	266	9	1,868	25
	2004	215	8	1,965	25
	2005	219	9	2,302	27
	2006	224	10	2,666	30
Aged 10-17	Males				
	2001	523	10	2,277	27
	2002	398	10	2,422	29
	2003	306	10	2,560	31
	2004	279	11	2,691	31
	2005	239	10	3,104	33
	2006	258	12	3,414	36
	Females				
	2001	86	14	386	29
	2002	45	12	451	33
	2003	30	11	437	32
	2004	27	11	465	32
	2005	38	14	589	36
	2006	30	17	647	40
	Total				
	2001	609	10	2,663	27
	2002	443	11	2,873	30
	2003	336	10	2,997	31
	2004	306	11	3,156	31
	2005	277	10	3,693	34
	2006	288	13	4,061	36

¹ Includes compensation orders given in addition to the principal sentence (for the principal offence).

5. Regional trends

Key points

- The numbers sentenced for all offences at all courts decreased across most criminal justice areas. Merseyside had the highest custody rate of nine per cent while Lincolnshire had the lowest custody rate of three per cent. The largest drop in average custodial sentence length for all offences over the last ten years was for West Mercia from 14.7 months in 1996 to 10.7 months in 2006. The greatest increase was for Warwickshire, which increased from 13.0 to 15.7 months.
- Criminal justice area custody rates for indictable offences ranged from nine per cent to 27 per cent for magistrates' courts and 46 per cent to 69 per cent for the Crown Court in 2006.

Introduction

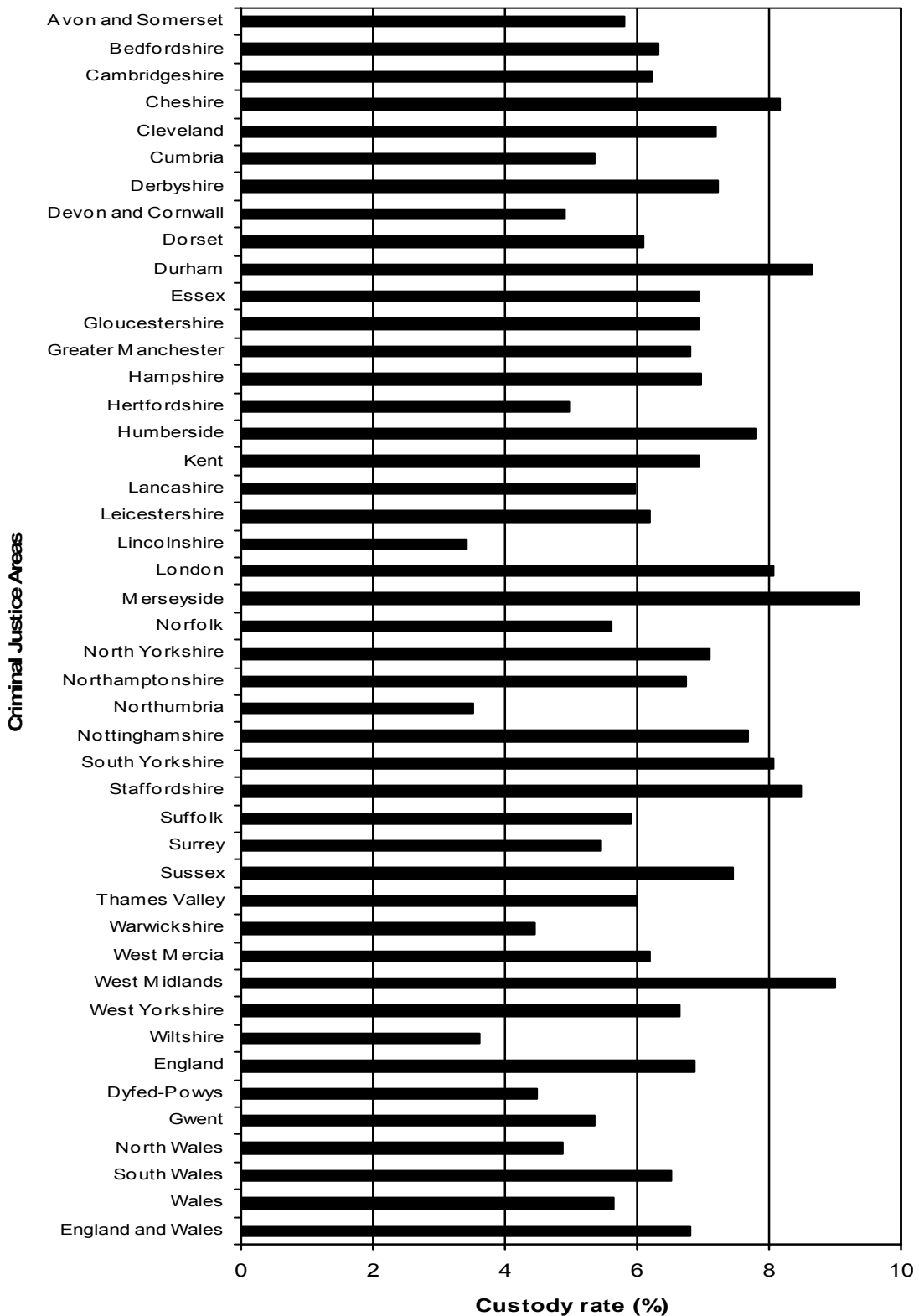
- 5.1 This chapter examines the variation in sentencing between different areas of England and Wales. There are 42 criminal justice areas. These coincide with police force areas except in London where the Metropolitan and City of London police areas are combined. Magistrates' courts are organised into Local Justice Areas and the Crown Court may be divided into Crown Court centres. The first part of this chapter looks at custody rates, community sentence rates, fine rates and average custodial sentence lengths by criminal justice areas; the second part looks at particular offences analysed by Local Justice Areas and Crown Court centres.
- 5.2 More detailed data on local court area comparisons are available in 'The Sentence' published by the Sentencing Guidelines Council. Issue 06 of 'The Sentence', covering 1999 to 2005 was published in early 2007. Local data in this publication are presented according to the criminal justice area in which the offence was sentenced, rather than the police force area in which the offence was committed, and so will not be exactly comparable with Sentencing Statistics 2005 regional data. The publication is available from the sentencing guidelines website¹ (see Appendix 5 for details). Further regional Courts Proceedings data by area can be found in Supplementary Volumes 3 and 4 of the Criminal Statistics publication, which is available from the Ministry of Justice statistical publications website (see Appendix 5 for details).
- 5.3 Variation across the criminal justice areas can be attributed to one of two factors. On the one hand, sentencers in different criminal justice areas may pursue the same approach to sentencing, but the offences and offenders that they sentence may differ systematically, reflecting geographical differences in:
- the mix of offences being sentenced at court;
 - the criminal histories of offenders being sentenced at court;
 - the use of pre-court diversion practices such as cautions, reprimands and penalty notices between police forces;
 - committal practices from magistrates' courts to the Crown Court for trial and / or sentencing.
- 5.4 On the other hand, the caseloads may be the same, but the sentencing approach different. In this case, there may be factors which explain the differences – for example, courts in high-crime areas may pass heavier sentences than those where crime is low. Alternatively, the explanation may be found in less systematic and more idiosyncratic differences between courts.

¹ <http://www.sentencing-guidelines.gov.uk/news/newsletter/index.html>

- 5.5 These factors should be considered when making comparisons across areas. However, because the full impact of these factors is difficult to quantify (see *Local Variations in Sentencing in England and Wales, 2007*), this chapter simply presents an overview of local trends in sentencing data.
- 5.6 Significant differences occur in the numbers of persons sentenced across the 42 criminal justice areas. London (including the Metropolitan and City of London police force areas) accounts for the highest number with 221,500 persons sentenced (49,600)². Greater Manchester is the second highest with 89,400 persons sentenced (21,800). West Midlands 80,600 (20,200) and West Yorkshire 63,400 (14,200) were the next highest. Durham had the lowest number of persons sentenced for all offences with 9,800 (3,500).
- 5.7 A total of 1,412,900 persons were sentenced in England and Wales in 2006 (excluding companies, local authorities etc.). This represents a decrease of four per cent on 2005. For indictable offences, 302,500 persons were sentenced in 2006 – a one per cent decrease on 2005. The numbers sentenced decreased across 30 of the 42 criminal justice areas.

² Numbers of persons sentenced for indictable offences are shown in brackets.

Figure 5.1: Custody rate for all offenders sentenced at all courts by criminal justice area, 2006



5.8 At all courts and for all offences in 2006, Merseyside had the highest (area level) custody rate of nine per cent while Lincolnshire had the lowest at three per cent (see Table 5.1, Figure 5.1).

5.9 The introduction of Indeterminate sentences for Public Protection (IPPs) in April 2005 may have contributed to the reduction in average custodial sentence lengths in 2006. Many of the offenders who now receive IPPs would previously have received a

lengthy determinate sentence that would have been included in the calculation of average custodial sentence length. These longer sentences are now excluded from the calculation (as their effective length is unknown). For further information, please refer to Appendix 1, Paragraphs 1.23 and 1.24.

- 5.10 Sussex had the longest average custodial sentence length for all offences in 2006 at 16.0 months (see Figure 5.2), while Essex had the shortest at 8.4 months.
- 5.11 The average custodial sentence length for all offences in 2006 was 12.4 months, a slight decrease from 12.6 months in 2005. Compared to 2005 figures, the average custodial sentence length has increased slightly in 16 of the 42 criminal justice areas. The largest increase was in Gloucestershire from 9.2 months in 2005 to 12.1 months in 2006. The largest decrease from 2005 to 2006 was in Sussex, from 18.2 months to 16.0 months.
- 5.12 The largest decrease in average custodial sentence length for all offences over the last ten years was for West Mercia from 14.7 months in 1996 to 10.7 months in 2006. The greatest increase was for Warwickshire, from 13.0 months in 1996 to 15.7 months in 2006.

Figure 5.2: Average custodial sentence length (excluding life and indeterminate sentences) for all offenders sentenced at all courts by criminal justice area, 2006

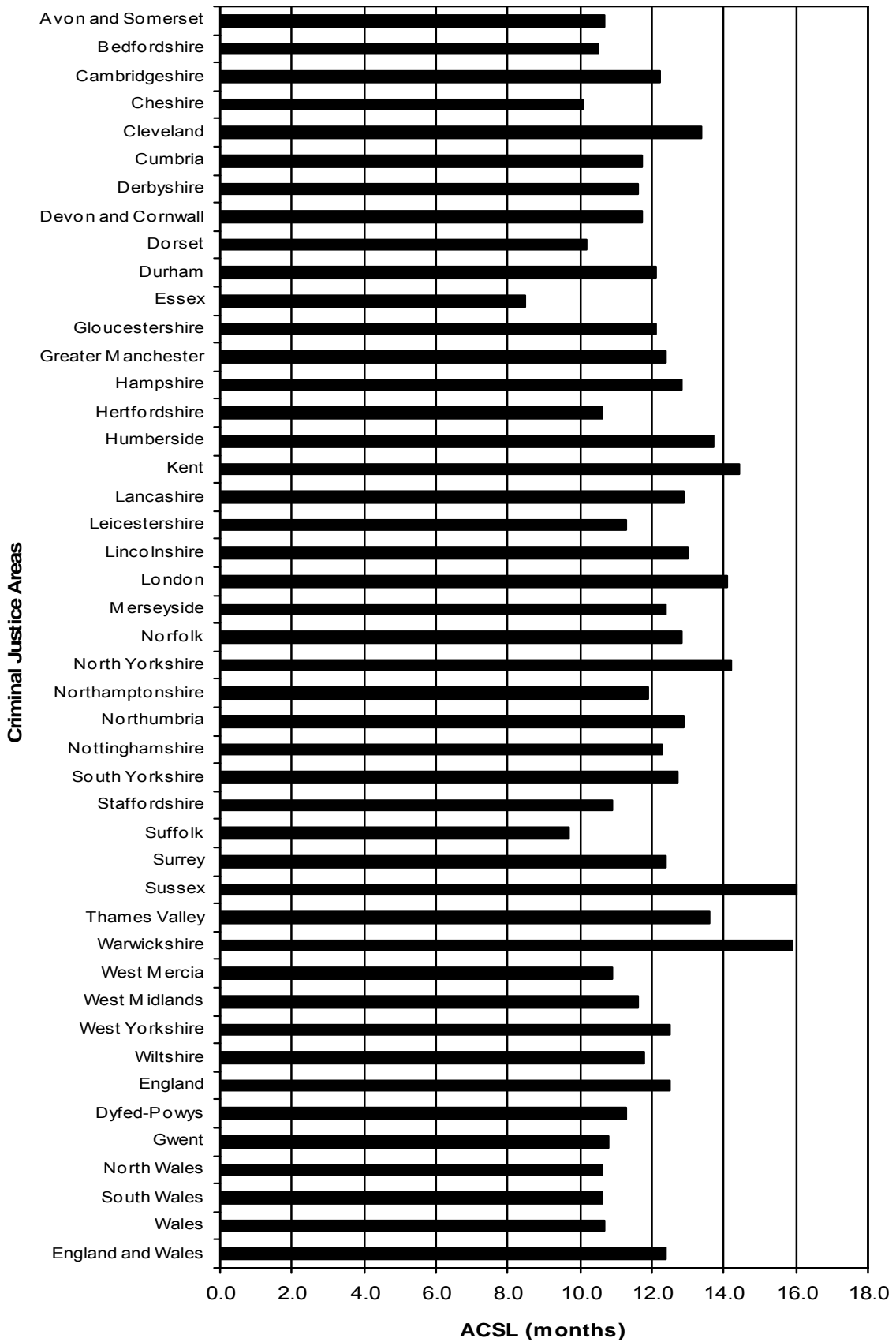
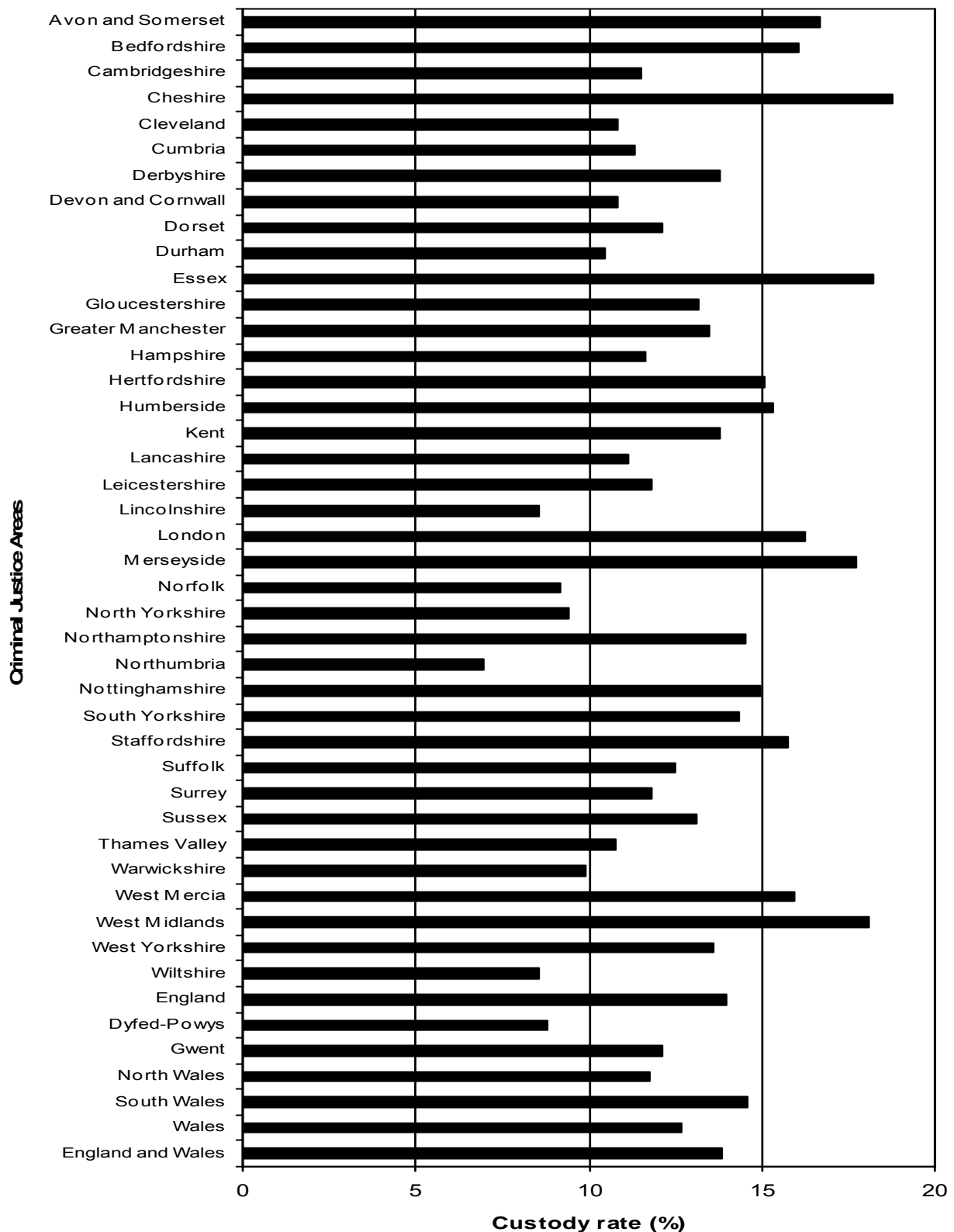
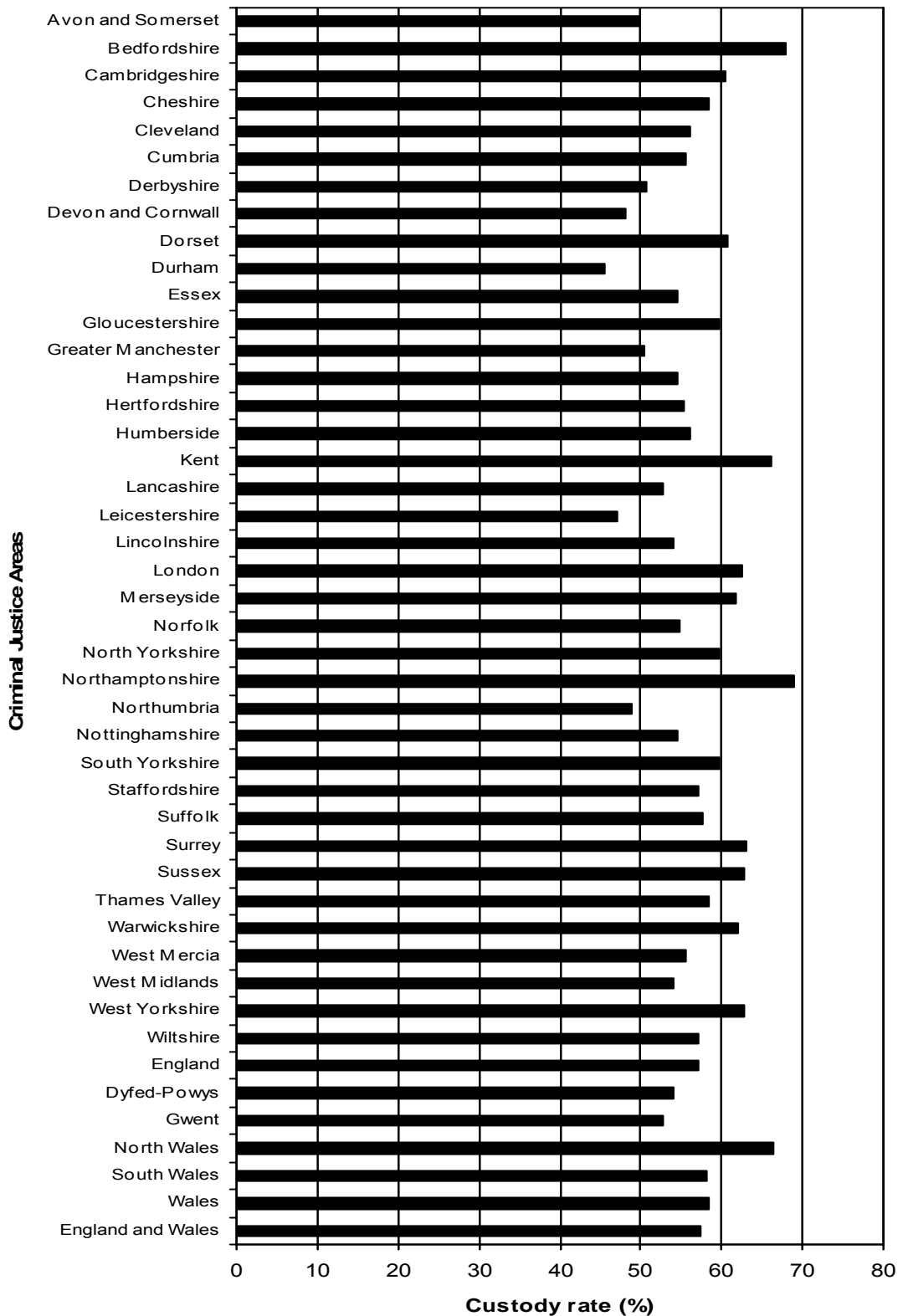


Figure 5.3: Custody rate for all offenders sentenced at magistrates' courts for indictable offences by criminal justice area, 2006



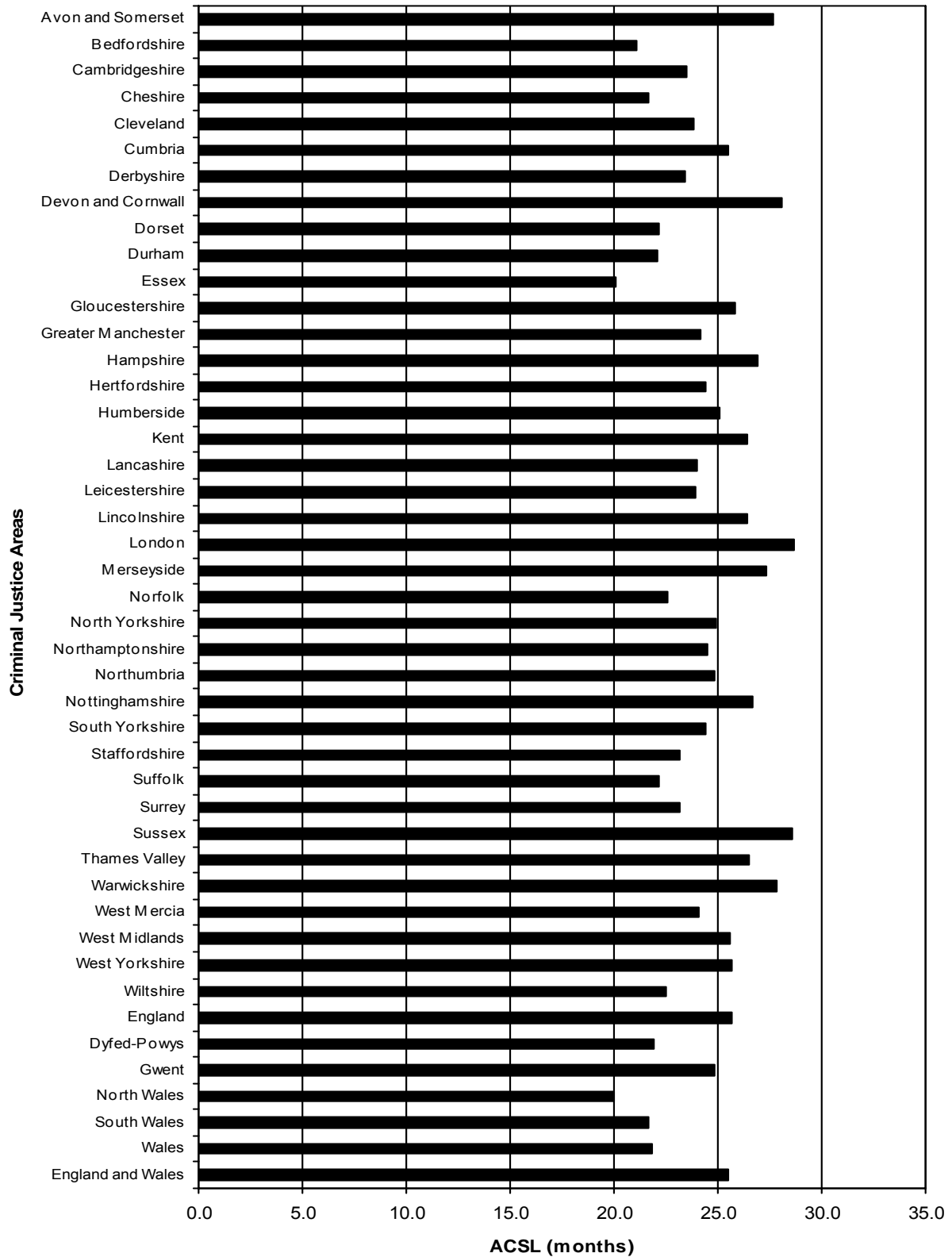
5.13 Criminal justice area custody rates for indictable offences ranged from seven to 19 per cent for magistrates' courts in 2006. Cheshire had the highest custody rate (19%); Northumbria had the lowest custody rate, at seven per cent (see Figure 5.3 and Table 5.4).

Figure 5.4: Custody rate for all offenders sentenced at the Crown Court for indictable offences by criminal justice area, 2006



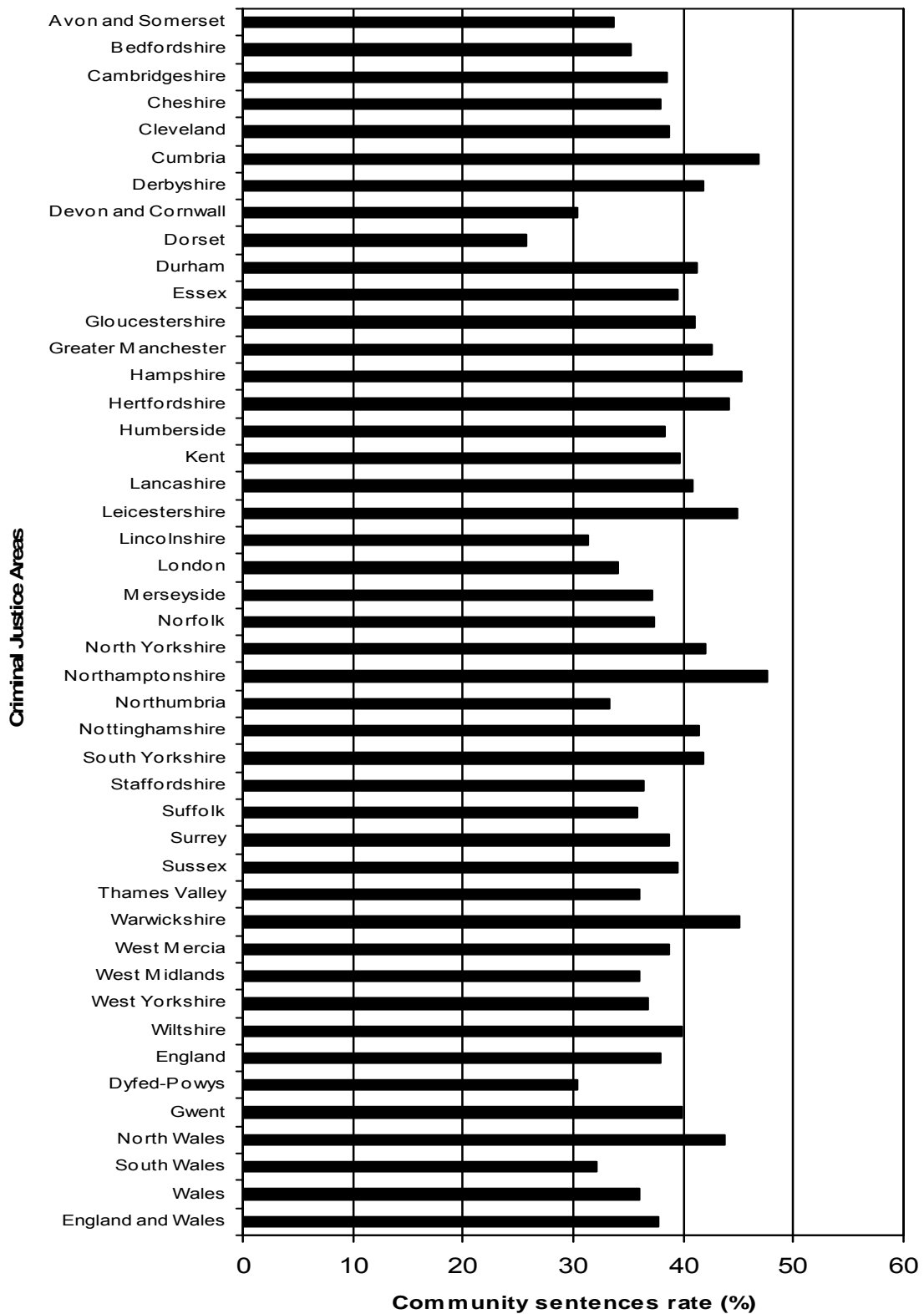
5.14 Criminal justice area custody rates for indictable offences ranged from 46 to 69 per cent for the Crown Court in 2006. Northamptonshire had the highest custody rate (69%) and Durham had the lowest custody rate at 46 per cent (see Figure 5.4 and Table 5.4).

Figure 5.5: Average custodial sentence length (excluding life and indeterminate sentences) for all offenders sentenced at the Crown Court for indictable offences by criminal justice area, 2006



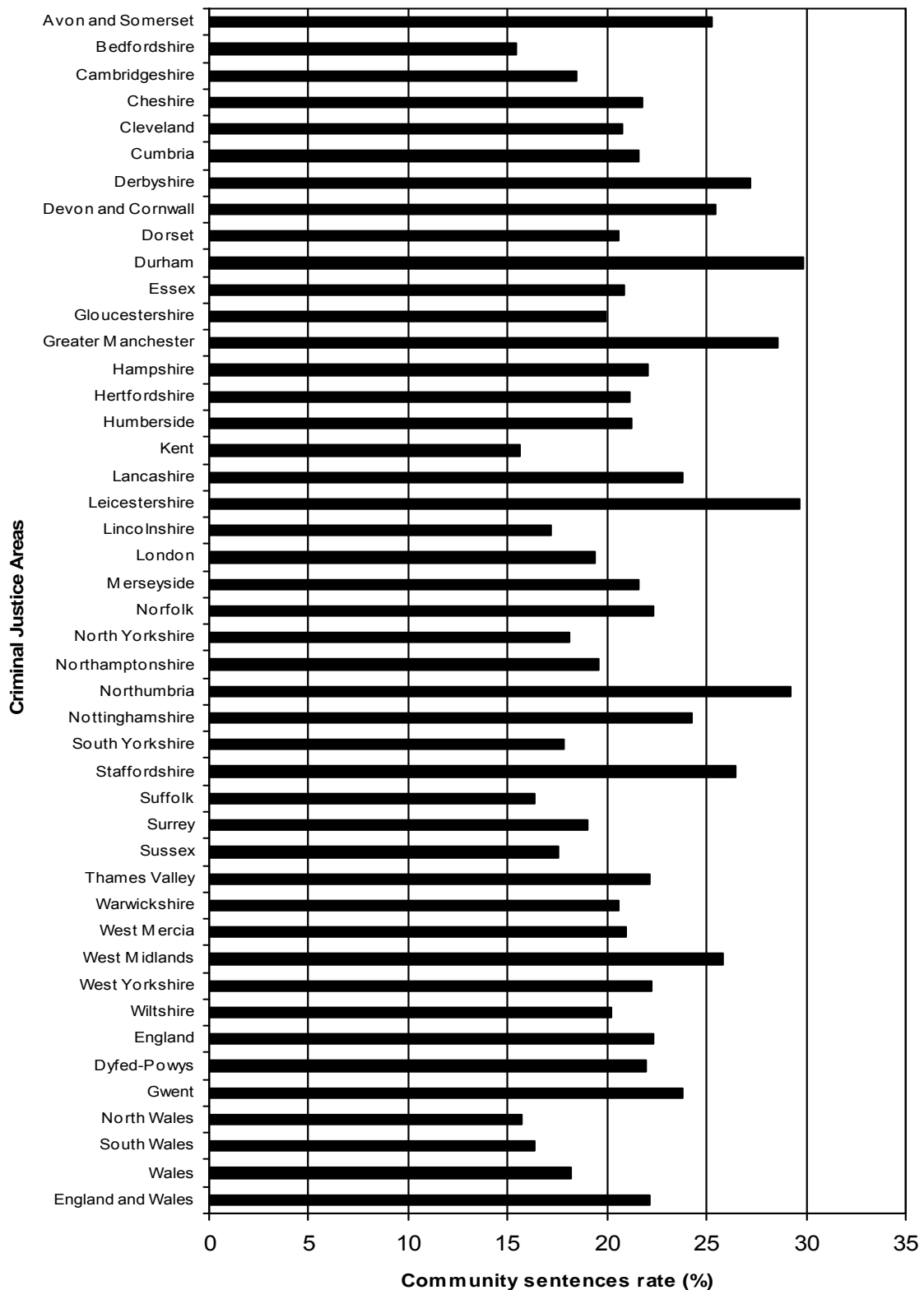
5.15 In 2006, Sussex had the longest average custodial sentence length at the Crown Court for indictable offences at 28.6 months. North Wales has the shortest length at 19.8 months (see Figure 5.5 and Table 5.4).

Figure 5.6: Community sentence rate for all offenders sentenced at magistrates' courts for indictable offences by criminal justice area, 2006



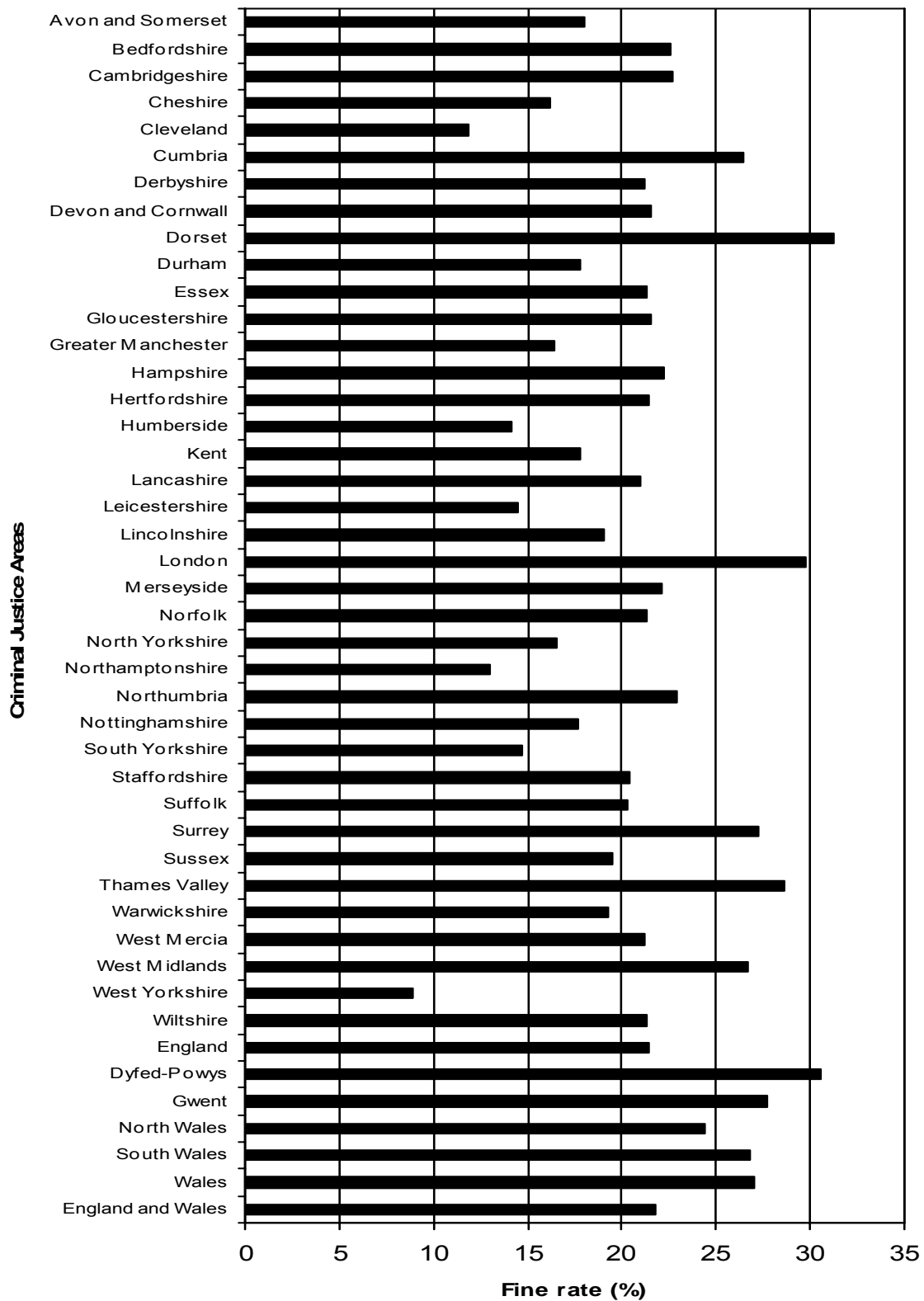
5.16 In 2006, Northamptonshire had the highest community sentence rate at magistrates' courts for indictable offences at 48 per cent. Dorset had the lowest community sentence rate at 26 per cent (see Table 5.4 and Figure 5.6).

Figure 5.7: Community sentence rate for all offenders sentenced at the Crown Court for indictable offences by criminal justice area, 2006



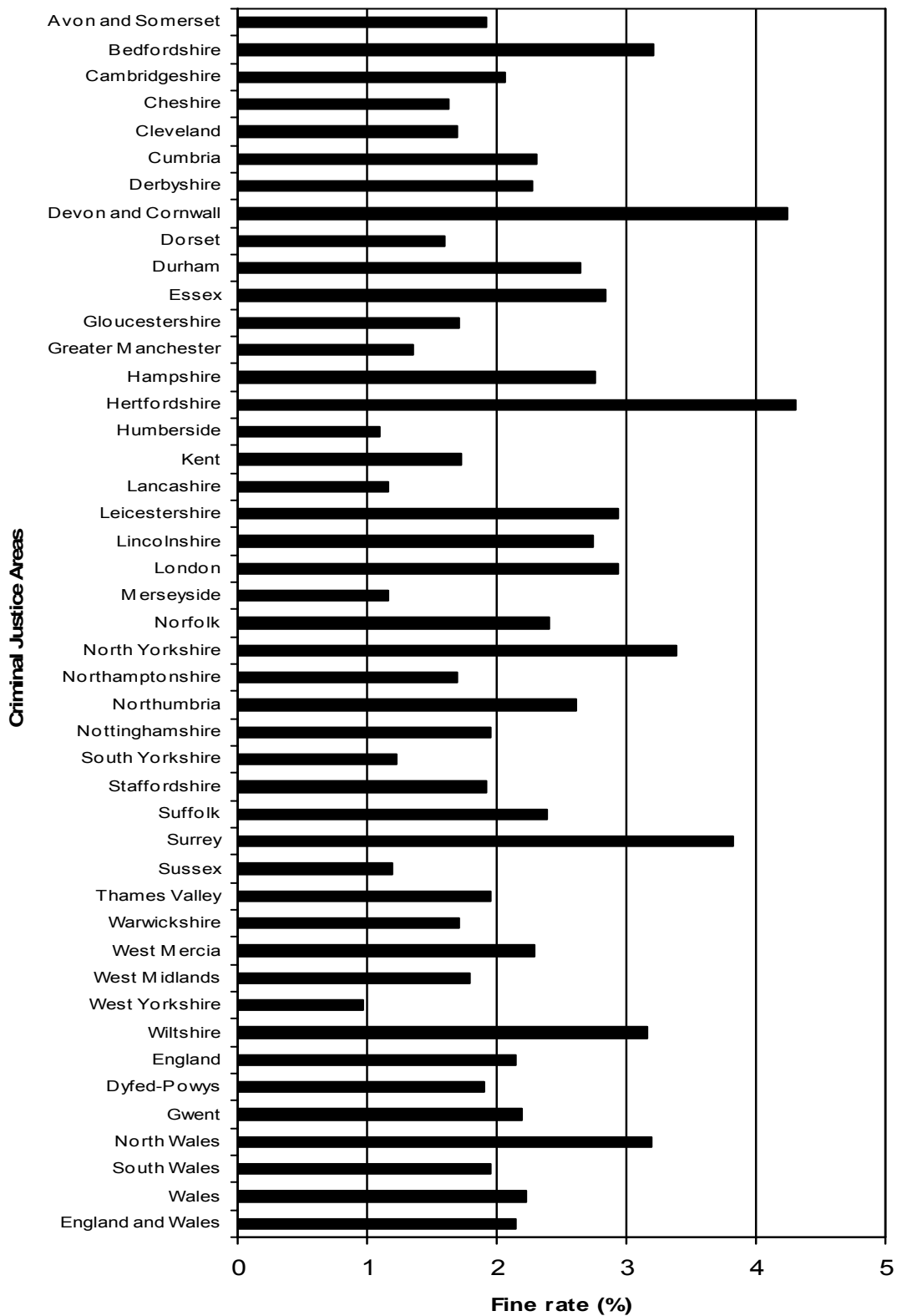
5.17 In 2006, Durham had the highest community sentence rate at the Crown Court for indictable offences at 30 per cent. Bedfordshire had the lowest community sentence rate at 15 per cent (see Table 5.4 and Figure 5.7).

