



Ministry of  
**JUSTICE**

**Surveying Prisoner Crime  
Reduction (SPCR)**  
Wave 2 (Pre-release) Samples 1 and 2  
Technical Report

**Andrew Cleary, Ashley Ames, Katya Kostadintcheva  
and Hayley Muller**  
**Ipsos MORI**

Ministry of Justice Research Series 6/12  
March 2012

# **Surveying Prisoner Crime Reduction (SPCR)**

Wave 2 (Pre-release) Samples 1 and 2  
Technical Report

**Andrew Cleary, Ashley Ames, Katya Kostadintcheva and  
Hayley Muller**

**Ipsos MORI**

This information is also available on the Ministry of Justice website:

<http://www.justice.gov.uk/publications/research-and-analysis/moj>

*Analytical Services exists to improve policy making, decision taking and practice by the Ministry of Justice. It does this by providing robust, timely and relevant data and advice drawn from research and analysis undertaken by the department's analysts and by the wider research community.*

© Crown Copyright 2012.

Extracts from this document may be reproduced for non-commercial purposes on condition that the source is acknowledged.

First Published 2012

ISBN: 978-1-84099-502-2

## **Acknowledgements**

Ipsos MORI would like to acknowledge the considerable efforts made by prison staff across the service to facilitate the study. SPCR operated at a time when the Prison Service was often stretched beyond capacity, and many prison officers were required to fit the study tasks into their normal workloads. Without their goodwill and cooperation the study would not have been possible. We would also like to thank the prisoners who took part, most of whom were very cooperative in providing their time, and answers to what were often sensitive survey questions. In addition we would like to thank the Ministry of Justice for their support and guidance over the life of the study.

## **Disclaimer**

The views expressed are those of the authors and are not necessarily shared by the Ministry of Justice (nor do they represent Government policy).

# Contents

## List of tables

<b>1. Introduction</b>	<b>1</b>
1.1 About SPCR	1
1.2 Research design	1
1.3 Structure of the technical report	2
<b>2. Sampling and tracing procedures</b>	<b>3</b>
2.1 Population definition and timing of interviews	3
2.2 Procedures for tracing the sample	3
<b>3. Fieldwork</b>	<b>5</b>
3.1 Fieldforce and interviewer feedback	5
3.2 Fieldwork dates	6
3.3 Fieldwork procedures	8
3.4 Fieldwork outcomes and response rates	12
<b>4. Pre-release questionnaire</b>	<b>18</b>
4.1 Question topics and interview length	18
4.2 Questionnaire versions	19
4.3 CAPI programming	20
<b>5. Data processing and outputs</b>	<b>22</b>
5.1 Data quality procedures	22
5.2 Open text responses	22
5.3 SPSS datasets	23
5.4 Matching IIS data	24
5.5 Adjusting for non-response	25
<b>Appendix</b>	<b>26</b>
Wave 2 (pre-release) & Combined Questionnaire	26

# List of tables

Table 3.1 Prisons involved and fieldwork dates	7
Table 3.2 Pre-release headline response rates	13
Table 3.3 Pre-release response outcomes	15
Table 3.4 Pre-release response outcomes over time	16

# 1. Introduction

## 1.1 About SPCR

Surveying Prisoner Crime Reduction (SPCR) is a longitudinal study which aimed to track the progress of 4,000 newly sentenced prisoners in England and Wales from 2005 to 2010. At the time it was the largest survey of prisoners ever undertaken in Britain. Ipsos MORI was commissioned to carry out the survey by the Research Development and Statistics Directorate (RDS) National Offender Management Service (NOMS) at the Home Office, now Offender Management and Sentencing Analytical Services (OMSAS) at the Ministry of Justice (MoJ).

The broad aim of SPCR was to explore how interventions might work in combination to address the range of prisoners' needs. More specifically, SPCR aimed to assess prisoners' problems and needs on reception, how these are addressed during and after custody and the combined effect of any interventions on offending and other outcomes, in light of prisoners' background characteristics, after release from prison.

## 1.2 Research design

This report focuses in detail on the second wave of interviews (the "pre-release" stage) of the study. A separate report provides the technical information for the first, baseline wave of interviews (the "reception" stage), which was undertaken with an overall sample of 3,849 prisoners.

The baseline sample of prisoners for the study is made up of two parts:

- a representative sample of 1,435 prisoners (Sample 1), recently sentenced to serve custodial sentences of up to four years; and
- a second sample (Sample 2), comprising 2,414 prisoners recently sentenced to between 18 months and four years (i.e. excluding short-term prisoners). This sample was disproportionally stratified by gender, with the intention to achieve 2,000 male and 500 female prisoners.<sup>1</sup>

---

<sup>1</sup> Relatively few female offenders are sentenced to spend over 18 months in prison, and in view of this the reception interview stage finished with a total of 400 Sample 2 interviews with female prisoners due to time constraints.

In addition to the reception and pre-release interviews, the study involved two further stages. Both the samples followed a similar longitudinal design. All four stages of the study are listed below.

1. Reception interviews, conducted shortly after prisoners' reception into custody.
2. Pre-release interviews, conducted shortly before release, or at the same time as the reception interview (using a "combined" version of the questionnaire) for those Sample 1 prisoners on shorter sentences (of about six months or under<sup>2</sup>).
3. Two months post-release interviews, conducted one to two months after prisoners' release.
4. Six months post-release interviews, conducted six months after prisoners' release (Sample 2 only).

### **1.3 Structure of the technical report**

This report describes processes for the pre-release (wave 2) stage of SPCR. It covers the methodology and processes employed during setup, fieldwork, data processing and data outputs. The report does not contain survey results.

It is structured into the following sections:

2. Sampling and tracing procedures – rules and an overview of procedures for keeping track of the sample and timing of interviews.
3. Fieldwork – procedures for gaining and maintaining access to prisons and arranging interviews; fieldwork dates and survey response rates.
4. The pre-release questionnaire – topics covered and versions of the questionnaire.
5. Data processing and outputs– data processing and coding of the data.

---

<sup>2</sup> The selection of interview was based on time remaining in custody, in order to ensure there would be sufficient time to re-interview prisoners. Initially this was set at 35 days, but was later changed to 60 days to allow enough time to arrange a further visit for a pre-release interview and allow for transfers between prisons and, particularly in the early stages of the study, to prisons not yet facilitating interviewers for the study (where more time would be required for set-up).



## **2. Sampling and tracing procedures**

### **2.1 Population definition and timing of interviews**

Prisoners were eligible for a pre-release interview if they had been interviewed at the first, reception stage. A separate technical report provides information on how they were initially sampled. The interview was conducted with prisoners whilst they were still in custody, as close as possible to their date of release. Provision was also made in the subsequent stage of interviews – conducted two months post-release – to capture some of the pre-release data for those missed at this pre-release interview stage.

Two versions of the questionnaire were used: a standard “pre-release” version for prisoners on longer sentences, and a shorter “combined” version for those on shorter sentences (see footnote 2 for a fuller explanation of sentence lengths applying), which was administered as part of the reception interview. Combined interviews were used, as prisoners serving the shortest sentences would not be in prison long enough to complete a follow-up interview before release.

### **2.2 Procedures for tracing the sample**

Each month a list of the unique prisoner IDs of the sample interviewed to date were sent securely to RDS NOMS for matching to the Inmate Information System (IIS) database. This is a database, updated monthly, which contains the demographic and sentence characteristics of every prisoner in England and Wales. It also contains their current establishment, or confirms release dates from prison once a prisoner has been discharged. The data fields available from the IIS are more extensive than the Local Inmate Data System (LIDS), the system previously used at individual prisons from which most of the SPCR prisoners were sampled.

The additional information from the IIS allowed for more accurate estimates of prisoners’ dates of release (because of space limitations this was not initially included with the data provided for sampling, but later this field was substituted for date of birth), and provided the information necessary to calculate prisoners’ eligibility for Home Detention Curfew (HDC), and their earliest release date should they be granted it. HDC is usually granted with just a few days’ notice and it is not possible to tell in advance which prisoners will be granted it; hence pre-release interviews were scheduled to take place before this date. The majority of prisoners in the SPCR sample were eligible for HDC and around a quarter were granted it.

Prior to matching to the IIS, Ipsos MORI relied on LIDS information to schedule interviews, under the assumption that offenders would not have transferred from the prisons where they were first interviewed in the intervening period. These processes proved more difficult to implement accurately, particularly during the early days of the study when fewer prisons had begun fieldwork for the reception stage. This meant that short-notice arrangements were difficult to broker with transfer prisons, and hence the proportions receiving a combined reception/pre-release interview in the same sitting were increased to reduce the number of prisoners on the shortest sentences requiring separate interviews.

The data was stored on a secure, password-protected database on Ipsos MORI's servers. Information about the sample was collated from the IIS, LIDS sampling data, CAPI interview data, electronic interviewer updates and booked in paper contact sheets.

On a monthly basis (later bi-monthly to reduce the burden on prisons), details of those offenders due for HDC release (or normal release for the few not eligible for HDC) before the start of the next fieldwork period were issued to Ipsos MORI prison liaison researchers to set up interviews. The researchers contacted the relevant prisons to make arrangements for interviewing the prisoners due for interview and then assigned an interviewer to complete the fieldwork. These processes are described in the next chapter.