Figure 5.8: Fine rate for all offenders sentenced at the magistrates' courts for indictable offences by criminal justice area, 2006



5.18 In 2006, Dorset had the highest fine rate for indictable offences at magistrates' courts at 31 per cent. West Yorkshire had the lowest fine rate at nine per cent (see Table 5.4 and Figure 5.8).

Figure 5.9: Fine rate for all offenders sentenced at the Crown Court for indictable offences by criminal justice area, 2006



5.19 The fine rate for indictable offences at the Crown Court for all criminal justice areas is very low (see Figure 5.9). For 2006, Devon and Cornwall and Hertfordshire had the highest fine rate at just over four per cent and West Yorkshire had the lowest fine rate at just under one per cent.

Sentencing variations by offence

- 5.20 This section reports on the variation in sentencing for four high-volume offences: driving whilst disqualified, theft from shops, burglary in a dwelling and burglary in a non-dwelling. Burglary in a dwelling was among the offences with the highest volumes given community sentences at the Crown Court between 1996 and 2006. Burglary in a building other than a dwelling and driving whilst disqualified were among the high volume offences given community sentences in magistrates' courts in 2006. Theft from shops is one of the highest volume indictable offences.
- 5.21 Figures 5.10–5.27 present custody rates³, average custodial sentence lengths and community sentence rates for the specified offences. In each case the rate or sentence length is split into a series of bands (e.g. >0 to 5%, >5% to 10% etc.) and the number of Local Justice Areas (for magistrates' courts) or Crown Court centres (for the Crown Court) in each band is plotted as a histogram⁴. Each histogram illustrates how sentencing varies between the local justice areas or Crown Court centres. If all the areas gave exactly the same sentences, there would only be one bar in each histogram. The greater the spread of the histogram, the greater the variation between areas. A statistic known as the inter-quartile range is used to indicate the degree of variability in each graph. The inter-quartile range covers the middle 50 per cent of a set of data (i.e. it excludes the highest 25 per cent and the lowest 25 per cent of the data values). The larger the inter-quartile range, the greater the variability or spread. For example, the inter-quartile range in custody rate for Theft from shops the Crown Court is 20 per cent. The equivalent inter-quartile range in custody rate in magistrates' courts is nine per cent, indicating possible greater variability at the Crown Court.

Driving whilst disqualified

- 5.22 Driving whilst disqualified is a summary motoring offence that is not normally tried at the Crown Court⁵. Therefore the data presented below is for magistrates' courts only.
- 5.23 For driving whilst disqualified, custody rates cluster around the 20 to 35 per cent range (see Figure 5.10). The average custody rate is 30 per cent, as is the median⁶ or middle rate. The inter-quartile range, which is a measure of the spread of the data, is 13 per cent.

³ Only Local Justice Areas where at least ten persons were sentenced were used in the calculation of custody rates.

⁴ A histogram displays in bar graph format measurement data distributed by categories.

⁵ There may be occasions where a person is tried at the Crown Court for a number of offences including driving whilst disqualified and an indictable offence, but is only sentenced for the summary offence.

⁶ The median is the middle value in a set of data. It is used as an alternative to the average value for data sets where the distribution of the data might be skewed.

Figure 5.10: Custody rates at magistrates' courts Local Justice Areas for driving whilst disqualified, 2006

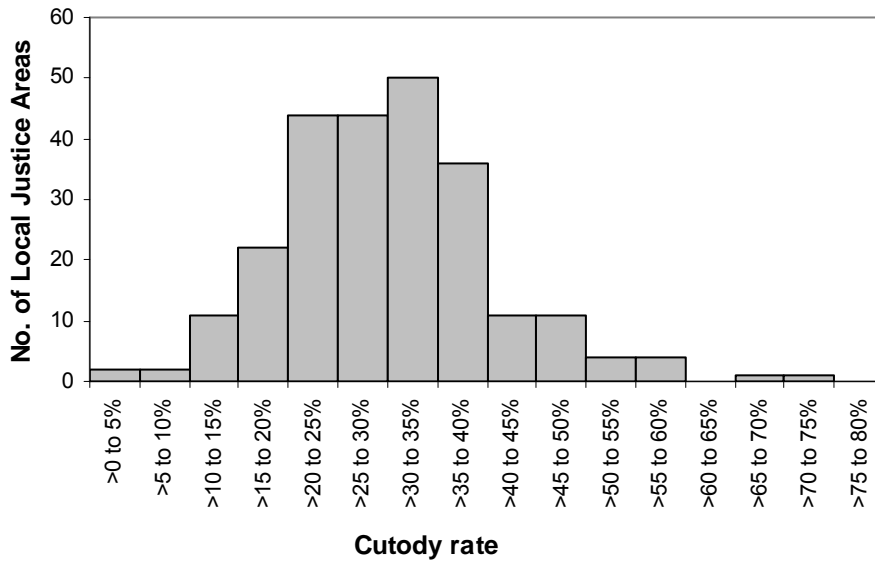
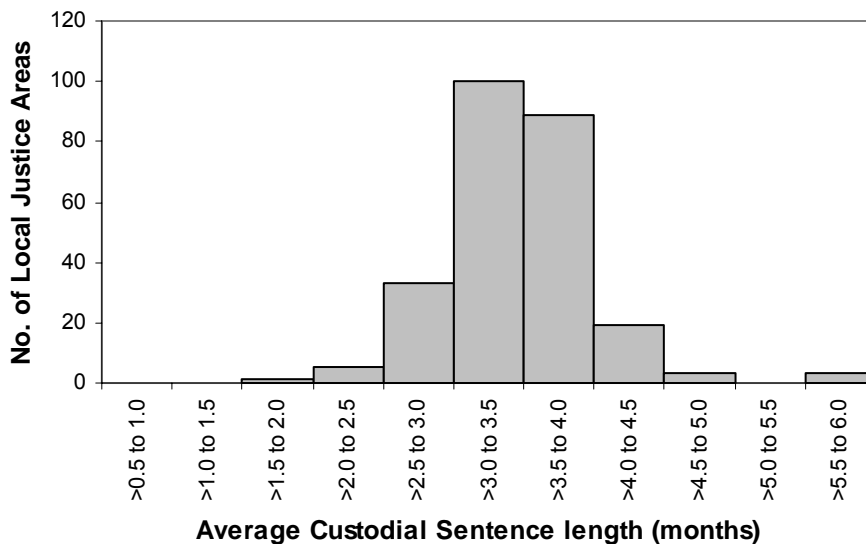
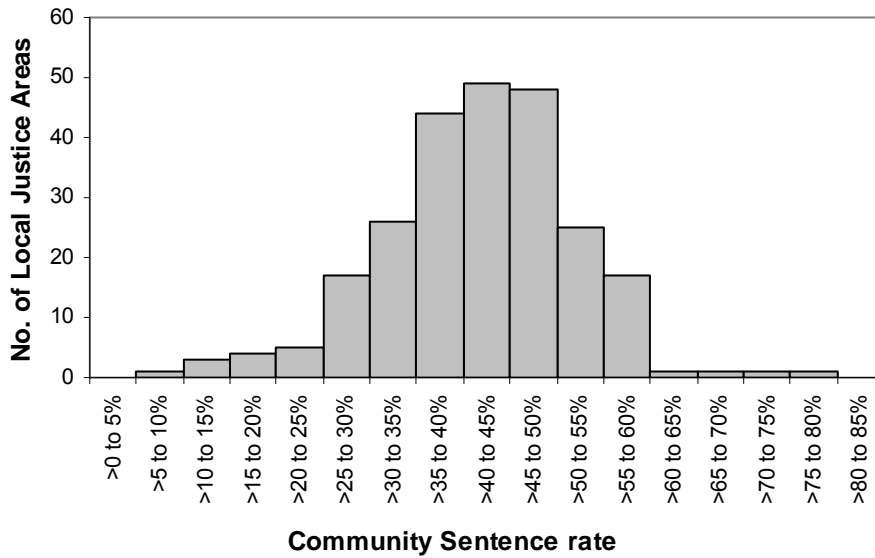


Figure 5.11: Average custodial sentence lengths at magistrates' courts Local Justice Areas for driving whilst disqualified, 2006



5.24 Average custodial sentence lengths for driving whilst disqualified cluster around the 3.0 to 4.0 month range (see Figure 5.11). The average length is 3.5 months as is the median or middle rate. The inter-quartile range is 0.6 months.

Figure 5.12: Community sentence rates at magistrates' courts Local Justice Areas for driving whilst disqualified, 2006

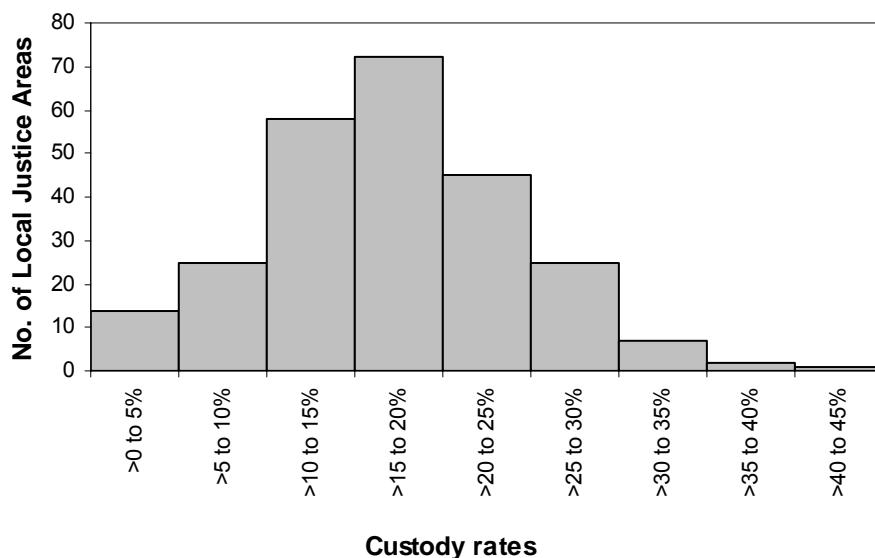


5.25 The community sentence rate for driving whilst disqualified clusters around the 35 to 50 per cent range (see Figure 5.12). The mean rate is 42 per cent, as is the median or middle rate, and the inter-quartile range is 13 per cent.

Theft from shops

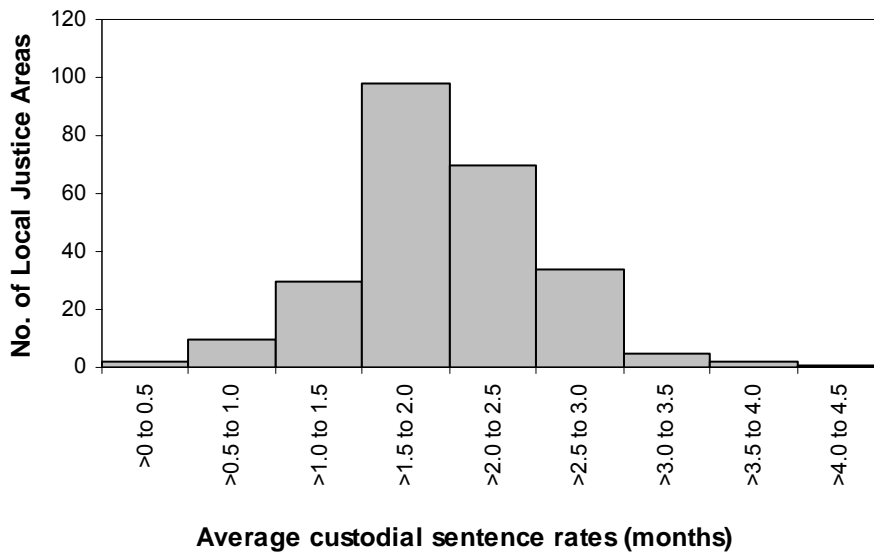
5.26 Theft from shops is usually tried at magistrates' courts. As such, only magistrates' courts data are presented here. Crown Court data are given in Table 5.a.

Figure 5.13: Custody rates at magistrates' courts Local Justice Areas for theft from shops, 2006



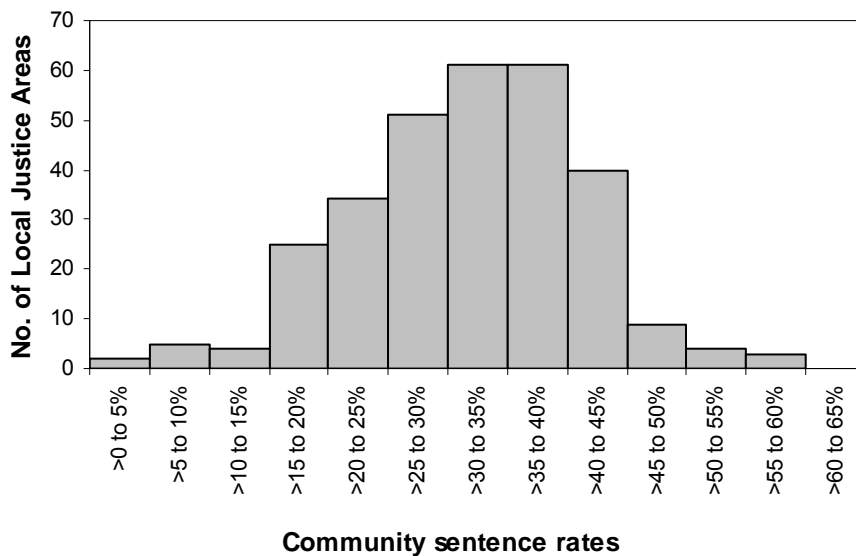
5.27 For theft from shops, the custody rate clusters around 10 to 20 per cent (see Figure 5.13). The mean and median are both 17 per cent and the inter-quartile range is nine per cent.

Figure 5.14: Average custodial sentence lengths at magistrates' courts Local Justice Areas for theft from shops, 2006



5.28 The average custodial sentence lengths for theft from shops cluster around 1.0 to 3.0 months (see Figure 5.14). The mean and the median sentence length are both two months and the inter-quartile range is 0.6 months.

Figure 5.15: Community sentence rates at magistrates' courts Local Justice Areas for theft from shops, 2006

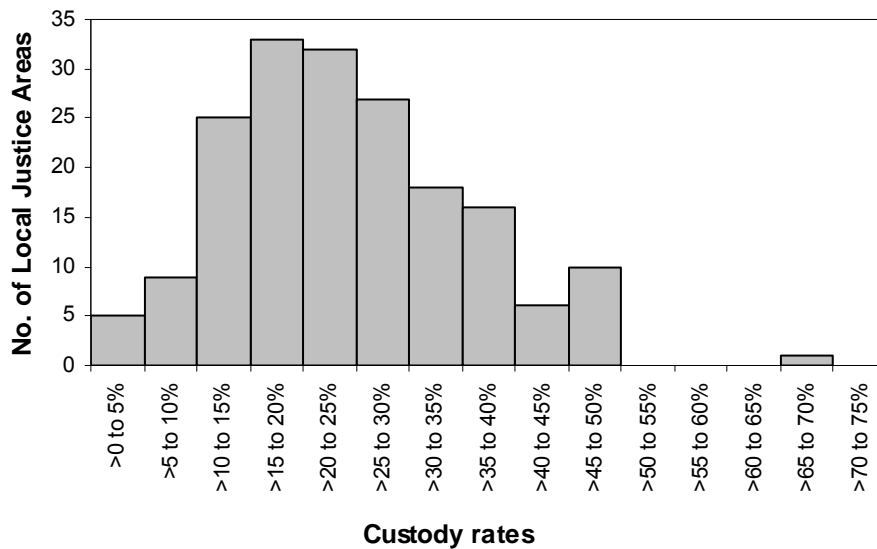


5.29 The community sentence rate for theft from shops is clustered around 25 to 45 per cent (see Figure 5.15). The mean and median community rates at magistrates' courts are both 32 per cent. The inter-quartile range is 12 per cent.

Burglary in a dwelling

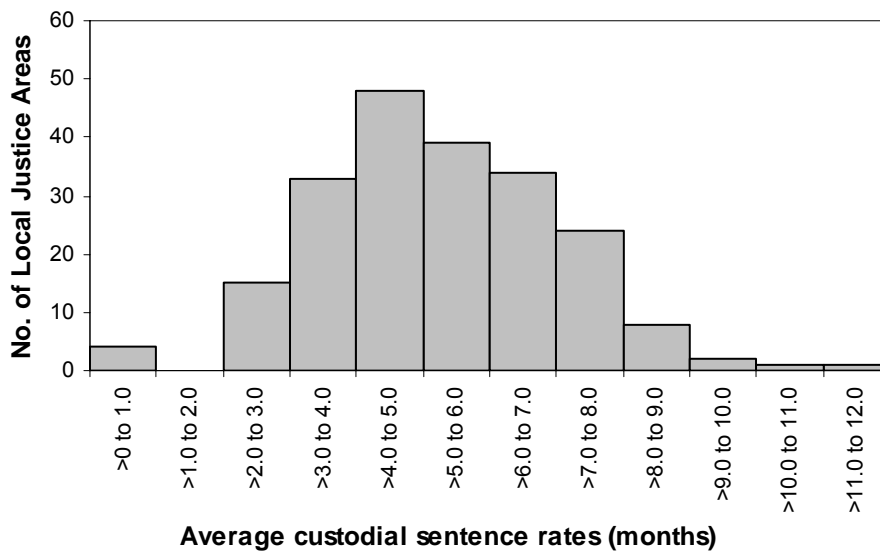
5.30 The burglary in a dwelling sentencing data for magistrates' courts and the Crown Court are presented separately to illustrate any differences in sentencing practice between courts.

Figure 5.16: Custody rates at magistrates' courts Local Justice Areas for burglary in a dwelling, 2006



5.31 For burglary in a dwelling, the custody rate at magistrates' courts is clustered around 15 to 30 per cent (see Figure 5.16). The median is 23 per cent and the mean is 25 per cent. The inter-quartile range is 15 per cent.

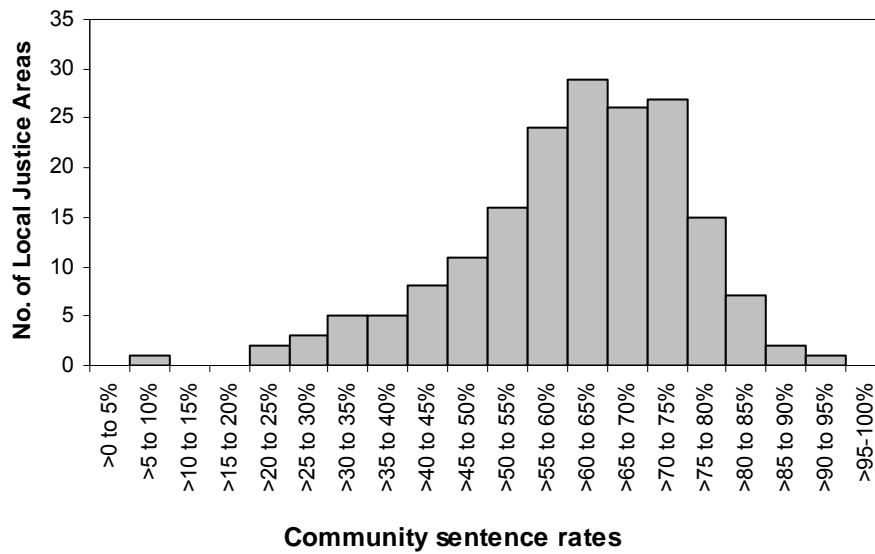
Figure 5.17: Average custodial sentence lengths at magistrates' courts Local Justice Areas for burglary in a dwelling, 2006



5.32 The average custodial sentence lengths for burglary in a dwelling in the magistrates' courts cluster around 3 to 8 months⁷ (see Figure 5.17). The median is 5.2 months and the mean is 5.4 months. The inter-quartile range is 2.6 months.

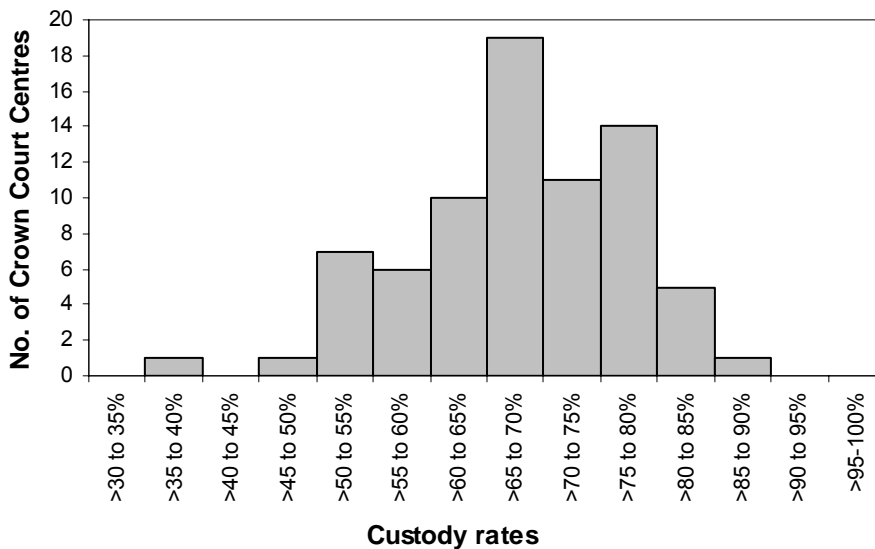
⁷ Juveniles can receive Detention and Training Orders of up to 2 years. This pushes the average custodial sentence length for a number of Local Justice Areas beyond 6 months which is the maximum sentence that magistrates' can give to adults.

Figure 5.18: Community sentence rates at magistrates' courts Local Justice Areas for burglary in a dwelling, 2006



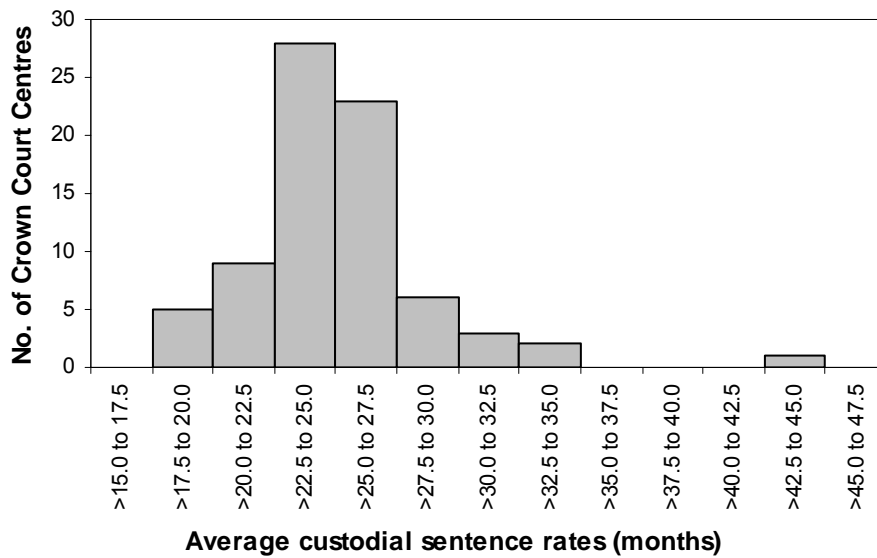
5.33 Community sentence rates for burglary in a dwelling cluster around 55 to 75 per cent (see Figure 5.18). The mean is 61 per cent and the median is 63 per cent. The inter-quartile range is 17 per cent.

Figure 5.19: Custody rates at Crown Court centres for burglary in a dwelling, 2006



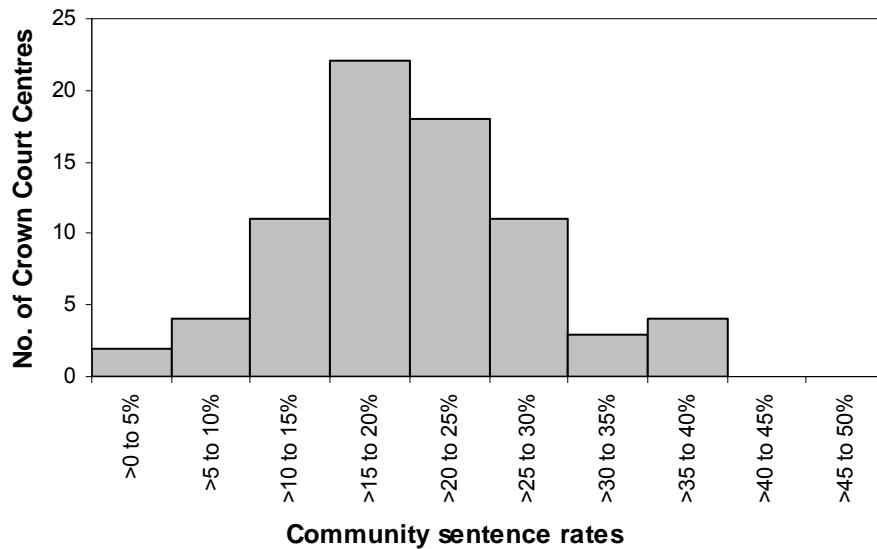
5.34 For burglary in a dwelling, custody rates at the Crown Court cluster around 60 to 80 per cent (see Figure 5.19). The mean is 68 per cent and the median is 69 per cent. The inter-quartile range is 15 per cent.

Figure 5.20: Average custodial sentence lengths at Crown Court centres for burglary in a dwelling, 2006



5.35 Average custodial sentence lengths for burglary in a dwelling at Crown Court centres cluster around 20 to 30 months (Figure 5.20). The mean and median lengths are both 25 months and the inter-quartile range is 3.3 months.

Figure 5.21: Community sentence rates at Crown Court centres for burglary in a dwelling, 2006



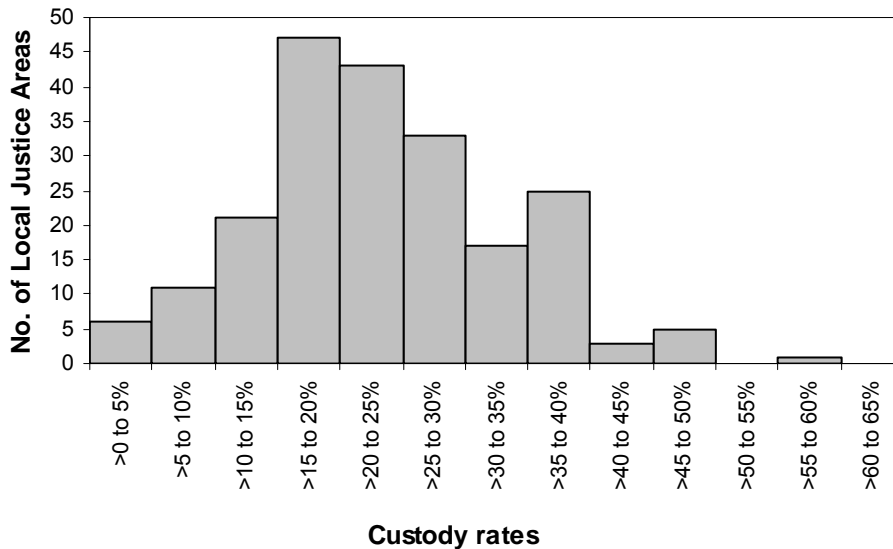
5.36 Community sentence rates for burglary in a dwelling at Crown Court centres cluster around 15 to 25 per cent. The mean and the median are both 20 per cent, and the inter-quartile range is nine per cent

5.37 Comparing the figures for the Crown Court and magistrates' courts shows two distinct patterns of sentencing. At the Crown Court, where the majority of burglaries are sentenced, custody rates are higher (median value of 69 per cent compared with 23 per cent at magistrates' courts), average sentence lengths longer (median of 24.6 compared with 5.2 months) and community sentence rates lower (median of 20 per cent compared to 63 per cent in magistrates' courts). The spread in the data (as measured by the inter-quartile range) between Crown Court centres compared to the magistrates' courts is similar for custody rates, but larger for community sentence rates. This is to be expected as magistrates only deal with cases that fall within their sentencing powers.

Burglary in a building other than a dwelling

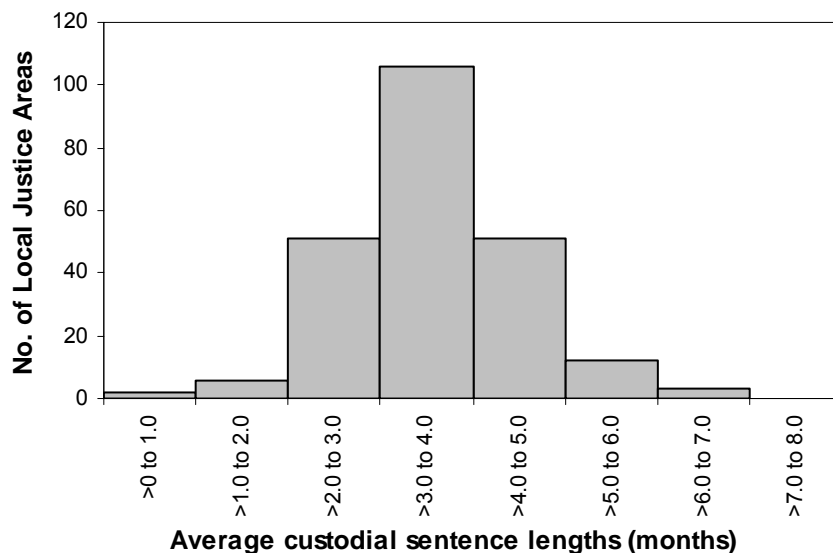
5.38 The burglary in a building other than a dwelling sentencing data for magistrates' courts and the Crown Court are presented separately to illustrate any differences in sentencing practice between courts.

Figure 5.22: Custody rates at magistrates' courts Local Justice Areas for burglary in a building other than a dwelling, 2006



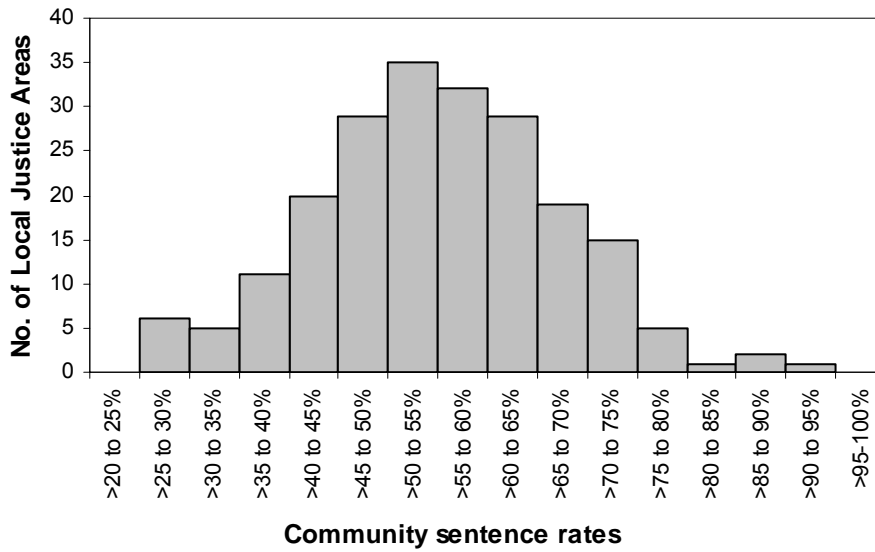
5.39 For burglary in a building other than a dwelling, custody rates at magistrates' courts cluster around 15 to 30 per cent (see Figure 5.22). The mean is 24 months, and the median is 23 months. The inter-quartile range is 13 months.

Figure 5.23: Average custodial sentence lengths at magistrates' courts Local Justice Areas for burglary in a building other than a dwelling, 2006



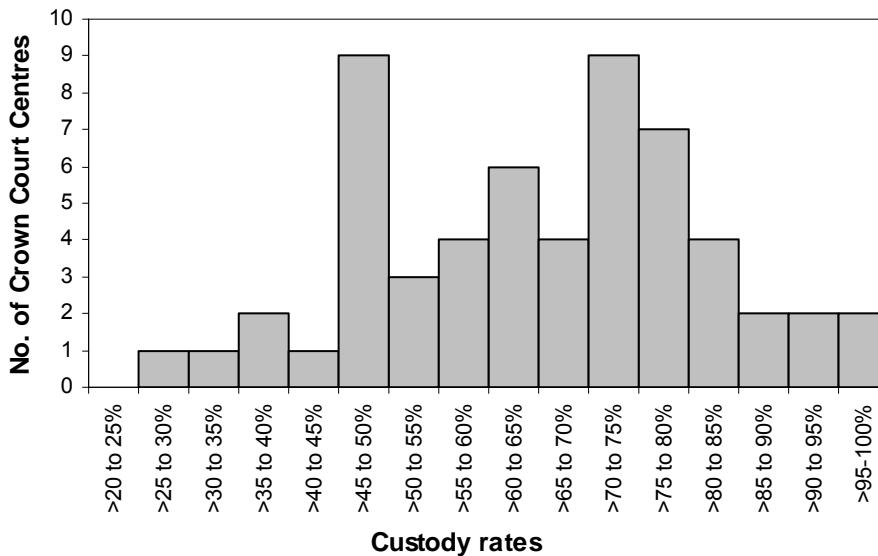
5.40 Average custodial sentence lengths for burglary in a building other than a dwelling at magistrates' courts cluster around 2 to 5 months (Figure 5.23). The mean and the median are both four months, and the inter-quartile range is 1.2 months.

Figure 5.24: Community sentence rates at magistrates' courts Local Justice Areas for burglary in a building other than a dwelling, 2006



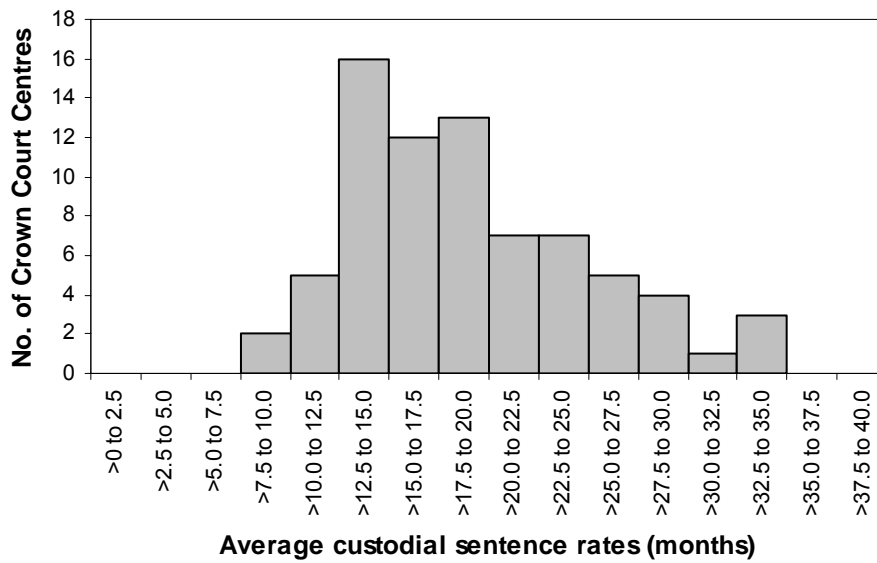
5.41 Community sentence rates for burglary in a building other than a dwelling at magistrates' courts cluster around 45 to 65 per cent (Figure 5.24). The mean and median rates are both 55 per cent, and the inter-quartile range is 17 per cent.

Figure 5.25: Custody rates at Crown Court centres for burglary in a building other than a dwelling, 2006



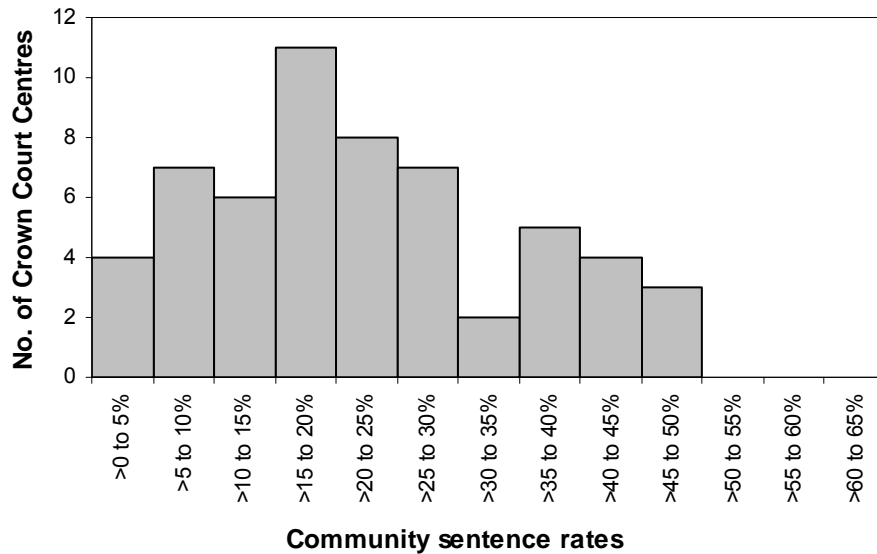
5.42 For burglary in a building other than a dwelling, custody rates at the Crown Court cluster around 45 to 85 per cent (see Figure 5.25). The median is 67 per cent and the mean is 66 per cent. The inter-quartile range is 24 per cent.

Figure 5.26: Average custodial sentence lengths at Crown Court centres for burglary in a building other than a dwelling, 2006



5.43 Average custodial sentence lengths for burglary in a building other than a dwelling at the Crown Court cluster around 12.5 to 20 months (Figure 5.26). The median value is 18 months and the mean 19 months. The inter-quartile range is 8.9 months.

Figure 5.27: Community sentence rates at Crown Court centres for burglary in a building other than a dwelling, 2006



5.44 Community sentence rates for burglary in a building other than a dwelling at the Crown Court cluster around 5 to 30 per cent (Figure 5.27). The mean is 22 per cent and the median is 21 per cent. The inter-quartile range is 17 months.

5.45 As was the case with burglary in a dwelling⁸, comparing the figures for the Crown Court and magistrates' courts shows two different patterns of sentencing. At the Crown Court, custody rates are higher (median 67 per cent compared with 23 per cent in magistrates' courts), average sentence lengths longer (18.0 months compared with 3.7 months) and community sentence rates lower (21 per cent compared with 55 per cent in magistrates' courts).

⁸ Data from 57 Crown Court centres and 210 Local Justice Areas were used in these calculations.

Table 5.a Mean, median and inter-quartile range values for the variation in sentencing between Local Justice Areas (for magistrates' courts) and Crown Court centres (for the Crown Court) for 2006.

England and Wales	Mean, median and Interquartile range					
	Magistrates' courts			Crown Court		
	Mean	Median	Inter-quartile range	Mean	Median	Inter-quartile range
Offence type, custody rate (%), average custodial sentence length (months) and community sentence rate (%)						
Theft from shops						
Custody rate (%)	17.1	16.9	8.6	46.2	50.0	20.4
Average custodial sentence length (months)	2.0	2.0	0.6	7.2	6.5	4.8
Community sentence rate (%)	31.7	32.1	12.7	35.1	33.3	35.7
Driving whilst disqualified¹						
Custody rate (%)	30.1	29.8	12.8	*	*	*
Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.5	3.5	0.6	*	*	*
Community sentence rate (%)	41.8	42.2	13.1	*	*	*
Burglary in a dwelling						
Custody rate (%)	24.6	23.3	15.5	67.7	68.8	14.5
Average custodial sentence length (months)	5.4	5.2	2.6	25.1	24.6	3.3
Community sentence rate (%)	61.5	63.2	17.1	20.5	20.0	9.4
Burglary in a building other than a dwelling						
Custody rate (%)	23.6	22.5	13.2	65.7	66.7	23.6
Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.7	3.6	1.2	19.4	18.0	8.9
Community sentence rate (%)	55.4	55.0	17.0	22.5	20.6	17.0

¹ Values are not shown for driving whilst disqualified for the Crown Court due to small numbers.

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Table 5.1 Persons sentenced by criminal justice area, custody rate and average custodial sentence length⁽¹⁾, 1996 - 2006

England and Wales		Number of persons, percentage and average custodial sentence length										
Criminal justice area/Outcome		1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Avon and Somerset	Total number sentenced	41,464	41,630	40,716	36,564	37,491	35,746	38,378	43,161	43,183	41,049	39,211
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	4.0	4.5	5.0	6.7	6.5	6.2	6.5	6.3	5.8	5.8	5.8
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	11.2	12.4	10.8	9.5	10.3	11.2	11.8	11.6	11.9	10.9	10.7
Bedfordshire	Total number sentenced	13,544	14,973	16,287	13,018	12,973	12,260	12,977	15,405	14,066	17,403	17,541
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	6.6	8.0	8.1	10.1	10.1	10.4	10.2	8.5	9.3	7.8	6.3
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	13.5	10.8	9.9	9.1	9.4	11.3	11.7	10.8	9.7	9.5	10.4
Cambridgeshire	Total number sentenced	17,395	16,858	16,160	12,192	10,225	9,009	9,114	10,478	10,896	13,034	17,411
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	3.9	5.0	5.4	7.6	9.4	11.0	11.5	11.9	9.6	8.0	6.2
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	14.8	13.2	12.0	11.6	15.0	14.6	15.0	14.6	14.9	12.8	12.0
Cheshire	Total number sentenced	21,986	23,397	24,936	24,454	26,842	25,322	28,331	27,549	30,276	25,745	24,215
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	8.1	7.9	8.2	8.7	7.6	7.2	6.4	6.9	5.9	7.3	8.2
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	13.2	13.5	11.8	11.4	11.2	11.0	13.5	11.2	11.2	11.5	10.0
Cleveland	Total number sentenced	16,092	15,887	16,678	17,436	18,642	19,891	20,480	19,689	21,108	18,530	17,391
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	6.4	7.9	7.6	7.5	8.0	7.7	7.7	7.5	6.3	6.5	7.2
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	13.6	13.8	12.8	11.4	10.8	12.2	14.5	13.5	15.5	15.4	13.3
Cumbria	Total number sentenced	16,903	16,976	16,352	15,761	13,611	11,519	11,336	14,889	15,430	14,972	15,147
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	4.6	5.0	4.9	5.4	6.0	7.6	7.7	5.2	5.6	5.7	5.3
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	10.8	12.1	10.2	12.5	10.3	11.0	11.1	11.8	12.4	11.9	11.6
Derbyshire	Total number sentenced	24,312	22,941	24,086	23,166	25,631	27,996	26,678	26,660	26,709	24,553	20,844
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	5.9	7.0	7.3	8.3	7.5	7.1	8.0	8.3	7.8	7.7	7.2
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	11.5	10.5	9.8	9.4	9.8	10.1	11.1	11.0	11.9	11.0	11.5
Devon and Cornwall	Total number sentenced	36,878	33,889	31,264	30,834	33,359	32,235	35,803	39,064	35,767	33,725	31,393
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	5.1	5.7	6.8	6.9	5.8	5.9	5.0	5.0	5.1	5.4	4.9
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	11.2	11.5	11.1	10.9	10.1	10.9	11.3	12.0	11.0	12.2	11.6
Dorset	Total number sentenced	15,564	12,885	13,493	13,278	15,012	13,814	14,339	15,286	14,855	16,793	15,458
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	5.3	7.5	8.0	9.5	7.9	8.1	8.6	7.1	6.6	6.5	6.1
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	11.0	9.9	9.6	9.2	8.6	8.1	10.0	9.4	10.7	10.7	10.2
Durham	Total number sentenced	11,969	11,036	12,214	14,938	14,821	14,471	14,032	12,409	11,263	10,621	9,823
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	8.5	9.0	9.1	9.0	8.3	9.2	8.8	9.2	8.5	8.7	8.6
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	12.8	11.8	11.1	8.2	10.2	9.3	11.0	11.0	12.0	12.0	12.0
Essex	Total number sentenced	43,673	40,988	43,534	43,617	42,958	41,256	47,534	42,195	41,032	41,575	42,149
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	6.2	6.7	6.6	6.7	5.9	6.8	6.5	7.4	8.3	8.0	6.9
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	9.2	10.0	10.1	9.2	9.1	8.5	9.3	8.5	9.1	8.4	8.4
Gloucestershire	Total number sentenced	15,245	13,373	14,101	12,580	14,258	12,700	12,916	11,563	12,118	11,629	10,813
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	3.5	4.1	3.7	4.8	4.6	5.1	4.9	6.4	6.7	7.2	6.9
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	10.7	12.9	11.1	10.1	12.2	10.1	10.9	12.3	11.0	9.2	12.1
Greater Manchester	Total number sentenced	103,438	93,833	102,364	103,895	111,962	96,714	97,047	97,580	104,060	95,291	89,442
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	6.5	7.7	7.5	7.4	6.6	7.2	7.3	7.2	6.4	6.5	6.8
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	12.8	12.8	11.8	11.7	11.5	11.9	12.4	13.0	13.1	13.0	12.4
Hampshire	Total number sentenced	47,743	44,392	46,806	48,017	46,547	44,894	45,025	44,133	44,199	42,013	38,328
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	4.3	5.3	5.6	6.1	6.3	6.4	6.4	6.1	6.7	6.8	7.0
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	12.7	11.8	10.4	10.0	9.8	10.4	12.4	11.1	11.4	11.7	12.6
Hertfordshire	Total number sentenced	18,883	18,890	20,746	20,624	20,842	20,095	20,777	24,449	26,723	28,125	26,422
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	5.1	5.4	4.6	5.1	5.7	6.3	6.4	5.2	5.4	5.8	5.0
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	13.2	14.1	12.5	10.8	11.0	12.4	14.1	13.4	12.2	11.5	10.4
Humberside	Total number sentenced	20,670	20,773	21,865	23,899	23,488	23,355	24,114	28,153	28,360	27,156	24,362
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	7.2	8.3	8.4	8.1	8.8	8.3	8.2	7.8	7.8	7.2	7.8
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	14.0	13.3	11.7	11.8	10.8	11.2	12.0	13.3	14.1	12.1	13.6
Kent	Total number sentenced	24,347	26,159	32,602	25,042	27,633	30,402	33,767	39,865	42,546	37,171	34,389
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	8.5	9.2	8.8	10.2	10.3	10.2	9.5	7.5	6.1	6.7	6.9
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	16.5	16.8	14.6	13.2	14.5	13.3	12.3	12.8	14.7	14.1	14.4
Lancashire	Total number sentenced	45,827	49,028	50,044	46,461	49,376	47,681	47,917	52,303	44,879	46,255	43,568
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	6.9	7.2	7.2	7.4	6.8	6.6	7.6	6.2	6.3	6.0	6.0
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	11.2	11.5	10.0	11.2	11.2	11.6	13.6	13.2	13.8	13.2	12.8
Leicestershire	Total number sentenced	24,247	24,988	27,309	28,181	27,538	27,491	29,734	33,577	31,371	26,215	23,530
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	5.5	7.5	6.8	7.4	7.4	7.5	7.1	6.0	5.8	6.2	6.2
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	10.4	10.8	10.9	9.9	10.2	9.6	10.7	11.5	12.8	11.7	11.1
Lincolnshire	Total number sentenced	14,748	18,517	18,198	19,475	18,416	21,237	21,173	23,186	23,217	20,344	19,385
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	4.1	4.3	4.5	4.1	4.5	4.6	4.3	3.5	3.8	3.8	3.4
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	14.7	11.2	10.9	12.4	12.2	10.5	12.9	13.6	13.4	12.5	13.0
London ⁽²⁾	Total number sentenced	224,196	200,288	208,742	198,891	194,066	174,754	200,855	197,069	213,389	215,425	221,524
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	6.8	8.5	8.5	8.7	9.0	10.0	9.9	9.5	8.6	8.4	8.1
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	13.7	13.5	12.7	13.3	12.5	13.8	14.2	13.7	14.6	14.4	14.0
Merseyside	Total number sentenced	47,137	41,666	42,222	36,245	40,435	41,211	44,121	49,638	48,496	42,443	37,746
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	6.7	8.0	8.6	10.0	9.4	8.4	8.2	7.6	8.3	9.1	9.3
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	12.1	11.9	11.5	10.7	10.6	11.7	12.5	13.2	11.9	11.6	12.4
Norfolk	Total number sentenced	18,358	19,045	17,544	16,394	15,112	16,600	16,527	19,473	18,859	17,798	18,549
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	4.6	4.5	5.3	6.6	7.3	6.5	6.8	5.9	6.3	6.2	5.6
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	10.3	11.7	10.3	9.2	10.1	10.0	10.8	11.3	11.5	12.6	12.8

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Table 5.1 Persons sentenced by criminal justice area, custody rate and average custodial sentence length⁽¹⁾, 1996 - 2006 (continued)

England and Wales		Number of persons, percentage and average custodial sentence length										
Criminal justice area/Outcome		1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
North Yorkshire	Total number sentenced	15,118	16,684	16,517	16,666	14,989	13,640	13,679	13,627	14,884	14,597	12,763
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	6.0	5.7	6.6	7.1	8.7	8.7	7.4	7.4	6.9	7.0	7.1
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	12.1	10.3	10.4	9.0	10.5	11.0	13.5	12.5	13.3	14.2	14.0
Northamptonshire	Total number sentenced	15,763	14,196	15,308	16,080	14,672	11,821	10,382	19,068	20,710	17,338	16,015
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	4.6	6.2	6.1	8.2	8.6	9.1	10.3	6.2	6.2	6.9	6.7
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	14.1	13.7	12.6	11.4	11.3	12.7	12.1	11.4	13.3	12.1	11.7
Northumbria	Total number sentenced	42,340	40,066	42,932	45,557	50,243	51,445	49,646	50,871	51,768	55,175	55,935
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	6.4	6.7	7.0	7.1	5.9	6.3	6.0	5.3	4.4	3.9	3.5
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	14.5	14.0	13.2	10.6	11.3	11.6	12.6	13.0	12.9	12.9	12.9
Nottinghamshire	Total number sentenced	29,753	27,035	28,634	26,088	28,035	28,013	28,819	32,094	32,172	30,980	28,310
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	7.8	9.3	9.2	11.3	10.3	9.6	9.1	8.1	7.9	7.7	7.7
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	12.2	11.3	11.3	11.3	11.4	11.0	12.0	13.1	12.7	12.2	12.2
South Yorkshire	Total number sentenced	34,238	32,700	35,611	35,592	38,405	35,878	40,508	35,408	38,126	37,249	35,997
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	6.8	8.1	8.4	9.1	9.3	9.8	8.3	9.4	8.3	8.1	8.1
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	13.1	11.7	11.4	10.6	10.4	12.2	12.8	14.2	15.2	13.8	12.6
Staffordshire	Total number sentenced	26,322	30,649	32,039	28,898	21,279	16,519	18,624	21,543	24,793	24,616	22,225
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	6.3	5.6	5.6	6.8	11.2	13.2	12.7	10.7	8.3	8.2	8.5
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	11.0	12.5	11.5	12.5	8.9	10.3	11.1	11.1	11.5	10.5	10.9
Suffolk	Total number sentenced	14,226	13,792	14,447	14,660	14,339	14,526	15,814	15,977	18,513	19,163	17,693
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	5.7	5.9	6.3	7.0	6.7	6.0	5.7	6.2	6.0	5.3	5.9
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	10.1	10.5	10.2	10.3	10.9	10.5	11.8	10.7	9.8	10.1	9.5
Surrey	Total number sentenced	14,675	13,446	13,103	14,347	15,844	16,313	15,157	14,146	15,596	15,943	16,505
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	4.4	5.3	4.8	4.3	4.4	4.6	4.7	5.1	5.3	5.2	5.5
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	13.6	13.9	11.6	12.5	13.2	13.9	12.3	14.8	11.8	11.7	12.4
Sussex	Total number sentenced	33,025	30,822	31,751	27,258	29,956	29,408	27,705	28,784	28,965	30,733	31,330
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	6.1	6.9	7.0	8.5	7.8	9.0	9.5	7.8	7.4	7.3	7.4
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	16.3	18.0	16.9	15.1	16.8	18.3	18.5	18.2	17.9	18.2	16.0
Thames Valley	Total number sentenced	41,663	38,425	44,503	40,131	43,874	39,976	45,744	44,637	49,331	48,335	42,749
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	4.3	5.0	4.3	5.2	5.4	6.1	5.9	5.1	4.9	5.2	6.0
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	12.6	13.3	12.0	12.8	11.5	12.7	12.9	13.4	13.7	13.2	13.5
Warwickshire	Total number sentenced	13,048	11,837	16,951	12,550	15,004	12,597	10,701	10,640	13,879	11,393	10,951
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	4.3	5.6	4.1	5.3	4.0	4.9	5.9	4.7	3.4	4.6	4.4
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	13.0	11.5	13.3	11.7	13.1	13.2	13.1	12.7	14.3	14.9	15.7
West Mercia	Total number sentenced	23,050	23,854	24,848	23,862	25,108	25,952	26,280	25,239	29,044	28,334	29,401
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	5.3	5.5	6.3	7.1	7.0	7.1	7.2	7.4	7.3	7.1	6.2
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	14.7	15.2	14.1	12.4	12.7	12.3	12.6	12.8	11.2	10.7	10.7
West Midlands	Total number sentenced	82,228	82,073	90,804	81,659	79,452	78,861	88,192	92,442	97,866	86,577	80,595
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	6.3	6.7	6.8	8.1	8.9	9.8	9.9	9.1	8.7	8.3	9.0
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	12.7	12.6	12.3	10.9	11.2	10.6	11.3	12.0	12.1	12.2	11.5
West Yorkshire	Total number sentenced	64,787	66,004	70,572	76,299	73,900	61,736	58,051	67,926	75,856	69,725	63,350
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	6.7	7.4	7.3	7.8	7.9	9.4	10.5	8.2	7.4	6.8	6.6
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	12.6	13.4	12.2	12.6	12.3	11.8	12.1	12.0	13.3	14.1	12.4
Wiltshire	Total number sentenced	16,200	15,884	20,655	18,601	14,374	15,058	15,366	17,577	17,232	16,872	16,310
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	2.8	2.8	3.1	3.7	4.5	4.6	4.7	4.0	4.0	3.5	3.6
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	13.7	13.0	10.9	10.1	10.8	9.9	11.2	10.5	12.0	11.5	11.8
England	Total number sentenced	1,331,055	1,279,879	1,356,938	1,303,210	1,320,712	1,252,396	1,317,643	1,377,753	1,431,537	1,374,895	1,318,770
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	6.0	6.9	7.0	7.6	7.6	8.0	8.0	7.4	7.0	6.9	6.9
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	12.8	12.8	11.9	11.5	11.5	11.9	12.6	12.6	13.0	12.7	12.5
Dyfed-Powys	Total number sentenced	14,216	13,457	14,021	13,672	13,239	11,923	12,788	14,011	11,994	11,999	11,145
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	3.8	4.7	4.3	5.1	4.5	5.6	5.0	4.2	4.5	4.4	4.5
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	12.1	12.8	10.6	10.7	8.9	11.7	11.2	11.8	11.3	10.3	11.3
Gwent	Total number sentenced	18,553	21,106	23,691	23,282	21,421	20,140	20,190	20,981	19,071	18,198	18,453
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	4.9	4.0	4.6	4.8	5.0	5.7	5.7	4.9	6.1	5.8	5.3
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	12.2	11.4	10.3	10.1	10.9	11.6	12.6	10.6	12.2	10.9	10.8
North Wales	Total number sentenced	19,235	16,348	16,799	16,010	17,022	16,394	19,424	21,351	23,039	21,146	22,611
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	5.3	6.6	6.8	7.4	6.8	6.6	5.8	5.0	5.1	5.6	4.9
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	12.3	11.4	11.2	9.3	10.4	9.6	10.2	11.1	9.9	10.2	10.6
South Wales	Total number sentenced	42,308	42,588	45,327	41,612	41,794	37,669	40,459	45,716	51,185	47,037	41,961
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	5.9	6.5	6.7	7.9	7.5	8.6	8.2	6.6	6.5	6.4	6.5
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	12.7	12.4	10.9	11.0	11.0	10.7	10.8	11.6	11.5	11.1	10.5
Wales	Total number sentenced	94,312	93,499	99,838	94,576	93,476	86,126	92,861	102,059	105,289	98,380	94,170
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	5.3	5.7	5.9	6.6	6.4	7.1	6.7	5.6	5.9	5.9	5.7
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	12.5	12.1	10.8	10.5	10.7	10.8	11.1	11.4	11.3	10.8	10.7
England and Wales	Total number sentenced	1,425,367	1,373,378	1,456,776	1,397,786	1,414,188	1,338,522	1,410,504	1,479,812	1,536,826	1,473,275	1,412,940
	Percentage given immediate custody (%)	6.0	6.8	6.9	7.5	7.5	7.9	7.9	7.3	6.9	6.9	6.8
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	12.8	12.7	11.8	11.5	11.4	11.8	12.6	12.6	12.9	12.6	12.4

¹ Excludes life and indeterminate sentences.

² Includes Metropolitan and City of London Police Force Areas.

Table 5.2 Recorded crime⁽¹⁾, defendants proceeded against, found guilty, cautioned and sentenced by criminal justice area, 2006

England and Wales	Number of offences and defendants							
	Recorded crime ⁽²⁾	Total defendants proceeded against	Total number found guilty or cautioned	Total number cautioned	Total number sentenced	Total number sentenced for indictable offences	Total number sentenced for summary offences (excl motoring) ⁽³⁾	Total number sentenced for summary motoring offences ⁽³⁾
Avon and Somerset	160,834	51,470	47,795	8,332	39,464	6,646	10,016	22,802
Bedfordshire	57,289	22,054	20,969	3,539	17,579	3,037	5,213	9,329
Cambridgeshire	69,146	20,839	21,743	4,233	17,508	3,461	4,761	9,286
Cheshire	89,023	28,669	29,672	5,318	24,315	5,278	8,127	10,910
Cleveland	68,452	20,791	23,106	5,672	17,420	4,834	6,855	5,731
Cumbria	38,640	18,110	18,224	2,956	15,275	3,033	4,158	8,084
Derbyshire	81,037	25,006	25,774	4,874	20,923	4,340	6,347	10,236
Devon and Cornwall	124,569	41,059	40,597	8,905	31,632	6,049	8,879	16,704
Dorset	55,142	19,744	19,530	4,024	15,504	3,273	4,722	7,509
Durham	53,173	12,478	14,136	4,330	9,826	3,467	2,517	3,842
Essex	127,163	50,782	54,041	11,763	42,325	7,095	15,014	20,216
Gloucestershire	52,388	14,044	14,387	3,553	10,844	2,537	3,261	5,046
Greater Manchester	332,554	112,140	103,921	13,820	90,027	21,794	30,010	38,223
Hampshire	180,894	47,415	47,365	8,962	38,393	8,323	14,647	15,423
Hertfordshire	91,408	34,584	33,038	6,379	26,623	4,135	9,531	12,957
Humberside	112,771	27,954	30,327	5,863	24,424	4,952	9,031	10,441
Kent	146,402	41,601	46,206	11,541	34,729	6,868	8,945	18,916
Lancashire	135,837	60,568	56,891	13,212	43,668	10,004	14,749	18,915
Leicestershire	93,108	30,669	29,616	6,045	23,567	5,103	7,474	10,990
Lincolnshire	55,478	23,503	23,852	4,264	19,559	2,833	4,620	12,106
London ⁽⁴⁾	929,752	278,903	267,561	44,694	222,488	49,605	108,812	64,071
Merseyside	155,208	47,271	41,878	4,030	37,814	9,530	17,432	10,852
Norfolk	62,626	21,610	23,117	4,471	18,666	3,838	5,043	9,785
North Yorkshire	54,526	15,810	15,178	2,337	12,841	3,683	3,532	5,626
Northamptonshire	65,975	19,845	20,901	4,714	16,218	3,029	3,566	9,623
Northumbria	129,070	69,041	72,528	16,389	56,122	10,890	24,552	20,680
Nottinghamshire	136,531	35,561	38,409	9,872	28,506	6,680	8,943	12,883
South Yorkshire	159,477	43,504	48,471	12,344	36,140	8,507	12,735	14,898
Staffordshire	104,336	27,569	30,640	8,098	22,504	5,423	3,448	13,633
Suffolk	51,096	22,672	21,910	4,093	17,796	3,583	5,272	8,941
Surrey	74,242	20,099	21,847	5,265	16,596	2,897	4,615	9,084
Sussex	133,147	39,089	40,891	9,327	31,519	7,141	13,477	10,901
Thames Valley	211,324	55,462	56,352	13,410	42,936	9,378	11,936	21,622
Warwickshire	45,254	12,880	14,616	3,610	10,986	2,094	3,013	5,879
West Mercia	82,095	36,090	37,665	8,110	29,527	5,612	8,455	15,460
West Midlands	278,660	105,641	101,803	20,774	81,005	20,168	27,778	33,059
West Yorkshire	249,670	82,939	83,979	20,314	63,607	14,244	16,404	32,959
Wiltshire	45,098	21,114	18,529	2,081	16,443	2,693	3,843	9,907
England	5,093,395	1,496,647	1,495,956	301,468	1,325,319	286,057	461,733	577,529
Dyfed-Powys	30,124	14,461	16,484	5,179	11,281	2,220	3,575	5,486
Gwent	53,182	23,054	24,386	5,649	18,682	3,219	7,663	7,800
North Wales	53,450	27,946	25,711	2,842	22,823	3,451	5,098	14,274
South Wales	121,717	55,266	47,332	4,789	42,466	7,590	17,451	17,425
Wales	258,473	120,727	113,913	18,459	95,252	16,480	33,787	44,985
British Transport Police ⁽⁵⁾	76,405
England and Wales	5,428,273	1,779,307	1,771,378	349,977	1,420,571	302,537	495,520	622,514

¹ Recorded crime is based on the financial year 2006/07.

² Recorded crime relates to offences and court proceedings etc to defendants. Because of this the two sets of data are not strictly comparable.

³ The majority of summary offences are excluded from the recorded crime statistics.

⁴ Includes Metropolitan and City of London Police Force Areas.

⁵ Court proceedings and cautions by BTP cannot be separately identified. Such cases are included within the appropriate Criminal Justice Area.

Table 5.3 Defendants sentenced by criminal justice area for indictable offences by court, committed for trial, and committed for sentence 1996 - 2006

England and Wales		Number of defendants										
Criminal justice area	Outcome	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Avon and Somerset	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	4,671	5,042	5,092	5,617	5,248	5,102	5,243	5,627	5,141	5,465	5,129
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	1,779	2,019	1,827	1,734	1,697	1,927	1,969	2,054	1,666	1,679	1,519
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	123	185	508	610	542	463	589	633	495	521	460
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	1,432	1,813	1,724	1,762	1,803	1,591	1,757	1,874	1,744	1,640	1,517
Bedfordshire	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	1,723	2,048	2,345	2,403	2,261	2,348	2,233	2,607	2,682	2,657	2,351
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	801	982	875	846	711	751	831	677	915	970	853
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	35	44	37	50	52	26	25	23	28	25	19
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	705	701	725	636	611	585	583	574	548	633	686
Cambridgeshire	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	2,003	2,408	2,719	2,882	2,477	2,472	2,528	2,545	2,351	2,626	2,637
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	777	908	690	686	647	769	778	752	693	841	819
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	36	76	229	289	221	229	214	274	248	243	245
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	665	835	801	819	775	793	851	949	817	846	824
Cheshire	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	5,151	4,973	5,444	5,378	4,735	4,314	4,501	4,415	3,812	3,739	3,934
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	1,635	1,846	1,609	1,678	1,247	1,170	1,173	1,178	1,060	1,270	1,292
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	58	84	106	153	344	266	219	214	240	303	322
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	1,541	1,659	1,659	1,497	1,369	1,174	1,131	1,056	994	1,229	1,344
Cleveland	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	3,678	3,772	4,018	4,664	4,740	4,756	4,857	4,634	4,536	3,730	3,707
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	1,243	1,312	990	1,196	1,029	1,343	1,442	1,468	1,171	1,226	1,169
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	68	149	276	352	261	305	341	207	200	217	292
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	894	1,090	1,062	997	954	1,065	1,173	1,160	1,114	1,067	1,127
Cumbria	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	2,973	2,941	3,001	3,045	2,445	2,281	2,372	2,434	2,547	2,567	2,469
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	729	666	627	627	596	678	665	635	660	743	619
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	66	88	205	194	133	146	146	143	116	111	115
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	678	677	621	575	592	628	553	568	573	573	564
Derbyshire	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	3,192	3,228	3,365	3,282	3,441	3,712	3,848	3,845	3,698	3,500	3,066
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	1,297	1,352	1,096	1,129	1,207	1,307	1,379	1,301	1,579	1,449	1,019
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	75	136	406	560	474	445	548	509	516	488	386
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	1,214	1,312	1,165	1,301	1,458	1,376	1,516	1,567	1,558	1,577	1,274
Devon and Cornwall	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	4,785	5,299	5,366	5,323	5,093	4,895	5,320	5,256	4,953	4,478	4,845
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	1,685	1,890	1,503	1,327	1,288	1,077	1,075	1,027	982	961	1,018
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	164	263	538	495	415	432	468	482	396	429	354
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	1,500	1,664	1,658	1,550	1,345	1,331	1,394	1,517	1,418	1,437	1,204
Dorset	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	2,278	2,035	2,556	2,806	2,717	2,571	2,834	2,817	2,723	2,914	2,645
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	809	845	657	649	609	651	616	514	521	670	698
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	55	97	291	260	197	170	154	146	142	187	164
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	668	703	772	770	689	597	630	553	527	609	628
Durham	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	2,607	2,749	2,828	3,585	3,585	3,577	3,449	3,038	2,604	2,732	2,559
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	1,003	969	914	1,128	1,050	950	918	809	753	998	1,008
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	45	58	185	119	89	231	205	189	73	144	126
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	860	868	934	814	699	844	812	779	714	790	908
Essex	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	5,699	5,856	5,665	5,389	5,208	5,905	5,189	5,109	5,007	5,446	5,233
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	1,994	1,968	1,579	1,354	1,050	1,285	1,420	1,682	1,790	1,734	1,831
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	88	176	611	543	316	231	254	283	409	576	598
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	1,464	1,592	1,764	1,683	1,242	1,116	1,356	1,414	1,652	1,716	1,862
Gloucestershire	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	2,020	2,058	2,365	2,364	2,301	2,467	2,475	2,229	2,457	2,390	2,010
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	290	541	393	417	307	372	451	478	442	633	496
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	19	58	162	211	185	207	197	230	208	225	135
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	423	520	475	517	506	466	467	598	561	569	527
Greater Manchester	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	15,423	15,744	16,704	17,024	16,385	16,258	16,502	16,494	16,371	16,299	16,276
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	5,591	6,265	5,279	5,341	5,386	6,086	6,247	6,530	6,234	6,455	6,467
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	276	440	1,277	1,241	911	728	759	816	900	1,046	1,062
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	5,567	5,708	5,646	5,456	5,152	4,860	5,101	5,187	5,377	5,333	5,518
Hampshire	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	6,775	7,445	8,701	8,969	7,779	7,454	7,648	7,661	7,600	6,835	6,254
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	2,425	2,724	2,580	2,441	2,250	2,478	2,488	2,470	2,285	2,468	2,306
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	77	157	463	474	427	400	432	413	481	503	460
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	1,833	2,073	2,123	2,030	2,024	1,957	2,010	1,928	2,029	2,050	2,069
Hertfordshire	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	2,429	2,285	2,347	2,574	2,887	2,799	3,027	3,400	3,593	3,855	3,231
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	784	882	684	828	930	900	1,026	1,153	1,189	1,324	1,352
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	23	52	168	193	171	130	190	170	188	202	191
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	867	847	728	759	774	836	906	874	905	961	904
Humberside	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	4,052	4,129	4,671	5,003	4,836	4,263	4,470	4,566	4,432	4,058	3,302
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	1,294	1,390	938	936	1,089	972	1,211	1,141	1,120	1,251	1,262
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	169	216	475	501	475	167	217	157	574	553	534
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	1,285	1,484	1,481	1,263	1,314	1,230	1,355	1,601	1,654	1,460	1,650
Kent	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	5,977	6,039	7,637	7,005	6,511	6,378	6,816	7,206	6,244	5,734	5,079
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	1,448	1,502	1,193	1,005	1,154	1,124	1,421	1,381	1,397	1,438	1,515
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	64	107	242	301	261	206	296	350	354	474	397
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	2,087	2,384	2,513	2,031	2,139	1,807	1,747	1,812	1,704	1,641	1,789
Lancashire	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	8,635	9,942	10,127	9,452	8,960	8,674	9,308	8,449	7,455	7,352	7,608
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	3,479	3,395	2,609	2,546	2,767	3,031	2,701	2,697	2,446	2,764	2,945
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	186	363	783	707	431	461	515	498	404	469	513
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	2,842	2,904	2,715	2,494	2,311	2,193	2,632	2,395	2,295	2,122	2,396
Leicestershire	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	3,279	3,881	4,159	4,119	3,903	4,173	4,393	4,408	4,294	4,264	3,843
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	1,265	1,539	1,358	1,244	1,362	1,607	1,687	1,420	1,484	1,565	1,365
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	120	198	539	429	385	367	336	311	272	329	277
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	982	1,462	1,395	1,436	1,369	1,309	1,448	1,451	1,290	1,324	1,260
Lincolnshire	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	2,178	2,755	2,929	3,000	2,585	2,800	2,665	2,602	2,382	2,196	2,285
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	634	840	612	638	611	588	637	669	666	608	578
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	16	52	203	208	146	167	191	217	206	190	190
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	513	651	637	627	609	547	620	661	760	617	548
London ⁽¹⁾	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	35,682	38,196	41,905	41,050	38,265	38,043	42,632	40,433	36,261	34,744	36,781
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	16,165	16,275	13,715	13,357	12,962	15,772	16,773	16,433	15,638	15,948	16,782
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	441	739	2,140	2,305	2,393	2,584	3,065	2,632	2,564	3,619	3,561
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	11,966	12,083	11,997	11,187	10,492	10,789	12,203	11,988	12,201	12,543	12,824
Merseyside	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	9,609	9,709	9,993	9,038	9,094	9,017	9,595	10,412	9,394	7,630	7,219
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	2,734	2,629	2,349	1,744	2,369	2,592	2,512	2,722	2,827	2,541	2,585
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	97	153	333	306	196	246	178	368	328	363	399
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	2,458	2,655	2,706	2,389	2,307	2,313	2,422	2,495	2,489	2,468	2,311
Norfolk	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	3,085	3,289	3,512	3,627	2,969	3,160	3,161	3,170	2,855	2,765	2,841
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	841	920	847	888							

Table 5.3 Defendants sentenced by criminal justice area for indictable offences by court, committed for trial, and committed for sentence 1996 - 2006 (continued)

England and Wales		Number of defendants										
Criminal justice area	Outcome	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
North Yorkshire	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	2,948	3,159	3,414	3,730	3,048	2,813	2,839	3,125	3,249	3,326	2,887
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	939	954	671	831	755	794	811	677	720	837	751
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	110	147	268	293	201	223	188	201	178	171	151
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	857	863	827	789	912	816	783	687	688	803	796
Northamptonshire	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	1,933	2,089	2,883	3,089	2,779	2,284	2,133	2,269	2,374	2,291	2,380
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	459	445	664	474	345	304	405	370	576	713	533
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	25	48	230	277	190	180	181	138	187	205	118
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	633	727	738	818	696	591	667	639	731	727	649
Northumbria	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	8,167	8,124	9,870	10,355	9,842	10,137	9,799	9,772	8,575	8,725	8,975
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	2,670	2,656	2,384	2,577	2,232	2,180	2,197	2,327	1,907	2,172	2,192
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	136	212	582	539	469	450	415	371	292	246	261
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	2,329	2,490	2,372	2,291	2,081	2,262	2,199	2,126	1,862	1,894	1,915
Nottinghamshire	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	4,911	4,855	5,098	5,424	5,923	6,097	5,896	6,270	5,916	5,263	5,039
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	1,996	2,057	1,796	1,924	1,675	1,690	1,663	1,684	1,610	1,721	1,516
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	286	340	631	745	606	585	576	594	462	415	368
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	1,807	2,112	1,987	2,132	2,125	1,797	1,814	1,826	1,693	1,673	1,641
South Yorkshire	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	5,963	6,505	6,558	7,890	8,078	7,670	7,510	7,757	6,995	6,588	6,228
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	1,981	2,419	1,995	2,114	2,093	2,325	2,370	2,438	2,129	2,060	2,099
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	278	407	781	843	712	683	687	606	499	584	539
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	2,048	2,266	2,667	2,497	2,599	2,555	2,451	2,472	2,429	2,206	2,279
Staffordshire	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	4,410	4,426	4,649	4,224	5,008	4,377	4,820	4,910	4,546	4,580	4,119
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	1,534	1,638	1,315	1,048	1,114	1,222	1,386	1,400	1,311	1,274	1,234
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	159	144	347	330	400	374	402	412	307	282	287
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	1,434	1,385	1,411	1,365	1,220	1,232	1,467	1,439	1,464	1,240	1,304
Suffolk	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	2,511	2,680	2,504	2,610	2,495	2,394	2,572	2,858	2,659	2,703	2,911
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	789	821	580	606	531	658	617	624	611	666	697
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	79	80	253	295	199	151	157	191	193	196	238
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	671	646	768	686	675	578	591	597	667	629	672
Surrey	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	1,749	1,958	2,057	2,129	2,205	2,352	2,304	2,188	2,183	2,277	2,217
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	664	744	547	582	646	874	755	763	683	805	807
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	33	70	141	159	135	83	90	112	143	184	139
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	760	771	596	557	575	649	611	603	602	645	680
Sussex	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	4,756	4,877	5,066	5,099	4,466	5,095	5,177	4,748	4,561	5,147	5,218
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	2,019	1,992	1,584	1,716	1,846	2,164	1,930	1,876	1,866	2,023	2,096
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	190	240	491	482	397	422	477	430	441	605	661
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	1,657	1,686	1,717	1,457	1,559	1,698	1,661	1,603	1,598	1,677	1,923
Thames Valley	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	6,545	6,218	6,617	6,529	6,400	6,619	6,937	6,191	5,772	7,187	7,334
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	1,819	1,810	1,320	1,250	1,260	1,567	1,898	1,716	1,461	2,264	2,105
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	66	108	364	488	485	435	541	498	425	618	620
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	1,463	1,661	1,525	1,474	1,539	1,629	1,771	1,743	1,752	1,891	2,044
Warwickshire	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	1,736	1,802	1,836	1,780	1,523	1,531	1,555	1,597	1,557	1,491	1,686
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	499	532	333	275	277	297	286	265	275	308	363
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	19	44	148	163	154	156	124	102	96	102	114
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	457	535	517	446	410	434	385	307	322	380	408
West Mercia	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	3,818	3,808	4,154	4,504	4,145	4,339	4,175	4,058	4,265	4,419	4,349
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	1,111	1,222	1,087	995	976	1,280	1,368	1,271	1,276	1,393	1,182
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	53	84	386	431	379	403	406	351	284	337	278
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	1,110	1,180	1,341	1,279	1,257	1,227	1,309	1,301	1,180	1,380	1,263
West Midlands	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	12,495	14,126	16,207	16,722	17,651	19,463	20,205	19,300	17,132	14,067	14,900
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	4,377	5,235	5,138	5,096	5,756	6,607	7,430	7,082	6,201	5,803	5,846
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	250	354	1,002	1,182	1,113	1,096	1,338	1,336	1,055	1,046	1,096
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	3,937	4,654	4,989	5,084	5,200	5,342	5,804	5,736	5,676	4,950	5,268
West Yorkshire	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	11,780	12,810	14,153	15,123	13,767	12,334	13,521	13,600	13,151	12,014	11,358
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	4,331	5,551	4,414	4,559	3,631	3,447	3,499	3,484	3,719	3,075	2,594
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	214	271	982	1,211	877	946	951	918	824	805	660
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	3,818	4,436	4,542	4,753	4,309	3,446	3,216	3,334	3,836	3,604	2,886
Wiltshire	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	1,500	1,931	2,639	2,496	2,319	2,619	2,389	2,402	2,393	2,389	2,218
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	374	560	412	287	260	375	407	414	442	481	481
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	10	25	193	184	187	182	198	174	131	158	179
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	435	433	518	459	398	425	421	415	392	409	475
England	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	213,126	225,191	245,154	249,303	238,074	237,543	246,898	244,392	228,720	220,533	217,123
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	76,273	82,295	69,164	68,073	66,359	73,924	77,233	76,463	72,910	75,732	74,658
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	4,246	6,525	17,050	18,199	15,582	15,125	16,447	15,922	14,992	17,303	16,646
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	66,557	72,243	72,609	69,481	66,882	64,728	68,593	68,664	68,633	68,145	68,934
Dyfed-Powys	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	2,301	2,473	2,946	2,960	2,530	2,263	2,397	2,341	1,909	1,923	1,801
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	733	810	524	461	428	416	456	440	393	395	433
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	27	46	199	177	130	112	122	152	121	122	125
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	566	666	583	545	433	473	432	445	363	357	419
Gwent	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	2,650	3,345	3,448	3,708	3,574	3,624	3,334	3,250	2,921	2,318	2,533
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	948	1,036	886	855	814	1,005	1,149	1,046	1,136	868	881
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	40	50	157	101	111	124	180	128	138	173	181
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	904	763	863	787	820	837	1,005	758	908	685	686
North Wales	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	3,438	3,259	3,886	3,665	3,454	3,292	3,336	3,539	3,443	3,006	2,701
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	687	766	533	579	541	634	620	604	674	723	710
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	76	115	248	266	225	188	161	158	190	259	251
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	739	741	732	623	653	577	587	584	566	720	750
South Wales	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	7,864	7,987	8,548	8,045	7,519	7,633	7,783	7,666	7,158	6,630	5,638
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	2,396	2,417	2,061	2,094	1,855	2,495	2,668	2,365	2,567	2,201	1,999
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	86	180	640	710	425	521	530	541	593	595	644
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	2,181	2,181	2,333	2,547	2,271	2,233	2,379	2,311	2,316	2,281	1,952
Wales	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	16,253	17,064	18,828	18,378	17,077	16,812	16,850	16,796	15,431	13,877	12,673
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	4,764	5,029	4,004	3,989	3,638	4,550	4,893	4,455	4,770	4,187	4,023
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	229	391	1,244	1,254	891	945	993	979	1,042	1,159	1,201
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	4,390	4,351	4,511	4,502	4,177	4,120	4,403	4,078	4,153	4,043	3,807
England and Wales	Total number sentenced at magistrates' courts	229,379	242,255	263,982	267,681	255,151	254,355	263,748	261,188	244,151	234,410	229,796
	Committed for trial to the Crown Court	81,037	87,324	73,168	72,062	69,997	78,474	82,126	80,918	77,680	79,919	78,681
	Committed for sentence to the Crown Court	4,475	6,916	18,294	19,453	16,473	16,070	17,440	16,901	16,034	18,462	17,947
	Total number sentenced at the Crown Court	70,947	76,594	77,120	73,983	71,059	68,848	72,996	72,742	72,786	72,188	72,741

Table 5.4 Offenders sentenced for indictable offences by criminal justice area, type of court and outcome, 2006