## **3. Fieldwork**

### **3.1 Fieldforce and interviewer feedback**

#### **Interviewer briefings and security clearance**

Interviewers were briefed for the pre-release stage of the study as part of the main briefings, held between 8 November and 5 December 2005. A total of 160 Ipsos MORI interviewers attended the briefings. Further information on the content of the briefings is available in the reception (wave 1) technical report.

Conducting interviews in prisons and working with confidential information such as prisoners' personal data requires security clearance for those involved in the project. All interviewers and members of the Ipsos MORI SPCR research team were subject to central clearance and Criminal Records Bureau checks before the start of the study. Security procedures for working in prisons were approved centrally by the Prison Service. Interviewers were allowed access to prisons provided they carried photographic ID such as a driving licence or passport, and their tamper-proof Ipsos MORI photo ID card.

#### **Refresher briefings**

Full-day refresher briefings were conducted in December 2007 with all interviewers working on the study. Four briefings were conducted, in the format of seminar-style sessions with around 25–40 interviewers per session and including group discussion sessions. The briefings focused on the pre-release and post-release interview stages of the study. The following topics were covered:

- the aims and objectives of the study and why it is important, achievements so far (numbers of interviews, prisons covered to date);
- a presentation of the key findings from the reception interviews (delivered by RDS NOMS);
- revision of key survey processes and contact procedures; and
- break-out groups to share best practice on 1) working in prisons and liaising effectively with prisons contacts, 2) effective post-release mover tracing and response rates maximisation.

## Feedback from interviewers

Prior to the refresher briefings interviewers were asked to provide written feedback about the survey, aspects of the pre-release stage which had been problematic, and their views of how processes could be improved. Much of the feedback collected, summarised below, echoes the more systematic feedback reported throughout this report.

Interviewers reported that the goodwill of prison staff was crucial to the success of the survey. Prison staff were responsible for inviting prisoners to participate and facilitating the survey (bringing prisoners forward, providing snacks or allowing interviewers to purchase them, and ensuring that clearance for interviewers and CAPI laptops was communicated to the gate). Where any of these aspects were not well handled the survey suffered.

Interviewers reported that some staff had been “uncooperative”, or that they felt they were “an intrusion”. However, there were also many reports of very helpful staff making great efforts to support the survey despite their heavy workloads.

Procedures for making appointments with prisoners for interviews and bringing them forward were sometimes patchy and could result in a lot of wasted time spent waiting rather than interviewing. A lack of effective communication in some prisons sometimes meant prisoners were not forewarned of appointments or staff would not be able to locate them; there was at times a lack of briefed/willing staff cover if the main contact was absent; or prisoners had not been handed the survey documentation (leaflets introducing the survey) or told what the appointment was for (for example, there were some instances of prisoners being told they had a legal visit). This often meant that prisoners were unwilling to participate on the day.

Interviewers also reported that a lack of contact with prisoners meant they had little chance to be persuasive and convince prisoners to take part. Interest in the survey could be hampered by a “lack of enthusiasm” from prison staff who said they “had seen it all before and it would not work”. Interviewers said that some staff “gave the impression they had accepted a prisoner’s refusal all too readily”. This again highlights the importance of getting staff on board to help “sell” the survey to prisoners.

## 3.2 Fieldwork dates

Fieldwork for the pre-release stage was conducted across 105 prisons from 20 December 2005 to 4 June 2009. Table 3.1 shows the first and last pre-release fieldwork dates in each prison. On average a prison’s involvement in this stage lasted 501 days.

**Table 3.1 Prisons involved and fieldwork dates**

<b>Prison</b>	<b>First date</b>	<b>Final date</b>	<b>Prison</b>	<b>First date</b>	<b>Final date</b>
Prison 01	13/06/2006	04/12/2007	Prison 64	11/08/2006	20/10/2008
Prison 02	20/12/2005	10/05/2006	Prison 66	10/11/2006	07/12/2007
Prison 04	30/09/2006	19/10/2007	Prison 67	12/12/2006	19/03/2009
Prison 05	19/12/2006	07/08/2007	Prison 68	02/08/2006	27/03/2008
Prison 06	09/10/2006	09/10/2006	Prison 69	27/02/2007	04/12/2007
Prison 09	02/02/2007	01/05/2008	Prison 70	17/04/2007	03/09/2008
Prison 10	26/05/2006	12/02/2008	Prison 71	22/06/2007	18/02/2009
Prison 11	04/04/2006	12/12/2007	Prison 72	29/06/2007	28/05/2009
Prison 12	25/01/2006	04/08/2006	Prison 73	10/07/2006	29/08/2008
Prison 13	02/02/2006	02/02/2006	Prison 74	14/08/2007	12/02/2008
Prison 14	01/03/2006	17/08/2007	Prison 75	22/03/2007	19/07/2007
Prison 15	22/02/2006	18/02/2008	Prison 76	17/11/2006	28/04/2009
Prison 16	01/09/2006	01/09/2006	Prison 77	29/09/2006	17/09/2008
Prison 17	13/12/2006	03/09/2007	Prison 78	08/11/2006	08/12/2008
Prison 19	15/05/2006	13/08/2007	Prison 79	02/06/2006	10/12/2007
Prison 21	22/05/2008	22/05/2008	Prison 80	15/09/2006	07/05/2009
Prison 22	04/08/2006	21/02/2008	Prison 81	16/05/2007	28/11/2008
Prison 23	22/02/2006	19/02/2008	Prison 82	05/09/2007	06/12/2007
Prison 24	05/06/2006	03/08/2006	Prison 83	26/09/2006	20/08/2007
Prison 25	16/03/2006	23/05/2007	Prison 84	02/03/2007	21/08/2008
Prison 26	10/08/2006	19/06/2008	Prison 85	13/06/2007	11/10/2007
Prison 27	26/03/2007	13/10/2008	Prison 86	11/09/2006	20/02/2009
Prison 28	28/04/2006	12/02/2008	Prison 87	21/11/2006	03/05/2007
Prison 30	02/05/2006	22/08/2007	Prison 88	11/05/2007	25/06/2008
Prison 32	11/06/2008	11/06/2008	Prison 89	03/05/2007	11/12/2007
Prison 33	04/07/2007	18/04/2008	Prison 90	05/12/2006	21/08/2008
Prison 34	09/06/2006	01/10/2007	Prison 91	09/06/2006	21/12/2007
Prison 35	15/02/2007	22/12/2008	Prison 92	21/09/2006	06/12/2007
Prison 36	05/06/2006	07/08/2007	Prison 93	05/09/2007	19/06/2008
Prison 37	18/10/2006	12/05/2008	Prison 94	08/03/2007	24/10/2008
Prison 38	14/12/2006	20/12/2007	Prison 95	22/11/2006	24/04/2008
Prison 39	06/04/2006	21/07/2006	Prison 96	04/07/2007	05/09/2008
Prison 40	20/06/2006	13/12/2007	Prison 97	04/10/2006	16/06/2008
Prison 44	21/04/2006	25/04/2008	Prison 98	15/08/2006	22/04/2008
Prison 45	17/08/2007	17/08/2007	Prison 99	14/11/2006	04/06/2009
Prison 46	15/09/2006	20/08/2007	Prison 100	19/10/2006	03/06/2009
Prison 47	05/05/2006	23/04/2009	Prison 100	04/10/2006	22/04/2008
Prison 48	09/02/2007	25/02/2009	Prison 101	16/11/2006	27/11/2008
Prison 49	30/05/2006	01/09/2006	Prison 101	13/08/2007	11/12/2007
Prison 50	05/02/2007	21/02/2008	Prison 102	12/06/2007	17/08/2007
Prison 51	06/06/2006	23/10/2007	Prison 102	13/01/2009	13/01/2009
Prison 52	22/09/2006	30/01/2008	Prison 103	06/06/2006	12/02/2009
Prison 53	19/04/2006	19/04/2006	Prison 103	05/03/2008	05/03/2008
Prison 54	21/04/2006	26/02/2008	Prison 104	29/09/2006	02/06/2008
Prison 55	12/07/2006	04/03/2009	Prison 104	10/04/2007	10/11/2008
Prison 56	05/10/2006	24/06/2008	Prison 105	10/04/2007	23/05/2008
Prison 57	14/07/2006	05/09/2008	Prison 106	28/06/2006	09/08/2007
Prison 58	19/07/2006	28/04/2009	Prison 107	15/03/2007	24/07/2008
Prison 59	23/10/2006	27/05/2008	Prison 108	01/12/2006	11/09/2008
Prison 60	16/10/2006	16/10/2008	Prison 109	15/09/2006	24/04/2008
Prison 61	30/05/2006	21/08/2008	Prison 110	14/07/2006	13/03/2008
Prison 62	19/10/2006	20/08/2008	Prison 111	19/07/2006	07/05/2009
Prison 63	10/03/2006	24/11/2008	<b>All prisons</b>	<b>20/12/2005</b>	<b>04/06/2009</b>

## **3.3 Fieldwork procedures**

### **Arranging access to prisons**

In total 105 prisons accommodated interviews for the pre-release stage of the study – a significant increase on the 70 prisons sampled in the initial reception wave of interviews. The majority of the prisons across the estate, whether required for initial reception interviews or not, were approached during the set-up phase of the study to agree their participation and nominate a contact in case they would be needed for pre-release interviews.