England and Wales											Number of offenders
Criminal justice area	Magistrates' courts					The Crown Court					
	Sentenced	Immediate custody	Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	Community sentence	Fine	Sentenced	Immediate custody	Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	Community sentence	Fine	
Avon and Somerset	5,129	855	2.5	1,726	923	1,517	759	27.6	383	29	
Bedfordshire	2,351	377	3.0	828	532	686	466	20.9	106	22	
Cambridgeshire	2,637	304	2.9	1,015	599	824	498	23.2	152	17	
Cheshire	3,934	739	2.7	1,496	637	1,344	784	21.7	292	22	
Cleveland	3,707	402	3.0	1,436	441	1,127	632	23.6	234	19	
Cumbria	2,469	279	3.6	1,157	652	564	313	25.1	122	13	
Derbyshire	3,066	422	3.5	1,281	649	1,274	645	23.1	347	29	
Devon and Cornwall	4,845	525	2.0	1,472	1,043	1,204	579	27.9	306	51	
Dorset	2,645	320	2.2	679	826	628	381	22.2	129	10	
Durham	2,559	267	3.1	1,056	454	908	414	21.9	271	24	
Essex	5,233	954	2.4	2,067	1,118	1,862	1,015	19.8	388	53	
Gloucestershire	2,010	265	2.8	824	433	527	314	25.5	105	9	
Greater Manchester	16,276	2,193	3.2	6,937	2,668	5,518	2,788	24.0	1,579	75	
Hampshire	6,254	729	3.2	2,835	1,390	2,069	1,129	26.4	457	57	
Hertfordshire	3,231	488	2.3	1,426	691	904	499	23.8	191	39	
Humberside	3,302	505	3.4	1,266	468	1,650	925	24.8	350	18	
Kent	5,079	700	3.3	2,020	904	1,789	1,184	26.2	280	31	
Lancashire	7,608	848	3.0	3,104	1,595	2,396	1,262	23.7	571	28	
Leicestershire	3,843	455	3.2	1,723	556	1,260	594	23.5	374	37	
Lincolnshire	2,285	195	2.8	718	436	548	296	26.4	94	15	
London ⁽²⁾	36,781	5,989	2.8	12,502	10,934	12,824	8,027	28.4	2,486	377	
Merseyside	7,219	1,281	2.8	2,681	1,598	2,311	1,424	27.1	498	27	
Norfolk	2,841	261	2.1	1,063	606	997	546	22.5	223	24	
North Yorkshire	2,887	271	2.6	1,215	476	796	475	24.6	144	27	
Northamptonshire	2,380	345	3.3	1,134	308	649	447	24.3	127	11	
Northumbria	8,975	622	3.6	2,991	2,055	1,915	937	24.4	559	50	
Nottinghamshire	5,039	753	2.7	2,086	892	1,641	896	26.6	398	32	
South Yorkshire	6,228	893	2.9	2,608	915	2,279	1,359	24.2	406	28	
Staffordshire	4,119	648	3.3	1,500	839	1,304	745	23.0	345	25	
Suffolk	2,911	363	2.7	1,045	592	672	388	22.0	110	16	
Surrey	2,217	262	2.7	858	604	680	428	23.1	129	26	
Sussex	5,218	685	2.9	2,057	1,016	1,923	1,205	28.6	337	23	
Thames Valley	7,334	792	2.9	2,642	2,095	2,044	1,192	26.4	452	40	
Warwickshire	1,686	167	3.3	761	325	408	253	27.8	84	7	
West Mercia	4,349	694	2.7	1,681	921	1,263	702	23.6	265	29	
West Midlands	14,900	2,692	2.9	5,375	3,973	5,268	2,847	25.2	1,361	94	
West Yorkshire	11,358	1,542	3.1	4,180	1,005	2,886	1,815	25.2	642	28	
Wiltshire	2,218	190	3.7	886	474	475	271	22.2	96	15	
England	217,123	30,272	2.9	82,331	46,643	68,934	39,434	25.4	15,393	1,477	
Dyfed-Powys	1,801	159	2.9	546	550	419	226	21.9	92	8	
Gwent	2,533	307	3.3	1,011	702	686	362	24.3	163	15	
North Wales	2,701	317	3.2	1,183	660	750	498	19.8	118	24	
South Wales	5,638	824	3.2	1,815	1,511	1,952	1,133	21.6	319	38	
Wales	12,673	1,607	3.2	4,555	3,423	3,807	2,219	21.7	692	85	
England and Wales	229,796	31,879	2.9	86,886	50,066	72,741	41,653	25.2	16,085	1,562	

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Table 5.4 Offenders sentenced for indictable offences by criminal justice area, type of court and outcome, 2006 (continued)

England and Wales		Number of offenders			
Criminal justice area	All Courts				
	Sentenced	Immediate custody	Average custodial sentence length (months) ⁽¹⁾	Community sentence	Fine
Avon and Somerset	6,646	1,614	14.0	2,109	952
Bedfordshire	3,037	843	12.8	934	554
Cambridgeshire	3,461	802	15.2	1,167	616
Cheshire	5,278	1,523	12.1	1,788	659
Cleveland	4,834	1,034	15.4	1,670	460
Cumbria	3,033	592	14.8	1,279	665
Derbyshire	4,340	1,067	15.1	1,628	678
Devon and Cornwall	6,049	1,104	15.2	1,778	1,094
Dorset	3,273	701	12.8	808	836
Durham	3,467	681	14.3	1,327	478
Essex	7,095	1,969	11.2	2,455	1,171
Gloucestershire	2,537	579	14.8	929	442
Greater Manchester	21,794	4,981	14.5	8,516	2,743
Hampshire	8,323	1,858	17.0	3,292	1,447
Hertfordshire	4,135	987	13.0	1,617	730
Humberside	4,952	1,430	17.1	1,616	486
Kent	6,868	1,884	17.5	2,300	935
Lancashire	10,004	2,110	15.2	3,675	1,623
Leicestershire	5,103	1,049	14.4	2,097	593
Lincolnshire	2,833	491	16.7	812	451
London ⁽²⁾	49,605	14,016	17.2	14,988	11,311
Merseyside	9,530	2,705	15.3	3,179	1,625
Norfolk	3,838	807	15.7	1,286	630
North Yorkshire	3,683	746	16.4	1,359	503
Northamptonshire	3,029	792	14.9	1,261	319
Northumbria	10,890	1,559	15.6	3,550	2,105
Nottinghamshire	6,680	1,649	15.3	2,484	924
South Yorkshire	8,507	2,252	15.5	3,014	943
Staffordshire	5,423	1,393	13.6	1,845	864
Suffolk	3,583	751	12.4	1,155	608
Surrey	2,897	690	15.2	987	630
Sussex	7,141	1,890	19.1	2,394	1,039
Thames Valley	9,378	1,984	16.7	3,094	2,135
Warwickshire	2,094	420	17.7	845	332
West Mercia	5,612	1,396	13.1	1,946	950
West Midlands	20,168	5,539	14.1	6,736	4,067
West Yorkshire	14,244	3,357	14.8	4,822	1,033
Wiltshire	2,693	461	14.3	982	489
England	286,057	69,706	15.4	97,724	48,120
Dyfed-Powys	2,220	385	13.8	638	558
Gwent	3,219	669	14.4	1,174	717
North Wales	3,451	815	13.2	1,301	684
South Wales	7,590	1,957	13.6	2,134	1,549
Wales	16,480	3,826	13.7	5,247	3,508
England and Wales	302,537	73,532	15.3	102,971	51,628

¹ Excludes life and indeterminate sentences

² Includes Metropolitan and City of London Police Force Areas

Table 5.5 Offenders sentenced at magistrates' courts by criminal justice area, type of sentence and average custodial sentence length (months), 1996 - 2006

England and Wales		Number of offenders										
Criminal justice area	Outcome	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Avon and Somerset	Total number sentenced	40,229	39,943	39,139	34,913	35,796	34,366	36,856	41,763	42,116	39,606	37,851
	Number given immediate custody	865	915	1,103	1,508	1,429	1,341	1,482	1,631	1,534	1,433	1,491
	Number given community sentences	2,795	3,055	2,940	3,358	3,125	3,357	3,583	3,756	3,800	4,577	3,532
	Number given fines	32,901	32,020	30,799	25,372	26,707	25,238	27,212	31,650	32,402	29,118	28,269
	Number given suspended sentences	35	33	21	27	32	48	23	37	24	191	593
	Number given other disposals	3,633	3,920	4,276	4,648	4,503	4,382	4,556	4,689	4,356	4,287	3,966
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.4	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.0	3.0	2.7	2.7
Bedfordshire	Total number sentenced	12,897	14,310	15,613	12,399	12,470	11,714	12,412	14,862	13,528	16,785	16,852
	Number given immediate custody	390	715	829	858	866	823	860	891	920	916	624
	Number given community sentences	1,098	1,142	1,233	1,181	1,200	1,367	1,544	1,799	2,000	1,757	1,833
	Number given fines	9,959	10,795	12,045	8,923	9,056	8,205	8,744	10,526	9,232	12,410	12,964
	Number given suspended sentences	2	50	2	2	0	4	5	5	4	43	253
	Number given other disposals	1,448	1,658	1,504	1,435	1,348	1,315	1,259	1,641	1,372	1,659	1,148
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.1	2.9	2.8	2.7	3.1	3.1	3.1	2.9	2.8	2.8	3.0
Cambridgeshire	Total number sentenced	16,813	16,101	15,411	11,416	9,472	8,222	8,252	9,536	10,093	12,219	16,634
	Number given immediate custody	248	318	403	435	416	462	476	618	495	508	576
	Number given community sentences	1,019	1,210	1,354	1,434	1,439	1,470	1,788	1,876	1,981	2,182	2,213
	Number given fines	14,303	12,918	12,192	8,080	6,401	5,051	4,765	5,750	6,399	8,025	12,097
	Number given suspended sentences	6	10	5	5	9	8	5	5	1	54	278
	Number given other disposals	1,237	1,645	1,457	1,462	1,207	1,231	1,218	1,287	1,217	1,450	1,470
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.0	3.0	3.1	2.9	3.2	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.2	2.9
Cheshire	Total number sentenced	20,561	21,941	23,421	23,039	25,582	24,210	27,289	26,561	29,339	24,612	22,905
	Number given immediate custody	761	756	914	1,093	1,115	963	1,007	1,169	1,075	1,103	1,181
	Number given community sentences	2,304	2,260	2,470	2,431	2,143	1,951	2,721	2,864	2,823	3,148	3,320
	Number given fines	14,590	16,146	17,220	16,974	19,753	18,803	21,055	20,227	23,328	18,288	15,973
	Number given suspended sentences	7	11	2	3	11	5	3	5	8	37	144
	Number given other disposals	2,899	2,768	2,815	2,538	2,560	2,488	2,503	2,496	2,105	2,036	2,287
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.0	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.8	3.0	3.2	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.8
Cleveland	Total number sentenced	15,212	14,851	15,674	16,478	17,728	18,832	19,308	18,513	20,006	17,475	16,235
	Number given immediate custody	483	564	596	690	849	809	800	786	651	560	603
	Number given community sentences	1,824	1,642	1,839	1,957	1,978	2,160	2,434	2,514	2,794	2,714	2,658
	Number given fines	10,893	10,316	10,905	10,975	12,205	12,908	13,233	12,102	13,396	11,506	10,191
	Number given suspended sentences	16	15	12	13	16	9	10	21	21	104	352
	Number given other disposals	1,996	2,314	2,322	2,843	2,680	2,942	2,832	3,101	3,144	2,591	2,431
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.5	3.1	3.1	2.9	3.2	3.0	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.2	3.1
Cumbria	Total number sentenced	16,482	16,508	15,858	15,334	13,142	10,975	10,812	14,447	14,967	14,458	14,673
	Number given immediate custody	349	385	420	438	434	493	495	434	496	518	494
	Number given community sentences	1,168	1,265	1,297	1,655	1,590	1,700	1,930	2,039	2,283	2,342	2,351
	Number given fines	13,116	13,108	12,487	11,672	9,918	7,688	7,380	10,696	10,956	10,519	10,673
	Number given suspended sentences	11	15	3	8	8	10	5	2	0	23	100
	Number given other disposals	1,838	1,735	1,651	1,561	1,192	1,084	1,002	1,276	1,232	1,056	1,055
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.1	3.5	3.7	3.7	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.4
Derbyshire	Total number sentenced	23,259	21,748	23,056	21,976	24,238	26,690	25,202	25,144	25,194	23,008	19,588
	Number given immediate custody	760	869	1,005	1,092	1,022	1,152	1,241	1,319	1,219	1,054	848
	Number given community sentences	2,132	2,159	2,287	2,287	2,464	2,682	3,044	3,066	3,285	3,231	2,901
	Number given fines	18,081	16,567	17,749	16,710	18,848	20,940	19,014	18,718	18,782	16,729	13,765
	Number given suspended sentences	16	22	31	21	17	24	19	15	22	86	445
	Number given other disposals	2,270	2,131	2,004	1,866	1,887	1,892	1,884	2,026	1,896	1,908	1,629
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.7	3.0	3.0	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.3
Devon and Cornwall	Total number sentenced	35,523	32,372	29,701	29,364	32,130	31,019	34,510	37,773	34,527	32,542	30,356
	Number given immediate custody	999	998	1,180	1,196	1,151	1,137	1,087	1,165	1,087	1,022	947
	Number given community sentences	2,379	2,548	2,550	2,729	2,705	2,959	3,701	3,641	3,374	3,973	2,642
	Number given fines	28,837	25,081	22,320	21,691	24,455	23,315	25,575	28,477	24,056	23,856	22,431
	Number given suspended sentences	39	30	27	39	28	32	23	27	21	77	193
	Number given other disposals	3,268	3,715	3,624	3,709	3,791	3,576	4,124	4,463	5,989	3,614	4,143
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	2.9	2.7	2.6	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.8	2.7	2.5	2.5	2.4
Dorset	Total number sentenced	14,926	12,226	12,752	12,529	14,356	13,263	13,748	14,772	14,377	16,223	14,807
	Number given immediate custody	409	560	616	777	742	757	821	738	651	678	546
	Number given community sentences	1,361	1,221	1,392	1,398	1,464	1,394	1,390	1,251	1,474	1,819	1,431
	Number given fines	11,530	8,975	9,063	8,527	10,125	8,961	9,073	10,318	10,224	11,587	10,548
	Number given suspended sentences	9	7	15	8	12	16	15	25	17	71	239
	Number given other disposals	1,617	1,463	1,666	1,819	2,013	2,135	2,449	2,440	2,011	2,068	2,043
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.1	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.6	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.4
Durham	Total number sentenced	11,097	10,158	11,260	14,093	14,081	13,603	13,207	11,615	10,518	9,794	8,865
	Number given immediate custody	468	496	551	674	799	855	746	692	558	503	421
	Number given community sentences	1,454	1,523	1,581	2,101	2,077	2,067	2,381	2,304	2,220	2,218	2,176
	Number given fines	7,357	6,324	7,040	8,530	8,567	8,183	7,639	6,314	5,778	5,051	4,241
	Number given suspended sentences	17	8	17	11	4	1	0	0	2	124	257
	Number given other disposals	1,801	1,807	2,071	2,577	2,634	2,497	2,441	2,305	1,960	1,898	1,770
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.4	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.4	3.1	3.4	3.5	3.3	3.3	3.0
Essex	Total number sentenced	42,472	39,681	41,977	42,178	41,903	40,317	46,311	40,940	39,493	39,901	40,334
	Number given immediate custody	1,727	1,686	1,794	1,851	1,759	2,083	2,209	2,284	2,406	2,284	1,871
	Number given community sentences	2,983	3,154	3,333	3,079	3,284	3,847	3,994	4,138	4,691	5,014	4,932
	Number given fines	34,889	31,629	33,953	34,541	34,056	32,109	37,954	32,387	30,461	30,056	30,564
	Number given suspended sentences	25	18	14	24	16	13	2	9	44	336	925
	Number given other disposals	2,848	3,194	2,883	2,683	2,768	2,265	2,152	2,122	1,891	2,211	2,042
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.5
Gloucestershire	Total number sentenced	14,899	12,926	13,705	12,089	13,786	12,278	12,489	11,003	11,600	11,064	10,293
	Number given immediate custody	303	301	302	370	388	406	397	431	488	500	431
	Number given community sentences	1,113	1,102	1,231	1,286	1,303	1,562	1,653	1,509	1,735	1,722	1,542
	Number given fines	12,107	10,197	10,699	9,197	10,948	9,070	9,045	7,687	7,908	7,220	6,931
	Number given suspended sentences	10	9	12	18	7	12	13	7	14	67	191
	Number given other disposals	1,366	1,317	1,461	1,218	1,140	1,228	1,381	1,369	1,455	1,555	1,198
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.4	3.1	3.1	2.9	3.5	3.3	3.3	3.3	2.9	2.7	2.9
Greater Manchester	Total number sentenced	98,731	88,632	97,568	98,916	107,544	92,332	92,385	92,754	98,899	90,249	84,188
	Number given immediate custody	3,062	3,544	3,937	4,091	4,119	4,000	4,051	4,127	3,786	3,405	3,250
	Number given community sentences	7,691	7,608	8,320	9,140	9,573	10,223	10,778	10,642	12,122	12,805	12,505
	Number given fines	77,420	67,035	74,880	74,686	82,984	67,908	66,528	65,886	70,601	62,830	57,029
	Number given suspended sentences	56	67	48	46	37	34	37	64	72	580	1,827
	Number given other disposals	10,502	10,378	10,383	10,953	10,831	10,167	10,991	12,035	12,318	10,629	9,577
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.8	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.1
Hampshire	Total number sentenced	46,167</										

Table 5.5 Offenders sentenced at magistrates' courts by criminal justice area, type of sentence and average custodial sentence length (months), 1996 - 2006 (continued)

England and Wales		Number of offenders										
Criminal justice area	Outcome	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Humberside	Total number sentenced	19,519	19,408	20,575	22,748	22,324	22,210	22,843	26,667	26,910	25,778	22,686
	Number given immediate custody	871	734	863	1,077	1,192	1,128	1,111	1,235	1,129	1,085	948
	Number given community sentences	2,038	1,967	2,047	2,412	2,681	2,393	2,731	3,032	3,514	3,436	2,761
	Number given fines	13,728	13,727	14,523	15,615	15,150	15,703	15,836	18,906	19,287	18,365	16,125
	Number given suspended sentences	74	63	41	45	38	15	32	58	48	145	420
	Number given other disposals	3,008	2,917	3,101	3,599	3,263	2,971	3,133	3,436	2,932	2,747	2,432
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.4	3.2	3.2	3.0	2.9	3.1	3.0	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.3
Kent	Total number sentenced	22,373	23,859	30,122	23,013	25,492	28,667	32,194	38,571	41,175	35,884	32,875
	Number given immediate custody	885	1,026	1,364	1,276	1,438	1,878	1,984	1,739	1,462	1,348	1,191
	Number given community sentences	3,503	3,455	4,027	3,739	3,678	3,349	3,593	4,474	4,562	4,607	4,470
	Number given fines	14,927	16,409	20,921	14,390	17,185	20,388	22,699	28,352	31,541	26,515	23,727
	Number given suspended sentences	32	35	38	45	31	43	51	30	28	51	471
	Number given other disposals	3,026	2,934	3,772	3,663	3,160	3,009	3,867	3,976	3,582	3,363	3,016
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.1	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.3	3.4	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.4	3.3
Lancashire	Total number sentenced	43,108	46,224	47,466	44,077	47,163	45,632	45,450	50,036	42,618	44,134	41,154
	Number given immediate custody	1,401	1,694	1,898	1,760	1,816	1,694	1,821	1,671	1,389	1,391	1,331
	Number given community sentences	3,550	3,932	4,216	4,170	4,569	4,486	5,602	5,566	5,613	6,029	6,271
	Number given fines	32,403	33,978	34,505	31,694	34,134	32,735	31,618	36,645	30,857	32,107	28,440
	Number given suspended sentences	20	44	51	36	43	25	24	26	28	134	666
	Number given other disposals	5,734	6,576	6,796	6,417	6,601	6,692	6,385	6,128	4,731	4,473	4,446
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.7	3.0	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.2	3.1	3.0
Leicestershire	Total number sentenced	23,434	23,639	26,055	26,800	26,207	26,298	28,343	32,184	30,163	24,894	22,238
	Number given immediate custody	704	1,001	1,015	1,207	1,158	1,280	1,284	1,237	1,082	945	855
	Number given community sentences	2,050	2,414	2,526	2,634	2,650	3,047	3,545	3,707	3,887	4,010	3,889
	Number given fines	18,678	17,719	19,802	20,038	19,617	19,304	20,664	24,203	22,209	16,812	14,566
	Number given suspended sentences	11	19	29	23	32	34	18	46	44	207	507
	Number given other disposals	1,991	2,486	2,683	2,898	2,750	2,633	2,832	2,991	2,941	2,920	2,621
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.0	3.0
Lincolnshire	Total number sentenced	14,269	17,982	17,688	18,919	17,854	20,749	20,608	22,589	22,636	19,889	18,991
	Number given immediate custody	281	396	456	431	476	619	537	431	421	393	363
	Number given community sentences	1,067	1,415	1,550	1,577	1,493	1,592	1,722	1,747	1,802	1,368	1,478
	Number given fines	11,376	13,902	13,214	14,360	13,767	16,440	16,119	17,894	18,112	15,979	14,832
	Number given suspended sentences	3	18	18	23	9	31	19	19	19	75	285
	Number given other disposals	1,542	2,251	2,430	2,635	2,095	2,089	2,199	2,499	2,282	2,074	2,033
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.5	3.1	2.9	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.3	3.3	3.2	2.9
London ⁽¹⁾	Total number sentenced	214,498	190,010	198,499	189,336	185,165	165,792	190,055	186,249	201,879	203,080	209,123
	Number given immediate custody	7,859	9,435	10,236	9,952	10,396	10,422	11,809	11,315	10,687	10,040	9,689
	Number given community sentences	14,607	15,113	15,768	15,269	15,580	17,502	20,466	19,462	20,956	21,575	22,487
	Number given fines	175,381	150,055	157,049	148,821	146,167	125,160	143,848	141,975	157,417	159,090	160,912
	Number given suspended sentences	294	194	270	253	259	182	223	263	306	1,117	3,765
	Number given other disposals	16,357	15,213	15,176	15,041	12,763	12,526	13,709	13,234	12,513	11,258	12,270
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8
Merseyside	Total number sentenced	44,791	39,068	39,609	33,980	38,194	38,991	41,775	47,139	45,945	39,922	35,347
	Number given immediate custody	1,644	1,748	2,026	2,116	2,221	1,953	1,983	2,213	2,373	2,289	2,060
	Number given community sentences	3,274	3,766	3,802	3,471	3,784	4,425	4,729	5,751	6,840	6,149	5,220
	Number given fines	35,081	29,120	29,601	24,550	28,271	28,505	30,598	33,945	32,044	27,456	23,765
	Number given suspended sentences	21	20	10	5	13	16	6	9	15	114	567
	Number given other disposals	4,771	4,414	4,170	3,838	3,905	4,092	4,459	5,221	4,673	3,914	3,735
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.7	3.0	3.0	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.9
Norfolk	Total number sentenced	17,740	18,384	16,781	15,615	14,323	15,975	15,770	18,699	18,093	17,043	17,595
	Number given immediate custody	372	404	479	613	619	689	672	640	656	597	481
	Number given community sentences	1,403	1,620	2,041	1,994	1,776	2,109	2,440	2,247	2,287	2,125	2,251
	Number given fines	13,662	13,807	11,684	10,702	10,054	11,067	10,637	13,425	12,912	12,188	12,538
	Number given suspended sentences	21	20	23	23	9	32	20	18	19	147	378
	Number given other disposals	2,282	2,533	2,554	2,283	1,865	2,078	2,001	2,369	2,219	1,986	1,947
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.7	2.8	2.6	2.6	2.3	2.7	2.4
North Yorkshire	Total number sentenced	14,339	15,962	15,845	16,045	14,194	12,962	13,012	12,993	14,234	13,805	12,002
	Number given immediate custody	404	477	592	725	729	645	522	585	560	498	427
	Number given community sentences	1,509	1,557	1,534	1,747	1,775	1,874	2,083	2,233	2,363	2,624	2,442
	Number given fines	10,651	11,948	11,632	11,388	9,727	8,582	8,317	8,137	9,069	8,348	7,026
	Number given suspended sentences	11	10	11	6	10	3	6	10	11	100	324
	Number given other disposals	1,764	1,970	2,076	2,179	1,953	1,858	2,084	2,028	2,231	2,235	1,783
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.3	3.2	3.1	2.9	3.0	3.4	3.4	3.2	3.1	2.8	2.8
Northamptonshire	Total number sentenced	15,233	13,513	14,686	15,368	14,036	11,327	9,744	18,617	20,253	16,862	15,545
	Number given immediate custody	281	366	431	708	727	641	589	723	753	679	625
	Number given community sentences	883	1,053	1,280	1,619	1,364	1,137	1,043	1,369	1,395	1,282	2,221
	Number given fines	12,610	10,464	10,831	10,930	10,039	8,017	6,787	14,837	16,179	13,142	11,451
	Number given suspended sentences	3	3	3	0	0	1	1	2	0	2	39
	Number given other disposals	1,456	1,627	2,141	2,111	1,906	1,531	1,324	1,686	1,936	1,757	1,209
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.4	3.4	3.2	3.1	3.3	3.1	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.1	3.3
Northumbria	Total number sentenced	40,087	37,593	40,582	43,227	48,190	49,200	47,509	48,796	50,030	53,491	54,075
	Number given immediate custody	1,304	1,228	1,563	1,903	1,750	1,956	1,750	1,588	1,312	1,193	1,013
	Number given community sentences	3,803	3,784	4,231	4,405	4,301	4,677	5,236	5,421	5,161	5,462	5,755
	Number given fines	28,903	26,430	27,232	28,668	33,760	33,174	31,074	31,554	32,514	35,439	34,925
	Number given suspended sentences	40	33	30	26	44	37	18	25	27	117	338
	Number given other disposals	6,037	6,118	7,526	8,225	8,335	9,356	9,431	10,208	11,016	11,280	12,044
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.4	3.4	3.2	3.2	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.6	3.4	3.4	3.5
Nottinghamshire	Total number sentenced	28,006	24,947	26,608	23,961	25,911	26,247	27,101	30,345	30,597	29,375	26,775
	Number given immediate custody	1,174	1,268	1,345	1,528	1,541	1,573	1,533	1,490	1,486	1,397	1,258
	Number given community sentences	3,040	3,282	3,570	3,666	4,201	3,896	4,639	4,837	4,745	4,665	4,282
	Number given fines	20,557	17,511	18,678	15,716	16,926	16,890	18,076	20,843	21,293	20,532	18,241
	Number given suspended sentences	56	65	72	67	67	92	80	54	58	191	648
	Number given other disposals	3,179	2,821	2,943	2,984	3,176	3,796	2,773	3,121	3,015	2,590	2,346
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.0	2.9	2.9	2.9	3.0	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.1	3.0	2.8
South Yorkshire	Total number sentenced	32,361	30,523	33,085	33,196	35,906	33,410	38,095	32,915	35,727	35,019	33,754
	Number given immediate custody	1,043	1,262	1,379	1,649	1,947	1,802	1,799	1,707	1,579	1,577	1,514
	Number given community sentences	3,597	3,719	3,920	4,233	4,485	4,379	4,894	5,175	5,374	5,233	5,022
	Number given fines	23,764	21,281	23,990	22,723	24,890	22,757	26,597	21,610	24,859	24,490	23,270
	Number given suspended sentences	50	49	32	46	59	50	44	42	37	278	806
	Number given other disposals	3,907	4,212	3,764	4,545	4,525	4,422	4,761	4,381			

Table 5.5 Offenders sentenced at magistrates' courts by criminal justice area, type of sentence and average custodial sentence length (months), 1996 - 2006 (continued)

England and Wales		Number of offenders										
Criminal justice area	Outcome	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Surrey	Total number sentenced	14,127	12,786	12,632	13,895	15,339	15,722	14,627	13,645	15,072	15,411	15,881
	Number given immediate custody	211	254	281	279	312	312	347	361	447	421	461
	Number given community sentences	972	1,026	1,068	1,058	1,367	1,579	1,637	1,739	1,835	2,034	1,799
	Number given fines	11,796	10,228	10,112	11,392	12,594	12,789	11,583	10,363	11,685	11,844	12,473
	Number given suspended sentences	5	8	4	3	5	6	6	0	6	79	23
	Number given other disposals	1,143	1,270	1,167	1,163	1,061	997	1,028	1,182	1,099	1,033	917
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.1	3.1	2.9	2.8	3.2	3.4	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.1	2.9
Sussex	Total number sentenced	31,567	29,322	30,247	26,012	28,613	27,857	26,231	27,352	27,509	29,181	29,499
	Number given immediate custody	908	978	1,094	1,303	1,253	1,448	1,444	1,220	1,102	1,107	1,100
	Number given community sentences	2,578	2,793	2,892	2,865	2,801	3,136	3,300	3,509	3,899	4,058	3,896
	Number given fines	24,839	22,169	22,954	18,799	21,589	19,913	18,199	19,626	19,607	20,866	20,865
	Number given suspended sentences	19	26	37	29	29	27	21	32	27	80	454
	Number given other disposals	3,223	3,356	3,270	3,016	2,941	3,333	3,267	2,965	2,874	3,070	3,164
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.8	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.1	2.9
Thames Valley	Total number sentenced	40,433	36,999	43,211	39,008	43,099	38,925	44,341	43,262	48,131	46,930	40,806
	Number given immediate custody	888	899	936	1,035	1,294	1,324	1,490	1,236	1,279	1,349	1,350
	Number given community sentences	3,475	3,429	3,649	3,657	4,027	4,220	5,346	4,792	4,599	5,505	5,400
	Number given fines	32,137	29,189	34,617	30,614	34,100	29,354	34,096	33,906	39,185	36,329	30,063
	Number given suspended sentences	20	17	20	16	10	12	11	14	30	281	797
	Number given other disposals	3,913	3,465	3,989	3,686	3,668	4,015	3,398	3,314	3,038	3,466	3,196
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.0	3.1	3.3	3.2	3.1	2.9	2.8	2.9
Warwickshire	Total number sentenced	12,762	11,455	16,661	12,279	14,750	12,295	10,414	10,462	13,676	11,054	10,564
	Number given immediate custody	244	296	315	311	284	298	342	275	254	250	228
	Number given community sentences	1,027	1,160	1,216	1,204	1,121	1,343	1,402	1,433	1,539	1,479	1,477
	Number given fines	10,468	8,931	14,011	9,938	12,631	9,939	7,970	8,013	11,018	8,575	7,869
	Number given suspended sentences	10	4	9	6	8	1	1	6	4	19	144
	Number given other disposals	1,013	1,068	1,119	826	714	715	689	741	885	750	846
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.2	3.1	3.2	2.9	3.7	3.6	3.3	3.2	3.4	3.7	3.3
West Mercia	Total number sentenced	22,091	22,875	23,629	22,687	23,990	24,923	25,154	24,045	27,975	27,037	28,181
	Number given immediate custody	478	521	693	853	857	975	1,065	1,011	1,339	1,187	1,100
	Number given community sentences	1,905	2,027	2,034	2,054	2,269	2,762	2,985	3,066	3,403	3,727	3,689
	Number given fines	17,272	17,604	18,194	17,142	18,411	18,523	18,849	17,540	20,293	19,075	20,038
	Number given suspended sentences	21	16	16	7	12	14	22	12	12	44	414
	Number given other disposals	2,415	2,707	2,702	2,631	2,441	2,649	2,233	2,408	2,928	3,004	2,940
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.5	3.4	3.2	3.2	3.4	3.3	3.4	3.2	2.8	2.8	2.9
West Midlands	Total number sentenced	78,922	77,960	86,506	76,938	74,545	73,777	82,612	86,868	92,558	82,156	75,471
	Number given immediate custody	2,617	2,672	2,970	3,396	3,774	4,470	5,139	4,957	5,040	4,243	4,351
	Number given community sentences	7,270	7,531	7,561	7,793	8,906	10,631	11,865	11,585	12,062	10,768	10,482
	Number given fines	63,047	61,296	68,738	58,536	54,854	51,929	59,110	62,637	66,955	59,530	51,885
	Number given suspended sentences	42	52	48	52	55	71	47	51	54	714	1,907
	Number given other disposals	5,946	6,409	7,189	7,161	6,956	6,676	6,451	7,638	8,447	6,901	6,846
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.1	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.0
West Yorkshire	Total number sentenced	61,870	62,144	66,552	71,945	70,167	58,889	55,279	65,026	72,338	66,283	60,616
	Number given immediate custody	2,111	2,234	2,545	3,035	3,155	3,500	3,842	3,458	3,209	2,541	2,369
	Number given community sentences	6,062	6,160	7,134	7,889	7,729	7,482	8,667	7,205	10,449	9,610	8,177
	Number given fines	46,664	45,523	48,297	51,283	50,866	40,755	35,414	44,959	49,949	45,062	37,924
	Number given suspended sentences	55	60	63	50	51	41	32	35	29	212	624
	Number given other disposals	6,978	8,167	8,513	9,688	8,336	7,111	7,324	7,369	8,702	8,858	11,523
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.8	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.9	3.0	3.1
Wiltshire	Total number sentenced	15,860	15,581	20,238	18,247	14,050	14,712	14,986	17,322	17,033	16,574	15,942
	Number given immediate custody	188	199	362	415	362	440	456	454	428	337	313
	Number given community sentences	951	1,162	1,544	1,469	1,488	1,641	1,898	1,910	1,679	1,682	1,703
	Number given fines	13,483	12,885	16,462	14,679	10,642	10,671	11,078	13,177	13,129	12,762	12,207
	Number given suspended sentences	8	4	8	6	7	5	6	11	6	64	184
	Number given other disposals	1,230	1,335	1,870	1,684	1,558	1,960	1,554	1,781	1,797	1,793	1,535
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.3	3.3	3.1	2.9	2.9	2.9	3.4	3.2	3.1	2.9	3.3
England	Total number sentenced	1,273,838	1,215,648	1,292,862	1,240,431	1,260,391	1,194,143	1,254,519	1,315,137	1,369,043	1,311,334	1,252,748
Number given immediate custody	39,037	44,066	49,700	54,687	56,816	58,558	61,514	60,178	57,778	53,870	50,384	
Number given community sentences	106,391	110,803	118,877	122,793	127,364	135,787	154,118	157,459	168,473	170,871	163,920	
Number given fines	998,137	926,022	984,072	921,144	942,272	867,123	904,105	955,879	1,002,789	950,861	889,915	
Number given suspended sentences	1,118	1,064	1,098	1,030	1,077	972	912	1,049	1,180	6,573	21,612	
Number given other disposals	129,155	133,693	139,115	140,777	132,862	131,703	133,870	140,572	138,823	129,159	126,917	
Average custodial sentence length (months)	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.8	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.0	2.9	2.9	
Dyfed-Powys	Total number sentenced	13,712	12,881	13,512	13,194	12,875	11,514	12,446	13,703	11,766	11,831	10,839
	Number given immediate custody	223	249	271	357	347	360	361	310	332	312	270
	Number given community sentences	1,023	1,136	1,306	1,323	1,201	1,240	1,404	1,465	1,291	1,373	1,343
	Number given fines	10,610	9,497	9,743	9,314	9,277	8,217	8,991	10,191	8,756	8,712	7,729
	Number given suspended sentences	42	42	20	24	22	14	11	19	5	63	177
	Number given other disposals	1,814	1,957	2,172	2,176	2,028	1,683	1,679	1,718	1,382	1,371	1,320
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.3	3.4	3.3	3.0	3.3	3.4	3.7	3.4	3.1	3.1	3.1
Gwent	Total number sentenced	17,717	20,492	22,994	22,620	20,698	19,372	19,274	20,417	18,388	17,731	17,964
	Number given immediate custody	306	371	547	620	569	608	590	634	668	653	619
	Number given community sentences	1,125	1,390	1,488	1,601	1,715	2,257	2,177	2,073	2,313	2,067	2,220
	Number given fines	14,971	17,151	19,450	18,873	17,042	15,156	15,195	16,425	14,272	13,907	13,843
	Number given suspended sentences	6	6	6	1	5	5	4	4	4	33	247
	Number given other disposals	1,309	1,574	1,503	1,525	1,367	1,346	1,307	1,281	1,131	1,071	1,035
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.1	3.0	2.9	3.0	3.2	3.0	3.1	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.3
North Wales	Total number sentenced	18,570	15,633	16,112	15,423	16,408	15,924	18,985	20,886	22,620	20,601	22,041
	Number given immediate custody	494	546	603	718	666	637	704	651	749	721	595
	Number given community sentences	1,372	1,428	1,625	1,694	1,851	2,057	2,265	2,480	2,556	2,555	2,442
	Number given fines	14,929	12,144	12,174	11,486	12,439	12,052	14,770	16,349	17,726	15,928	17,516
	Number given suspended sentences	27	29	30	23	17	27	15	22	34	164	369
	Number given other disposals	1,748	1,486	1,680	1,502	1,435	1,151	1,231	1,384	1,555	1,233	1,119
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	3.1	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.4	3.2	3.2	3.2
South Wales	Total number sentenced	40,252	40,522	43,109	39,160	39,636	35,473	38,192	43,621	49,282	45,215	40,393
	Number given immediate custody	1,106	1,285	1,494	1,592	1,577	1,705	1,744	1,623	1,857	1,694	1,563
	Number given community sentences	2,894	3,058	3,738	3,566	3,801	4,128	4,900	5,110	5,506	4,978	3,680
	Number given fines	31,027	30,514	32,051	28,896	29,805	25,023	27,323	32,074	36,694	33,302	30,391
	Number given suspended sentences	71	84	90	81	50	104	70	65	77	1,003	869
	Number given other disposals	5,154	5,581	5,736	5,025	4,403	4,513	4,155	4,749	5,148	4,238	3

Table 5.6 Offenders sentenced at the Crown Court by criminal justice area, type of sentence and average custodial sentence length (months)⁽¹⁾, 1996 - 2006

England and Wales		Number of offenders										
Criminal justice area	Outcome	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Avon and Somerset	Total number sentenced	1,480	1,887	1,809	1,854	1,903	1,680	1,835	1,948	1,833	1,724	1,613
	Number given immediate custody	779	963	926	948	1,006	892	1,013	1,067	963	938	784
	Number given community sentences	492	625	641	640	586	520	583	601	621	542	403
	Number given fines	77	78	47	80	47	64	58	73	52	45	44
	Number given suspended sentences	36	55	33	34	46	48	41	49	42	74	263
	Number given other disposals	96	166	162	152	218	156	140	158	155	125	119
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	19.9	21.4	19.9	19.9	20.8	23.6	24.6	24.9	26.4	23.5	26.8
Bedfordshire	Total number sentenced	726	727	747	665	646	609	601	594	568	652	727
	Number given immediate custody	501	477	483	451	447	450	469	414	383	443	484
	Number given community sentences	159	174	171	145	137	115	90	137	135	139	114
	Number given fines	32	24	28	22	23	23	15	14	17	25	26
	Number given suspended sentences	13	16	20	19	9	6	5	9	8	19	75
	Number given other disposals	21	36	45	28	30	15	22	20	25	26	28
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	21.7	22.6	22.3	21.5	21.5	26.6	27.5	28.0	26.6	23.9	20.3
Cambridgeshire	Total number sentenced	690	872	848	858	816	832	896	987	866	909	874
	Number given immediate custody	429	519	470	493	545	527	568	634	548	535	507
	Number given community sentences	159	234	234	220	185	218	241	262	232	257	166
	Number given fines	24	48	52	46	26	41	39	35	35	31	27
	Number given suspended sentences	27	26	27	30	17	10	15	14	20	35	129
	Number given other disposals	51	45	65	69	43	36	33	39	31	51	45
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	21.6	19.5	19.7	19.4	24.1	24.6	24.9	25.5	25.2	22.1	22.9
Cheshire	Total number sentenced	1,593	1,710	1,746	1,558	1,408	1,235	1,186	1,092	1,027	1,273	1,410
	Number given immediate custody	1,022	1,101	1,129	1,027	935	854	816	719	703	771	797
	Number given community sentences	396	475	464	379	343	273	274	277	247	336	309
	Number given fines	63	45	56	44	37	39	25	20	20	37	30
	Number given suspended sentences	38	20	14	21	8	17	23	19	9	50	192
	Number given other disposals	74	69	83	87	85	52	48	57	48	79	82
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	20.8	20.9	19.2	20.9	21.3	20.2	26.4	24.7	24.1	24.5	21.2
Cleveland	Total number sentenced	944	1,120	1,087	1,021	981	1,108	1,215	1,213	1,158	1,111	1,185
	Number given immediate custody	548	690	671	611	634	713	772	693	678	645	649
	Number given community sentences	278	345	319	293	252	261	307	373	339	316	250
	Number given fines	33	24	20	25	16	21	34	34	22	25	27
	Number given suspended sentences	23	17	28	29	25	37	37	42	44	72	188
	Number given other disposals	62	44	49	63	52	76	65	71	75	53	71
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	22.5	22.6	21.5	21.1	21.0	22.8	26.3	25.3	27.4	26.3	23.0
Cumbria	Total number sentenced	729	707	637	599	620	660	588	610	606	614	602
	Number given immediate custody	435	456	374	413	379	388	381	337	361	342	316
	Number given community sentences	186	163	171	127	161	196	144	200	178	208	135
	Number given fines	26	32	40	18	37	30	23	23	19	13	22
	Number given suspended sentences	34	17	24	11	13	10	8	12	9	27	97
	Number given other disposals	48	39	28	30	30	36	32	38	39	24	32
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	17.1	19.6	18.0	22.5	18.2	20.3	20.7	22.5	24.7	25.2	24.9
Derbyshire	Total number sentenced	1,262	1,366	1,206	1,358	1,530	1,445	1,591	1,653	1,627	1,675	1,335
	Number given immediate custody	682	735	748	825	896	835	887	905	860	843	659
	Number given community sentences	396	459	343	403	447	460	548	549	603	621	372
	Number given fines	57	57	25	34	45	33	31	53	38	49	33
	Number given suspended sentences	43	44	29	29	46	33	22	34	25	46	188
	Number given other disposals	92	71	61	67	96	84	103	112	101	116	83
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	21.1	19.6	19.2	18.4	17.6	20.0	22.3	22.5	24.7	21.0	22.7
Devon and Cornwall	Total number sentenced	1,576	1,727	1,718	1,609	1,411	1,400	1,460	1,562	1,489	1,514	1,276
	Number given immediate custody	885	936	944	927	776	775	704	770	753	786	594
	Number given community sentences	443	536	499	428	420	393	547	534	433	433	329
	Number given fines	116	101	101	105	88	95	73	83	95	86	71
	Number given suspended sentences	33	32	37	36	32	33	33	41	35	66	177
	Number given other disposals	99	122	137	113	95	104	103	134	173	143	105
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	20.7	21.0	21.7	21.6	21.1	23.0	24.8	26.1	23.5	25.1	27.2
Dorset	Total number sentenced	693	723	802	788	710	620	653	573	546	648	697
	Number given immediate custody	410	408	466	480	451	367	415	354	326	408	394
	Number given community sentences	189	228	242	214	184	177	169	145	154	164	150
	Number given fines	33	26	30	30	26	28	27	23	19	18	18
	Number given suspended sentences	26	23	23	20	11	12	9	18	14	21	84
	Number given other disposals	35	38	41	44	38	36	33	33	33	37	51
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	19.1	19.9	19.0	20.0	18.6	19.8	24.7	23.3	27.0	24.2	21.5
Durham	Total number sentenced	903	901	976	852	742	878	847	801	749	830	961
	Number given immediate custody	545	501	555	463	437	474	486	444	395	418	427
	Number given community sentences	273	270	293	264	194	267	256	261	263	284	287
	Number given fines	25	30	29	26	28	30	35	30	25	25	31
	Number given suspended sentences	18	37	40	41	28	47	28	28	20	41	140
	Number given other disposals	42	63	59	58	55	60	42	38	46	62	76
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	21.0	20.3	19.0	17.9	22.8	20.5	22.7	22.7	24.3	22.7	21.3
Essex	Total number sentenced	1,521	1,678	1,877	1,775	1,294	1,164	1,429	1,481	1,756	1,855	1,991
	Number given immediate custody	961	1,041	1,078	1,050	768	712	827	828	991	1,038	1,050
	Number given community sentences	355	423	517	430	315	322	420	433	558	539	428
	Number given fines	85	99	102	84	62	48	50	73	67	77	72
	Number given suspended sentences	43	35	63	60	65	40	40	39	46	84	334
	Number given other disposals	77	80	117	151	84	41	52	108	94	117	107
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	21.2	22.4	22.9	21.2	24.3	25.9	26.4	24.9	25.2	21.9	19.3
Gloucestershire	Total number sentenced	444	529	489	533	534	490	502	623	582	617	551
	Number given immediate custody	226	253	222	234	264	240	239	308	322	340	320
	Number given community sentences	152	216	217	242	205	193	197	259	194	180	112
	Number given fines	25	21	15	19	28	20	20	19	25	21	14
	Number given suspended sentences	28	17	15	7	15	15	11	12	13	30	68
	Number given other disposals	13	22	20	31	22	22	35	25	28	46	37
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	20.6	24.8	21.9	21.6	25.1	21.5	23.5	25.0	23.3	18.9	25.1
Greater Manchester	Total number sentenced	5,802	5,936	5,919	5,712	5,404	5,136	5,357	5,452	5,651	5,605	5,839
	Number given immediate custody	3,646	3,707	3,743	3,578	3,256	2,951	2,988	2,891	2,837	2,822	2,837
	Number given community sentences	1,436	1,630	1,636	1,616	1,575	1,642	1,857	1,982	2,229	2,112	1,704
	Number given fines	214	158	151	143	147	136	122	156	137	135	117
	Number given suspended sentences	150	132	106	91	100	97	82	72	83	191	853
	Number given other disposals	356	441	389	375	426	407	390	423	448	536	328
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	21.4	22.5	21.5	21.9	22.2	23.8	25.0	27.2	26.4	25.2	23.6
Hampshire	Total number sentenced	1,918	2,171	2,234	2,152	2,171	2,107	2,149	2,059	2,174	2,195	2,244
	Number given immediate custody	1,094	1,149	1,218	1,210	1,203	1,153	1,181	1,063	1,213	1,202	1,166
	Number given community sentences	514	707	709	665	695	703	718	720	700	701	515
	Number given fines	135	116	108	99	111	92	95	104	85	87	85
	Number given suspended sentences	74	78	77	56	53	51	39	52	60	80	344
	Number given other disposals	101	121	122	122	109	108	116	120	116	125	134
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	21.2	21.1	19.5	20.1	19.7	21.4	25.8	23.7	23.4	24.0	25.7
Hertfordshire	Total number sentenced	889	892	762	803	813	887	942	907	953	1,008	1,738
	Number given immediate custody	556	563	514	528	570	604	662	595	605	683	954
	Number given community sentences	239	216	146	190	176	206	221	232	258	217	376
	Number given fines	43	44	40	36	21	35	28	36	25	37	25
	Number given suspended sentences	23	22	20	10							

Table 5.6 Offenders sentenced at the Crown Court by criminal justice area, type of sentence and average custodial sentence length (months)⁽¹⁾, 1996 - 2006 (continued)

England and Wales		Number of offenders										
Criminal justice areas	Outcome	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Humberside	Total number sentenced	1,344	1,542	1,537	1,300	1,348	1,277	1,410	1,660	1,697	1,525	1,738
	Number given immediate custody	812	985	972	865	879	815	867	970	1,084	857	954
	Number given community sentences	360	365	372	324	342	357	420	509	444	462	376
	Number given fines	48	47	46	23	33	30	27	55	30	46	25
	Number given suspended sentences	42	46	55	29	31	14	27	36	48	82	293
	Number given other disposals	82	99	92	59	63	61	69	90	91	78	90
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	22.9	21.0	19.2	22.8	21.5	22.5	23.8	26.0	25.5	23.4	24.2
Kent	Total number sentenced	2,164	2,462	2,603	2,106	2,218	1,865	1,796	1,869	1,758	1,689	1,854
	Number given immediate custody	1,180	1,392	1,521	1,268	1,405	1,235	1,218	1,258	1,145	1,155	1,199
	Number given community sentences	591	601	634	462	502	422	369	406	426	364	296
	Number given fines	110	120	119	79	67	59	48	55	37	46	37
	Number given suspended sentences	129	150	151	134	99	74	81	73	72	58	246
	Number given other disposals	154	199	178	163	145	75	80	77	78	66	76
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	26.7	26.9	25.0	23.4	25.9	28.5	27.3	25.9	29.3	26.9	25.9
Lancashire	Total number sentenced	2,967	3,019	2,842	2,629	2,456	2,320	2,765	2,500	2,396	2,217	2,514
	Number given immediate custody	1,772	1,815	1,705	1,684	1,540	1,457	1,801	1,585	1,446	1,369	1,276
	Number given community sentences	769	795	757	642	658	630	757	720	751	679	628
	Number given fines	139	151	128	109	105	83	66	45	53	53	50
	Number given suspended sentences	88	87	92	62	54	33	33	46	22	47	477
	Number given other disposals	199	171	160	132	99	117	108	104	124	69	83
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	17.9	19.7	18.0	20.3	21.0	21.9	24.6	24.1	24.1	23.7	23.5
Leicestershire	Total number sentenced	1,011	1,504	1,455	1,513	1,449	1,377	1,548	1,537	1,362	1,401	1,329
	Number given immediate custody	619	870	850	888	871	770	830	761	740	690	606
	Number given community sentences	267	451	421	445	400	425	477	585	440	483	393
	Number given fines	27	44	50	46	33	47	81	77	50	66	49
	Number given suspended sentences	29	64	32	50	54	35	32	28	23	51	186
	Number given other disposals	69	75	102	84	91	100	128	86	109	111	95
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	19.2	20.3	20.7	20.1	20.1	20.6	22.8	25.5	27.3	23.9	23.1
Lincolnshire	Total number sentenced	540	667	661	642	646	576	637	690	781	645	568
	Number given immediate custody	320	394	362	364	346	355	377	382	454	371	302
	Number given community sentences	143	180	190	204	206	150	198	225	235	198	98
	Number given fines	21	29	28	13	20	16	25	23	29	15	16
	Number given suspended sentences	25	31	42	24	36	27	14	20	23	27	127
	Number given other disposals	31	33	39	37	38	28	23	40	40	34	25
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	24.5	19.4	21.2	23.6	25.0	23.6	27.0	25.4	22.8	22.7	25.9
London ⁽²⁾	Total number sentenced	12,313	12,468	12,366	11,525	10,875	11,102	12,603	12,438	12,727	13,027	13,365
	Number given immediate custody	7,275	7,517	7,460	7,259	7,108	7,078	8,126	7,412	7,768	8,089	8,201
	Number given community sentences	3,272	3,244	3,206	2,785	2,569	2,763	3,121	3,461	3,396	3,363	2,608
	Number given fines	688	702	665	499	432	482	478	567	539	465	458
	Number given suspended sentences	297	303	269	262	199	182	181	206	210	306	1,280
	Number given other disposals	781	702	766	720	567	601	697	792	814	804	818
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	25.8	27.3	26.8	28.2	27.2	30.2	30.9	30.6	31.0	29.3	27.8
Merseyside	Total number sentenced	2,570	2,801	2,859	2,492	2,420	2,446	2,544	2,639	2,664	2,603	2,467
	Number given immediate custody	1,495	1,587	1,624	1,517	1,582	1,516	1,616	1,552	1,638	1,587	1,465
	Number given community sentences	765	956	926	765	666	754	770	861	777	750	557
	Number given fines	101	94	108	59	48	68	32	68	76	65	44
	Number given suspended sentences	65	42	69	45	37	28	35	31	45	74	297
	Number given other disposals	144	122	132	106	87	80	91	127	128	127	104
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	22.4	22.1	22.6	22.1	21.6	23.2	24.3	28.0	25.4	24.8	26.4
Norfolk	Total number sentenced	745	756	863	858	847	679	821	890	881	886	1,071
	Number given immediate custody	467	447	457	472	490	385	448	503	531	509	559
	Number given community sentences	143	161	275	259	268	213	264	263	220	227	243
	Number given fines	54	63	47	37	21	24	37	32	42	47	36
	Number given suspended sentences	14	15	14	15	19	10	13	15	16	30	158
	Number given other disposals	67	70	70	75	49	47	68	76	72	73	75
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	16.5	20.2	18.5	18.2	19.6	23.2	23.6	22.2	22.9	24.3	22.0
North Yorkshire	Total number sentenced	896	907	856	826	973	855	810	727	728	849	839
	Number given immediate custody	504	466	494	464	570	536	488	418	467	527	479
	Number given community sentences	264	287	266	243	276	209	226	201	184	218	156
	Number given fines	48	44	28	34	50	40	40	26	28	38	38
	Number given suspended sentences	16	27	20	33	18	25	21	18	22	22	117
	Number given other disposals	64	83	48	52	59	45	35	64	27	44	49
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	19.2	17.6	19.1	18.6	20.2	20.3	24.4	25.6	25.7	25.4	24.5
Northamptonshire	Total number sentenced	648	759	758	846	724	616	701	658	760	754	673
	Number given immediate custody	448	519	503	618	535	432	484	466	529	523	455
	Number given community sentences	123	146	146	146	122	129	143	146	151	140	136
	Number given fines	37	39	28	15	19	13	22	9	19	23	15
	Number given suspended sentences	5	15	12	15	10	13	15	12	15	23	41
	Number given other disposals	35	40	69	52	38	29	37	25	46	45	26
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	20.8	21.1	20.7	21.1	22.2	27.1	23.1	24.1	27.5	24.0	23.9
Northumbria	Total number sentenced	2,424	2,593	2,457	2,415	2,188	2,382	2,291	2,218	1,974	1,984	2,047
	Number given immediate custody	1,404	1,442	1,441	1,343	1,203	1,289	1,236	1,119	970	942	954
	Number given community sentences	694	778	684	731	695	713	754	788	700	724	601
	Number given fines	104	96	106	94	83	114	83	81	81	61	73
	Number given suspended sentences	68	121	78	92	72	74	71	70	54	73	230
	Number given other disposals	154	156	148	155	135	192	147	160	169	184	189
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	24.8	23.1	24.1	21.1	22.8	24	25.7	26.7	26.1	25.1	24.0
Nottinghamshire	Total number sentenced	1,888	2,214	2,137	2,256	2,248	1,894	1,894	1,912	1,760	1,757	1,731
	Number given immediate custody	1,159	1,247	1,291	1,409	1,354	1,110	1,095	1,120	1,066	988	916
	Number given community sentences	393	535	455	494	519	597	597	587	522	578	425
	Number given fines	99	134	118	94	103	94	58	57	38	35	49
	Number given suspended sentences	143	171	156	137	141	57	43	40	36	63	242
	Number given other disposals	94	127	117	122	131	114	101	108	98	93	99
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	21.7	19.9	20.2	20.5	21.1	22.2	24.4	26.6	26.4	25.7	26.0
South Yorkshire	Total number sentenced	2,109	2,358	2,802	2,612	2,725	2,704	2,587	2,609	2,536	2,371	2,386
	Number given immediate custody	1,277	1,401	1,620	1,585	1,643	1,709	1,577	1,632	1,596	1,427	1,389
	Number given community sentences	566	677	857	737	769	677	687	655	646	624	436
	Number given fines	39	49	62	53	64	73	71	64	50	37	34
	Number given suspended sentences	55	75	64	70	75	80	84	87	94	129	371
	Number given other disposals	172	156	199	167	174	165	168	171	150	154	156
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	21.5	19.5	18.6	18.7	19.4	22.0	24.0	25.9	27.3	25.9	23.7
Staffordshire	Total number sentenced	1,499	1,437	1,461	1,425	1,272	1,292	1,543	1,497	1,524	1,300	1,354
	Number given immediate custody	869	893	903	919	847	840	936	870	878	738	756
	Number given community sentences	485	392	394	390	326	363	468	488	531	444	359
	Number given fines	67	51	49	36	31	22	39	49	41	36	39
	Number given suspended sentences	15	15	21	21	32	15	34	20	21	25	148
	Number given other disposals	83	86	94	59	36	52	66	70	53	57	52
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	18.2	21.3	20.0	23.2	20.0	21.7	23.5	24.2	22.7	23.2	22.8
Suffolk	Total number sentenced	708	682	803	733	714	614	626	629	717	653	709
	Number given immediate custody	423	414	470	460	458	401	401	405	435	389	398
	Number given community sentences	200	178	185	171	159	147	168	162			

Table 5.6 Offenders sentenced at the Crown Court by criminal justice area, type of sentence and average custodial sentence length (months)⁽¹⁾, 1996 - 2006 (continued)

England and Wales		Number of offenders										
Criminal justice areas	Outcome	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Surrey	Total number sentenced	784	803	613	580	594	677	631	625	627	671	715
	Number given immediate custody	435	459	353	343	360	399	342	367	373	404	440
	Number given community sentences	249	243	174	169	146	195	223	188	193	190	141
	Number given fines	55	46	47	27	28	35	24	33	26	35	31
	Number given suspended sentences	17	22	19	15	14	18	12	19	10	21	77
	Number given other disposals	28	33	20	26	26	30	30	18	25	21	26
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	18.7	19.9	18.6	20.3	21.5	23.1	22.3	26.2	22.4	20.7	22.5
	Sussex	Total number sentenced	1,697	1,733	1,759	1,505	1,611	1,756	1,725	1,664	1,677	1,748
Number given immediate custody		1,102	1,144	1,126	1,009	1,081	1,188	1,200	1,034	1,033	1,124	1,233
Number given community sentences		402	383	398	316	359	341	334	416	437	392	356
Number given fines		41	66	63	54	37	50	45	44	50	42	39
Number given suspended sentences		82	74	90	49	60	72	60	72	54	84	252
Number given other disposals		70	66	82	77	74	105	86	98	103	106	140
Average custodial sentence length (months)		27.4	31.1	30.8	31.3	33.0	36.9	37.3	36.1	33.7	33.2	28.0
Thames Valley		Total number sentenced	1,515	1,702	1,582	1,536	1,592	1,695	1,840	1,814	1,816	1,956
	Number given immediate custody	916	1,033	998	1,059	1,073	1,109	1,190	1,026	1,118	1,167	1,219
	Number given community sentences	415	460	417	370	381	442	508	590	541	574	478
	Number given fines	72	79	62	27	55	51	45	70	48	67	52
	Number given suspended sentences	39	52	35	23	35	28	32	30	38	50	262
	Number given other disposals	73	78	80	57	48	65	65	98	71	98	119
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	21.9	22.3	20.5	22.4	21.7	23.9	25.0	26.1	26.1	25.6	25.9
	Warwickshire	Total number sentenced	469	549	535	453	428	450	391	313	332	389
Number given immediate custody		315	372	388	360	321	314	274	228	235	275	258
Number given community sentences		109	133	102	60	74	87	83	54	70	73	85
Number given fines		15	12	15	6	8	12	4	12	5	6	10
Number given suspended sentences		10	7	17	11	13	14	16	9	13	20	51
Number given other disposals		20	25	13	16	12	23	14	10	9	15	18
Average custodial sentence length (months)		20.6	18.2	21.4	19.3	21.4	22.3	25.7	24.1	25.2	25.5	27.3
West Mercia		Total number sentenced	1,147	1,224	1,398	1,334	1,309	1,295	1,370	1,375	1,241	1,452
	Number given immediate custody	746	801	878	838	902	870	831	850	780	819	721
	Number given community sentences	284	296	389	365	300	296	430	397	355	447	287
	Number given fines	65	65	65	66	39	47	57	51	63	62	46
	Number given suspended sentences	15	15	29	24	27	36	12	13	5	50	211
	Number given other disposals	37	47	37	41	41	46	40	64	38	74	81
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	22.1	22.9	22.8	21.9	21.4	22.5	24.4	24.2	25.6	22.1	23.1
	West Midlands	Total number sentenced	4,081	4,846	5,204	5,327	5,425	5,636	6,084	6,072	5,975	5,241
Number given immediate custody		2,524	2,854	3,172	3,178	3,294	3,277	3,549	3,430	3,455	2,946	2,914
Number given community sentences		1,146	1,491	1,539	1,552	1,501	1,681	1,905	1,926	1,849	1,698	1,439
Number given fines		145	174	176	193	178	202	196	230	205	159	130
Number given suspended sentences		81	95	85	93	106	100	82	95	80	142	724
Number given other disposals		185	232	232	311	346	376	352	391	386	296	327
Average custodial sentence length (months)		22.4	21.4	20.8	19.2	20.3	20.5	23.0	24.7	25.1	25.6	24.7
West Yorkshire		Total number sentenced	3,971	4,567	4,706	4,972	4,506	3,574	3,303	3,445	3,962	3,760
	Number given immediate custody	2,199	2,668	2,577	2,672	2,690	2,313	2,270	2,117	2,377	2,212	1,839
	Number given community sentences	1,300	1,448	1,601	1,594	1,295	910	794	1,046	1,217	1,169	681
	Number given fines	143	122	157	142	138	91	52	66	89	81	41
	Number given suspended sentences	103	101	124	108	105	80	57	48	59	96	295
	Number given other disposals	226	228	247	278	278	180	130	168	220	202	135
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	21.9	22.5	21.5	22.8	23.6	25.5	28.2	27.3	27.6	27.1	24.9
	Wiltshire	Total number sentenced	450	442	529	476	418	436	450	437	409	434
Number given immediate custody		259	243	285	274	283	257	264	251	258	250	274
Number given community sentences		113	154	177	147	92	133	135	146	108	126	98
Number given fines		50	13	20	11	10	21	26	11	9	18	25
Number given suspended sentences		9	12	12	14	14	9	6	9	10	14	65
Number given other disposals		19	20	35	30	19	16	19	20	24	26	39
Average custodial sentence length (months)		21.3	21.1	21.0	21.1	21.0	21.8	25.1	24	26.9	23.6	22.0
England		Total number sentenced	69,110	74,981	76,643	72,489	69,969	67,769	71,621	71,773	71,889	71,542
	Number given immediate custody	41,239	44,462	44,981	44,354	43,422	41,586	43,868	41,778	42,314	41,572	40,307
	Number given community sentences	18,690	21,055	21,167	19,537	18,500	18,502	20,403	21,785	21,534	21,161	16,476
	Number given fines	3,185	3,182	3,078	2,568	2,381	2,438	2,241	2,528	2,322	2,239	2,028
	Number given suspended sentences	1,971	2,126	2,065	1,829	1,755	1,500	1,371	1,461	1,424	2,369	9,554
	Number given other disposals	4,025	4,156	4,352	4,201	3,911	3,743	3,738	4,221	4,295	4,201	4,206
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	22.3	22.7	22.1	22.4	22.7	24.5	26.2	26.6	26.8	25.7	24.9
	Dyfed-Powys	Total number sentenced	598	695	610	566	450	483	449	467	381	369
Number given immediate custody		322	390	328	342	245	307	284	277	208	220	230
Number given community sentences		181	191	160	138	126	102	118	134	116	99	101
Number given fines		24	41	54	23	22	14	9	32	20	14	9
Number given suspended sentences		26	22	18	18	21	24	9	7	13	19	80
Number given other disposals		45	51	50	45	36	36	29	17	24	17	22
Average custodial sentence length (months)		18.3	18.8	16.6	18.8	17.1	21.4	20.8	21.4	24.5	21.2	21.5
Gwent		Total number sentenced	950	795	908	814	851	878	1,044	790	959	719
	Number given immediate custody	594	470	550	489	494	538	565	388	502	394	368
	Number given community sentences	253	224	263	225	261	249	352	294	341	230	180
	Number given fines	35	33	29	34	26	26	26	33	36	22	19
	Number given suspended sentences	22	25	25	33	33	24	33	20	35	31	120
	Number given other disposals	46	43	41	33	37	41	68	55	45	42	31
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	16.9	18.1	17.7	19.3	19.9	21.5	22.6	22.8	24.1	23.8	23.9
	North Wales	Total number sentenced	752	772	765	649	685	590	599	597	589	748
Number given immediate custody		521	534	546	467	500	451	417	426	419	470	505
Number given community sentences		136	166	152	134	129	100	126	128	125	199	126
Number given fines		31	20	17	10	21	16	17	19	18	18	29
Number given suspended sentences		26	19	14	16	9	12	19	2	5	28	89
Number given other disposals		38	33	36	22	26	11	20	22	22	33	33
Average custodial sentence length (months)		21.0	20.1	20.2	19.1	19.9	18.6	22	23.1	21.9	21.1	19.6
South Wales		Total number sentenced	2,255	2,259	2,434	2,643	2,386	2,348	2,478	2,436	2,436	2,363
	Number given immediate custody	1,407	1,468	1,546	1,697	1,551	1,523	1,560	1,405	1,495	1,330	1,176
	Number given community sentences	572	539	612	622	590	575	657	753	691	714	349
	Number given fines	75	68	75	72	62	56	60	67	58	61	56
	Number given suspended sentences	70	74	82	106	83	73	74	68	78	138	392
	Number given other disposals	131	110	119	146	100	121	127	123	114	120	100
	Average custodial sentence length (months)	20.0	20.4	18.3	18.3	18.6	18.5	19.0	20.9	21.4	21.2	20.9
	Wales	Total number sentenced	4,655	4,521	4,717	4,672	4,372	4,299	4,570	4,290	4,365	4,199
Number given immediate custody		2,844	2,862	2,970	2,995	2,790	2,819	2,826	2,496	2,624	2,414	2,279
Number given community sentences		1,142	1,120	1,187	1,119	1,106	1,026	1,253	1,309	1,273	1,242	756
Number given fines		165	162	175	139	131	112	112	171	132	115	113
Number given suspended sentences		144	140	139	173	146	133	135	97	131	216	681
Number given other disposals		260	237	246	246	199	209	244	217	205	212	186
Average custodial sentence length (months)		19.3	19.7	18.3	18.7	18.9	19.4	20.4	21.6	22.3	21.6	21.2
England and Wales		Total number sentenced	73,665	79,502	80,360	77,161	74,341	72,068	76,191	76,063	76,254	75,741
	Number given immediate custody	44,083	47,324	47,951	47,349	46,212	44,405					

Table 5.7 Prison places required for determinate sentences and the average custodial sentence length⁽¹⁾ by criminal justice area and court, 2006

England and Wales	Number of prison places and average custodial sentence length			
	Magistrates' courts		The Crown Court	
	Criminal justice area	Prison places required	Average custodial sentence length (months)	Prison places required
Avon and Somerset	168	2.7	784	26.8
Bedfordshire	78	3.0	484	20.3
Cambridgeshire	70	2.9	507	22.9
Cheshire	138	2.8	797	21.2
Cleveland	78	3.1	649	23.0
Cumbria	70	3.4	316	24.9
Derbyshire	117	3.3	659	22.7
Devon and Cornwall	95	2.4	594	27.2
Dorset	55	2.4	394	21.5
Durham	53	3.0	427	21.3
Essex	195	2.5	1,050	19.3
Gloucestershire	52	2.9	320	25.1
Greater Manchester	420	3.1	2,837	23.6
Hampshire	194	3.1	1,166	25.7
Hertfordshire	83	2.5	516	23.1
Humberside	130	3.3	954	24.2
Kent	164	3.3	1,199	25.9
Lancashire	166	3.0	1,276	23.5
Leicestershire	107	3.0	606	23.1
Lincolnshire	44	2.9	302	25.9
London ⁽²⁾	1,130	2.8	8,201	27.8
Merseyside	249	2.9	1,465	26.4
Norfolk	48	2.4	559	22.0
North Yorkshire	50	2.8	479	24.5
Northamptonshire	86	3.3	455	23.9
Northumbria	148	3.5	954	24.0
Nottinghamshire	147	2.8	916	26.0
South Yorkshire	189	3.0	1,389	23.7
Staffordshire	150	3.2	756	22.8
Suffolk	67	2.5	398	21.5
Surrey	56	2.9	440	22.5
Sussex	133	2.9	1,233	28.0
Thames Valley	163	2.9	1,219	25.9
Warwickshire	31	3.3	258	27.3
West Mercia	133	2.9	721	23.1
West Midlands	544	3.0	2,914	24.7
West Yorkshire	306	3.1	1,839	24.9
Wiltshire	43	3.3	274	22.0
England	6,088	2.9	40,307	24.9
Dyfed-Powys	35	3.1	230	21.5
Gwent	85	3.3	368	23.9
North Wales	79	3.2	505	19.6
South Wales	208	3.2	1,176	20.9
Wales	406	3.2	2,279	21.2
England and Wales	6,679	3.0	42,586	24.7

¹ Excludes life and indeterminate sentences

² Includes Metropolitan and City of London Police Force Areas

Introduction

- 1.1 The procedures and sentences described relate mainly to the period from the implementation of the Criminal Justice Act 1991 on 1 October 1992 to the end of 2006. No account is taken of changes introduced in 2007 by means of legislation, circulars etc.

Detection, charging and remanding

- 1.2 For details see Appendix 1 of 'Criminal Statistics 2006, England and Wales', <http://www.justice.gov.uk/publications/criminalannual.htm>

Categories of offences

- 1.3 Criminal offences are split into three categories as follows:

i) *Triable only on indictment*

These offences are the most serious breaches of the criminal law and must be tried at the Crown Court. These 'indictable-only' offences include murder, manslaughter, rape and robbery.

ii) *Triable either way*

These offences may be tried either at the Crown Court or at a magistrates' court. These offences include criminal damage where the value is £5,000 or greater, theft and burglary.

iii) *Summary*

These offences are triable only by a magistrates' court. This group is dominated by motoring offences for some of which fixed penalties can be issued, but also includes such offences as common assault and criminal damage up to £5,000.

Proceedings at Magistrates' Courts

- 1.4 Just under 1.8 million defendants were proceeded against in magistrates' courts in 2006; 406,000 for indictable offences (including triable either way), 612,000 for summary non-motoring offences and 761,000 for summary motoring offences.
- 1.5 From 15 January 2001, committal proceedings for indictable-only offences were abolished and new provisions contained in Section 51, 52 and Schedule 3 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 were introduced to speed up the justice process. Defendants charged with an indictable-only offence and appearing before a magistrates' court for the first time on or after the date are sent immediately to the Crown Court. Magistrates will consider bail and other minor issues, but they do not consider whether there is a case to answer. Indictable-only charges that could, prior to 15 January 2001, be transferred under either the 1987 or 1991 Acts are sent to the Crown Court under the section 51 procedure (Schedule 8, Paragraphs 65 and 93 Crime and Disorder Act 1998).
- 1.6 In serious or complex fraud cases, and those involving child witnesses, there is provision for the prosecutor to lodge a notice with the magistrates' court, stating that the case should be immediately transferred to the Crown Court. These cases then automatically transfer, and a judge is assigned to the case and hears any application to dismiss the charges.
- 1.7 For a triable either way offence, magistrates have to decide whether to try the case themselves (summary trial) or to commit the case for trial to the Crown Court (trial on indictment). For persons aged 18 and over, 16 per cent of defendants proceeded against for triable-either-way cases were committed to the Crown Court for trial in 2004, and a further six per cent of defendants in triable-either-way cases were committed for sentence.
- 1.8 Even if the magistrates decide not to commit the case to Crown Court, the defendant may elect to be tried by jury.
- 1.9 Since October 1997, magistrates have been able to hear the defendant's plea before making a decision on where the case should be tried. This procedure is known as 'Plea Before Venue'¹. If the defendant indicates a guilty plea, the magistrates are required to convict the offender and either pass sentence or commit the defendant to the Crown Court for sentence if the magistrates feel that the appropriate sentence is beyond their powers (magistrates can sentence up to six months in prison and fine up to £5,000). If the defendant indicates a not guilty plea, the magistrates must decide whether they consider the case is too serious to be dealt with summarily. Hence, under this new procedure, some defendants who would have been committed for trial to the Crown Court under the old system will be dealt with entirely by proceedings in magistrates' courts or be committed for sentence to the Crown Court thereby reducing the numbers committed for trial. A comparison of 2006 figures with

those for 1997 shows that the number of defendants committed for sentence increased by 11,600 and the number committed for trial decreased by 8,200. These changes reflected the influence of plea before venue proceedings.

- 1.10 When the charge is for several offences, some of which are triable either way and others summary, and the triable either way offences are transferred for trial, certain specific summary offences may also be included on the indictment, including driving while disqualified, common assault and taking a motor vehicle without authority. However, the Crown Court may only pass sentences that are within magistrates' powers for these offences.

Proceedings before magistrates

- 1.11 On summary trial the court will read the charge to the accused and ask whether they plead guilty or not guilty. If the accused pleads not guilty, the court will hear evidence and may convict the accused or dismiss the case. Over 90 per cent of defendants on summary trial plead guilty. In this case, the court will usually hear an outline of the case from the prosecution and then proceed to the sentencing stage. However, where the defendant pleads guilty and then says something which indicates a defence to the charge or says, for example, that the plea is entered 'to get the case over with', the guilty plea must be rejected. If the prosecutor appears but the accused fails to appear as requested then the court, on proof of service of summons, may proceed in their absence or adjourn the hearing or, in certain cases, issue a warrant for arrest. If the accused appears but the prosecutor does not, the court may dismiss the case or adjourn the trial. Where the offender is convicted, the court may proceed to sentence immediately or may adjourn if further information is required before sentencing. Defendants may be invited to plead guilty for certain summary (mostly motoring) offences by post and therefore avoid a court appearance.

Trial at the Crown Court

- 1.12 The usual route to the Crown Court is by committal from magistrates' courts. Two alternative routes exist:
- (a) The first is by application to the High Court for leave to prefer a "voluntary bill of indictment" where no proceedings for committal have taken place, or where a magistrates' court has dismissed a charge.
 - (b) The second is by "notice of transfer" where a person can be sent direct to the Crown Court when certain conditions apply.
- 1.13 In 2006 four per cent of those proceeded against were dealt with by the Crown Court. Of these, around 66 per cent plead guilty. As at the magistrates' court, in these cases the judge will move to the sentencing stage of the process. A jury is not involved in these cases.
- 1.14 Crown Court trial for defendants pleading not guilty is before a judge and jury. A jury consists of 12 persons randomly selected from a list of all those persons aged 18 to 70 who registered as electors and are neither ineligible nor disqualified. These jurors take an oath:

"I swear by Almighty God that I will faithfully try the defendant and give a true verdict according to the evidence."

- 1.15 The duty of the jury is to listen to the evidence and to give their verdict as to whether the accused is guilty or not guilty. The accused and the prosecution have the right to challenge any juror if it is believed someone involved in the case knows them or if they appear unable to understand the proceedings. The verdict of the jury in criminal proceedings need not be unanimous but must be at least ten to two. If the verdict is guilty, the judge of the court pronounces sentence. The court may order a convicted offender to pay the whole or any part of the costs incurred by the prosecution. On acquittal, the court may order the payment of defence costs from the central funds.

Proceedings involving young persons

- 1.16 Young people aged between 10 and 17 inclusive are mainly dealt with in the youth courts by specially trained magistrates. The youth court was introduced from 1 October 1992 and replaced the juvenile court, established in 1908, which dealt with offenders only up to and including those aged 16². In youth courts, no person is allowed to be present unless authorised by the court, except for the members and officers of the court, parties to the case (normally including parents/guardians), their legal representatives, witnesses and bona fide representatives of the media. Proceedings may be reported in the press but the young person may not generally be identified.
- 1.17 A child or young person is generally tried in the youth court unless any of the following apply:
- a) He or she is charged with homicide (e.g. murder or manslaughter), when they must be sent to the Crown Court for trial;
 - b) He or she is aged 10 and under 18 and is charged with a 'grave crime' (an offence for which an adult could be imprisoned for at least 14 years), indecent assault or dangerous driving.

These cases may be sent to the Crown Court if magistrates decide that if convicted, the appropriate sentence would be more than they have the power to give;

- c) He or she is charged jointly with another person aged 18 or over, when both should be dealt with in the Crown Court.

Sentencing

1.18 Under a statutory framework for sentencing introduced in the Criminal Justice Act 1991 (as amended by the Criminal Justice Act 1993), courts are generally required to impose sentences which reflect the seriousness of the offence or offences committed by the offender. The Act does not define 'seriousness'. The Court of Appeal has provided guidance on interpretation since the Act came into effect in October 1992. The Criminal Justice Act 2003 introduced a new sentencing framework but the principle that the seriousness of the offence determines the sentence given remains the same. In deciding what sentence to impose, the judge or magistrate will take account of:

- i) The facts of the offence, which have been presented in court, including any aggravating or mitigating factors. In addition, a defendant pleading guilty may wish to admit other similar offences and such offences may be taken into consideration for the purpose of sentence without the offender being formally convicted of them and with no separate penalty being imposed.
- ii) The circumstances of the offender. In the Crown Court, the prosecution will provide a statement known as 'the antecedents' covering details of the offence, previous convictions and sentences. In addition, a pre-sentence report (PSR) giving fuller information may be prepared for the court by a probation officer. This report contains information about the character, personality and social and domestic background of the defendant, educational record and information about employment (if any), assessment of impact on victim and risk of re-offending. It will include a proposal as to what community sentence (e.g. community rehabilitation order) would be most suitable for the offender if the court was to decide that such a sentence would be appropriate. In some cases, the Probation Service will prepare a specific sentence report (SSR). This is similar to a PSR, but focuses only on the suitability of a particular sentence. SSRs speed up the process when it is likely that a particular sentence - most often community punishment order or community rehabilitation order - will be given.
- iii) Plea in mitigation. If a defence lawyer is present, they will make a speech in mitigation on behalf of the offender to give the court the defendant's explanation of the offence and any other matters going in the defendant's favour. This might include information about an early guilty plea. Pleading guilty at an early stage in the proceedings usually leads to a shorter sentence - this is known as a sentence discount. Judges and magistrates are required, when sentencing an offender who has pleaded guilty, to take into account the stage at which the guilty plea was entered and the circumstances in which the plea was made. If a discounted sentence is passed, this must be stated in court. The Court of Appeal states that a discount of one-third should normally be given for a timely guilty plea.

1.19 The Sentencing Guidelines Council Guideline – "Overarching Principles: Seriousness" deals with the concept of seriousness in relation to the sentencing decision and specifically within the context of the Criminal Justice Act 2003:

'The *seriousness* of an offence is determined by two main parameters; the culpability of the offender and the harm caused or risked being caused by the offence'.

1.20 For summary offences, the majority of offenders are fined, 89 per cent for motoring offences and 72 per cent for non-motoring in 2006. For 'indictable only' and triable either way offences, much greater use is made of a variety of sentences or orders. The principal penalties are:

a) Imprisonment — adults

1.21 Imprisonment is the most severe penalty available to the courts, and is only available for more serious offences. Courts have the power to impose a sentence up to a maximum term specified by the Act of Parliament, which created the particular offence. Under the Criminal Justice Act 2003, a custodial sentence can normally only be imposed if the offence is 'so serious' that neither a fine alone nor a community sentence can be justified for the offence or the offence is specified violent or sexual offence and the offender is considered to pose a risk of serious harm. The maximum custodial penalty reflects the gravity of the worst possible case and is thus high for the most serious offences, e.g. life imprisonment for murder (for which it is mandatory), rape, robbery or manslaughter and 14 years for domestic burglary. A magistrates' court may not sentence to more than six months (or less than five days) for any one offence and no longer than 12 months in total, where sentences are being imposed for two or more triable-either-way offences and are to run consecutively. Where an offender is sentenced to

imprisonment for several offences, the sentences may be ordered by the court to run either consecutively or concurrently, depending on a number of factors. Consecutive sentences will generally be appropriate, for example, where different types of offending behaviour are concerned.

- 1.22 Intermittent Custody was introduced by the Criminal Justice Act 2003. A pilot ran from January 2004 – to November 2006. It applies only for sentences of under 12 months. Rather than offenders serving continuous imprisonment, custody is only at weekends or other times fixed by the court. This is intended to maintain community and family ties or try to develop them, and also employment.
- 1.23 The Criminal Justice Act 2003, Section 225, created a new sentence of imprisonment for public protection (IPP), which is an indeterminate sentence and was implemented on 4 April 2005. This sentence may only be passed if the offender is convicted of a specified sexual or violent offence (listed in Schedule 15 of the Act) carrying a maximum sentence of ten years or more and the court considers that the offender poses a significant risk of serious harm. Where the offence carries a maximum sentence of life imprisonment, the court must pass a discretionary life sentence if the seriousness of the offence justifies it. In all other cases to which the section applies, the court must impose a sentence of imprisonment for public protection. When passing sentence the court must set the length of the sentence that will be served in custody. Once this length of sentence has been served then release is dependent on the recommendation of the Parole Board.
- 1.24 Section 227 of the Act replaces and extends the current provisions for extended supervision for sexual and violent offenders (EPP) contained in section 85 of the Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000. They should be over 18, have committed a specified sexual or violent offence (listed in Schedule 15 of the Act) carrying a maximum penalty of between two and ten years and are judged by the court to pose a significant risk of serious harm to the public. The extended sentence is made up of the "appropriate custodial term" (the period that the court considers to reflect the seriousness of the offence committed (subject to a minimum of 12 months)) and an "extension period". During the second half of the appropriate custodial term the offender may be released on the recommendation of the Parole Board. The court must also specify an extended period of supervision on licence to be added to the sentence for the purpose of public protection. The court may add an extension period of up to five years for violent offenders and eight years for sexual offenders. The total term of the extended sentence must not be more than the maximum penalty available for the offence in question.
- 1.25 The Crime (Sentences) Act 1997 (as amended by the Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000) requires courts to impose minimum sentences on offenders committing repeat, serious offences. These include a mandatory sentence of life imprisonment for anyone over the age of 18 convicted of a serious offence that has a previous conviction for a similar offence. These serious offences include attempted murder, manslaughter, rape, violent offences (such as grievous bodily harm), and armed robbery. This sentence is automatic unless the court finds exceptional circumstances. The provision was repealed by the Criminal Justice Act 2003 which replaced it with IPP. There is also provision for a minimum prison sentence of seven years for a person over the age of 18, convicted of a class A drug trafficking offence who has two or more previous convictions for similar offences; and a minimum of three years imprisonment for a third offence of domestic burglary. These sentences should be imposed unless the court finds that they would be unjust in all the circumstances.

b) Custodial penalties for young offenders

- 1.26 The Criminal Justice Act 1991³ made a number of changes in the custodial sentencing arrangements for young offenders. It set a common minimum age of 15 for both boys and girls for the imposition of a sentence of detention in a young offender institution (previously the minimum age was 14 for boys and 15 for girls). The Act also set two months as a minimum period for which young offenders of either sex, aged 15 to 17, may be sentenced to detention in a young offender institution (the previous minima for those under 17 was 21 days for males and four months for females). The maximum determinate sentence for 15 to 17 years olds was increased to two years in February 1995, having previously been one year.
- 1.27 For young offenders aged 18–20, the minimum is 21 days and the maximum is the same as the adult maximum for the offence.
- 1.28 Juveniles aged 14–17 convicted at the Crown Court may be sentenced to be detained for up to the adult maximum, including life⁴ for offences carrying maximum sentences of 14 years or more imprisonment in the case of an adult, or for the offences of causing death by dangerous driving, causing death by careless driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs and, for those aged 16 and 17, indecent assault. This also applies to offenders aged 10–13 convicted of murder or manslaughter.
- 1.29 The Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 extended these provisions to 10–13 year olds. As of January 1995, 10–13 year olds convicted at the Crown Court for offences carrying maximum sentences of 14 years or more imprisonment in the case of an adult may also be detained for up to the adult maximum. Under 18s serving any of the custodial sentences may be held in local authority children's homes, secure training centres and prison service young offender institutions.