At prisons where a contact was provided, but where interviews were not yet required, Ipsos MORI provided further information about the study and had initial conversations to determine any particular requirements of the prison (e.g. security arrangements for laptops, whether refreshments could be brought in or would need to be purchased within the prison). Details of prisons that had not yet provided a contact name were passed to the MoJ regularly so that appropriate contact could be made.

Some of the prisons were slower than others to agree arrangements for the survey, and this was reflected in the staggered start to sampling and fieldwork during the reception stage. Hence, although the bulk of the initial pre-release interviews were conducted in reception sample prisons, which had already begun to accommodate fieldwork, in some cases prisoners were transferred beyond prisons already participating in the study, necessitating more intensive efforts to arrange access.

When a prison was required for pre-release interviews, the contact person (where details had been provided) would be contacted by Ipsos MORI researchers to arrange interview appointments. If a contact had not been nominated or efforts to agree arrangements had failed, the issue was escalated to the MoJ to attempt more official channels such as prison governors.

### **Arranging interviews**

Following each monthly IIS update those prisoners due for release were drawn together into a sample for Ipsos MORI researchers to work with for the duration of that fieldwork period. Initially these samples were drawn together monthly, but in June 2007, after 18 months of pre-release fieldwork, this was changed to every second month to give prisons some respite from an intensive survey workload. The ultimate deadline for completion of interviews was prisoners' release from prison; once this was confirmed by the IIS, or the prison confirmed this or another final outcome such as a refusal, attempts at securing an interview would cease.

In total, 1,939 pre-release interviews were achieved, on top of 840 combined pre-release/reception interviews conducted at the reception stage. Across the achieved pre-release sample, 886 separate interview days took place. Where possible, pre-release interviews were scheduled to take place on the same days as reception interviews. A total of 179 of the arranged days included both pre-release and reception interviews (20% of pre-release days); 368 pre-release interviews were achieved on these days (19% of all pre-release interviews). A total of 1,146 prisoners were re-interviewed in the same prison as their reception interview (59%).

The procedures for arranging each day were as follows:

- Ipsos MORI contacted the relevant prisons, generally by email as prison staff have infrequent access to phones (and do not carry mobiles). This was followed up by chasing emails/phone calls if necessary.
- The contact officer checked whether the prisoners sought were in the prison, and confirmed any transfers (including providing the destination prison). Where new prisons were identified the liaison process extended to them.
- The contact officer made arrangements for an interview, including if necessary booking room(s) suitable for interview, at times/days when there were expected to be sufficient staff to accompany interviewers and prisoners to and from the allotted rooms (e.g. fitting around holidays, inspections, etc.).
- The contact officer confirmed the allotted times and Ipsos MORI researchers passed the information to their field department, which in turn provided the names of the interviewer(s) booked to work the appointed days.
- The interviewers' names were returned to the contact officer, who passed them to the prison's entrance security, noting the requirement to allow laptops (a frequent reason for cancelled interview days were problems with the security arrangements put in place before the day, with laptops being a particular issue for the prisons).
- The contact officer passed word via other officers (or made a direct approach) to obtain the prisoners' agreement to be interviewed. This aspect in particular required significant staff time due to the time taken to locate prisoners, but it was a key factor in successful interview days. Anecdotal feedback from interviewers suggests prisoners were often not told about the interviews in advance, compounding non-availability on the day.
- Due to concerns about data protection, detailed pre-printed contact sheets were not used (as was the case with the reception stage). Initially interviewers were

reliant on prison staff to know who they would want to see, although later in the study interviewers were sent a list of the Prisoner IDs of respondents they were due to see in order to provide them with more control at the prison, in particular with asking for feedback about those not seen. No other identifying information was included with the IDs, and no mention was made on materials that the survey concerned prisons.

- The interviewer(s) arrived at the prison, were seen through security, and ideally staff were on hand to locate prisoners and encourage them to take part (participation was voluntary), and to accompany prisoners and interviewers to the appropriate location for a private interview. If multiple interviews were required officers would need to locate and accompany each prisoner.
- As with the reception stage refreshments, preferably a soft drink and chocolate, were provided as an incentive to take part in the survey. In some prisons where interviewers were not allowed to bring in any refreshments, they were bought by interviewers from prison vending machines (e.g. in visiting areas).
- Interviewers collected outcomes from prison staff for those prisoners they were unable to see. The quality of this information was variable as it was not always possible for the interviewer to speak directly to the officer who had contact with the prisoners; and control over who would/should be seen on a particular day ultimately rested with the prison. Interviewers fed these details back to Ipsos MORI field management staff.
- Within a few days Ipsos MORI head office researchers double checked that the interviews had been downloaded, and re-contacted contact officers where necessary to find out why some of the appointments had not taken place (and to make further appointments where possible). After the early stages of the study prison liaison contacts were followed up as a matter of course to collect feedback on how the days went, and where possible, outcomes for missed interviews.

### **Maintaining access to prisons**

A number of ongoing processes were followed to maintain contact with prisons and encourage their further cooperation with SPCR. These processes are listed below.

- Each prison was assigned a personal dedicated contact from the SPCR research team, tasked with arranging interviews and keeping the prison informed of study progress and upcoming fieldwork periods.
- Christmas cards were sent to prison contacts each year of the study.



- The study was featured periodically on the Prison Service staff intranet and staff newsletter.
- Early findings from the reception interviews were sent to participating prison governors.
- A number of letters were sent to prison officers and governors at key points informing them of progress and thanking them and their staff for their work in managing the study.
- Each month Ipsos MORI notified RDS NOMS of problematic prisons, i.e. those where interview arrangements had broken down, for further chasing via more official channels.
- From September 2006 the Home Office/MoJ wrote to each prison required for the pre-release stage of the study, following the monthly compilation of prisoners due for interview, to forewarn senior staff more formally of the upcoming requirements. This was done to encourage them to give greater priority to this aspect of the study.

### **Adaptations to the approach**

It became clear early on during fieldwork that it would be necessary to revise expectations of the numbers of prisoners on short sentences who could receive a reception and pre-release interview (rather than a single, combined interview). Many prisons were unable to accommodate interviewers at frequent intervals, or were unable to agree interview days at short notice due to other pressures. This was a particular issue at the start of the study when reception interviews had been arranged across fewer prisons. Throughout the study transfers between prisons were frequent, and hence more time was needed to put arrangements in place with new prisons.

These issues meant that there was a higher rate of attrition than expected during the early phases of the study. This is reflected in the quarterly fieldwork performance outlined in Table 3.4.

Two aspects of the study's design were adjusted to reduce rates of attrition for the pre-release stage. First, more prisoners were given a combined reception and pre-release interview, including prisoners due for release within 60 days of their reception interview (up from 35 days initially). Second, scheduling for pre-release interviews was started earlier, ultimately up to a full two months before a prisoners' earliest possible HDC release date (rather than a month as at first).

A further, later, change to the approach was to move to scheduling interviews for the pre-release stage every second month, and accordingly lengthen the time between interview and release (to up to three months) for some. This was introduced in June 2007 after 18 months of the pre-release phase of the survey. This was largely in response to a further dip in response rates during 2007 (after the position had been reversed in the second half of 2006), as it was agreed that less frequent fieldwork would reduce the burden on prisons. Whilst the number of prisoners eligible for a pre-release interview had fallen significantly (as more of the sample had been released from prison), the workload for prisons was not similarly reduced since the study required many prisons to accommodate interviewers every month (the same process needed to be followed with a prison even if only one interview was required).

### **3.4 Fieldwork outcomes and response rates**

#### **Headline response rates**

The overall response rates for the pre-release stage, out of the full sample and including interviews conducted in combination with the reception stage amongst prisoners on short sentences, were 76% for Sample 1 and 66% for Sample 2. Table 3.2 sets out the headline figures of response for the study. Three response rates are presented:

1. the pre-release response rate out of those respondents “in scope” for a pre-release interview (i.e. out of those for whom a stand-alone pre-release interview was attempted);
2. the figures mentioned above – the response rate out of the full sample, including Sample 1 respondents who were given a combined reception/pre-release interview at the reception stage (i.e. those who are fully productive in terms of the study’s design); and
3. the proportion for whom pre-release data has been collected (which includes those who were unproductive at the pre-release stage but productive at the first post-release stage, when some of the missed pre-release data was captured).

The figures presented assume that the full sample was eligible for the survey.<sup>3</sup>

---

<sup>3</sup> A small number of foreign-national deportees were removed from the sample, following their release from prison, when their immigration status could be ascertained. Those who remain are to the best of our knowledge eligible for the study.