- 1.30 The 1994 Act also introduced secure training orders which were eventually implemented from 1st March 1998 but no longer existed after 31st March 2000. These were given to offenders aged 12-14 who had committed an imprisonable offence, having been convicted of at least three already, and had either breached a supervision order under the Children and Young Persons Act 1969 or been convicted of an imprisonable offence whilst subject to such an order. The order was made up of a period of detention in a secure training centre followed by a period of supervision and could last from six months to two years with detention taking up one half of the total time.
- 1.31 The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 introduced detention and training orders. These were implemented nationally from 1st April 2000, replacing detention in a young offender institution for those aged 15 to 17, and secure training orders for those aged 12 to 14. Orders are made for terms of 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 18 and 24 months. The Detention and Training Order is served partly in custody and partly in the community under the supervision of a probation officer, social worker or member of a youth offending team.
- 1.32 The Criminal Justice Act 2003, Section 226 applies the sentence of public protection (IPP) to those aged under 18 although for juveniles it is a sentence of detention rather than imprisonment. The sentence must be passed by a court if the offender is convicted of a specified sexual or violent offence carrying a maximum sentence of ten years or more and the court considers that the offender poses a significant risk of serious harm and an extended sentence would not be adequate for the purpose of protecting the public. Where the offence carries a maximum sentence of detention for life, the court must pass such a sentence, if the seriousness of the offence justifies it.
- 1.33 Section 228 of the Criminal Justice Act 2003 applies the extended sentence (EPP) to those aged under 18 whom the court considers to pose a significant risk of serious harm. Where the offender has been convicted of a specified offence the court must impose an extended sentence, unless the offence is a serious offence and the case is one in which a sentence under section 226 is appropriate. The sentence operates in the same way as it does for adults (see paragraph 1.24), but is a sentence of detention rather than imprisonment.

c) Life imprisonment

- 1.34 Life imprisonment, or its equivalent, must be imposed on all persons aged ten and over convicted of murder. It is also available for a number of the most serious crimes, including manslaughter, robbery, rape, assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm, aggravated burglary and certain firearms offences. For these offences, the court may choose instead to impose a prison sentence of a specified length or a non-custodial penalty. Additionally, there is a requirement for a life sentence for those convicted of a second serious offence, although this was replaced by IPP from April 2005 (see paragraph 1.25).
- 1.35 There is no entitlement to release during a life sentence but offenders may be considered for release on licence once they have served the minimum term set by the court. All life sentence prisoners are initially released under the supervision of a probation officer. The reporting conditions of the licence may be lifted after a period of time, if the individual has demonstrated that such restrictions are unnecessary.
- 1.36 For those convicted of murder the penalty is a mandatory life sentence. Anyone found guilty of murder committed when under the age of 18 must be sentenced to 'detention during Her Majesty's pleasure'⁴. A person aged under 18 convicted of an offence other than murder for which a life sentence may be passed on an adult may be sentenced to 'detention for life'⁴. A person convicted of murder who is aged 18 or over at the time of the offence but under 21 on conviction must be sentenced to 'custody for life'. This is also the maximum penalty when an offender aged 18 to 20 is convicted of any other offence for which an adult offender would be liable to life imprisonment.
- 1.37 For all life sentenced prisoners the sentencing court is able to specify a term after which the prisoner should be eligible for release procedures. When this term has been served prisoner is entitled to apply to the Parole Board for release. The Board has the power to direct the Home Secretary to release the prisoner on licence if satisfied that custody is no longer necessary for the protection of the public. These arrangements apply to prisoners of all ages, including young offenders.

d) Suspended sentence

1.38 A new suspended sentence order, introduced by the Criminal Justice Act 2003 came into force on 4 April 2005 and replaced the previous fully suspended sentence. It applies to persons aged 18 and over and is a sentence of custody of under 12 months, suspended for a period ranging from six months to two years and applies only to offences committed on or after that date. During the suspension period the court can set community requirements from the same options as are available for the community order - unpaid work, activity requirement, programme requirement, prohibited activity requirement, curfew requirement, exclusion requirement, supervision requirement, attendance centre requirement (if the offender is aged under 25).

1.39 Where the offence was committed before 4 April 2005 the court may, in the case of a person over the age of 21, suspend a custodial sentence for up to two years for between one and two years if there are exceptional circumstances for doing so.

e) Community Punishment Orders (Community Service Orders prior to 1 April 2001)

1.40 An offender aged 16 or over who is convicted of an offence for which a court can send an adult to prison may be required to perform unpaid work on behalf of the community. Such orders involve a minimum of 40 hours and a maximum of 240 hours to be completed within 12 months. The work is under the direction of a community service organiser, working within the Probation Service. A wide variety of work is done including, for example, outdoor conservation projects, building adventure playgrounds, and painting and decorating for the elderly or disabled. *Order replaced for persons aged 18 or over for offences committed on or after 4 April 2005 by the Community Order introduced by the Criminal Justice Act 2003.*

f) Community Rehabilitation Orders (Probation Orders prior to 1 April 2001)

1.41 An offender aged 16 or over may be sentenced to a Community Rehabilitation Order for a period ranging from six months to three years. A court may make a Community Rehabilitation Order in the interests of securing the rehabilitation of the offender, protecting the public from harm, or preventing the commission of further offences. Community Rehabilitation Orders require the offender to be supervised by a probation officer. Additionally, the court has the power to include any other requirement considered appropriate. This could include residence at a specified address, activities, attendance at a probation centre, treatment for a mental condition and treatment for drug or alcohol dependency. Some probation centres run courses which offenders may attend for up to 60 days as a requirement of a community rehabilitation order. Youth Offending teams will supervise adult disposals available for 16 to 17 year olds such as Community Rehabilitation Orders and Community Rehabilitation and Punishment Orders. *Order replaced for persons aged 18 or over for offences committed on or after 4 April 2005 by the Community Order introduced by the Criminal Justice Act 2003.*

g) Supervision Order

1.42 For a young person aged 17 or under, an equivalent supervision order may be made for periods up to three years. The supervisor for such orders may either be a probation officer, the local authority (in the person of a local authority social worker) or a member of a youth offending team. They are required to meet with their supervisor at regular intervals and may also be required to undertake what are known as 'specified activities' to help them address their offending behaviour. Improvements to the supervision order (some provisions implemented from 30 September 1998) - sections 71 and 72 of the Crime and Disorder Act amended the Children and Young Persons Act 1969 strengthening the penalty of a supervision order for serious young offenders. Section 71 strengthens the order by enabling conditions requiring reparation to the victim of the offence (where they are willing to accept this) or the community at large to be attached as part of the order and simplifies the conditions which must be satisfied before the courts can impose a requirement to live in local authority accommodation as part of the order. Section 72 provides a number of options for courts for dealing with a breach of any supervision order.

h) Community Punishment and Rehabilitation Orders (Combination Orders prior to 1 April 2001)

1.43 This order was introduced in October 1992 by the Criminal Justice Act 1991 and amended by the Criminal Justice and Courts Act 2000. It combines elements of both community rehabilitation and community punishment orders and may be given to any offender aged 16 or over. The maximum duration of the probation element of the Community Punishment and Rehabilitation Order is three years and the minimum 12 months. When a Community Punishment and Rehabilitation Order is made, probation supervision continues for at least as long as community punishment is being undertaken. The minimum number of community punishment hours is 40 and the maximum 100. *Order replaced for persons aged 18 or over for offences committed on or after 4 April 2005 by the Community Order introduced by the Criminal Justice Act 2003.*

i) Community Order

1.44 The community order was introduced by the Criminal Justice Act 2003 and came into force on 4 April 2005. As part of the reform of sentences, the various kinds of community order previously available for adults have been replaced by this single generic community order with a range of possible requirements.

For all offences committed on or after that date, Courts are able to choose different elements to make up a bespoke community order which is relevant to that particular offender and the crime(s) they committed. Technological advances, such as electronic tagging provide ways to restrict liberty and reduce crime without requiring a prison sentence. The range of requirements available with a community order are:

Compulsory (unpaid) work; Participation in any specified activities; Programmes aimed at changing offending behaviour; Prohibition from certain activities; Curfew; Exclusion from certain areas; Residence requirement; Mental health treatment (with consent of the offender); Drug treatment and testing (with consent of the offender); Alcohol treatment (with consent of the offender); Supervision; Attendance at an attendance centre

j) Curfew Orders

1.45 Curfew orders require an offender to remain, for specific periods, at a specific address. Electronically monitored curfew orders have been available nationally since December 1999⁵. This involves the offender wearing an electronic 'tag' which, in combination with equipment located at the curfew address, monitors when the offender is at the address. If the offender leaves the address during curfew hours, or attempts to move or damage the equipment or tag, the private sector companies, which monitor the schemes, are alerted. Curfew orders can be made in addition to another community penalty. Electronically monitored curfew orders were made available from December 1999 for offenders aged 16 and over and from February 2001 for offenders aged 10–15. *Order replaced for persons aged 18 or over for offences committed on or after 4 April 2005 by the Community Order (with a curfew requirement) introduced by the Criminal Justice Act 2003.*

k) Reparation Orders

1.46 Reparation orders (piloted from 30 September 1998 and implemented nationally from 1 June 2000) requiring a young offender to make reparation to the victim of the offence (where they wish to receive this) or to the community at large. The order is not to exceed 24 hours in aggregate, and cannot be combined with a custodial sentence or with the community sentences specified in Section 67(4)(b) of the Crime and Disorder Act.

l) Action Plan Orders

1.47 Action plan orders (piloted from 30 September 1998 and implemented nationally from 1 June 2000) provide an intensive and individually tailored response to address a child's or young person's offending behaviour and the factors associated with it. It requires the offender to comply with a three month action plan, supervised by a probation officer, a social worker or a member of a youth offending team, designed to prevent re-offending and rehabilitate the offender. An element of reparation may only be included with the victim's consent. It may not be combined with a custodial sentence or with the other community sentences specified in Section 69(4)(b) of the Crime and Disorder Act.

m) Referral Orders

1.48 The Youth Justice and Criminal Evidence Act 1999 created a new sentence, referral to a youth offender panel, for first-time young offenders not given a discharge or custodial sentence. Pilots of the new sentence started in 2000 and were implemented nationally in April 2002, referral orders now being the main intervention for young offenders who plead guilty on their first court appearance.

n) Drug treatment and testing Orders

1.49 Drug treatment and testing orders (piloted from 30 September 1998 and implemented in October 2000) are aimed at those aged 16 or over who are convicted of crimes committed to fund their drug habit and who show a willingness to co-operate with treatment and subsequent testing. The orders last between six months and three years. *Order replaced for persons aged 18 or over for offences committed on or after 4 April 2005 by the Community Order (with a drug treatment and testing requirement) introduced by the Criminal Justice Act 2003*

o) Fines

1.50 A court may fine an offender for any offence (except murder or treason), although a court may not normally impose a fine for a more serious offence except in conjunction with another penalty. The fine is the most commonly used disposal for offences dealt with by magistrates' courts. Since the implementation of the Criminal Justice Act 1993, courts have been required to fix an amount for the fine which reflects the seriousness of the offence, but which also takes account of the financial circumstances of the offender.

1.51 The maximum fine that can be imposed by a magistrates' court varies with the seriousness of the offence. The maximum is currently £5,000 and this 'statutory maximum' applies to almost all offences, which are triable either way. The maximum fines for summary offences are set by reference to a

standard scale (a small number of offences, mainly relating to environmental and planning matters, have special maxima of £20,000). Since 1 October 1992 the maxima have been as follows:

£200	for a level	1	offence
£500	“	2	“
£1,000	“	3	“
£2,500	“	4	“
£5,000	“	5	“

1.52 As examples, taking a motor vehicle without consent is a level 5 offence; careless driving is a level 4 offence; and TV licence evasion is a level 3 offence. The maximum fine that can be imposed on a young person (aged 14–17) is £1,000 and a child (aged under 14) may not be fined more than £250. At the Crown Court, no similar limits apply.

p) Discharges

1.53 A court may discharge a person either absolutely or conditionally where the court takes the view that it is not necessary to impose punishment. An absolute discharge requires nothing from the offender and imposes no restrictions on future conduct. The majority of discharges are conditional discharges where the offender remains liable to punishment for the offence if he is convicted of a further offence within whatever period the court specifies (but not more than three years).

q) Compensation

1.54 In cases involving death, injury, loss or damage, the courts are required to consider making a compensation order, and to give reasons where no such order is made. A compensation order can also be made in addition to any other sentence or order, or can be the only sentence imposed for a particular offence. A magistrates' court can order compensation up to a maximum of £5,000 per offence, but there is no such limit in the Crown Court. However, courts are required to have regard to the means of the offender when deciding whether to make a compensation order and when deciding on its amount. When the defendant makes payments against financial penalties, compensation orders are paid off before fines.

r) Further sentences and orders

1.55 Other punishments are used to a lesser extent. These include binding over orders (either to keep the peace or be of good behaviour), attendance centre orders, confiscation orders, exclusion orders and disqualification from driving. Under attendance centre orders, offenders under 21 may be ordered to take part for a set number of hours in a structured programme of activities on Saturdays. When a defendant stands convicted before the Crown Court of a drug trafficking offence, the Court is required to determine whether he has benefited from drug trafficking at any time, and if so, to make a confiscation order⁶. The amount to be recovered is what the court assesses to be the value of the defendant's proceeds from drug trafficking, or that which can be realised. The courts have general power to penalise a defendant by making an order for the forfeiture of property associated with the offence⁷.

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¹ Crime (Sentences) Act 1997.

² S.70 Criminal Justice Act 1991.

³ S.63 Criminal Justice Act 1991.

⁴ S.53 Children and Young Persons Act 1933, superseded by SS.90 and 91 Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000

⁵ S.12 Criminal Justice Act 1991.

⁶ S.38(1) Drug Trafficking Offences Act 1986.

⁷ S.27 Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 and S.43 Powers of Criminal Courts Act 1973, as extended by S.69 Criminal Justice Act 1988.

Appendix 2 Legislation affecting the statistics

Introduction

2.1 The legislation described relates mainly to the period from January 1996 to the end of 2006.

Legislation coming into effect in the period covered by this bulletin

2.2 The coverage of the sentencing statistics in this volume may have been affected by the following legislation, which has altered the range of offences, modes of trial and penalties available:

- Criminal Procedure and Investigations Act 1996
- Offensive Weapons Act 1996
- Protection from Harassment Act 1997
- Crime (Sentences) Act 1997
- Crime and Disorder Act 1998
- Youth Justice and Criminal Evidence Act 1999
- Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000
- Criminal Justice and Courts Services Act 2000
- Terrorism Act 2000
- Anti-terrorism, Crime and Security Act 2001
- Criminal Justice and Police Act 2001
- Vehicles (Crime) Act 2001
- Copyright, etc. and Trade Marks (Offences and Enforcement) Act 2002
- Anti-social Behaviour Act 2003
- Aviation (Offences) Act 2003
- Fireworks Act 2003
- Licensing Act 2003
- Criminal Justice Act 2003
- Railways and Transport Safety Act 2003
- Sexual Offences Act 2003
- Domestic Violence, Crime and Victims Act 2004
- Gambling Act 2005
- Identity Cards Act 2006
- Immigration, Asylum and Nationality Act 2006
- Terrorism Act 2006

Changes in legislation since 1996

2.3 The implementation (in January 1996) of the Criminal Appeals Act 1995 extended the powers of magistrates' courts to re-open cases to rectify mistakes.

2.4 The main provisions of the Offensive Weapons Act 1996, implemented on 4 July 1996 were:

- a) The maximum penalty for the offence of carrying an offensive weapon without lawful authority or reasonable excuse (section 1 of the Prevention of Crime Act 1953) was increased from two to four years.
- b) The summary offence of having an article with a blade or point in a public place (section 139 of the Criminal Justice Act 1988) was made a triable either way offence with a maximum penalty of two years.

2.5 The new criminal offences created by the Protection from Harassment Act 1997 with effect from 16 June 1997 were:

- a) Putting people in fear of violence (triable either way). This offence carries a maximum penalty of five years immediate custody or unlimited fine or both.
- b) Offence of harassment (summary offence). This carries a maximum penalty of six months immediate custody or a £5,000 fine or both.

2.6 Provisions of the Crime (Sentences) Act 1997 implemented on 1 October 1997 included, for persons aged 18 or over:

- a) An automatic life sentence for a second serious violent or sexual offence unless there are exceptional circumstances.

- b) A minimum sentence of seven years for an offender convicted for a third time of a class A drug trafficking offence unless the court considers this to be unjust in all the circumstances.
- c) A new section 38A of the Magistrates' Courts Act 1980 extending the circumstances in which a magistrates' court may commit a person convicted of an offence triable either way to the Crown Court for sentence. It was implemented in conjunction with section 49 of the Criminal Procedure and Investigations Act 1996, which involves the magistrates' courts in asking defendants to indicate plea before the mode of trial decision is taken and compels the court to sentence or commit for sentence any defendant who indicates a guilty plea.
- d) A mandatory minimum sentence of three years for third time domestic burglary was implemented in December 1999.

2.7 The Crime and Disorder Act 1998, in addition to introducing a range of criminal and civil orders (see Appendix 1), introduced the following nine new offences based on existing offences but carrying higher maximum penalties when there is evidence of a racist motive or racial hostility in connection with the offence:

- a) Racially aggravated offence of harassment (triable either way) under the Protection from Harassment Act 1997. This offence carries a maximum penalty of two years immediate custody or a £5,000 fine or both.
- b) Racially aggravated offence of putting people in fear of violence (triable either way) under the Protection from Harassment Act 1997. This offence carries a maximum penalty of seven years immediate custody or a £5,000 fine.
- c) Racially aggravated offence of intentional harassment, alarm or distress (triable either way) under the Public Order Act 1986. This offence carries a maximum penalty of two years immediate custody or a £5,000 fine or both.
- d) Racially aggravated offence of fear or provocation of violence (triable either way) under the Public Order Act 1986. This offence carries a maximum penalty of two years immediate custody or a £5,000 fine or both.
- e) Racially aggravated offence of harassment, alarm or distress (summary offence) under the Public Order Act 1986. This offence carries a maximum penalty of a £2,500 fine.
- f) Racially aggravated offence of wounding or inflicting grievous bodily harm (triable either way) under the Offences Against the Person Act 1861. This offence carries a maximum penalty of seven years immediate custody or a £5,000 fine or both.
- g) Racially aggravated offence of actual bodily harm (triable either way) under the Offences Against the Person Act 1861. This offence carries a maximum penalty of seven years immediate custody or a £5,000 fine or both.
- h) Racially aggravated offence of common assault (triable either way). This offence carries a maximum penalty of two years immediate custody or a £5,000 fine or both.
- i) Racially aggravated offence of criminal damage (triable either way) under the Criminal Damage Act 1971. This offence carries a maximum penalty of 14 years immediate custody or a £5,000 fine or both.

2.8 The Criminal Justice and Courts Services Act 2000 is a wide ranging act which creates the new National Probation Service for England and Wales and the Family Court Advisory Service; sets up an integrated statutory system to prevent unsuitable people from working with children, with enforcement by criminal sanctions; renames probation orders, community service orders and combination orders (see Appendix 1, paragraphs 1.40-1.43); makes amendments to the Sex Offenders Act 1997 and increases the penalty for parents who fail to ensure that their children attend school regularly.

2.9 Under the Terrorism Act 2000 police retain the powers they have under the current legislation to stop and search, and take other action to combat terrorism and will have strengthened powers to tackle terrorist financing and forfeiture of terrorist assets.

2.10 The Anti-terrorism, Crime and Security Act 2001 contains measures to bolster security in the U.K and prosecute terrorists and undermine terrorists and criminal networks. Amongst other things it extends existing racially aggravated offences to cover offences motivated by religious hatred and increases the penalties.

2.11 The new provisions in the Criminal Justice and Police Act 2001 meant that from 1 October 2001:

- a) Kerb crawling became an arrestable offence;
 - b) Hit and run (where someone is injured) became an arrestable offence;
 - c) Importing indecent or obscene material became a serious arrestable offence.
- 2.12 The Vehicles (Crimes) Act 2001 extended the time limit for the summary offence of taking a vehicle without authority from six months after the offence was committed to six months after sufficient evidence comes to the attention of a prosecutor (subject to a 3 year maximum). This measure came into force 1 October 2001.
- 2.13 Although the Copyright, etc. and Trade Marks (Offences and Enforcement) Act 2002 made no changes to the scope of criminal offences in intellectual property law, the maximum penalties were increased to unlimited fines and 10 years imprisonment from 20 October 2002.
- 2.14 Under the Anti-social Behaviour Act 2003 changes to parenting orders were introduced, s18–29, commenced December 2003.
- 2.15 The Aviation (Offences) Act 2003 introduced new offences relating to aviation and increased penalties from two years to two and a half years for endangering an aircraft or a person in an aircraft. Commenced September 2003.
- 2.16 The Fireworks Act 2003 created offences relating to fireworks. The maximum penalty which can be given is 6 months imprisonment or a fine not exceeding level five on the standard scale (currently £5,000) or both. Commenced November 2003.
- 2.17 The Licensing Act 2003 introduced new offences relating to licensing, and some existing offences were amended. Commenced July 2003.
- 2.18 The Criminal Justice Act 2003 brought in means to involve the Crown Prosecution Service in charging decisions and to reform the system for allocating cases to court. It introduced a new presumption against bail in certain circumstances where an offence has been committed while on bail or for defendants charged with an imprisonable offence, not yet in force. The Act aims to ensure that criminal trials are run more efficiently and to ensure a reduction in abuse of the system:
- a) It will reform the rules on advance disclosure of evidence, with effect from 4 May 2005.
 - b) It will allow for a judge-alone trial in cases involving threats and intimidation of juries, and paves the way for a judge-alone trial in exceptionally long, complex serious fraud cases, not yet in force.
 - c) Rules on evidence will be changed to allow the use of previous convictions where relevant, and to allow the use of reported (hearsay) evidence where there is good reason why the original source cannot be present, or where the judge otherwise considers it would be appropriate, with effect from 4 April 2005.
 - d) A right of appeal for the prosecution against judicial decisions to direct or order an acquittal before the jury has been asked to consider the evidence. This will be introduced to balance the defendant's right of appeal against both conviction and sentence, not yet in force.
 - e) The Act will also make it possible in certain very serious cases for a retrial to take place despite an earlier acquittal if there is new and compelling evidence of an accused's guilt, with effect from 4 April 2005.
- 2.19 The Act provides a sentencing framework that is clearer and more flexible than before:
- a) The purposes of sentencing of adults are identified in statute for the first time, as punishment, crime reduction, reform and rehabilitation, public protection and reparation.
 - b) The principles of sentencing are set out, including that any previous convictions, where they are recent and relevant, should be regarded as an aggravating factor which will increase the severity of the sentence, with effect from 4 April 2005.
 - c) Through the implementation of section 167 of the act, a new Sentencing Guidelines Council was established on 27 February 2004. This Council and the Sentencing Advisory Panel work together to ensure that sentencing guidelines are produced which encourage consistency in sentencing throughout the courts of England and Wales and support sentencers in their decision making.
 - d) Sentence lengths of over 12 months will be served in full, with half in custody, half in the community and with supervision extended to the end of the sentence rather than the point as previously, with effect from 4 April 2005.
- 2.20 It brought in changes to the sentences available to the courts:
- a) The various kinds of community orders for adults have been replaced by a single community order with a range of possible requirements, commenced 4 April 2005.

- b) Serious violent and sexual offenders have been given new sentences, which will ensure that they are kept in prison or under supervision for longer periods than previously, with effect from 4 April 2005.
- c) There will be an increase in sentence length for aggravated offences related to disability, sexuality, race or religion, with effect from 4 April 2005.
- d) Some new short custodial sentences have been introduced. These include intermittent custody and a reformed suspended sentence in which offenders have to complete a range of requirements imposed by the court. Intermittent custody was piloted from January 2004 to November 2006 and the new suspended sentence was commenced from 4 April 2005.

2.21 The Act also addresses a number of other areas:

- a) It contains a number of provisions on drug related offending, extending to those aged 14 and above, the provisions to test persons in police detention and at other points in the criminal justice system for specified Class A drugs. It has also reclassified Cannabis as a class C drug, partially introduced on 1 August 2004.
- b) It has established a five year mandatory minimum custodial sentence for unauthorised possession of a prohibited firearm, with effect from 22 January 2004.
- c) It has increased the maximum penalty for causing death by dangerous driving from 10 to 14 years, with effect from 27 February 2004.
- d) In relation to juveniles, the Act extends the use of parenting orders by making them available at an earlier stage and introduces individual support orders, requiring young people with anti-social behaviour orders to undertake education-related activities, partially introduced on 27 February 2004.

2.22 The Sexual Offences Act 2003 was brought in from May 2004 in accordance with provision made by the Secretary of State and repealed virtually all of the previous legislation relating to sexual offences. It includes the following main offences, with effect from 1 May 2004:

- a) Rape and the evidential and conclusive presumptions about consent regarding adults, covering an individual's ability to make a choice or where violence or threats of violence take place.
- b) Assault by penetration, committing an offence, causing a person to engage in sexual activity without consent.
- c) Rape and other offences against children under 13, where the offence is committed intentionally.
- d) Child sex offences, including causing or inciting a child to engage in sexual activity making it constitute an offence regardless of whether the activity incited actually takes place.
- e) Causing a child to watch a sexual act and child sex offences committed by children or young persons.
- f) Re-enacting and amending abuse of position of trust under sections 3 and 4 of the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Act 2000.
- g) Familial child sex offences, including intension and incitement of the offence.
- h) Offences against persons with a mental disorder.
- i) Indecent photographs of children redefining a "child" for the purposes of the Protection of Children Act 1978, as a person under 18 years of age.
- j) Abuse of children through prostitution and pornography, covering under 18's and under 13's.
- k) Exploitation of prostitution including trafficking of a person into or out of the UK for sexual exploitation.
- l) Preparatory offences and sex with an adult relative.
- m) The act also defines the interpretation of the terms "sexual" and "consent".

2.23 The Act also introduced new civil preventative orders:

a) *Notification orders:*

This is a new order which can be made, on application by a chief officer of police, in respect of individuals who have been convicted, cautioned etc. abroad for sexual offences equivalent to the sexual offences listed in Schedule 3 of the 2003 Act. The effect of the order is to make such offenders subject to the notification requirements of Part 2 of the 2003 Act as if they had been convicted, cautioned etc. in the UK of a relevant offence, with effect from 1 May 2004.

b) *Sexual offences prevention orders (SOPOs):*

This order replaces both the sex offender order and the restraining order. Therefore, a SOPO can be made on application by a chief officer of police in respect of a convicted sex offender or by a court at conviction. The SOPO is also an improvement on the existing orders. A conditional discharge can not be received as punishment for breach of a SOPO, with effect 1 May 2004.

c) *Foreign travel orders:*

This is a new order which will enable the courts, in certain circumstances and on application by a chief officer of police, to prohibit those convicted of sexual offences against children aged under 16 from travelling overseas where there is evidence that they intend to cause serious sexual harm to children in a foreign country, with effect 1 May 2004.

d) *Risk of sexual harm orders (RSHOs):*

This is a new order, similar to the SOPO, which aims to restrict the activities of those involved in grooming children for sexual activity. A previous conviction, caution etc. for a sexual offence is *not* a prerequisite in applying for a RSHO, with effect 1 May 2004.

2.24 None of the provisions in the act applies retrospectively.

2.25 The Domestic Violence, Crime and Victims Act 2004 came into force in July 2005. The measures contained in this bill will strengthen those within the Criminal Justice Act 2003. The key changes include:

- a) Amending the Family Law Act 1996 by inserting a new section 42A, making the breaching of a non-molestation order an arrestable offence with a maximum sentence length of 5 years, arrestable under the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984.
- b) It will make changes to Criminal Procedure by adding to schedule 1A of The Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984, making Common Assault an arrestable offence, giving police the power to arrest an individual on suspicion of the offence without an arrest warrant.
- c) The new offence of causing or allowing the death of a child or vulnerable adult will be limited to incidents where the victim has died from an unlawful act. This offence will apply to members of the household who are not the parents and aged 16 or over, have frequent contact with the victim and fail to take adequate action while aware of the risk.

2.26 The Gambling Act 2005 repeals the Betting, Gaming and Lotteries Act 1963 (c.2), the Gaming Act 1968 (c.65) and the Lotteries and Amusements Act 1976 (c. 32). Two comprehensive offences are established: providing facilities for gambling or using premises for gambling, in either case without the appropriate permission. Such permission may come from a licence, permit, or registration granted pursuant to the Act or from an exemption given by the Act. Where authority to provide facilities for gambling is obtained under the Act, it will be subject to varying degrees of regulation, depending on the type of gambling, the means by which it is conducted, and the people by whom and to whom it is offered.

2.27 The Terrorism Act 2006 makes it a criminal offence to encourage terrorism, including glorifying terrorism, disseminating terrorist publications, including by extremist bookshops and through internet activity, preparing or planning to commit a terrorist act, or to assist others to do so and to give or receive terrorist training, or to attend a terrorist training camp.

2.28 The Immigration, Asylum and Nationality Act 2006:

- a) restricts appeals for those refused entry to the UK to work or study.
- b) tackles illegal working through a new civil penalties scheme for employers by introducing fines of up to £2,000 per illegal employee, custodial sentences of up to two-years and unlimited fines for those found knowingly to use or exploit illegal workers
- c) responds to new security threats by denying asylum to terrorists; improving the ability to strip citizenship from and deport those who pose a serious risk to the UK's interests; and speed up the appeals process in national security deportation cases.

2.29 The Identity Cards Act 2006 makes it an offence for a person to be in possession or control of an identity document to which he is not entitled, or of apparatus, articles or materials for making false identity documents; to make provision facilitating the verification of information provided with an application for a passport and includes measures to help against fraud.

Appendix 3 Coverage and recording practice affecting the statistics

Court proceedings

- 3.1 The complexities of the criminal justice system and the constraints on resources in collating and processing data, necessarily limit the amount of information collected routinely and so only the final outcome of proceedings at magistrates' courts and the Crown Court (where applicable) is recorded. The statistics of court proceedings are based on returns made by the police to the Ministry of Justice/Home Office Data Collection Group. Although these include offences where there has been no police involvement, such as those prosecutions instigated by government departments and private organisations and individuals, the reporting of these types of offences is known to be incomplete. Moreover, it is thought that for some police force areas, the reporting of court proceedings, in particular those relating to motoring offences (see paragraph 3.4) and to TV Licence evasion (see also paragraph 3.4), may also be less than complete; the extent of under-reporting may vary from year to year and this could be responsible in part for the annual variations in the published statistics.
- 3.2 For the first time, all the magistrates' courts data for 2006 were received on magnetic tape or disk either from magistrates' courts directly or via police computer systems. From 1st July 1995, the Ministry of Justice (formerly Home Office) has received all its data on trials and sentences at the Crown Court directly from HM Court Service's CREST computer system. For trials completed after this date, information can now be analysed by the final plea recorded at the completion of the trial.
- 3.3 *West Mercia* police in 1996, *Lancashire* police in 1999, *Norfolk* police in 2000 and *Humberside*, *Merseyside*, *Northumbria*, *Staffordshire* and *Surrey* police in 2001 were not able to supply all the returns for summary proceedings within the required timescale. In addition there were two further problems which affected 2000 magistrates' courts data. *Staffordshire* police were only able to supply a nine per cent sample of data covering one full week in each quarter of 2000. This data has been used to estimate the total number of defendants for which magistrates' court proceedings were completed in that area. Hence all *Staffordshire* figures for 2000 are estimates and the England and Wales figures for 2000 have been constructed using those estimates. Also, for the first time, problems were encountered with the electronic submission of data directly from the courts. Shortfalls in summary motoring offences were discovered for *Northamptonshire* from June 2000 onwards. In 2001, a single month's shortfall or part thereof was found for indictable and summary motoring offences at *Humberside*, *Merseyside*, *Staffordshire* and *Surrey* police. In 2002, part shortfalls were noted for *Merseyside* over all offences groups for a five-month period, together with summary motoring and/or summary non-motoring for *Gwent*, *Norfolk* and *Northamptonshire*. The estimates in the table below reflect those shortfalls. In 2003 there were shortfalls for *South Yorkshire* and *Thames Valley* for summary non-motoring offences. For summary motoring offences the main shortfalls were for *Suffolk* and *Northamptonshire*. Estimates for these and for other minor shortfalls are reflected in the table. No significant shortfalls were identified in 2004, 2005 or 2006, although *Northamptonshire* recorded no community sentences for juveniles made at magistrates' courts between 2002 and late in 2006.
- 3.4 The following estimates have been constructed on the short-falls in the number proceeded against and the number convicted (sentenced) in magistrates' courts for each year from 1996, arising from the circumstances described in the previous two paragraphs:

England and Wales		Thousands of offenders							
Type of Offence	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	
Indictable	-	-	-	0.5	0.8	2.2	0.9	0.8	
Summary non-motoring	1.0	-	-	0.5	0.8	3.6	2.2	7.7	
Summary motoring	2.5	-	-	0.8	5.3	2.5	2.5	4.9	
All offences	3.5	-	-	1.8	6.9	8.3	5.6	13.4	
Indictable	-	-	-	0.3	0.6	1.2	0.5	-	
Summary non-motoring	0.8	-	-	0.3	0.7	2.8	1.8	6.2	
Summary motoring	2.0	-	-	0.6	4.0	2.0	2.0	3.6	
All offences	2.8	-	-	1.2	5.3	6.0	4.3	9.8	

- 3.5 The tables relate to sentencing resulting from court proceedings completed in the years shown. An offender will appear more than once in the tables if sentencing proceedings were completed against that offender on more than one occasion during the year. In the statistics, the term 'other offenders' is used to denote companies and other businesses, local authorities, public bodies, etc.
- 3.6 The offence breakdown in the tables covers indictable offences and summary offences. The former term includes both indictable only and triable either way offences. Offenders are recorded only once for each set of court proceedings resulting in sentencing, against the principal offence involved (see next paragraph).
- 3.7 Where sentencing involves more than one offence, the tables record the principal offence. The basis for the selection of the principal offence is as follows:
- a) Where a defendant is found guilty of one offence and acquitted of another, the offence selected is the one for which the defendant is found guilty;
 - b) Where a defendant is found guilty of two or more offences, the offence selected is the one for which the heaviest sentence is imposed;
 - c) Where the same disposal is imposed for two or more offences, the offence selected is the one for which the statutory maximum penalty is the most severe.
- 3.8 Changes in the maximum penalties and in whether offences with different maximum penalties are separately coded may affect the selection of the principal offence at stage (c) above.
- 3.9 The offence shown in the tables as the one for which the court took its final decision, is not necessarily the same as the offence for which the defendant was initially proceeded against, for example the court may accept a plea of guilty on a lesser charge. Unless otherwise stated, the sentence shown is the most severe sentence or order given for the principal offence (i.e. the principal sentence); thus, secondary sentences given for the principal offence and sentences for non-principal offences are not counted in the tables, with the exception of those on compensation, confiscation and forfeiture where one of the first three disposals may be counted.
- 3.10 A defendant appearing at the Crown Court on the same occasion both for trial and for sentence after summary conviction is counted twice in the tables.

Ethnic Monitoring

- 3.11 Section 95 of the Criminal Justice Act 1991 requires the Secretary of State to publish such information as he considers expedient in order to enable those involved in the criminal justice system to become aware of the financial implications of their decisions, or to avoid improper discrimination on grounds of race, sex or any other improper grounds. The Ministry of Justice (formerly Home Office) published a series of documents from 1992 onwards on the issue of race within the Criminal Justice system. The publication brings together both points relating to the Government's policy on race as well as statistical information.
- 3.12 The latest publication, 'Statistics on Race and the Criminal Justice System, 2006', presents data, broken down by ethnicity, on the Police and Criminal Evidence Act (PACE) stops and searches, victims and homicide, arrests and cautions, prosecutions and sentencing, the prison population, racist incidents, police complaints and employment by criminal justice agencies. (<http://www.justice.gov.uk/docs/race-and-cjs-stats2006.pdf>).

Concluding comments

- 3.13 Every effort is made to ensure that the figures presented in this publication are accurate and complete. However, it is important to note that these data have been extracted by the courts and police forces from a variety of administrative data systems and the detail supplied to RDS-OCJR is therefore subject to the inaccuracies inherent in any large-scale recording system. Although some figures in this volume are shown to the last digit, the figures are not necessarily accurate to the last digit shown. It is important that users of the data take these limitations into account when using and interpreting the data presented in this volume. Where the statistics shown are rounded, the components may not add exactly to the rounded total because they have been rounded independently.

Appendix 4 Offence classification numbers used for court proceedings

The classifications defined in this Appendix are those used for 2006. Generally, attempting, conspiring, inciting, aiding, abetting, causing or permitting a crime is classified under the heading of the crime itself, though in certain cases it is shown separately.

(S) Denotes a standard list offence. (TEW) Denotes a triable either way offence.

Indictable only and triable either way offences

Violence against the person

1. Murder: (S)
 1. Of persons aged 1 year or over.
 2. Of infants under 1 year of age.
2. Attempted murder. (S)
3. Threat or conspiracy to murder: (S)
 1. Making threats to kill. (TEW)
 2. Conspiring or soliciting, etc. to commit murder.
 3. Assisting offender by impeding his apprehension or prosecution in a case of murder.
4. Manslaughter, etc: (S)
 1. Manslaughter.
 2. Infanticide.
 3. Child destruction.
 4. Causing death by dangerous driving.
 5. Manslaughter due to diminished responsibility.
 6. Causing death by careless driving when under the influence of drink or drugs.
 7. Causing or allowing the death of a child or vulnerable person.
37. Aggravated vehicle taking: (S)
 1. Where, owing to the driving of the vehicle, an accident occurs causing the death of any person. (TEW)
5. Wounding or other act endangering life: (S)
 1. Wounding, etc. with intent to do grievous bodily harm, etc. or to resist apprehension.
 2. Shooting at naval or revenue vessels.
 4. Attempting to choke, suffocate, etc. with intent to commit an indictable offence (garrotting).
 5. Using chloroform, etc. to commit or assist in committing an indictable offence.
 6. Burning, maiming, etc. by explosion.
 7. Causing explosions or casting corrosive fluids with intent to do grievous bodily harm.
 8. Impeding the saving of life from shipwreck.
 9. Placing, etc. explosives in or near ships or buildings with intent to do bodily harm, etc.
 10. Endangering life or causing harm by administering poison.
 11. Causing danger by causing anything to be on road, interfering with a vehicle or traffic equipment. (TEW)
 13. Possession, etc. of explosives with intent to endanger life.
 14. Possession of firearms, etc. with intent to endanger life or injure property, etc. (Group I).
 15. Possession of firearms, etc. with intent to endanger life or injure property, etc. (Group II).
 16. Possession of firearms, etc. with intent to endanger life or injure property, etc. (Group III).
 17. Using, etc. firearms or imitation firearms with intent to resist arrest, etc. (Group I).
 18. Using, etc. firearms or imitation firearms with intent to resist arrest, etc. (Group II).
 19. Using, etc. firearms or imitation firearms with intent to resist arrest, etc. (Group III).
[Group I - Firearms, etc. other than as described in Group II or III.
Group II - Shotguns as defined in s.1 (3)(a) of the Firearms Act 1968.
Group III - Air weapons as defined in s.1 (3)(b) of the Firearms Act 1968]
 20. Use etc. of chemical weapons.
 21. Use of premises or equipment for producing chemical weapons.
 22. Use, threat to use, production or possession of a nuclear weapon.
 23. Weapons related acts overseas.
 24. Use of noxious substances or things to cause harm or intimidate. (TEW)

25. Performing an aviation function or ancillary function when ability to carry out function is impaired because of drink or drugs. (TEW)
 26. Endangering safety at sea/aerodromes.
 27. Torture.
6. Endangering railway passenger: (S)
1. By placing, etc. anything on railway, taking up rails, changing points and signals, etc.
 2. By throwing anything at railway carriages, etc.
 3. By unlawful acts, omission or neglect. (TEW)
 4. Destroying, damaging etc a channel tunnel train or the tunnel system or committing acts of violence likely to endanger safety of operation.
7. Endangering life at sea: (S)
1. Sending unseaworthy ship to sea. (TEW)
 2. Master of ship not waiting to save lives in collision. (TEW)
 3. Endangering ship, life or limb on shipboard by breach of duty. (TEW)
 4. Master of ship failing to render assistance to ships or persons in danger at sea. (TEW)
 5. Taking or sending a ship to sea with load line submerged. (TEW)
 6. Owner or master of ship contravening cargo ship construction and survey rules. (TEW)
 7. Misconduct of master or member of crew likely to endanger ships, structures or individuals. (TEW)
 8. Drunkenness, etc. on duty. (TEW)
 9. Contravention of deck cargo regulations (load lines etc.). (TEW)
 10. Intentionally making or assisting in making, or procuring to be made, a false or fraudulent certificate (load lines etc.). (TEW)
 11. Using etc. in navigation any unsafe lighter, barge or like vessel, likely to endanger human life. (TEW)
 12. Concerted disobedience, persistent and wilful neglect of duty, or impedes progress of voyage or navigation of ship. (TEW)
 13. Master, pilot or seaman's ability to carry out duties being impaired because of drink or drugs. (TEW)
 14. Destroying ships or fixed platforms endangering their safety.
 15. Other acts endangering or likely to endanger safe navigation.
 16. Inducing commission of offence relating to safety of ship, cargo or sea platform outside UK.
 17. Assisting commission of offence relating to safety of ship, cargo or sea platform outside UK.
8. Other wounding, etc: (S)
1. Wounding or inflicting grievous bodily harm (inflicting bodily injury with or without weapon). (TEW)
 2. Administering poison with intent to injure or annoy.
 3. Setting spring guns, etc. to injure trespassers.
 4. Causing bodily harm by furious driving.
 5. Assault on persons preserving wreck.
 6. Assault occasioning actual bodily harm. (TEW)
 9. Obstructing, assaulting or arresting upon civil process, clergyman performing service. (TEW)
 11. Possession of offensive weapon without lawful authority or reasonable excuse. (TEW)
 13. Possessing firearm or imitation firearm at time of committing or being arrested for an offence specified in Schedule 1 of the Firearms Act 1968 (Group I).
 14. Possessing firearm or imitation firearm at time of committing or being arrested for an offence specified in Schedule 1 of the Firearms Act 1968 (Group II).
 15. Possessing firearm or imitation firearm at time of committing or being arrested for an offence specified in Schedule 1 of the Firearms Act 1968 (Group III).
 16. Possessing firearm or imitation firearm with intent to commit an indictable offence, or resist arrest, etc. (Group I).
 17. Possessing firearm or imitation firearm with intent to commit an indictable offence, or resist arrest, etc. (Group II).
 18. Possessing firearm or imitation firearm with intent to commit an indictable offence, or resist arrest, etc. (Group III).
 20. Assault with intent to resist apprehension or assaulting a person assisting a constable. (TEW)
 21. Owner or person in charge allowing dog to be dangerously out of control in a public place injuring any person. (TEW)
 22. Owner or person in charge allowing dog to enter a non-public place and injuring any person. (TEW)
 23. Possession of a firearm or imitation firearm, with intent to cause fear of violence (Group I).

24. Possession of a firearm or imitation firearm with intent to cause fear of violence.(Group II).
25. Possession of a firearm or imitation firearm with intent to cause fear of violence (Group III).
26. Having an article with a blade or point in a public place. (TEW)
27. Having an article with a blade or point on school premises. (TEW)
28. Possession of offensive weapons without lawful authority or reasonable excuse on school premises. (TEW)
29. Breach of the conditions of an injunction against harassment. (TEW)
30. Putting people in fear of violence. (TEW)
31. Breach of restraining order (Protection from Harassment Act). (TEW)
32. Breach of Anti-Social Behaviour Order. (TEW)
33. Racially aggravated wounding or inflicting grievous bodily harm (inflicting bodily injury with or without weapon). (TEW)
34. Racially aggravated actual bodily harm (assaults occasioning actual bodily harm). (TEW)
35. Racially aggravated common assault. (TEW)
36. Racially aggravated intentional harassment, alarm or distress. (TEW)
37. Racially aggravated offence of harassment. (TEW)
38. Racially aggravated putting people in fear of violence. (TEW)
39. Breach of Restraining Order (Sex Offenders Act). (TEW)
40. Religiously aggravated malicious wounding or GBH. (TEW)
41. Religiously aggravated actual bodily harm. (TEW)
42. Religiously aggravated common assault. (TEW)
43. Religiously aggravated intentional harassment, alarm or distress. (TEW)
44. Religiously aggravated offence of harassment. (TEW)
45. Religiously aggravated putting people in fear of violence. (TEW)
46. Racially or religiously aggravated malicious wounding or grievous bodily harm. (TEW)
47. Racially or religiously aggravated actual bodily harm. (TEW)
48. Racially or religiously aggravated common assault. (TEW)
49. Racially or religiously aggravated intentional harassment, alarm or distress. (TEW)
50. Racially or religiously aggravated offence of harassment. (TEW)
51. Racially or religiously aggravated putting people in fear of violence. (TEW)
52. Excise, infibulate or otherwise mutilate the whole or any part of a girl's labia majora, labia minora or clitoris, or aid, abet, counsel or procure a girl to excise, infibulate or otherwise mutilate the whole or part of her own labia majora, labia minora or clitoris, or aid, abet, counsel or procure a non-UK national or person who is not a permanent UK resident to do a relevant act of female genital mutilation outside of the UK. (TEW)

11. Cruelty to or neglect of children: (S)
 2. Neglecting to provide for apprentice or servant. (TEW)
 3. Cruelty to or neglect of children. (TEW)
12. Abandoning children aged under two years.(S) (TEW)
13. Child abduction: (S)
 1. Abduction of a child by parent. (TEW)
 2. Abduction of a child by other person. (TEW)
14. Procuring illegal abortion: (S)
 1. Administering or using drugs or using instruments to procure abortion.
 2. Procuring drugs, etc. to cause abortion.
15. Concealment of birth. (S) (TEW)

Sexual offences

17. Sexual assault on a male (*previously indecent assault on a male*): (S)
 13. Assault on a male by penetration.
 14. Assault of a male child under 13 by penetration.
 15. Sexual assault on a male.
 16. Sexual assault of a male child under 13. (TEW)
19. Rape: (S)
 7. Rape of a female aged under 16.
 8. Rape of a female aged 16 or over.
 9. Rape of a male aged under 16.

10. Rape of a male aged 16 or over.
 11. Attempted rape of a female aged under 16.
 12. Attempted rape of a female aged 16 or over.
 13. Attempted rape of a male aged under 16.
 14. Attempted rape of a male aged 16 or over.
 16. Rape of female child under 13 by a male.
 17. Rape of a male child under 13 by a male.
 18. Attempted rape of a female child under 13 by a male
 19. Attempted rape of a male child under 13 by a male
20. Sexual assault on female (*previously indecent assault on a female*): (S)
3. Assault on a female by penetration.
 4. Assault on a female child under 13 by penetration.
 5. Sexual assault on a female.
 6. Sexual assault on a female child under 13. (TEW)
21. Sexual activity (male and female) (including with a child under 13) (*previously unlawful intercourse with a girl under 13*): (S)
2. Causing or inciting a female child under 13 to engage in sexual activity - penetration.
 3. Causing or inciting a female child under 13 to engage in sexual activity - no penetration.
 4. Causing or inciting a male child under 13 to engage in sexual activity - penetration
 5. Causing or inciting a male child under 13 to engage in sexual activity - no penetration.
 6. Sexual activity with a female child under 13 - offender aged 18 or over - penetration.
 7. Sexual activity with a male child under 13 - offender aged 18 or over - penetration.
 8. Causing or inciting a female child under 13 to engage in sexual activity - offender aged 18 or over - penetration
 9. Causing or inciting a male child under 13 to engage in sexual activity - offender aged 18 or over - penetration.
 10. Engaging in sexual activity in the presence of a child under 13 (offender aged 18 or over). (TEW)
 11. Causing a child under 13 to watch a sexual act (offender aged 18 or over). (TEW)
 12. Sexual activity with a female child under 13 - offender aged under 18. (TEW)
 13. Sexual activity with a male child under 13 - offender aged under 18. (TEW)
 14. Causing or inciting a female child under 13 to engage in sexual activity - offender under 18. (TEW)
 15. Causing or inciting a male child under 13 to engage in sexual activity - offender under 18. (TEW)
 16. Engaging in sexual activity in the presence of a child under 13 - offender under 18. (TEW)
 17. Causing a child under 13 to watch a sexual act - offender under 18. (TEW)
 18. Sexual activity with a female under 13 - offender aged 18 or over - no penetration. (TEW)
 19. Sexual activity with a male child under 13 - offender aged 18 or over - no penetration. (TEW)
 20. Causing or inciting a female child under 13 to engage in sexual activity - offender aged 18 or over - no penetration. (TEW)
 21. Causing or inciting a male child under 13 to engage in sexual activity - offender aged 18 or over - no penetration. (TEW)
 22. Sexual activity with a female child under 13 - offender aged under 18 - no penetration. (TEW)
 23. Sexual activity with a male child under 13 - offender aged under 18 - no penetration. (TEW)
 24. Causing or inciting a female child under 13 to engage in sexual activity - offender aged under 18 - no penetration. (TEW)
 25. Causing or inciting a male child under 13 to engage in sexual activity - offender aged under 18 - no penetration. (TEW)
22. Sexual activity (male and female) (including with a child under 16) (*previously unlawful sexual intercourse with a girl under 16*): (S)
2. Causing a female person to engage in sexual activity without consent - penetration
 3. Causing a male person to engage in sexual activity without consent - penetration
 4. Causing a female person to engage in sexual activity without consent - no penetration. (TEW)
 5. Causing a male person to engage in sexual activity without consent - no penetration. (TEW)
 6. Sexual activity with a female child under 16 (offender aged 18 or over) - penetration
 7. Sexual activity with a male child under 16 (offender aged 18 or over) - penetration
 8. Causing or inciting a female child under 16 to engage in sexual activity (offender aged 18 or over) - penetration
 9. Causing or inciting a male child under 16 to engage in sexual activity (offender aged 18 or over) - penetration

10. Engaging in sexual activity in the presence of a child under 16 (offender aged 18 or over). (TEW)
 11. Causing a child under 16 to watch a sexual act (offender aged 18 or over). (TEW)
 12. Sexual activity with a female child under 16 (offender aged under 18). (TEW)
 13. Sexual activity with a male child under 16 (offender aged under 18). (TEW)
 14. Causing or inciting a female child under 16 to engage in sexual activity (offender aged under 18). (TEW)
 15. Causing or inciting a male child under 16 to engage in sexual activity (offender aged under 18). (TEW)
 16. Engaging in sexual activity in the presence of a child under 16 (offender aged under 18). (TEW)
 17. Causing a child under 16 to watch a sexual act (offender aged under 18). (TEW)
 18. Sexual activity with a female child under 16 - offender aged 18 or over - no penetration. (TEW)
 19. Sexual activity with a male child under 16 - offender aged 18 or over - no penetration. (TEW)
 20. Causing or inciting a female child under 16 to engage in sexual activity (offender aged 18 or over) - no penetration. (TEW)
 21. Causing or inciting a male child under 16 to engage in sexual activity (offender aged 18 or over) - no penetration. (TEW)
 22. Sexual activity with a female child under 16 (offender aged under 18) - no penetration. (TEW)
 23. Sexual activity with a male child under 16 (offender aged under 18) - no penetration. (TEW)
 24. Causing or inciting a female child under 16 to engage in sexual activity (offender aged under 18) - no penetration. (TEW)
 25. Causing or inciting a male child under 16 to engage in sexual activity (offender aged under 18) - no penetration. (TEW)
23. Familial sexual offences (incest): (S)
4. Sexual activity with a female child family member - offender aged 18 or over at the time of offence and victim 13-17 - penetration
 5. Sexual activity with a male child family member - offender aged 18 or over at the time of offence and victim 13-17 - penetration
 6. Sexual activity with a female child family member - offender not 18 or over at the time of offence and victim 13-17. (TEW)
 7. Sexual activity with a male child family member - offender not 18 or over at the time of offence and victim 13-17. (TEW)
 8. Inciting a female child family member to engage in sexual activity - offender aged 18 or over at time of offence and victim 13-17 - penetration
 9. Inciting a male child family member to engage in sexual activity - offender aged 18 or over at time of offence and victim 13-17 - penetration
 10. Inciting a female child family member to engage in sexual activity - offender not 18 or over at the time offence and victim 13-17. (TEW)
 11. Inciting a male child family member to engage in sexual activity - offender not 18 or over at the time of offence and victim 13-17. (TEW)
 12. Sex with an adult relative (offender aged 16 or over; relative aged 18 or over) - penetration. (TEW)
 13. Sex with an adult relative: consenting to penetration (offender age 16 or over; relative age 18 or over) - consenting to penetration. (TEW)
 14. Sexual activity with a female child family member - offender aged 18 or over at time of offence and victim under 13 - penetration
 15. Sexual activity with a male child family member - offender aged 18 or over at time of offence and victim under 13 - penetration
 16. Sexual activity with a female child family member - offender not 18 or over at time of offence and victim under 13. (TEW)
 17. Sexual activity with a male child family member - offender not 18 or over at time of offence and victim under 13. (TEW)
 18. Inciting a female child family member to engage in sexual activity - offender aged 18 or over at time of offence and victim under 13 - penetration
 19. Inciting a male child family member to engage in sexual activity - offender aged 18 or over at time of offence and victim under 13.
 20. Inciting a female child family member to engage in sexual activity - offender not 18 or over at time of offence and victim under 13. (TEW)
 21. Inciting a male child family member to engage in sexual activity - offender not 18 or over at time of offence and victim under 13. (TEW)
 22. Sexual activity with a female child family member - offender aged 18 or over at time of offence and victim 13-17 - no penetration. (TEW)

23. Sexual activity with a male child family member - offender aged 18 or over at time of offence and victim 13-17 - no penetration. (TEW)
 24. Sexual activity with a female child family member - offender aged 18 or over at time of offence and victim under 13 - no penetration. (TEW)
 25. Sexual activity with a male child family member - offender aged 18 or over at time of offence and victim under 13 - no penetration. (TEW)
 26. Inciting a female child family member to engage in sexual activity - offender aged 18 or over at time of offence and victim 13-17 - no penetration. (TEW)
 27. Inciting a male child family member to engage in sexual activity - offender aged 18 or over at time of offence and victim 13-17 - no penetration. (TEW)
 28. Inciting a female child family member to engage in sexual activity - offender aged 18 or over at time of offence and victim under 13 - no penetration. (TEW)
 29. Inciting a male child family member to engage in sexual activity - offender aged 18 or over at time of offence and victim under 13 - no penetration. (TEW)
 30. Sexual activity with a female child family member under 13 - offender aged under 18 - penetration of anus, vagina or mouth by penis or other body part. (TEW)
 31. Sexual activity with a male child family member under 13 - offender aged under 18 - penetration of anus, vagina or mouth by penis or other body part. (TEW)
 32. Sexual activity with a female child family member 13-17 - offender aged under 18 - penetration of anus, vagina or mouth by penis or other body part. (TEW)
 33. Sexual activity with a male child family member 13-17 - offender aged under 18 - penetration of anus, vagina or mouth by penis or other body part. (TEW)
 34. Inciting a female child family member under 13 to engage in sexual activity - offender aged under 18 - penetration of anus, vagina or mouth by penis or other part of body. (TEW)
 35. Inciting a male child family member under 13 to engage in sexual activity - offender aged under 18 - penetration of anus, vagina or mouth by penis or other part of body. (TEW)
 36. Inciting a female child family member 13-17 to engage in sexual activity - offender aged under 18 - penetration of anus, vagina or mouth by penis or other part of body. (TEW)
 37. Inciting a male child family member 13-17 to engage in sexual activity - offender aged under 18 - penetration of anus, vagina or mouth by penis or other part of body. (TEW)
24. Exploitation of prostitution (*previously procuration of males and females*): (S)
17. Causing or inciting prostitution for gain. (TEW)
 18. Controlling a prostitute for gain. (TEW)
 19. Keeping a brothel used for prostitution. (TEW)
26. Bigamy. (S) (TEW)
70. Sexual activity etc. with a person with a mental disorder: (S)
1. Sexual activity with a male person with a mental disorder impeding choice – penetration.
 2. Sexual activity with a female person with a mental disorder impeding choice – penetration.
 3. Sexual activity with a male person with a mental disorder impeding choice - no penetration.
 4. Sexual activity with a female person with a mental disorder impeding choice - no penetration.
 5. Causing or inciting a male person with a mental disorder impeding choice to engage in sexual activity – penetration.
 6. Causing or inciting a female person with a mental disorder impeding choice to engage in sexual activity – penetration.
 7. Causing or inciting a male person with a mental disorder impeding choice to engage in sexual activity – penetration.
 8. Causing or inciting a female person with a mental disorder impeding choice to engage in sexual activity - no penetration.
 9. Engaging in sexual activity in the presence of a person with a mental disorder impeding choice.
 10. Causing a person with a mental disorder impeding choice to watch a sexual act.
 11. Inducement, threat or deception to procure sexual activity with a person with a mental disorder – penetration.
 12. Inducement, threat or deception to procure sexual activity with a person with a mental disorder - no penetration.
 13. Causing a person with a mental disorder to engage in sexual activity by inducement, threat or deception - penetration.
 14. Causing a person with a mental disorder to engage in sexual activity by inducement, threat or deception - no penetration.
 15. Engaging in sexual activity in the presence, procured by inducement, threat or deception, of a person with a mental disorder. (TEW)

16. Causing a person with a mental disorder to watch a sexual act by inducement, threat or deception. (TEW)
 17. Care workers: Sexual activity with a male person with a mental disorder - penetration.
 18. Care workers: Sexual activity with a female person with a mental disorder - penetration.
 19. Care workers: Sexual activity with a male person with a mental disorder - no penetration. (TEW)
 20. Care workers: Sexual activity with a female person with a mental disorder - no penetration. (TEW)
 21. Care workers: Causing or inciting sexual activity (person with a mental disorder) - penetration.
 22. Care workers: Causing or inciting sexual activity (person with a mental disorder) - no penetration. (TEW)
 23. Care workers: Sexual activity in the presence of a person with a mental disorder. (TEW)
 24. Care workers: Causing a person with a mental disorder impeding choice to watch a sexual act. (TEW)
71. Abuse of children through prostitution and pornography (*previously child prostitution and pornography*): (S)
1. Arranging or facilitating the commission of a child sex offence. (TEW)
 2. Paying for sex with a female child under 13 - penetration
 3. Paying for sex with a male child under 13 - penetration
 4. Paying for sex with a female child under 16 - no penetration
 5. Paying for sex with a male child under 16 - no penetration
 6. Paying for sex with a female child aged 16 or 17. (TEW)
 7. Paying for sex with a male child aged 16 or 17. (TEW)
 8. Causing or inciting child prostitution or pornography - child aged 13-17. (TEW)
 9. Controlling a child prostitute or a child involved in pornography - child aged 13-17. (TEW)
 10. Arranging or facilitating child prostitution or pornography - child aged 13-17. (TEW)
 11. Causing or inciting child prostitution or pornography - child under 13. (TEW)
 12. Controlling a child prostitute or child involved in pornography - child under 13. (TEW)
 13. Arranging or facilitating child prostitution or pornography - child under 13. (TEW)
 14. Paying for sex with a female child aged under 16 - penetration
 15. Paying for sex with a male child aged under 16 - penetration
72. Trafficking for sexual exploitation: (S)
1. Arranging or facilitating arrival of a person into the UK for sexual exploitation (trafficking). (TEW)
 2. Arranging or facilitating travel of a person within the UK for sexual exploitation (trafficking). (TEW)
 3. Arranging or facilitating departure of a person from the UK for sexual exploitation (trafficking). (TEW)
73. Abuse of Trust - sexual offences: (S)
7. Abuse of a position of trust: sexual activity with a female child (offender aged 18 or over and victim aged 13-17). (TEW)
 8. Abuse of a position of trust: sexual activity with a male child (offender aged 18 or over and victim aged 13-17). (TEW)
 9. Abuse of a position of trust: causing or inciting a female child to engage in sexual activity (offender aged 18 or over and victim aged 13-17). (TEW)
 10. Abuse of a position of trust: causing or inciting a male child to engage in sexual activity (offender aged 18 or over and victim aged 13-17). (TEW)
 11. Abuse of a position of trust: sexual activity in the presence of a child (offender aged 18 or over and victim aged 13-17). (TEW)
 12. Abuse of a position of trust: causing a child to watch a sexual act (offender aged 18 or over and victim aged 13-17). (TEW)
 13. Abuse of a position of trust: sexual activity with a female child (offender aged 18 or over and victim aged under 13). (TEW)
 14. Abuse of a position of trust: sexual activity with a male child (offender aged 18 or over and victim under 13). (TEW)
 15. Abuse of a position of trust: causing or inciting a female child to engage in sexual activity (offender aged 18 or over and victim aged under 13). (TEW)
 16. Abuse of a position of trust: causing or inciting a male child to engage in sexual activity (offender aged 18 or over and victim aged under 13). (TEW)
 17. Abuse of a position of trust: sexual activity in the presence of a child (offender aged 18 or over and victim under 13). (TEW)

18. Abuse of a position of trust: causing a child to watch a sexual act (offender aged 18 or over and victim aged under 13). (TEW)
88. Miscellaneous sexual offences: (S)
 1. Meeting a female child following sexual grooming etc. (offender aged 18 or over and victim under 16). (TEW)
 2. Meeting a male child following sexual grooming etc. (offender aged 18 or over and victim aged under 16). (TEW)
 3. Intercourse with an animal by a male. (TEW)
 4. Intercourse with an animal by a female. (TEW)
 5. Administering a substance with intent. (TEW)
 6. Committing an offence with intent to commit a sexual offence. (TEW)
 7. Trespass with intent to commit a sexual offence. (TEW)
 9. Exposure. (TEW)
 10. Voyeurism. (TEW)
 11. Sexual penetration of a corpse. (TEW)

Burglary

28. Burglary in a dwelling: (S)
 1. Burglary, with the intent to commit an offence triable only on indictment.
 2. Burglary with the commission of an offence triable only on indictment or with violence or the threat of violence.
 3. Other burglary in a dwelling. (TEW)
29. Aggravated burglary in a dwelling. (S)
30. Burglary in a building other than a dwelling: (S)
 1. Burglary, with the intent to commit, or the commission of an offence triable only on indictment.
 2. Other burglary other than in a dwelling. (TEW)
31. Aggravated burglary in a building other than a dwelling. (S)

Robbery

34. Robbery and assaults with intent to rob: (S)
 1. Robbery.
 2. Assault with intent to rob.

Theft and handling stolen goods

37. Aggravated vehicle taking: (S)
 2. Where the vehicle was driven dangerously, where injury to any person or damage to any property was caused, or damage was caused to the vehicle. (TEW)
38. Money laundering offences (not drugs): (S)
 1. Concealing etc, criminal property. (TEW)
 2. Arrangements - being concerned in arrangement, knowing or suspecting, facilitating acquisition, retention, use or control of criminal property by or on behalf of another. (TEW)
 3. Acquisition, use and possession - criminal property. (TEW)
 4. Failure to disclose; another person involved in money laundering - regulated sector. (TEW)
 5. Failure to disclose; another person involved in money laundering - nominated officers in the regulated sector. (TEW)
 6. Failure to disclose; another involved in money laundering - other nominated officers in the regulated sector. (TEW)
 7. Tipping off - suspects a disclosure has been made; makes a disclosure likely to prejudice an investigation. (TEW)
 8. Nominated officer; must not give consent to the doing of a prohibited act. (TEW)
39. Theft from the person of another. (S) (TEW)
40. Theft in a dwelling other than from automatic machine or meter. (S) (TEW)
41. Theft by an employee. (S) (TEW)

- 42. Theft of mail bag or postal packet or unlawful taking away or opening mail bag. (S) (TEW)
- 43. Abstracting electricity. (S) (TEW)
- 44. Theft of pedal cycle. (S) (TEW)
- 45. Theft from vehicle: (S)
 - 10. From motor vehicles. (TEW)
 - 11. From other vehicles. (TEW)
- 46. Theft from shops and stalls. (S) (TEW)
- 47. Theft from automatic machines and meters. (S) (TEW)
- 48. Theft of motor vehicle: (S)
 - 1. Theft of motor vehicle. (TEW)
- 49. Other theft or unauthorised taking: (S)
 - 10. Offences under the Theft Act 1968, s.1, not classified elsewhere. (TEW)
 - 11. Removal of article on show from places open to the public. (TEW)
 - 12. Theft of conveyance other than motor vehicle or pedal cycle. (TEW)
- 54. Handling stolen goods: (S)
 - 1. Receiving stolen goods. (TEW)
 - 2. Undertaking or assisting in the retention, removal, disposal or realisation of stolen goods, or arranging to do so. (TEW)

Fraud and forgery

- 51. Frauds by company directors, etc: (S)
 - 1. False statements by company director, etc. (TEW)
 - 3. Other fraud by company director. (TEW)
 - 4. Giving false information knowingly or recklessly when applying for a Confidentiality Order or for providing confidential information in breach of Regulations under S.723C. (TEW)
- 52. False accounting: (S)
 - 1. False accounting. (TEW)
 - 2. Failing to keep proper accounting records. (TEW)
 - 3. Authorising failure to keep proper accounting records. (TEW)
 - 4. Permitting failure to keep proper accounts. (TEW)
 - 5. Failing to secure preservation of accounting records. (TEW)
 - 6. Failing to keep accounting records open to inspection. (TEW)
- 53. Other fraud: (S)
 - 1. Obtaining property by deception. (TEW)
 - 2. Obtaining pecuniary advantage by deception (except railway frauds). (TEW)
 - 4. Conspiracy to defraud.
 - 5. Purporting to act as a spiritualistic medium for reward. (TEW)
 - 6. Taking marks from public stores. (TEW)
 - 11. Fraudulently printing, mutilating or re-issuing stamps. (TEW)
 - 13. Frauds by farmers in connection with agricultural charges. (TEW)
 - 14. Cheating at play, etc. (TEW)
 - 15. Dishonestly destroying, defacing or concealing a document. (TEW)
 - 16. Dishonestly procuring execution of a document. (TEW)
 - 20. Railway frauds. (TEW)
 - 21. Frauds in connection with sale of land, etc.
 - 22. Frauds in connection with sale of land, etc. (TEW)
 - 23. Obtaining services by deception (except railway frauds). (TEW)
 - 24. Evasion of liability by deception (except railway frauds). (TEW)
 - 25. Making off without payment. (TEW)
 - 30. Insider dealing. (TEW)
 - 31. Obtaining a money transfer by deception. (TEW)
 - 32. Dishonestly retaining a wrongful credit. (TEW)

- 33. Dishonest representation for obtaining benefit etc. (TEW)
 - 34. Unauthorised access with intent to commit or facilitate commission of further offences. (TEW)
 - 35. Unauthorised modification of computer material. (TEW)
 - 36. Knowingly concerned in fraudulent evasion of contributions. (TEW)
 - 37. Cartel offences. (TEW)
 - 38. Corrupt transactions with agents. (TEW)
 - 39. Obtaining an award or sum by deliberately committing an act or making an omission. (TEW)
 - 99. Other frauds. (TEW)
55. Bankruptcy and insolvency: (S)
- 1. Offences in relation to bankruptcy and insolvency. (TEW)
 - 2. Contravening company director's disqualification order. (TEW)
 - 3. Disqualified person managing company. (TEW)
 - 4. Undischarged bankrupt acting as a director. (TEW)
 - 5. Undercharged bankrupt taking part in or being concerned in the promotion, formation or management of a company. (TEW)
60. Forgery, etc. of prescription (in respect of drugs listed in Schedule 2 of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971): (S)
- 21. Forgery or copying false instrument. (TEW)
 - 22. Using a false instrument or a copy of a false instrument. (TEW)
61. Other forgery, etc. (including coinage and hallmarking offences): (S)
- 21. Forgery or copying false instrument. (TEW)
 - 22. Using a false instrument or a copy of a false instrument. (TEW)
 - 23. Possess false instrument or materials to make false instrument. (TEW)
 - 24. Making counterfeit coin or note. (TEW)
 - 25. Pass, etc. counterfeit coin or note as genuine. (TEW)
 - 26. Possess counterfeit coin or note. (TEW)
 - 27. Possess materials or dies to make counterfeit coin or note. (TEW)
 - 28. Reproduce British currency note or make imitation British coins. (TEW)
 - 29. Melting down or breaking up metal coin without licence. (TEW)
 - 30. Person in the course of trade or business altering, etc. hallmark or describing unhallmarked article as gold, etc. (TEW)
 - 31. Make or possess counterfeit die or hallmark, etc. (TEW)
 - 32. Failure to withdraw from circulation Euro notes/coins believed to be counterfeit. (TEW)
 - 33. Failure to hand over Euro note or coin believed to be counterfeit. (TEW)
 - 34. With intent knowingly possess false/improperly obtained/another's ID document.
 - 35. With intent make/possess/have under your control apparatus/article/material designed/adapted for making false ID document.
 - 36. Possess/control a false/improperly obtained ID card or which relates to another or apparatus etc for making ID document. (TEW)
 - 37. Tampering with a register etc. (TEW)

Criminal damage

56. Arson: (S)
- 1. Arson endangering life.
 - 2. Arson not endangering life. (TEW)
57. Criminal damage endangering life (excluding arson). (S) (TEW)
58. Other criminal damage: (S)
- 0. Other criminal damage. (TEW)
 - 1. Racially aggravated other criminal damage. (TEW)
 - 2. Religiously aggravated other criminal damage. (TEW)
 - 3. Racially or religiously aggravated other criminal damage. (TEW)
59. Threat and possession with intent to commit criminal damage: (S)
- 11. Threat. (TEW)
 - 12. Possession with intent (Offences against the Person Act 1861, s.64).
 - 13. Possession with intent (Criminal Damage Act 1971, s.3). (TEW)

Drug offences

77. Misuse of drugs: (S)
Criminal Justice (International Co-operation) Act 1990.
50. Manufacturing a scheduled substance. (TEW)
 51. Supplying a scheduled substance to another person. (TEW)
 52. Failing to comply with regulations made by the Secretary of State as regards documentation, record keeping, labelling etc. (TEW)
- Having a controlled drug in possession on a ship.
53. Class A. (TEW)
 54. Class B. (TEW)
 55. Class C. (TEW)
 59. Class unspecified. (TEW)
- Being knowingly concerned in the carrying or concealing of a controlled drug on a ship.
56. Class A. (TEW)
 57. Class B. (TEW)
 58. Class C. (TEW)
 60. Class unspecified. (TEW)
92. Misuse of drugs: (S)
Offence in relation to the unlawful importation of a drug controlled under the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971
1. Class unspecified. (TEW)
 3. Class A. (TEW)
 4. Class B. (TEW)
 5. Class C. (TEW)
- Offence in relation to the unlawful exportation of a drug controlled under the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971
2. Class unspecified. (TEW)
 6. Class A. (TEW)
 7. Class B. (TEW)
 8. Class C. (TEW)
- Production of, or being concerned in production of a controlled drug.
10. Class A - Cocaine. (TEW)
 11. Class A - Heroin. (TEW)
 12. Class A - LSD. (TEW)
 13. Class A - MDMA. (TEW)
 14. Class A - Crack cocaine. (TEW)
 15. Class A - Methadone. (TEW)
 19. Other Class A. (TEW)
 20. Class B - Amphetamine. (TEW)
 25. Other Class B. (TEW)
 26. Class C - Cannabis and cannabis resin. (TEW)
 27. Class C - Anabolic steroids. (TEW)
 28. Other Class C. (TEW)
 29. Class unspecified. (TEW)
- Supplying or offering to supply (or being concerned in supplying or offering to supply) a controlled drug.
30. Class A - Cocaine. (TEW)
 31. Class A - Heroin. (TEW)
 32. Class A - LSD. (TEW)
 33. Class A - MDMA. (TEW)
 34. Class A - Crack cocaine. (TEW)
 35. Class A - Methadone. (TEW)
 39. Other Class A. (TEW)
 40. Class B - Amphetamine. (TEW)
 45. Other Class B. (TEW)
 46. Class C - Cannabis and cannabis resin. (TEW)
 47. Class C - Anabolic steroids. (TEW)
 48. Other Class C. (TEW)

49. Class unspecified. (TEW)

Having possession of a controlled drug.

- 50. Class A - Cocaine. (TEW)
- 51. Class A - Heroin. (TEW)
- 52. Class A - LSD. (TEW)
- 53. Class A - MDMA. (TEW)
- 54. Class A - Crack cocaine. (TEW)
- 55. Class A - Methadone. (TEW)
- 59. Other Class A. (TEW)
- 60. Class B - Amphetamine. (TEW)
- 65. Other Class B. (TEW)
- 66. Class C - Cannabis and cannabis resin. (TEW)
- 67. Class C - Anabolic steroids. (TEW)
- 68. Other Class C. (TEW)
- 69. Class unspecified. (TEW)

Having possession of a controlled drug with intent to supply.

- 70. Class A - Cocaine. (TEW)
- 71. Class A - Heroin. (TEW)
- 72. Class A - LSD. (TEW)
- 73. Class A - MDMA. (TEW)
- 74. Class A - Crack cocaine. (TEW)
- 75. Class A - Methadone. (TEW)
- 79. Other Class A. (TEW)
- 80. Class B - Amphetamine. (TEW)
- 85. Other Class B. (TEW)
- 86. Class C - Cannabis and cannabis resin. (TEW)
- 87. Class C - Anabolic steroids. (TEW)
- 88. Other Class C. (TEW)
- 89. Class unspecified. (TEW)

93. Misuse of drugs: (S)

Permitting premises to be used for unlawful purposes.

- 10. Class A - Cocaine. (TEW)
- 11. Class A - Heroin. (TEW)
- 12. Class A - LSD. (TEW)
- 13. Class A - MDMA. (TEW)
- 14. Class A - Crack cocaine. (TEW)
- 15. Class A - Methadone. (TEW)
- 19. Other Class A. (TEW)
- 20. Class B - Amphetamine. (TEW)
- 25. Other Class B. (TEW)
- 26. Class C - Cannabis and cannabis resin. (TEW)
- 27. Class C - Anabolic steroids. (TEW)
- 28. Other Class C. (TEW)
- 29. Class unspecified. (TEW)

General: (S)

- 30. Obstructing exercise of powers of search etc. or concealing drugs etc. (TEW)
- 40. Other indictable/Triable either way offences relating to drugs. (TEW)
- 49. Concealing or transferring the proceeds of drug trafficking. (TEW)
- 50. Assisting another person to retain the benefit of drug trafficking. (TEW)
- 51. Acquisition, possession or use of proceeds of drug trafficking. (TEW)
- 52. Failure to disclose knowledge or suspicion of money laundering. (TEW)
- 53. Disclosure of information likely to prejudice an investigation ('Tipping off'). (TEW)
- 54. Prejudicing an investigation by making unlawful disclosures. (TEW)

Production of, or being concerned in the production of a controlled drug

- 59. Class C - GHB (Hydroxy-n-butric acid). (TEW)
- 60. Ketamine (Special K or Club 'horse' drug). (TEW)

Supplying or offering to supply a controlled drug

- 65. Class C - GHB (Hydroxy-n-butric acid). (TEW)

66. Ketamine (Special K or Club 'horse' drug). (TEW)

Possession of a controlled drug

71. Class C - GHB (Hydroxy-n-butric acid). (TEW)

72. Ketamine (Special K or Club 'Horse' drug). (TEW)

Possession with the intent to supply a controlled drug

77. Class C - GHB (Hydroxy-n-butric acid). (TEW)

78. Ketamine (Special K or Club 'Horse' drug). (TEW)

Permitting premises to be used for unlawful purposes

83. Class C - GHB (Hydroxy-n-butric acid). (TEW)

84. Ketamine (Special K or Club 'Horse' drug). (TEW)

Other indictable offences (excluding motoring offences)

33. Going equipped for stealing, etc. (S) (TEW)

35. Blackmail. (S)

36. Kidnapping: (S)

1. Kidnapping.
2. Hijacking.
3. False imprisonment.
4. Detaining and threatening to kill or injure a hostage.

62. High treason and other offences against Treason Acts. (S)

63. Treason felony. (S)

64. Riot: (S)

1. Riot.

65. Violent disorder. (S) (TEW)

66. Other offences against the State or Public Order: (S)

1. Affray. (TEW)
3. Placing or dispatching articles to cause bomb hoax. (TEW)
4. Communicating false information alleging the presence of bombs. (TEW)
5. Admitting spectators to, or allowing spectators to remain on, unlicensed premises. (TEW)
6. Threats of attack on United Nations workers.
8. Breach of Sexual Offences Prevention Order and Interim Sexual Offences Prevention Order. (TEW)
9. Racially aggravated fear or provocation of violence. (TEW)
10. Religiously aggravated fear or provocation of violence. (TEW)
11. Prohibition of disclosures relating to nuclear security. (TEW)
12. Prohibition of disclosure of uranium enrichment technology. (TEW)
13. Failure to disclose knowledge gained in the course of business in a regulated sector. (TEW)
14. Failure to disclose information about acts of terrorism. (TEW)
15. Hoaxes involving noxious substances or things. (TEW)
16. Racially or religiously aggravated fear or provocation of violence. (TEW)
17. Failure to comply with initial notification requirement as provided by S.83(1) of the Sexual Offences Act 2003. (TEW)
18. Knowingly notifying police with false information in purported compliance with S.83(1) of the Sexual Offences Act 2003. (TEW)
19. Breach of Risk of Sexual Harm Order and Interim Risk of Sexual Harm Order. (TEW)
20. Breach of Foreign Travel Order. (TEW)
21. Committing or conspiring to commit an act outraging public decency. (TEW)
22. Public nuisance. (TEW)
23. Use of words or behaviour or display of written material intended or likely to stir up racial hatred. (TEW)
24. Publishing or distributing written material intended or likely to stir up racial hatred. (TEW)
25. Public performance of play intended or likely to stir up racial hatred. (TEW)
26. Distributing, showing or playing a recording intended or likely to stir up racial hatred. (TEW)

27. Broadcasting or including a programme in programme service intended or likely to stir up racial hatred. (TEW)
 28. Possession of a racially inflammatory piece of material. (TEW)
 39. Breach of Non-Molestation Order. (TEW)
 40. Breach of an obligation imposed by a control order. (TEW)
 41. Failure to report to a specified person when first returning to the UK as required by the terms of control order, when the order has ceased to have effect. (TEW)
 42. Interference with contractual relationships so as to harm animal research organisations. (TEW)
 43. Intimidation of persons connected with animal research organisations. (TEW)
 44. Compelling by threatening to destroy or damage ship or sea platform or property used in navigation.
 45. Use of words or behaviour or display of written material.
 46. Publishing or distributing written material.
 47. Public performance of a play.
 48. Distributing, showing or playing a recording.
 49. Provider of programme broadcasting or including programme in programme service.
 50. Producer or director of programme broadcasting or including programme in programme service.
 51. Person using offending words or behaviour broadcasting or including programme in programme service.
 52. Possession of inflammatory material.
 53. Publishing or causing another to publish a statement intending to or recklessly encouraging terrorism. (TEW)
 54. Distributing or circulating a terrorist publication. (TEW)
 55. Giving or selling or lending or offering for sale or offer for loan a terrorist publication. (TEW)
 56. Providing a service re: reading or listening to a terrorist publication. (TEW)
 57. Transmitting contents of a terrorist publication. (TEW)
 58. Possessing terrorist publication with a view to distribution or sale or loan or reading or listening to or seeing etc. (TEW)
 59. With intent to commit or to assist another to commit an act of terrorism engage in preparation therefor.
 60. Providing instruction or training for terrorism. (TEW)
 61. Receiving instruction or training for terrorism. (TEW)
 62. Attending any place in UK or elsewhere for instruction training in terrorism. (TEW)
 64. Possessing radioactive material with intent use it in commission or preparation for terrorism.
 65. Using radioactive device or material in the course of or in connection with commission or purposes of terrorism.
 66. In course of or in connection with commission or purposes of terrorism using or damaging nuclear facility to cause release or ask of release of radioactive material.
 67. Terrorist making demand relating to devices or materials or facilities.
 68. Terrorist making threat to use radioactive device or material.
 69. Making or possessing radioactive device with intent use it in commission or preparation for terrorism.
 99. Other offences against the State or Public Order. (TEW)
67. Perjury: (S)
1. Perjury and false statements (also false declarations and representations made punishable by any statute).
 2. Perjury and false statements (also false declarations and representations made punishable by any statute). (TEW)
68. Libel. (S)
75. Betting, gaming and lotteries: (S)
- Betting.
2. Accepting bets whilst not being the holder of a permit. (TEW)
 12. Restriction of pool betting. (TEW)
 13. Restriction of betting on tracks. (TEW)
 15. Totalisator on licensed tracks. (TEW)
 19. Totalisator operator contravening provisions of Sch. 5 other than paragraph 11(2) of Betting, Gaming and Lotteries Act 1963. (TEW)
 21. Permitting unlicensed premises to be used for pool betting. (TEW)
 22. Permitting unlicensed premises to be used, etc. for other betting. (TEW)

31. Breach of conditions at non-commercial amusements. (TEW)
32. Breach of conditions at commercial amusements. (TEW)
33. Offences concerning general, small, private, society or local lotteries. (TEW)
34. Use of machines at non-commercial entertainments. (TEW)
35. Other uses of machines for amusement purposes. (TEW)

Gaming.