**Table 3.2 Pre-release headline response rates**

<b>Sample 1</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>% in scope for pre-release</b>	<b>% full sample</b>
Total sample	1,435		100.0
Combined interview at reception stage	737		
In scope for pre-release interview	698	100.0	
Fully productive (pre-release interview achieved)	349	50.0 <sup>1</sup>	
Fully productive (combined reception interview achieved)	737		
Partially productive (pre-release data captured at post-release stage)	195		
Total fully productive	1,086		75.7 <sup>2</sup>
Total fully/partially productive	1,281		89.3% <sup>3</sup>

  

<b>Sample 2</b>		<b>% full sample (all in scope)</b>
Total sample	2,414	100.0
Fully productive (pre-release interview achieved)	1,590	65.9 <sup>1</sup>
Partially productive (pre-release data captured at post-release stage)	457	
Total fully/partially productive	2,047	84.8 <sup>3</sup>

Notes:

<sup>1</sup> pre-release response rate out of respondents in scope for a pre-release interview

<sup>2</sup> the response rate out of the full sample, including Sample 1 respondents who were given a combined reception/pre-release interview at the reception stage

<sup>3</sup> the proportion for whom pre-release data has been collected (including at the post-release stage)

## Response outcomes

Table 3.3 presents response outcomes for both samples, out of those respondents in scope for a pre-release interview (i.e. excluding those Sample 1 respondents where the pre-release interview was combined with the reception interview).

The sample outcomes collected have come from a number of sources, including information collected by interviewers at the prisons, feedback from prison officers via follow-up correspondence after the day, and the information available from the IIS (e.g. relating to transfers and early release). The information cannot be verified for complete accuracy, given that much of it has been filtered to Ipsos MORI interviewers and researchers through various chains of communication within the prison system, rather than being collected first-hand. It is important to note the following about certain response categories listed in Table 3.3.

A small number of prisoners appear to have been ineligible for the study, based on prison feedback about their immigration status, but these remain in the sample as this status was not confirmed subsequent to release (when “release type” data confirms whether or not a prisoner was deported).

The “no-contact” categories are those where no information was forthcoming from the prison relating to the case; where possible these have been supplemented with additional information from other sources (e.g. confirmation of early release from other data sources, which hence may have been a factor in the amount of time available for the prison to respond; or highlighting cases which were not matched back to the central IIS database system after reception stage sampling and interview, meaning they could not be tracked through the prison system).

The category “interviewed – no data received” consists of cases where the prison confirmed that the correct prisoner had been interviewed but an interview was not downloaded. This may reflect interviewer error (e.g. interviewers keying in an incorrect prisoner ID which could not be matched back to the sample) or lost/corrupted data.

The categories covering access issues or no contact, which make up the majority, have a low likelihood of non-response bias, in our view, as to the best of our knowledge they relate to issues independent of prisoners’ willingness to take part. Such outcomes/issues would be expected to be more or less randomly distributed across the sample as they have no clear relationship to prisoner characteristics.

The “refusal” and “other” categories are those where there is greater likelihood of bias. These categories indicate that some interaction between the prisoner and survey gatekeepers took place, for example that an appointment was set up but refused or an excuse not to participate was provided. We have placed the category “arranged but not brought forward (no reason obtained)” in the refusal category as it is plausible that a refusal may have been given but not filtered back to Ipsos MORI in many of these cases. However, this lack of direct feedback from prison gatekeepers concerning no-shows could relate to other issues, such as the prisoners not being accessible for their appointments or having insufficient staff on hand to bring them forward.

**Table 3.3 Pre-release response outcomes**

	Sample 1		Sample 2	
	N	%	N	%
<b>Total sample</b>	698	100.0	2,414	100.0
<b>Productive pre-release interview</b>	349	50.0	1,590	65.9
<b>Ineligible (foreign national/deported/transferred to detention centre)</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0.2</b>
<b>Access – insufficient time</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>22.2</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>10.5</b>
Released (HDC/early)	22	3.2	118	4.9
Released before contact made	92	13.2	80	3.3
Transferred and missed/released early	3	0.4	35	1.4
Released before IIS run	38	5.4	21	0.9
<b>Access – cooperation not forthcoming</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>11.3</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>5.2</b>
Problem at prison (not cooperating at the time)	8	1.1	84	3.5
Prison didn't respond in time/ not enough time to arrange	58	8.3	38	1.6
No liaison contact details at prison	13	1.9	3	0.1
<b>No contact</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>9.4</b>
No contact/other	26	3.7	142	5.9
No contact/other – released early/HDC	4	0.6	75	3.1
Not matched to IIS/ prison has no record of ID	19	2.7	10	0.4
<b>Refusal</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>8.6</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>7.3</b>
Refused (in person or by proxy)	22	3.2	113	4.7
Arranged but not brought forward (no reason obtained)	38	5.4	63	2.6
<b>Other</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>1.5</b>
Interviewed – no data received	2	0.3	23	1.0
Not available (in work, hospital, other reason not suitable)	1	0.1	12	0.5
Absconded	0	0.0	2	0.1
Deceased	1	0.1		0.0

### Response outcomes over time

Table 3.4 shows the main outcome categories over the course of the pre-release wave of interviews. The sample has been grouped into the quarter in which they were 1) interviewed, or 2) released, and only includes those prisoners where a pre-release interview was attempted.<sup>4</sup> Sample 1 reception interviews were conducted from December 2005 to November 2006 and Sample 2 reception interviews from June 2006 to August 2007 (the final three months were female Sample 2 interviews only). Sample 2 prisoners on the shortest sentences of 18 months were required to spend a minimum of nine months in prison, but could be eligible for early release under HDC up to 60 days before this (i.e. after a total of seven months in prison). As such, the figures from 2007 onwards reflect a majority of Sample 2 rather than Sample 1 respondents.

<sup>4</sup> The remainder were either released too quickly to be incorporated into monthly fieldwork samples or were not matched back to central prisons data and so could not be tracked.

**Table 3.4 Pre-release response outcomes over time**

<b>Categorised final outcome</b>	<b>2006</b>				<b>2007</b>			
	<b>Jan– Mar</b>	<b>Apr– Jun</b>	<b>Jul– Sep</b>	<b>Oct– Dec</b>	<b>Jan– Mar</b>	<b>Apr– Jun</b>	<b>Jul– Sep</b>	<b>Oct– Dec</b>
Issued for fieldwork	74	240	172	320	419	614	395	268
Productive pre-release interview	28%	45%	68%	78%	65%	74%	72%	74%
Access – insufficient time	49%	18%	25%	12%	16%	11%	7%	10%
Access – cooperation not forthcoming	15%	20%	3%	3%	9%	6%	4%	3%
No contact	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	2%	10%	5%
Refusal	5%	13%	4%	7%	8%	5%	6%	6%
Other	3%	2%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	3%
Response rate (out of issued)	28%	45%	68%	78%	65%	74%	72%	74%

<b>Categorised final outcome</b>	<b>2008</b>				<b>2009</b>	
	<b>Jan– Mar</b>	<b>Apr– Jun</b>	<b>Jul– Sep</b>	<b>Oct– Dec</b>	<b>Jan– Mar</b>	<b>Apr– Jun</b>
Issued for fieldwork	142	107	74	30	25	45
Productive pre-release interview	58%	62%	35%	57%	36%	18%
Access – insufficient time	4%	5%	14%	7%	12%	7%
Access – cooperation not forthcoming	11%	7%	9%	0%	4%	0%
No contact	18%	7%	23%	17%	32%	18%
Refusal	6%	17%	16%	13%	16%	49%
Other	3%	4%	3%	7%	0%	9%
Response rate (out of issued)	58%	62%	35%	57%	36%	18%

The figures in Table 3.4 show increases in response rates across Sample 1, following the adjustments described above, during the second half of 2006. From this point through to the end of 2007 response rates at or above 70% were maintained, with much of Sample 2 benefiting, as can be seen by the higher response rate for this sample overall. However during 2008 response rates declined once more as sample sizes diminished and it became more difficult to maintain prison motivation to cooperate with the study (or to resume processes when prisons had not been involved for a period of time). Response rates also tended to dip at the start of each year, as it proved difficult to re-engage prison contacts following a period of relative inactivity over the Christmas period.

## Managing expectations for future studies

Expectations for pre-release response rates were informed by a feasibility study conducted in 2005. The feasibility study's pre-release stage was not longitudinal, but based on a fresh cross-sectional sample of prisoners due for release. It managed a 62% response rate from this cross-sectional sample, across a small number of prisons,<sup>5</sup> which the study designers expected could be bettered by the main stage study given more time to set up processes. Whilst one might expect that it would be possible to achieve a response rate in excess of those achieved on most general public longitudinal studies (which tend to achieve response rates in the region of 70–80%), because of the “captive” nature of the study audience, there are a number of practical considerations, listed below, which have a significant impact and could be borne in mind in the design and development of future large-scale longitudinal studies of prisoners.

- Lack of control in how a direct approach is made to obtain prisoner cooperation.
- Time-lags in sample updates coupled with frequent transfers to other prisons which may not yet be involved.
- The significant workload involved for prisons, and research study managers and interviewers having to rely on their goodwill to spend this effort.
- Awareness of how quickly the number of prisons involved in a study such as this (where prisoners must be re-interviewed where they are transferred) will increase. A longer set-up period might have allowed fuller arrangements to be in place with more prisons prior to the start of reception fieldwork; however this would need to be balanced against the risk of losing their attention if they initially have nothing to do.
- The necessity for strategies to maintain ongoing cooperation on long studies. Notwithstanding clear budgetary constraints, providing additional staff time resource or remuneration to prisons would be an option worth considering.