39. Cheating at gambling or enabling or assisting person to cheat. (TEW)
40. Unlawful gaming - Charge made. Levy on stakes or winnings. (TEW)
41. Gaming when not present on premises or on behalf of another person not present on premises. (TEW)
42. Non-member or holder of licence participating in gaming. (TEW)
43. Non-member, etc. participating in gaming at registered club or miners' welfare institute. (TEW)
44. Restrictions on games to be played. (TEW)
45. Charges for taking part in gaming not notified. (TEW)
46. Levy on stakes or winnings - regulations. (TEW)
47. Provision of credit for gaming. (TEW)
48. Exclusion of persons under 18 years of age. (TEW)
49. Gaming on Sunday between prohibited hours. (TEW)
50. Person without Gaming Board certificate performing function at gaming. (TEW)
51. Special provisions relating to Bingo clubs. (TEW)
52. Breach of regulation of licensed club premises. (TEW)
53. Breach of regulations relating to hours during which gaming is permitted. (TEW)
54. Permitted hours of gaming:- restrictions attached to licence. (TEW)
55. Restriction of use of parts of premises. (TEW)
56. Restrictions on sale, etc. of gaming machines. (TEW)
57. Use of machines by virtue of licence or registration. (TEW)
58. Gaming by machine at entertainments not held for private gain. (TEW)
59. Restrictions on advertisements relating to gaming by machine. (TEW)

National lottery.

60. Contravention of the regulations as to the promotion of lotteries that form part of the National Lottery. (TEW)
61. False representations as to the National Lottery. (TEW)

76. Aiding suicide. (S)

78. Immigration Acts: (S)

4. Non-British citizen by means including deception seeking to remain in the UK etc. (TEW)
5. Person providing immigration advice or services in contravention of restraining order etc. (TEW)
6. Person knowingly or recklessly discloses information under s.93(2). (TEW)
7. Obtaining benefits or advantage for himself or anyone else by making dishonest representations. (TEW)
8. Disclosure by persons employed at detention centres etc of information relating to detained persons. (TEW)
9. Assisting a detained person to escape. (TEW)
10. Assisting unlawful immigration to member state. (TEW)
11. Helping asylum seeker to enter the UK. (TEW)
12. Assisting entry to UK in breach of deportation or exclusion order. (TEW)
14. Registration card (making, using false card, making article to make false card). (TEW)
15. Registration card (having false card, having article within para (f) or (g) without reasonable excuse. (TEW)
16. Possession of immigration stamp or replica immigration stamp. (TEW)
17. Being unable to produce an immigration document at a leave or asylum interview in respect of himself. (TEW)
18. Being unable to produce an immigration document at a leave or asylum interview in respect of a dependant child. (TEW)
19. Trafficking people into the UK for the purpose of exploitation. (TEW)
20. Trafficking people within the UK for the purpose of exploitation. (TEW)
21. Trafficking people out of the UK for the purpose of exploitation. (TEW)
22. Employing a person subject to immigration control who has attained the age of 16. (TEW)
23. Failure to comply with a requirement to take specified action as the Secretary of State required. (TEW)

79. Perverting the course of justice: (S)
1. Attempting to pervert the course of public justice.
 2. Intimidating a juror or witness or person assisting in investigation of offence. (TEW)
 3. Harming or threatening to harm a witness, juror or person assisting in investigation. (TEW)
 4. Intimidating or intending to intimidate a witness. (TEW)
 5. Harming or intending to harm a witness. (TEW)
80. Absconding from lawful custody. (S)
81. Firearms offences: (S)
3. Possessing, etc. firearms or ammunition without firearm certificate (Group I). (TEW)
 4. Possessing, etc. shotgun without a certificate (Group II). (TEW)
 7. Trading in firearms without being registered as a firearms dealer (Group I). (TEW)
 8. Trading in firearms without being registered as a firearms dealer (Group II). (TEW)
 9. Selling firearm to person without a certificate (Group I). (TEW)
 10. Selling firearm to person without a certificate (Group II). (TEW)
 11. Repairing, testing, etc. firearm for person without a certificate (Group I). (TEW)
 12. Repairing, testing, etc. firearm for person without a certificate (Group II). (TEW)
 13. Falsifying certificate, etc. with view to acquisition of firearm (Group I). (TEW)
 14. Falsifying certificate, etc. with view to acquisition of firearm (Group II). (TEW)
 15. Shortening a shot gun or other smooth bore gun (Group I). (TEW)
 16. Conversion of firearms (Group I). (TEW)
 17. Possessing or distributing prohibited weapons or ammunition (Group I).
 26. Carrying firearm in public place, etc. (Group I). (TEW)
 27. Carrying loaded firearm in public place, etc. (Group II). (TEW)
 29. Trespassing with firearm or imitation firearm in a building (Group I). (TEW)
 30. Trespassing with firearm or imitation firearm in a building (Group II). (TEW)
 35. Possession of firearms by persons previously convicted of crime (Group I). (TEW)
 36. Possession of firearms by persons previously convicted of crime (Group II). (TEW)
 37. Possession of firearms by persons previously convicted of crime (Group III). (TEW)
 38. Supplying firearms to persons denied them under s.21 Firearms Act 1968 (Group I). (TEW)
 39. Supplying firearms to persons denied them under s.21 Firearms Act 1968 (Group II). (TEW)
 40. Supplying firearms to persons denied them under s.21 Firearms Act 1968 (Group III). (TEW)
 42. Failure to transfer firearms or ammunition in person (Group I). (TEW)
 43. Failure to give notice in writing to the Chief Officer of Police of transfers involving firearms (Group I). (TEW)
 44. Failure by certificate holder to notify in writing Chief Officer of Police of deactivation, destruction or loss of firearms or ammunition (Group I). (TEW)
 45. Failure by certificate holder to notify in writing Chief Officer of Police of events taking place outside Great Britain involving firearms and ammunition (sold or otherwise disposed of lost etc.) (Group I). (TEW)
 70. Possessing or distributing prohibited weapons designed for discharge of noxious liquid etc. (Group I). (TEW)
 71. Possessing or distributing firearm disguised as other object (Group I). (TEW)
 72. Possessing or distributing other prohibited weapons. (TEW)
 73. Offence in relation to the unlawful importation of any weapon or ammunition of a kind mentioned in S.5(1)(a), (ab), (aba), (ac), (ad), (ae), (af) or (c) of the Firearms Act 1968. (TEW)
 74. Offence in relation to the unlawful exportation of any weapon or ammunition of a kind mentioned in S.5(1)(a), (ab), (aba), (ac), (ad), (ae), (af) or (c) of the Firearms Act 1968. (TEW)
*[Group I - Firearms, etc. other than as described in Group II or III.
Group II - Shotguns as defined in s.1(3)(a) of the Firearms Act 1968.
Group III - Air weapons as defined in s.1(3)(b) of the Firearms Act 1968]*
82. Revenue Law offences: (S)
2. Triable either way offences. (TEW)
 3. Fraudulent evasion of duty - an offence in connection with a prohibition or restriction on the importation or exportation of any weapon or ammunition of a kind mentioned in S.5(1)(a), (ab), (aba), (ac), (ad), (ae), (af) or (c) of the Firearms Act 1968. (TEW)
83. Offences relating to bail: (S)
1. Absconding by person released on bail.
 2. Agreeing to indemnify sureties in criminal proceedings. (TEW)
 3. Acknowledging bail in false name.

84. Trade Descriptions Act and similar legislation: (S)
1. False trade descriptions. (TEW)
 2. False or misleading indication as to price of goods and contravening regulations regarding price of goods. (TEW)
 3. False or misleading statements as to services etc. (TEW)
 4. Misleading advertisements. (TEW)
 5. Price regulation, price marking and price range notices; restriction on disclosure of information. (TEW)
 6. Furnishing false information in response to notice, or to enforcement officer. (TEW)
 7. Disclosing restricted information. (TEW)
 8. Unauthorised use of trade mark etc in relation to goods; falsification of register etc. (TEW)
 9. Making for sale or hire, importing, possessing or distributing articles which infringe the copyright; making, importing or distributing illicit recordings. (TEW)
 10. Other triable either way offences except those included in 84/09. (TEW)
 11. Licences and certificates relating to medicinal products etc. (TEW)
 12. Infringing copyright in a work by communicating the work to the public. (TEW)
 13. Infringing a performer's making available right in the course of business or otherwise. (TEW)
85. Health and Safety at Work, etc. Act 1974: (S)
1. Neglect of safety at work. (TEW)
 2. Contravention of improvement or prohibition notice; contravention of requirement of inspector under s.25. (TEW)
 3. Offences relating to information notices. (TEW)
 4. False statements and false entries in records or forgery. (TEW)
 5. Offences against health and safety regulations etc. (TEW)
86. Obscene publications etc and protected sexual material: (S)
1. Possessing obscene material for gain. (TEW)
 2. Taking, permitting to be taken, or making, distributing or publishing indecent photographs or pseudo-photographs of children. (TEW)
 3. Displaying indecent matter. (TEW)
 4. Supplying video recording of unclassified work. (TEW)
 5. Possessing video recording of unclassified work for the purpose of supply. (TEW)
 6. Having protected material, or copy of it, in possession otherwise than while inspecting it etc. (TEW)
 7. Giving or revealing protected material, or copy of it, to any other person. (TEW)
 8. Having been given or shown protected material, giving a copy or otherwise to any person other than the defendant. (TEW)
 9. Having been given or shown protected material, giving a copy or otherwise to the defendant when not supposed to. (TEW)
 10. Possession of indecent photograph of a child. (TEW)
87. Protection from Eviction Act 1977: (S)
1. Unlawful eviction of occupier. (TEW)
 2. Unlawful harassment of occupier. (TEW)
 3. Protection of occupiers against eviction and harassment. (TEW)
89. Adulteration of food or drugs: (S)
1. General protection of public against injurious food and drug products. (TEW)
 4. Rendering food injurious to health. (TEW)
 5. Selling food not complying with food safety requirements. (TEW)
 6. Selling food not of the nature or substance or quality demanded. (TEW)
 7. Falsely describing or presenting food. (TEW)
 8. Obstruction etc. of officers; furnishing false information. (TEW)
 9. Contravening or failing to comply with specified community provision referred to in Part 1 of the schedule (genetically modified animal feed). (TEW)
 10. Contravening or failing to comply with specified community provision referred to in Part 1 of the schedule (genetically modified food). (TEW)
 11. Triable-either-way offences under the Fresh Meat (Hygiene and Inspection) Regulations 1995. (TEW)
90. Knives Act 1997 and other related offensive weapon Acts/Regulations not dealt with elsewhere: (S)
1. Unlawful marketing of knives - selling or hiring. (TEW)

2. Unlawful marketing of knives - offering or exposing to sell or hire. (TEW)
 3. Unlawful marketing of knives - having in possession for purpose of sale or hire. (TEW)
 4. Publication of any written, pictorial or other material in connection with the marketing of any knife - the material suggesting or indicating that the knife is suitable for combat. (TEW)
 5. Publication of any written, pictorial or other material in connection with the marketing of any knife - the material is otherwise likely to stimulate or encourage violent behaviour involving use of the knife as a weapon. (TEW)
91. Public Health offences: (S)
1. Public Health offences relating to food and drugs. (TEW)
 2. Hygiene offences in connection with sale, etc. of food to the public. (TEW)
 7. Carrying on a process without authority or not complying with conditions of granted authority. (TEW)
 8. Transfer of authorisation, failing to notify authority. (TEW)
 9. Failing to comply with or contravening any enforcement or prohibition notice. (TEW)
 10. Failing without reasonable excuse to provide any information required by an authority in a notice under s.19(2). (TEW)
 11. Making a statement known to be materially false or misleading or recklessly making a statement which is materially false or misleading in compliance with a requirement under Part I of the Act or in order to obtain authorisation or variation of authorisation for oneself or any other person. (TEW)
 12. Intentionally making a false entry in any record required under s.7. (TEW)
 13. Intentionally deceiving by forgery or using a document issued under s.7. (TEW)
 14. Failing to comply with an order issued under s.26. (TEW)
 15. Depositing, causing the deposition or permitting the deposition, treating, keeping or disposing of controlled (but not special) waste in or on land without a licence. (TEW)
 16. Depositing, causing the deposition or permitting the deposition of controlled special waste in or on land without a licence. (TEW)
 17. Handling, controlling or transferring controlled waste without taking reasonable measures. Failing to comply with the Secretary of States' requirements. (TEW)
 18. Licence-holder failing to comply with requirements of Waste Regulating Authority, otherwise in relation to special waste, when suspending a licence to deal with or avert pollution or harm. (TEW)
 19. Licence-holder failing to comply with requirements of Waste Regulating Authority, in relation to special waste, when suspending a licence to deal with or avert pollution or harm. (TEW)
 20. Making a false statement in an application concerning a licence. (TEW)
 21. Contravening regulations made under s.62 controlling special waste. (TEW)
 22. Depositing waste (not controlled waste) in an area prescribed by the Secretary of State. (TEW)
 25. Importing, acquiring, keeping, releasing or marketing any genetically modified organisms without carrying out risk assessment and giving prescribed notice and information to the Secretary of State. (TEW)
 26. Importing or acquiring, releasing or marketing any genetically modified organisms in certain cases or circumstances or without consent. Failing to dispose of organisms quickly and safely when required. (TEW)
 27. Failing to identify risks of importing or acquiring genetically modified organisms, importing or acquiring modified organisms despite the risks, not taking all reasonable steps to prevent risk of damage to the environment as a result of keeping modified organisms. Releasing or marketing modified organisms without regard to the risks of damage to the environment. (TEW)
 28. Failing to keep a record of a risk assessment or failing to give the Secretary of State further information. (TEW)
 29. Contravening a prohibition notice. (TEW)
 30. Obstructing an inspector where he believes imminent danger is involved. (TEW)
 31. Failure to comply with any requirement to provide relevant information. (TEW)
 32. Making a false statement. (TEW)
 33. Making a false entry in any required record. (TEW)
 34. Forging, using, making or processing a document purporting to have been issued under s.111. (TEW)
 35. Contravening regulations made to control the import, use, supply and storage of any specified injurious substance or article. (TEW)
 36. Contravening regulations made to prohibit or restrict the import or export of waste. (TEW)
 37. Contravening conditions of a waste management licence. (TEW)

38. Obstructing an inspector exercising his powers to seize, render harmless or take samples from an article or substance believed to be a cause of imminent danger to the environment or serious harm to human health. (TEW)
 39. Failing without reasonable excuse to provide any information required by a waste regulation authority or the Secretary of State; furnishing any information known to be materially false or misleading. (TEW)
 40. Failing to comply with a notice or failing to furnish information or furnishing false information. (TEW)
 41. Obstructing an authorised person in the execution of his powers under s.109. (TEW)
 42. Failing to comply with Special Waste Regulations. (TEW)
 43. Restriction on disclosure of information obtained under s.23(2) etc. (TEW)
 44. Publishing or causing to be published a tobacco advertisement. (TEW)
 45. Printing, devising or distributing a tobacco advertisement in UK. (TEW)
 46. Commissioning or selling a tobacco advertisement in newspaper, periodicals etc. (TEW)
 47. Displaying or causing to be displayed tobacco products not complying with requirements as may be specified in Regulations made under this section. (TEW)
 48. Giving, causing or permitting, any product or coupon to be given to the public in the UK which promotes tobacco products. (TEW)
 49. Prohibition of any sponsorship promoting a tobacco product. (TEW)
 50. Prohibition or restriction of brandsharing/brandstretching - Regulations made under this section. (TEW)
 51. Pollution of controlled water. (TEW)
 52. Contravention of Regulations 4, 5, 6 or 7 of the Environmental Protection (Controls on Dangerous Substances) Regulations 2003. (TEW)
 53. Contravention of the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme Regulations 2003. (TEW)
 54. Triable either way offences created by Regulations made under ss.6 and 7 of the waste Emissions Trading Act 2003. (TEW)
 55. Offences under the Animal By-Products Regulations 2003. (TEW)
 56. Without appropriate consent carrying out a S.1 activity in relation to human organ or tissue.
 57. Falsely representing that consent given or did not apply for a S.1 activity in relation to a human organ or tissue.
 58. Carried out an activity in relation to organ or tissue to which S.1(2) applies without a signed certificate.
 59. Prohibition of commercial dealings in human material for transplantation.
 60. Breach of licence requirement in contravention of S.16(1).
 61. Possession of anatomical specimens other than on licensed premises.
 62. Possession of former anatomical specimens other than on licensed premises.
 63. Non-consensual analyses of DNA.
 64. Prohibition on the placing on the market and use of nonylphenol and nonylphenol ethoxylate.
 65. Offences relating to the sale and supply of starting materials for use in the manufacture of relevant medicinal products.
 66. Triable-either-way offences under the Food Hygiene (England) Regulations 2006.
94. Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and similar legislation: (S)
- Town and Country Planning Act 1990
1. Non compliance with enforcement notice. (TEW)
 2. Contravention of stop notice. (TEW)
 3. Contravention of discontinuance of use etc order. (TEW)
 4. Procuring a certificate using false or misleading information or withholding information. (TEW)
 5. Disclosing information obtained while on land as to manufacturing process or trade secrets. (TEW)
 6. Contravening tree preservation order. (TEW)
 7. Other triable either way offences under the Town and Country Planning Act. (TEW)
- Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990
8. Failure to comply with conditions of listed building consent. (TEW)
 9. Failure to comply with listed building enforcement notice. (TEW)
- Planning (Hazardous Substances Act 1990)
10. Contravention of hazardous substances control. (TEW)
95. Disclosure, obstruction, false or misleading statements etc: (S)
1. Disclosing information in contravention of direction made under s.18. (TEW)

2. Obstruction of an officer in the exercise of a power conferred by a warrant. (TEW)
 3. Knowingly making false or misleading statements for purpose of obtaining or opposing the variation or withdrawal of authorisation for the purposes of ss.47 and 50. (TEW)
 4. Occupier fails to comply with any duty or direction imposed on him by or under this Part (7); knowingly or recklessly making a statement which is false or misleading. (TEW)
 5. Failure to comply with prohibition imposed by order; engaging in an activity knowing or intending that it will enable or facilitate the commission by another person of an offence. (TEW)
 6. Offences of prejudicing an investigation. (TEW)
 7. In purported compliance with requirement imposed under a disclosure order making a false or misleading statement. (TEW)
 8. Disclosure, obstruction, false or misleading statements. (TEW)
 9. Disclosure, obstruction, false or misleading statements; altering, suppressing or destroying documents. (TEW)
 10. Falsifying, concealing, destroying documents knowing them to be relevant to investigation by Serious Fraud Office or OFT into offence under s.183. (TEW)
 11. Disclosure of information under the Tax Credits Act 2002. (TEW)
 12. Financial institution if in purported compliance with requirement imposed under a disclosure order makes a false statement. (TEW)
 13. Making false statements to authorised enforcement officer. (TEW)
 14. Failing to comply with a directive given under Sch.3A or intentionally obstructing person acting on behalf of Secretary of State in connection with the giving of a direction under this schedule. (TEW)
 15. Failing to comply with a direction given by the Chief Inspector of Rail Accidents. (TEW)
 16. Failing to give information or assistance to technical assessors. (TEW)
 17. Financial institution: in purported compliance with a customer information order making a statement, or recklessly making a statement, knowing it to be false or misleading in a material particular. (TEW)
 18. Financial institution: disclosing types of information specified in s.42(3) to customers - requests for account monitoring or account information received. (TEW)
 19. Employee of institution: disclosing types of information specified in s 42(3) to customers - requests for account monitoring or account information received. (TEW)
 20. Obstructing the Information Commissioner in the course of this inspection or failing without reasonable excuse to give him any reasonable assistance. (TEW)
 21. Making misleading application for a Licence under Article 2 or a Community Licence. (TEW)
 22. Failing to comply with any condition attaching to a Licence under Article 2 or a Community Licence. (TEW)
 23. Making false or misleading statement in purported compliance with any requirement imposed under Sections 62 or 63. (TEW)
 24. Disclosing information about protection arrangements. (TEW)
 25. Disclosing information relating to persons assuming new identity. (TEW)
 26. Failing to provide information or making false statement relating to ship or harbour area. (TEW)
 27. Falsification etc. of documents. (TEW)
 28. Making or recklessly making a statement or furnishing document or information which is false in material particular. (TEW)
 29. Unauthorised disclosure of information (identity cards).
 30. Provide false information re-securing/making/modifying of an entry in register (identity cards). (TEW)
 31. Making false statements etc. with reference to civil partnerships. (TEW)
98. Other indictable offences: (S)
1. Possessing or having control of false documents etc. with intention of causing a third party to believe that the person in possession of the documentation or another person is a licensed gangmaster. (TEW)
 2. Offences under the Adoption Act 1976. (TEW)
 3. Offences under the Adoption and Children Act 2002. (TEW)
 4. Offences under the Aviation and Maritime Security Act 1990. (TEW)
 5. Offences under the Plant Protection Products Regulations 2005. (TEW)
 6. Ill-treatment or wilful neglect of a person lacking capacity by anyone responsible for that person's care. (TEW)
 7. Offences under the Commissioners for Revenue and Customs Act 2005. (TEW)
 8. Offences under the Pensions Act 2005. (TEW)
 9. Offences under the Education Act 2005. (TEW)

10. Offences made under the Medicines (Traditional Herbal Medicinal Products for Human Use) Regulations 2005. (TEW)
 11. Offences made under the Medicines (Homeopathic Medicinal Products for Human Use) Amendment Regulations 2005. (TEW)
 12. Offences in relation to certain dangerous articles under the Aviation Security Act 1982. (TEW)
 13. Triable-either-way offences under the Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies Regulations 2006. (TEW)
 14. Triable-either-way offences under the Products of Animal Origins (Third Country Imports) (England) Regulations 2003. (TEW)
 15. Indictable offences under the Civil Partnership Act 2004.
 16. Triable-either-way offences under the Civil Partnership Act 2004. (TEW)
99. Other indictable offences (continued): (S)
1. Incitement to sedition. (TEW)
 4. Keeping disorderly house. (TEW)
 5. Bribery, treating and undue influence of voter. (TEW)
 6. Personation or other offence at election. (TEW)
 23. Fraudulent evasion of duty etc under the Customs and Excise Management Act 1979 (not involving drugs, weapons or ammunition). (TEW)
 24. Fraudulent evasion of duty etc under the Betting and Gaming Duties Act 1981. (TEW)
 28. Fraudulent evasion of duty etc under the Insurance Companies Act 1982. (TEW)
 29. Assisting offender (original offence triable on indictment only).
 30. Assisting offender (original offence triable either way). (TEW)
 32. Unauthorised disclosure of information about a prisoner. (TEW)
 34. Failure to possess a licence or to obey the conditions of the Licence under the Activity Centres (Young Persons Safety) Act 1995. (TEW)
 35. Make a statement to the Licensing Authority (or someone acting on their behalf) which is false in a material particular under the Activity Centres (Young Persons Safety) Act 1995. (TEW)
 36. Offences relating to chemical weapons. (TEW)
 37. Offences relating to the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 and regulations made under it. (TEW and indictable offences)
 38. Conspiring in the UK to commit crimes overseas. (TEW)
 39. Disqualified person knowingly applies etc for work in a regulated position. (TEW)
 40. Person knowingly offers work in a regulated position to a disqualified person. (TEW)
 41. Giving false or misleading information (Nuclear Safeguards Act). (TEW)
 42. Other offences under Nuclear Safeguards Act. (TEW)
 43. Drunkenness in aircraft. (TEW)
 44. Other triable either way offences (exc Article 65) under the Air Navigation Order. (TEW)
 45. Health and Safety Regulations (Merchant Shipping Act). (TEW)
 46. Disclosure of information for enforcing warrants. (TEW)
 47. Restriction on disclosure (Nuclear Safeguards Act). (TEW)
 48. Carrying out or causing to permit to be carried out any operation likely to damage part of an area of special scientific interest subject to notification by Nature Conservancy Council. (TEW)
 49. Falsely pretending, with intent to deceive, to be a wildlife inspector. (TEW)
 50. Contravenes or fails to comply with disclosure in contravention of a direction made in the interest of national security. (TEW)
 51. Providing particulars or recklessly providing particulars which are known are false in a material particular way. (TEW)
 52. Contravening or failing to comply with a direction given in times of severe international tension, great national emergency or actual or imminent hostilities (Transport Act 2000). (TEW)
 53. Knowingly gives false information or false statement (Transport Act 2000). (TEW)
 54. Prohibition on disclosure of information gained under this part of the Transport Act 2000. (TEW)
 55. Regulations made under s.247. Transport Act 2000. (TEW)
 56. Unlawful interception of a postal or private telecommunications scheme. (TEW)
 57. Failure to give effect to an interception warrant. (TEW)
 58. Unlawful disclosure of details of interception warrant. (TEW)
 59. Failure to disclose key to protected information. (TEW)
 60. Disclose details of s.49 notice under the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000. (TEW)
 61. Offences under the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000. (TEW)
 62. Offences under BSE regulations. (TEW)
 63. Using unlicensed security operative. (TEW)
 64. Using unlicensed wheel clampers. (TEW)
 65. Right to use approved status. (TEW)

66. Imposition of requirements for approval. (TEW)
67. Foot and Mouth offences. (TEW)
68. Leaving the UK when prohibited by Travel Restriction Order. (TEW)
69. Failing to return after a suspension of Travel Restriction Order. (TEW)
70. Offences under the Air Navigation (Overseas Territories) Orders 2001. (TEW)
71. Offences under the Telecommunications Act. (TEW)
72. Offences under Part 8 of the Anti-Terrorism, Crime and Security Act 2001. (TEW)
73. Offences under regulations created by ss.12-14 Aviation Security Act 1982. (TEW)
74. Failing to comply with a requirement of a detention direction or intentionally obstructing an authorised person ensuring aircraft does not fly. (TEW)
75. Placing in a woman a human embryo created otherwise than by fertilisation. (TEW)
76. Offences under Financial Services and Markets Act 2000. (TEW)
77. Re-programming mobile telephone etc. (TEW)
78. Possession or supply of anything used for re-programming mobile phones. (TEW)
79. Recklessly or negligently acting in a manner likely to endanger an aircraft or any person therein. (TEW)
80. Recklessly or negligently causing or permitting an aircraft to endanger any person or property. (TEW)
81. Delaying or opening postal packet/mailbag. (TEW)
82. Other triable either way offences under the Postal Services Act 2000. (TEW)
83. Prohibition on sending by post of certain articles. (TEW)
84. Triable either way offences under the Consumer Credit Act 1974. (TEW)
85. Engaging in activities requiring a licence. (TEW)
86. Ill treatment of patients. (TEW)
87. Assisting patients to absent themselves without leave etc. (TEW)
88. Triable either way offences under the Railways and Transport Safety Act 2003. (TEW)
89. Triable either way offences under the Communications Act 2003. (TEW)
90. Dishonestly obtaining electronic communications services. (TEW)
91. Possession or supply of apparatus for contravening s.125 of the Communications Act 2003. (TEW)
92. Triable either way offences under the Water Act 2003. (TEW)
93. Triable either way offences under the Water Industry Act 1991. (TEW)
94. Dishonestly dealing in a cultural object that is tainted, knowing or believing that the object is tainted. (TEW)
95. Triable either way offences under the Horse Passport (England) Regulation 2003. (TEW)
96. Triable either way offences under the Animal and Animal Products (Import and Export) (No. 2) Regulations 2004. (TEW)
97. Triable either way offences under the Common Agricultural Policy (Protection of Community Arrangements) Regulations 1992. (TEW)
98. Acting as a gangmaster in contravention of s.6 (prohibition of unlicensed activities). (TEW)
99. Other offences not classified elsewhere. (TEW)

Indictable motoring offences

Note: Motoring offences which are triable either way are treated as Standard List offences when dealt with at the Crown Court on indictment.

802. Dangerous driving. (TEW)
807. Driving licence related offences:
 5. Making false statements to obtain or failure to produce revoked licence. (TEW)
809. Vehicle insurance offences:
 2. Making false statement or withholding material information in order to obtain the issue of a certificate of insurance. (TEW)
810. Vehicle registration and licence offences:
 2. Making false statement or producing false evidence for the purpose of regulations under s.66(1) of the Road Traffic Act 1988 (applying for a licence under the Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971). (TEW)
 3. Disclosing any information obtained from the register of vehicles held under s.21 of the Vehicles Excise and Registration Act 1994. (TEW)
814. Fraud, forgery, etc. associated with vehicle or driver records:

1. Forgery, etc. licence. (TEW)
2. Vehicle insurance - with intent to deceive, forgery, etc. (TEW)
3. Registration and licensing - forgery, deception. (TEW)
4. Work record - falsification. (TEW)
5. Operator's license - using, etc. with intent to deceive. (TEW)
6. Test certificate - fraud. (TEW)
7. Mishandling or faking parking documents. (TEW)
8. Making false statement or producing, providing, sending or otherwise making use of a document known to be false for purposes of either ss.53-60 and 63 of RTA 88 or of Regulations made under ss.49-51, 61, 62 and 66(3). (TEW)
9. Wilfully, or with intent to deceive, making a false entry in any record required to be made or kept by regulations under s.74 (operators duty to inspect and keep records of inspections of goods vehicles). (TEW)

820. Obstruction, waiting and parking offences:

9. Intentionally obstructing a person exercising any power conferred on him (enforcement of licensing scheme). (TEW)

825. Miscellaneous offences:

7. Triable either way offences under the End-of-Life Vehicles Regulations. (TEW)

Summary offences

101. Adulteration of food, drugs, etc.

Assault

104. Assault etc. on a constable. (S)
105. Common assault, etc. (S)

106. Betting, Gaming and Lotteries.

107. Brothel keeping.

[Keeping a brothel (sub-class 01). (S)]

[Letting premises to be used as a brothel (sub-class 02). (S)]

108. Cruelty to animals.

[Experiments on living animals (sub-class 01). (S)]

109. Cruelty to or neglect of children. (S)

110. Diseases of Animals Acts.

111. Offences in relation to dogs.

112. Education Acts.

Explosives, Firearms, etc

113. Explosives Acts.

115. Firearms Act 1968 and other Firearms Acts.

114. Financial Services and Markets Act

116. Fishery Laws.

117. Friendly Societies Acts.

Game Laws

118. Night poaching

119. Day poaching.

120. Unlawful possession of game, etc.

121. Other offences against Game Laws.

Highways Acts

122. Obstructions, other than those caused by vehicles.

123. Nuisances, other than those caused by vehicles.

124. Other offences, other than those caused by vehicles.

126. Interference with motor vehicle. (S)

130. Unauthorised taking of a conveyance. (S)

131. Aggravated vehicle taking - criminal damage of £5,000 or under. (S)

135. Offences related to horsedrawn vehicles.

136. Offences connected with hand carts and barrows.

- 137. Offences connected with pedal cycles.
- 125. Offences against public order.
[Racially aggravated harassment, alarm or distress (sub-class 58). (S)]
[Religiously aggravated harassment, alarm or distress (sub-class 61). (S)]
[Offences under Summary Regulations made under Part 8 of the Anti-Terrorism, Crime and Security Act 2001 (sub-class 62). (S)]
[Racially or religiously aggravated harassment, alarm or distress (sub-class 63). (S)]
- 138. Offences involved with impersonation and false information etc.
- 139. Indecent exposure. (S)

Intoxicating Liquor Laws

- 140. Drunkenness, simple.
- 141. Drunkenness, with aggravation.
- 142. Offence by licensed person, etc.
- 143. Other offences against Intoxicating Liquor Laws.
- 144. Offences in relation to juvenile smoking.

Labour Laws

- 145. Intimidation.
- 146. Shops Acts.
- 147. Employment of Children Acts.
- 148. Other offence against Labour Laws.
- 149. Criminal damage, £5,000 or less, and malicious damage. (S)
- 150. Merchant Shipping Acts.
- 151. Social Security offences.
- 152. Offences against the Social Security Administration Act 1992.

Naval, Military, Air Force and Air Navigation Law

- 153. Army.
- 154. Navy.
- 155. Air Force and Air Navigation.
- 156. Parks, commons and open spaces.
- 157. Offences by pawnbrokers.
- 158. Contravention of reporting restrictions.
- 159. Unlawful disclosure of Information.
- 160. Pedlars Acts.

Certain local regulations

- 161. Allowing chimney to be on fire.
- 162. Disorderly behaviour.
- 163. Pedestrian and non-motor vehicular street offences.
- 164. Other offences against certain local regulations.

Prostitution

- 165. Kerb-crawling etc.
- 166. Offences by prostitutes.
- 167. Aiding and abetting offences by prostitutes.
- 168. Public Health offences.
- 169. Railway offences.

Revenue Laws

- 170. Motor Vehicle licences.
- 172. Other offences against Revenue Laws.
- 173. Stage Carriage and Public Service Vehicles offences.
- 175. Sexual offences - miscellaneous.
[Sexual activity in a public lavatory (sub-class 04). (S)]
- 176. Private security industry offences.
- 177. Criminal evidence offences.

- 179. Offences in relation to Sunday trading.
- 180. Trams and trolley vehicles.
- 181. Unlawful possession.

Vagrancy offences

- 182. Begging.
 - 183. Sleeping out.
 - 184. Obstruction or failure to comply with authorised officer.
 - 185. Found in enclosed premises, possessing picklocks. (S)
 - 188. Other offences against Vagrancy Acts.
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- 189. Weights and Measures Acts.
 - 190. Wild Birds Protection Acts.
 - 191. Wireless Telegraphy Acts.
 - 192. Video Recordings Act 1984.
 - 193. Drug offences.
 [Failure to comply with notice requiring information relating to prescribing, supply etc of drugs (sub-class 11). (S)]
 [Offences under the Intoxicating Substances (Supply) Act 1985 (sub-class 44). (S)]
 [Supply etc of articles for administering or preparing controlled drugs (sub-class 46). (S)]
 [Failure to comply with a pre-sentence Drug Testing Order (sub-class 47). (S)]
 [Failure to provide a sample under PACE (sub-class 48). (S)]
 - 194. Offences against Immigration Acts. (S)
 - 195. Other offences (excluding motoring).
 [Offences under the Magistrates' Courts Act 1980 and Justice of the Peace Act 1361 (sub-class 21).(S)]
 [Offences under the Postal Services Act 2000 (sub-class 24). (S)]
 [Offences under the Criminal Justice Act 1991 s.65 (sub-class 67). (S)]
 [Failure to comply with conditions specified on licence - release on licence following return to prison (sub-class 79).(S)]
 [Conspiring in the UK to commit crimes overseas - summary offences (sub-class 86). (S)]
 [Impersonating a police officer etc (sub-classes 91,92 and 93). (S)]
 - 196. Other offences (all offences dealt with summarily not included under any of the above classifications (including 195).

Motoring offences

- 803. Driving etc, after consuming alcohol or taking drugs.
 [Driving etc while having a breath, urine or blood alcohol concentration in excess of the prescribed limit (sub-class 02). (S)]
- 804. Careless driving.
- 805. Accident offences.
- 807. Driving licence related offences.
 [Driving whilst disqualified from holding or obtaining a licence (sub-class 01). (S)]
- 809. Vehicle insurance offences.
- 810. Vehicle registration and excise licence offences.
- 811. Work record or employment offences.
- 812. Operator's licence offences.
- 813. Vehicle test offences.
- 815. Vehicle or part in dangerous or defective condition.
- 816. Speed limit offences.
- 817. Motorway offence (other than speeding).
- 818. Neglect of traffic directions.
- 819. Neglect of pedestrian rights.
- 820. Obstruction, waiting and parking offences.
- 821. Lighting offences.
- 822. Noise offences.
- 823. Load offences.
- 824. Offences peculiar to motor cycles.
- 825. Miscellaneous offences (including trailer offences)

Appendix 5 Statistics on the criminal justice system

Directory of related Internet sites

The following list of web sites contains information in the form of publications and/or statistics relating to the criminal justice system that may be of interest.

Research Development and Statistics Directorate, www.homeoffice.gov.uk/rds/index.htm and <http://www.justice.gov.uk/publications/statistics.htm>

Gives details of Home Office (prior to May 2006) and Ministry of Justice (May 2006 onwards) Statistical Bulletins, Statistical Findings, Research Studies, Occasional Papers and Research Findings, most of which can be viewed on-line.

RDS-NOMS, www.homeoffice.gov.uk/rds/noms.html and <http://noms.justice.gov.uk/news-publications-events/>

RDS NOMS leads on statistics, analysis and research for the National Offender Management Service (NOMS). It provides statistical information on sentencing and offender management caseloads. It has responsibility for producing projections of correctional service caseloads and analysis of criminal histories and reconvictions.

RDS-OMCS, <http://www.justice.gov.uk/publications/prisonandprobation.htm>

Information on prison and offender management case-load statistics.

CJS Online, www.cjsonline.gov.uk/index.html

Gives detailed information on all aspects of the CJS through news releases/updates, publications and projects being worked on. Also has a "Link Library" with hyperlinks to many other listed agencies.

Prison Service, www.hmprisonservice.gov.uk

Gives information about news releases and updates, publications and links to UK government and parliamentary sites, international organisations and prison services around the world.

National Probation Service, www.probation.homeoffice.gov.uk

Provides information about the service, its work and effectiveness, guidance to practitioners together with news releases/updates/publications and UK criminal justice links.

The Court Service, www.hmcourts-service.gov.uk

Provides information on the delivery of justice and work of The Court Service.

Crown Prosecution Service, www.cps.gov.uk

Gives information on the department and provides particulars in relation to legal guidance/victims and witnesses, in addition to details of publications.

Youth Justice Board, www.youth-justice-board.gov.uk

Press releases, contacts, data on youth offending teams, latest legislation and other background information.

The Law Officer's Department, www.lso.gov.uk

Provides information on the role of the department including new releases; updates; reports; reviews and links to other law officer's departments and organisations.

Welsh Assembly, www.wales.gov.uk

Gives information on all aspects of the Welsh Assembly together with details of publications and statistics.

Scottish Executive, www.scotland.gov.uk

Gives information on all aspects of the Scottish Executive together with details of publications and statistics.

Criminal Justice System Northern Ireland, www.cjsni.gov.uk

Provides access to the main statutory agencies and organisations that make up the CJS together with details of publications.

Office for National Statistics, www.statistics.gov.uk

This is the UK's home of official statistics, reflecting Britain's economy, population and society at national and local level.

Sentencing Guidelines Council, www.sentencing-guidelines.gov.uk/news/newsletter

This newsletter called, The Sentence, keeps you informed about the work of the Sentencing Guidelines Council and the Sentencing Advisory Panel and reports all the latest news on sentencing issues generally.

Appendix 6 Criminal statistics, England and Wales 2006, supplementary tables

Detailed annual figures for 2006 are published separately in volumes of supplementary tables on the Ministry of Justice web site at:

<http://www.justice.gov.uk/publications/criminalannual.htm>

Their contents are listed below:

Volume 1 Proceedings in magistrates' courts

Defendants proceeded against at magistrates' courts by offence, sex, result, and by age group

Table S1.1 (A)	Defendants proceeded against by offence, sex and result
Table S1.1 (B)	Persons aged 10 and under 12 proceeded against by offence, sex and result
Table S1.1 (C)	Persons aged 12 and under 15 proceeded against by offence, sex and result
Table S1.1 (D)	Persons aged 15 and under 18 proceeded against by offence, sex and result
Table S1.1 (E)	Persons aged 10 and under 18 proceeded against by offence, sex and result
Table S1.1 (F)	Persons aged 18 and under 21 proceeded against by offence, sex and result
Table S1.1 (G)	Persons aged 21 and over proceeded against by offence, sex and result

Defendants 'otherwise dealt with' at magistrates' courts by offence group, sex, result, and by age group

Table S1.1 (a)(i)	Defendants 'otherwise dealt with' by offence group, sex and sentence
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Table S1.1 (c)(i)	Persons aged 12 and under 15 'otherwise dealt with' by offence group, sex and sentence
Table S1.1 (d)(i)	Persons aged 15 and under 18 'otherwise dealt with' by offence group, sex and sentence
Table S1.1 (e)(i)	Persons aged 10 and under 18 'otherwise dealt with' by offence group, sex and sentence
Table S1.1 (f)(i)	Persons aged 18 and under 21 'otherwise dealt with' by offence group, sex and sentence
Table S1.1 (g)(i)	Persons aged 21 and over 'otherwise dealt with' by offence group, sex and sentence

Defendants proceeded against at magistrates' courts for other summary offences, by offence, sex, court decision, and by age group

Table S1.1 (a)(ii)	Defendants proceeded against for other summary offences (excluding motoring offences) by offence, sex and court decision
Table S1.1 (b)(ii)	Persons aged 10 and under 12 proceeded against for other summary offences (excluding motoring offences) by offence, sex and court decision
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Symbols used

..	not available
-	nil or less than half the final digit shown
*	not applicable