---

<sup>5</sup> In the feasibility study 62% of 424 prisoners sampled for the stage were interviewed. The feasibility report indicates that the pre-release sample included the 28 reception interviews conducted a month before, but does not report separately on their re-interview rates.

## 4. Pre-release questionnaire

### 4.1 Question topics and interview length

The pre-release questionnaire was designed primarily to capture detailed information on the type and frequency of interventions/training undertaken by prisoners during their sentences. The questionnaire also captured data on relevant experiences (which potentially contribute to better outcomes for prisoners) during prison such as visits and contact with the outside world. The questionnaire was designed by the MoJ.

The following topics were included:

- details of the prison regime, interaction with other prisoners, and prisoner attitudes towards the regime and the treatment they received from staff and other prisoners
- prison work
- contact with friends and family
- prison interventions, covering drug and alcohol treatment and aftercare, rehabilitation programmes, group or individual counselling, and offending behaviour programmes – including capturing the frequency and typical length of these sessions
- prison education including basic skills, further education and vocational training
- attitudes towards learning
- health care received while in prison and current state of physical and mental health
- drug and alcohol taking while in prison
- plans for and after release, including accommodation and plans for employment, training and education
- sources of advice given on seeking a job/finding accommodation
- attitudes towards offending.

On average the interview length was 63 minutes (based on the start and end timings from interview data) but the median interview length was less than this, at 42 minutes. Many of the longer durations (outliers of over 300 minutes have been removed from the average calculation but there remain substantial numbers of long interviews – e.g. 2% are between 240 and 300 minutes) are likely to reflect episodes of interviews being completed in more than one sitting, and as such these have increased the average length.



## 4.2 Questionnaire versions

In addition to the Sample 1 pre-release interview, as described earlier pre-release questions were also included as part of the *reception interview* administered with prisoners on short sentences.

Pre-release questions also featured at the start of the *post-release interview* (conducted two months after release from prison). Firstly, for those interviewed successfully at the pre-release in-prison stage, data was fed forward from the pre-release interview to capture any additional interventions undertaken between the interview and date of release, and to update whether ongoing programmes were completed and continued at the same length/frequency. Secondly, those who missed the in-prison stage were asked an abridged set of pre-release questions covering key prison intervention questions.

Where analysts are reliant on data captured entirely from prisoners at the post-release stage, some methodological weaknesses should be borne in mind in comparison with standard pre-release interview data. These are, firstly, the completeness of data, as an abridged version of the pre-release questionnaire, focusing on interventions which were relatively less commonly undertaken by prisoners, was used at the post-release stage. Secondly the quality of the data collected after release from prison may be worse as this sample reflects increased potential for recall bias due to ex-offenders having to think back several months to their time in prison. While this could potentially be an issue, the post-release abridged question set is limited to factual (rather than attitude) questions which tend to be less problematic in terms of recall bias than other types of questions.

The abridged pre-release questions covered the following topics – reception combined stage:

- basic details of the prison regime
- prison work
- a shortened version covering the standard types of interventions but without questions on quantity/frequency
- plans for and after release, including accommodation and plans for employment, training and education
- sources of advice given on seeking a job/finding accommodation.

Post-release stage:

- prison interventions, covering drug and alcohol treatment and aftercare, rehabilitation programmes, group or individual counselling, and offending behaviour programmes – including capturing the frequency and typical length of these sessions
- prison education including basic skills, further education and vocational training
- health care received while in prison.

### 4.3 CAPI programming

All interviews were conducted face-to-face using computer assisted personal interviewing (CAPI). The interview script was programmed to match the Word version of the questionnaire as supplied by the Home Office/MoJ.

Details of all interviewed respondents were uploaded regularly onto the CAPI server for interviewers to download to individual machines. At the start of the interview, the interviewer entered the respondent's unique prisoner ID, a number known by all prisoners, which would call up the name of the prisoner for the interviewer to confirm (interviewers also collected dates of birth to provide additional information for validating the interviews). The sample would also drive selection of applicable interview at the reception and post-release stages (the only difference being that a different system of unique identifiers was used outside of prison to make respondent selection). As a backup, where a prisoner number (or unique reference outside of prison) was not found or was incorrectly entered, interviewers were able to enter details manually and such entries were matched to valid respondents at head office.

### Question types

The majority of questions in the questionnaire are pre-coded. For pre-coded questions, a list of pre-defined responses to the question appears on the CAPI screen, and interviewers select the appropriate response. Some pre-coded questions allow only one response (e.g. where answer options are mutually exclusive), whereas others allow multiple responses (e.g. where more than one answer is relevant to the question). Showcards were used for some of the questions; where this was the case this is indicated in the questionnaire (see Appendix).

Pre-coded questions sometimes include an "other-specify" option, which allows respondents to provide answers other than those included in the pre-coded lists. If respondents give an answer that is not in the pre-defined list, interviewers type in their verbatim response.

### **Logic and consistency checks**

The CAPI questionnaire script incorporated a number of consistency checks. These checks tested the consistency of answers: where inconsistent answers were given, the script would not allow the interview to proceed. Respondents would instead need to change their answer at the current question to be consistent with a previous answer or answers, or vice versa.

### **Re-contact questions**

In the final section of the questionnaire information on address after release; alternative friends and family and stable contacts to follow up in the event of losing contact with the respondent; and the name and location of the respondent's probation officer, if applicable, was collected (this information was also gathered at the reception stage).

## 5. Data processing and outputs

### 5.1 Data quality procedures

All range and consistency checks were carried out in the interview as part of the CAPI (computer assisted personal interview) program. Interviewers were alerted to any anomalies in the data and resolved them with the respondent during the interview.

The full dataset was first validated to ensure the correct prisoners had been interviewed.

Validation procedures included the following:

- the prisoner IDs keyed in by interviewers at the start of the interview were checked against sample files during the CAPI interview and interviewers confirmed they were interviewing the correct, named individual;
- at the data processing stage the prisoner IDs were again matched to reception sample members and checked for duplicates;
- the date of birth details captured during the pre-release interview were checked against the reception-stage/IIS date of birth and discrepancies were further investigated; and
- the sequence of interviews and prison sentences were checked for sense, such that the pre-release interview took place after the reception interview and before prisoners' release from prison.

A series of structure checks were carried out on the SPSS dataset. The structure checks ensured that:

- there was a record for each respondent;
- all question routing worked correctly and where routing errors were discovered these were assigned a code to indicate this; and
- all variables were coded correctly with a positive code on every question that should have been asked and appropriate missing value codes for unanswered questions (see missing values section below for more details).

### 5.2 Open text responses

All open-ended and "other-specify" text entries were tidied (spelling, consistent case) in the data. Coding was undertaken for any codes comprising more than 10% of the valid responses to the question.

## 5.3 SPSS datasets

### Pre-release dataset

Sample 1 and Sample 2 interview data were provided in the same SPSS dataset. The dataset contains one record for each prisoner interviewed. The file has 1,939 records, with 349 Sample 1 and 1,590 Sample 2 respondents.

### Pre-release and combined dataset

An additional dataset has been provided, which contains pre-release and combined (reception/pre-release) respondents. This dataset contains a total of 2,676 records, comprising the records described for the pre-release dataset above, and an additional 737 records covering Sample 1 combined pre-release interview data.

Pre-release data collected at the post-release stage was provided separately with delivery of the post-release dataset.

### Variable labelling

Each variable name corresponds with the question name shown in the questionnaire. A data dictionary showing the variable names, descriptions, base sizes and response codes and value labels has been provided separately.

### Unique identifiers

There are two unique identifiers on the dataset: Prisoner Identifier (PrisonerID) and Survey Management System Reference (SMSRef). The latter is used by Ipsos MORI to record and track respondents on the system. Both can be used to match a respondent's data between survey waves.

### Missing values

Missing values on the questionnaire variables are divided into three categories:

- system missing
- not stated/refused
- routing issue.

Respondents who were not asked the question are coded as "system missing". Those who were asked the question but refused to provide an answer are coded as not stated/refused. On some questions "Don't know" was a valid response to the question. These are coded

using positive codes and thus appear as valid cases/per cent in tables/analysis. All not stated/refused values are coded as missing.

## **IIS offence code variables**

IIS variables include an additional missing values code: "Not matched to IIS".

## **Derived variables**

The following derived variables were added to the data:

- DaysRel – the number of days between pre-release interview and release date (derived from IntDate and DateDis)
- AnxD1PR – whether respondent is suffering from anxiety or depression, derived from AnxD1PR to AnxD10PR.

## **Administrative/reception data**

Administrative/sample data provided or matched onto the dataset included:

- prison where interview conducted (PrisonPR)
- interview date (IntDate)
- questionnaire type (QType)
- sample type (SType).

The following reception data was provided:

- ethnicity (A1Ethnic, A1EthnicCat)

## **5.4 Matching IIS data**

The following IIS data were matched onto the SPSS dataset:

- IIS Effective and Original Offence Code (EffOff, OrigOff)
- IIS Offence (OffMark)
- offence group (Offences)
- effective length of sentence in days (EffLen)
- original length of sentence in days (OrigLen)
- sampled length of sentence (SentenceLen, LENsampled)
- first date of reception into custody (DatRec1)
- nationality (nationality)
- date of discharge from prison (DisDate).

As with the administrative data, the IIS data was matched using the unique prisoner identifier (PrisonerID).

## **5.5 Adjusting for non-response**

The MoJ has conducted research into the issue of participant non-response in Waves 2–4, and has used statistical methods (multiple imputation – MI) to recover missing data where appropriate.

# Appendix

## Wave 2 (pre-release) & Combined Questionnaire

### Wave 2 (pre-release) questionnaire

#### **BLOCK J: CURRENT SENTENCE**

{Ask all}

##### **A1SexPR**

INTERVIEWER: Code sex of respondent:

1. Male
  2. Female
- Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

##### **A1DobPR**

First can I just check your date of birth?

INTERVIEWER: Please enter DDMMYYYY : DD/MM/YY

Not stated/refused

{Derived variable}

##### **A1AgePR**

Respondent's age (years) 0..997

Not stated/refused

{Ask if A1SexPR=yes}

##### **J2BabyPR**

INTERVIEWER: Check if respondent is or has been in a mother and baby unit during custody

1. Yes
  2. No
- Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

##### **A2PrisNPR**

How many prisons or young offender institutions have you been in during your current sentence, including this prison? : 1..97

Not stated/refused

**{Ask if A2PrisN>1 or don't know or not stated/refused}**

##### **A2PrisU1**

And how long have you been at this prison/young offender institution?

- 1..97
- Not stated/refused

**{Ask if A2PrisN>1 or don't know or not stated/refused}**

##### **A2PrisU1**

INTERVIEWER: Code whether answer is in weeks, months, or years.

1. Weeks
  2. Months
  3. Years
- Not stated/refused



## Prison Regime

{Ask all}

### J2Cell

I now want to ask you about your time in prison for this current sentence.

Do you currently sleep in a... READ OUT

1. ...a cell
2. ...a room
3. ...or a dormitory?

Not stated/refused

{If J1Cell= cell or room}

### J2Share

Do you share your cell/room? :

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{If J1Share=yes}

### J2ShrNP

How many others do you share with? : 1..97

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

### J2Lock

How many hours did you spend locked up yesterday (ie time you were *not allowed* out of a cell/room/dormitory)? :0..24

INTERVIEWER NOTE: By yesterday we mean the 24 hours up to midnight last night.

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

### J2CellH

And in total, how many hours did you actually spend in your cell/room/dormitory yesterday? :

0..24

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

### J2Day

INTERVIEWER: Code day

1. Monday
2. Tuesday
3. Wednesday
4. Thursday
5. Friday
6. Saturday
7. Sunday

{Ask all}

### J2RegL

What level of regime are you on currently?

1. Basic
2. Standard

3. Enhanced
  4. Don't know
- Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

SHOWCARD J1

Overall, thinking about your time in *this* prison, how much do you agree or disagree with the following?

**J2LivCon1**

I am given adequate opportunities to keep myself clean and decent

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

**J2LivCon2**

I am given adequate opportunities to keep my living area clean and decent

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

**J2LivCon3**

This prison provides adequate facilities for me to maintain a presentable appearance

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

**J2LivCon4**

Prisoners spend too long locked up in their cells in this prison

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

**J2LivCon5**

The quality of my living conditions is poor

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree

5. Strongly disagree
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

**J2LivCon6**

Supervision of prisoners is poor in this prison

1. Strongly agree
  2. Agree
  3. Neither agree nor disagree
  4. Disagree
  5. Strongly disagree
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

**J2LivCon7**

I have been helped significantly with a particular problem by a member of staff in this prison

1. Strongly agree
  2. Agree
  3. Neither agree nor disagree
  4. Disagree
  5. Strongly disagree
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

**J2LivCon8**

I receive support from staff at this prison when I need it

1. Strongly agree
  2. Agree
  3. Neither agree nor disagree
  4. Disagree
  5. Strongly disagree
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

**J2LivCon9**

I feel I am trusted quite a lot in this prison

1. Strongly agree
  2. Agree
  3. Neither agree nor disagree
  4. Disagree
  5. Strongly disagree
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

**J2LivCon10**

Staff in this prison often display honesty and integrity

1. Strongly agree
  2. Agree
  3. Neither agree nor disagree
  4. Disagree
  5. Strongly disagree
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

**J2LivCon11**

Relationships between staff and prisoners in this prison are good

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

**J2LivCon12**

I trust the officers in this prison

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

**J2LivCon13**

I am being looked after with humanity here

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

**J2LivCon14**

Personally, I get on well with the officers on my wing

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

**J2LivCon15**

Overall, I am treated fairly by staff in this prison

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

**J2LivCon16**

Staff help prisoners to maintain contact with their families

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree

4. Disagree
  5. Strongly disagree
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**J2Safe**

Thinking now about other prisoners, do **you** feel safe from being injured or bullied by other prisoners?

1. Yes
  2. No
  3. Don't know
- Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**J2Assa**

And have you been physically assaulted in any way by another inmate during your sentence?

This information is confidential, and we do not need to know any specific details or names about any assault that took place.

1. Yes
  2. No
- Not stated/refused

{Ask if J2Assa=yes}

**J2Reprt**

Did you report this to a member of prison staff?

1. Yes
  2. No
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if J2Reprt=yes}

**J2Action**

And did the prison take any action as a consequence?

1. Yes
  2. No
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**J2Protct**

Do the prison officers in this prison do enough to protect prisoners from assault?

1. Yes
  2. No
  3. Some do, some don't
  4. Don't know
- Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**J2Puni**

SHOWCARD J2

Have you received any of these punishments during your current sentence? CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Additional days

2. Loss of privileges
  3. Closed visits
  4. Loss of earnings
  5. Caution
  6. Different regime
  7. Restriction/stoppage of visits
  8. Cell confinement
  9. Loss of home leave
  10. Re-categorisation
  11. Exclusion from prison work
  12. Some other punishment
  13. No, Not stated
- Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**J2ProvD**

I'm going to read you a list of possible things that the prison service could provide. Could you tell me which **three** would be most important to you? CODE TOP 3

1. Being in a prison near family and friends
2. Being in the same prison for most of your sentence
3. Being able to do 'proper' work
4. Being paid more for work so that you can save money
5. Reduce overcrowding
6. Have more frequent visits
7. Have longer visits
8. Improve the conditions of cells/rooms/dormitories
9. Better treatment from prison officers
10. Better information when you arrive
11. Other – write in

Don't know

Not stated/refused

**Prison work**

{Ask all}

**J2Work**

Have you done any paid work during your current sentence, this is from <month> <year>? Please do not include any training or education courses which you were paid to do.

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if J2Work=yes}

**J2Wtyp**

What sort of work have you done?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Packing
2. Engineering (including welding or machining)
3. Carpentry/woodwork
4. Any other production or manufacturing
5. Data entry
6. Kitchen work
7. Cleaning
8. Laundry

9. Works department (including minor maintenance, painting or decorating)
  10. Farming/gardening
  11. Library
  12. Another type of work
- Not stated/refused

{Ask if J2Work=yes and J2Wtyp is multicode}

**J2LongM**

SHOWCARD J3

What type of work have you done for the most time during your sentence?

1. Packing
  2. Engineering (including welding or machining)
  3. Carpentry/woodwork
  4. Any other production or manufacturing
  5. Data entry
  6. Kitchen work
  7. Cleaning
  8. Laundry
  9. Works department (including minor maintenance, painting or decorating)
  10. Farming/gardening
  11. Library
  12. Another type of work
- Not stated/refused

{Ask if J2Work=yes}

**J2WKNow**

Are you **currently** doing any paid work?

Please do not include any training or education courses which you have been paid to do.

1. Yes
  2. No
- Not stated/refused

{Ask if J2WkNow=yes}

**J2NWTyp**

SHOWCARD J3

What type of work do you currently do? CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Packing
  2. Engineering (including welding or machining)
  3. Carpentry/woodwork
  4. Any other production or manufacturing
  5. Data entry
  6. Kitchen work
  7. Cleaning
  8. Laundry
  9. Worked in the Works department (including minor maintenance, painting or decorating)
  10. Farming/gardening
  11. Library work
  12. Another type of work
- Not stated/refused

{Ask if J2WKNow=yes}

**J2HWLng**

For how long have you done this type of prison work?

IF MORE THAN ONE, CODE FOR TYPE OF WORK PRISONER HAS DONE FOR LONGEST

1. Less than a month
  2. One or more months, but less than six
  3. Six months or more but less than a year
  4. One year or more
- Not stated/refused

{Ask if J2WkNow=yes}

**J2Earn**

How much are you paid each week for this work?: IF MORE THAN ONE JOB, ENTER COMBINED PAY

INTERVIEWER: Enter amount in pounds and pence. 0.00..997.00

Don't know

Not stated/refused

**BLOCK K – CONTACT WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY**

I'd now like to ask you about any contact you have had with your family or friends while you have been in custody.

{Ask all}

**K2FVisit**

Starting with your family, have you received any visits from your partner or members of your family during your current sentence, that is from <month year> to now?

1. Yes
  2. No
  3. No close family
- Not stated/refused

{Ask if K2FVisit=yes}

**K2FWho**

SHOWCARD K1

Which members of your family have visited you during this time? CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Husband/wife/partner
2. Former Husband/wife/partner
3. Mother/father/parents in-law
4. Brother or sister (in-law)
5. Son or daughter aged 18 or more (including step son/daughter)
6. Son or daughter aged under 18 (including step son/daughter)
7. Other adult relative
8. Other child relative

Not stated/refused

{Ask if K2FVisit=yes}

**K2FOft**

SHOWCARD K2

Generally, how often have you been visited by members of your family (including your partner) during your sentence?

1. At least once a week
2. Every two weeks
3. Every month
4. Once every 2-3 months
5. 2 or 3 times a year
6. Less often



Not stated/refused

{Ask if K2FVisit=no}

**K2FamNo**

Do you know why you haven't received visits from members of your family (including your partner)? CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. No contact with partner/family members
2. I don't want to see partner/family members
3. Partner/family members don't want to see me
4. Too far to visit
5. Too expensive to visit
6. Times of visits make it difficult for them
7. Difficulty with children/child care
8. Sentence too short
9. Partner/family members in prison
10. Family members elderly/ill
11. Other
12. Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If K2FamNo11=other}

**K2FamOt**

INTERVIEWER: Record other reason. : OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if K2FamNo1=no contact with partner/family members, or K2FamNo2= I don't want to see partner/family members of K2FamNo3= partner/family members don't want to see me}

**K2FNoW**

Did you lose contact with your family before you came into custody for your current sentence?

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if K2FamNo1=no contact with partner/family members, or K2FamNo2= I don't want to see partner/family members of K2FamNo3= partner/family members don't want to see me}

**K2FNoR**

Who broke off contact?

1. I (respondent) broke off contact
2. Family/partner broke off contact
3. Both parties (i.e. it was mutual)

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**K2FrVis**

Have you received any visits from friends during your current sentence?

1. Yes
2. No
3. No close friends

Not stated/refused

{Ask if K2FrVis=yes}

**K2FrOff**

## SHOWCARD K2

How often have you been visited by friends?

1. At least once a week
2. Every two weeks
3. Every month
4. Once every 2-3 months
5. 2 or 3 times a year
6. Less often

Not stated/refused

Don't know

{Ask if K2FrVis=no}

**K2FrNo**

Why have you not received visits from friends? CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. No contact with friends
2. I don't want to see friends
3. Friends don't want to see me
4. Too far to visit
5. Too expensive to visit
6. Times of visits make it difficult for them
7. Difficulty with children/childcare
8. Friends are in prison
9. Sentence too short
10. Friends elderly/ill
11. Other – specify

Not stated/refused

Don't know

{If K2FrNo11=other}

**K2FrNo14**

INTERVIEWER: Record other reason. : OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if K2FrNo1=no contact with friends, or K2FrNo2=I don't want to see friends, or K2FrNo3= friends don't want to see me}

**K2FrNoW**

Did you lose contact with your friends before starting your current sentence?

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if K2FrNo1=no contact with friends, or K2FrNo2=I don't want to see friends, or K2FrNo3= friends don't want to see me}

**K2FrOff**

Who broke off contact?

1. I (respondent) broke off contact
2. Friends broke off contact
3. Both parties (i.e. it was mutual)

Not stated/refused

{Ask if K2FVisit=yes or K2FrVisit=yes}

**K2VisMt**

Thinking about your current prison, how many visits are you allowed a month?

00..97  
Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if K2FVisit=yes or K2FrVisit=yes}

**K2VisWk**

During the last 4 weeks at this prison, how many visits from family or friends have you received? 00..97

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if K2FVisit=yes or K2FrVisit=yes}

**K2VisLg**

On average, how long has each visit lasted?

000..997 (minutes)

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if K2FVisit <> 3 and K2FrVis <> 3}

**K2LettS**

Have you sent any letters to family or friends during your current sentence?

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if K2LettS=yes}

**K2LettsW**

Do you mind me asking, who have you written to? CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Husband/wife/partner
2. Former Husband/wife/partner
3. Mother/father/parents in-law
4. Brother or sister (in law)
5. Son or daughter aged 18 or more (including step son/daughter)
6. Son or daughter aged under 18 (including step son/daughter)
7. Other adult relative
8. Other child relative
9. Friends

Not stated/refused

{Ask if K2FVisit <> 3 and K2FrVis <> 3}

**K2LettR**

Have you received any letters from family or friends during your current sentence?

- Yes  
No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if K2LettR=yes}

**K2LtWh**

SHOWCARD K3

Who have you received a letter from?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Husband/wife/partner
2. Former Husband/wife/partner
3. Mother/father/parents in-law
4. Brother or sister (in law)

5. Son or daughter aged 18 or more (including step son/daughter)
  6. Son or daughter aged under 18 (including step son/daughter)
  7. Other adult relative
  8. Other child relative
  9. Friends
- Not stated/refused

{Ask if K2FVisit <> 3 and K2FrVis <> 3}

**K2tele**

Have you had telephone contact with your family or friends during your current sentence?

Yes

No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if K2Tele=yes}

**K2TelWh**

SHOWCARD K3

Who have you had telephone contact with?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Husband/wife/partner
2. Former Husband/wife/partner
3. Mother/father/parents in law
4. Brother or sister (in law)
5. Son or daughter aged 18 or more (including step son/daughter)
6. Son or daughter aged under 18 (including step son/daughter)
7. Other adult relative
8. Other child relative
9. Friends

Not stated/refused

{Ask if K2Tele=yes}

**K2Teloft**

In general, how often have you had telephone contact with your family or friends during your current sentence?

1. At least once a week
2. Every two weeks
3. Every month
4. Once every 2-3 months
5. 2 or 3 times a year
6. Less often

Not stated/refused

**BLOCK L – Prison interventions**

The next questions ask about any treatment, education, training or other help that you may have received during your sentence, that is, from <month> <year>.

{Ask all}

**L2HlthcarPR**

Have you been assessed by a healthcare worker during your current sentence?

Yes

No

Not stated/refused

## Drug and alcohol treatment

{Ask all}

### **L2CaratA**

Have you been assessed by a CARAT worker during your current sentence?

INTERVIEWER ADD IF NECESSARY: CARAT stands for Counselling, Assessment, Referral, Advice and Throughcare.

1. Yes
  2. No
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

### **L2VDTs**

Have you participated in voluntary drug testing during your current sentence?

1. Yes
  2. No
- Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2VDTs=yes}

### **L2VDTst**

Are you still participating in voluntary drug testing?

1. Yes
  2. No
- Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

### **L2DrgAlc**

Have you received any treatment or counselling for a drug or alcohol problem during your sentence?

1. Yes
  2. No
- Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2DrgAlc=yes}

### **L2DgTrm**

SHOWCARD L1

What type(s) of treatment or counselling for a drug or alcohol problem have you received?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Detox
2. Rehab programme e.g. TC, RAPt, 12 step, Ley Community
3. Group counselling – NOT part of a rehab programme – e.g. AA/NA, PASRO, SDP (Short Duration Programme )
4. Individual or one-to-one counseling
5. Prescribed methadone or buprenorphine (Subutex) maintenance (NOT a detox)
6. Naltrexone (to prevent relapse to heroin use)
7. Another type of treatment or counselling – specify

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{If L2DrTy7=other}

### **L2DgTrm10**

INTERVIEWER: Please record the other treatment received. : OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If L2DrgAlc=no or not stated/refused}

**L2DrNo**

Would you have liked treatment or counselling for a drug or alcohol problem?

1. Yes
  2. No
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2DrNo=yes}

**L2DrNTy**

SHOWCARD L1

What type of treatment or counselling would you have liked

1. Detox
2. Rehab programme e.g. TC, RAPt, 12 step, Ley Community
3. Group counselling – NOT part of a rehab programme – e.g. AA/NA, PASRO, SDP (Short Duration Programme )
4. Individual or one-to-one counseling
5. Prescribed methadone or buprenorphine (Subutex) maintenance (NOT a detox)
6. Naltrexone (to prevent relapse to heroin use)
7. Another type of treatment or counselling – specify

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

**Detoxification**

{Ask if L2DgTrm1=A – Detox}

**L2TDetox**

Overall, during your whole sentence, how many times have you received a detox for a drug or alcohol problem?: 1..97

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2DgTrm1=A – Detox}

**L2LDetox**

How long did your detox last?

INTERVIEWER: If more than one, ask for average. Record in days: 1..97

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2DgTrm1=A – Detox}

**L2RDetox**

Did you receive a detox for...READ Out...

1. A drug problem
2. An alcohol problem
3. Both a drug and alcohol problem

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2DgTrm1=A – Detox}

**L2SDetox**

Are you still receiving a detox for a drug or alcohol problem?

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2SDetox=no}

**L2FDetox**

{if not still receiving detox}

How long ago did you finish your detox/last detox?

1. Less than a month
2. 1-5 months
3. 6-11 months
4. One year or more

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2SDetox=no}

**L2WDetox**

Why did your detox finish?

1. Completed the detox
2. Removed from the detox
3. Dropped out
4. Transferred to another prison
5. Other reason – specify

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If L2WDetox=other reason}

**L2WDetoxO**

INTERVIEWER: Record other reason: OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

**Rehabilitation programmes/TCs**

{Ask if L2DgTrm2=B – rehab programme}

**L2TRehb**

Overall, during your whole sentence, how many times have you been to a rehab for drug or alcohol problems?: 1..97

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2DgTrm2=B – rehab programme}

**L2LRehb**

How long were you in a rehab for?

INTERVIEWER: If more than one, ask for average. Record in weeks: 1..997

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2DgTrm2=B – rehab programme}

**L2RRehb**

Were you in a rehab for ...READ Out...

1. A drug problem
2. An alcohol problem
3. Both a drug and alcohol problem

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2DgTrm2=B – rehab programme}

**L2SRehb**

Are you still in a rehab for a drug or alcohol problem?

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2SRehb=no}

**L2FRehb**

How long ago did you finish your rehab programme?

INTERVIEWER: If more than one, ask about most recent.

1. Less than a month
2. 1-5 months
3. 6-11 months
4. One year or more

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2SRehb=no}

**L2WRehb**

Why did your rehab programme finish?

INTERVIEWER: If more than one, ask about most recent.

1. Completed the programme
2. Removed from the programme
3. Dropped out
4. Transferred to another prison
5. Other reason – specify

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If L2WRehb=other reason}

**L2WRehbO**

INTERVIEWER: Record other reason: OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2DgTrm2=B – rehab programme}

**L2TyRehb**

What type of rehab did go to?

1. TC
2. RAPt
3. 12 Step
4. Ley Community
5. Other – specify
6. Don't know

Not stated/refused

**Group counselling**

{Ask if L2DgTrm3=C – Group counselling}

**L2GrCon**

Overall, during your whole sentence, how many group counselling sessions have you had for a drug or alcohol problem (**NOT part of a rehab programme**)? : 1..9997

Don't know

Not stated/refused



{Ask if L2DgTrm3=C – Group counselling}

**L2AGrCon**

And, approximately, how many sessions per week did you usually attend? 1...97

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2DgTrm3=C – Group counselling}

**L2LGrCon**

On average, how long did each session last?

INTERVIEWER: Record in minutes: 1..997

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2DgTrm3=C – Group counselling}

**L2SGrCon**

Were these group counselling sessions for...READ OUT...

1. A drug problem,
2. An alcohol problem,
3. Both a drug and alcohol problem?

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2DgTrm3=C – Group counselling}

**L2RGrCon**

Are you still receiving group counselling for a drug or alcohol problem?

1. Yes

2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2RGrCon=no}

**L2FGrCon**

How long ago did you finish group counselling for a drug or alcohol problem?

1. Less than a month
2. 1-5 months
3. 6-11 months
4. One year or more

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2RGrCon=no}

**L2WfGrCon**

Why did your group counselling for a drug or alcohol problem finish?

1. Completed the counselling
2. Removed from the counselling
3. Dropped out
4. Transferred to another prison
5. Other reason – specify

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2WfGrCon=other reason}

**L2WfGrConO**

INTERVIEWER: Record other reason: OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2DgTrm3=C – Group counselling}

**L2TyGrCon**

What type of group counselling programme for a drug or alcohol problem did you receive?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. PASRO
2. SDP (Short Duration Programme)
3. NA
4. AA
5. Group counselling with a CARAT worker
6. Other – specify
7. Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If L2TyGrCon6=other}

**L2TyGrConO**

Who (else) provided your group counselling?

INTERVIEWER: Please probe for job title/occupation of provider: OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

**Individual/one-to-one counselling**

{Ask if L2DgTrm4=D – Individual or one-to-one counselling}

**L2IndCo**

Overall, during your whole sentence, how many individual/one-to one counselling sessions have you had for a drug or alcohol problem? : 1..9997

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2DgTrm4=D – Individual or one-to-one counselling}

**L2AIndCo**

And, approximately, how many sessions per week did you usually attend? 1...97

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2DgTrm4=D – Individual or one-to-one counselling}

**L2LIndCo**

On average, how long did each session last?

INTERVIEWER: Record in minutes: 1..997

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2DgTrm4=D – Individual or one-to-one counselling}

**L2SIndCo**

Were these individual/one-to one counselling sessions for...READ OUT...

1. A drug problem,
2. An alcohol problem,
3. Both a drug and alcohol problem?

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2DgTrm4=D – Individual or one-to-one counselling}

**L2RIndCo**

Are you still receiving individual/one-to one counselling for a drug or alcohol problem?

1. Yes

2. No  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2RIndCo=no}

**L2FIndCo**

How long ago did you finish individual/one-to one counselling for a drug or alcohol problem?

1. Less than a month
2. 1-5 months
3. 6-11 months
4. One year or more

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2RIndCo=no}

**L2WfIndCo**

Why did your individual/one-to one counselling for a drug or alcohol problem finish?

1. Completed the counselling
2. Removed from the counselling
3. Dropped out of the counselling
4. Transferred to another prison
5. Other reason – specify

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If L2WfIndCo=other reason}

**L2wfIndCoO**

INTERVIEWER: Record other reason: OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2DgTrm4=D – Individual or one-to-one counselling}

**L2ICo**

Who provided your individual/one-to one counseling for a drug or alcohol problem?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. A CARAT worker
2. Someone else

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If L2ICo=someone else}

**L2IcoO**

Who (else) provided your individual/one-to-one counselling?

INTERVIEWER: Please probe for job title/occupation of provider: OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

**Methadone or other prescribing**

{Ask if L2DgTrm5=prescribed methadone or buprenorphine}

**L2Meth**

Overall, during your whole sentence, how many weeks have you been prescribed methadone or buprenorphine (Subutex) maintenance for? : 1..997

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2DgTrm5=prescribed methadone or buprenorphine}

**L2SMeth**

Are you still being prescribed methadone or buprenorphine (Subutex) maintenance?

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2SMeth=no}

**L2FMeth**

How long ago did you finish this treatment?

1. Less than a month
2. 1-5 months
3. 6-11 months
4. One year or more

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2SMeth=no}

**L2RMeth**

Why did your treatment finish?

1. Completed treatment
2. Removed from treatment
3. Dropped out
4. Transferred to another prison
5. Other reason – specify

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If L2RMeth=other reason}

**L2WMeth**

INTERVIEWER: Record other reason: OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2DgTrm5=prescribed methadone or buprenorphine}

**L2WeMeth**

Can I just check, were you prescribed methadone or Buprenorphine (Subutex)?

1. Methadone
2. Buprenorphine
3. Both

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2WeMeth=methadone or both}

**L2AMethU**

How much methadone per day were you prescribed? Please think of your most recent dose.

INTERVIEWER record in mg: 1..997

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2WeMeth=buprenorphine or both}

**L2AMethN**

How much buprenorphine (Subutex) per day were you prescribed? Please think of your most recent dose.

INTERVIEWER record in mg: 1..997

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2DgTrm1=detox or L2DgTrm2=rehab or L2DgTrm3=group counselling or L2DgTrm4=Individual or one-to-one counselling or L2DgTrm5=prescribed methadone or buprenorphine or L2DgTrm6=naltrexone to prevent relapse to heroin use}

**L2TrMeth**

**SHOWCARD L2**

Overall, thinking about this treatment or counselling for a drug or alcohol problem you received during your sentence, how much do you agree or disagree with the following?

Overall, I am satisfied with the drug/alcohol treatment I received

1. Strongly disagree
2. Disagree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Agree
5. Strongly agree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

**Aftercare for drug and alcohol problems**

{Ask if L2DgTrm1=detox or L2DgTrm2=rehab or L2DgTrm3=group counselling or L2DgTrm4=Individual or one-to-one counselling or L2DgTrm5=prescribed methadone or buprenorphine or L2DgTrm6=naltrexone to prevent relapse to heroin use}

**L2Aft**

After your treatment or counselling (for a drug or alcohol problem) had finished, were you offered any further care or support while you were in prison?

1. Yes
2. No

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2Aft=no}

**L2AftN**

Would you have liked aftercare or support after your treatment or counselling finished?

1. Yes
2. No

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2Aft=yes}

**L2AftTyp**

What type of aftercare or support did you receive? : OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2DgTrm1=detox or L2DgTrm2=rehab or L2DgTrm3=group counselling or L2DgTrm4=Individual or one-to-one counselling or L2DgTrm5=prescribed methadone or buprenorphine or L2DgTrm6=naltrexone to prevent relapse to heroin use}

**L2AftOt**

Do you have any aftercare, support or treatment for drug or alcohol problems arranged for after you are released?

1. Yes
2. No

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2AftOt=yes}

**L2AftOTy**

What kind of aftercare, support treatment do you have arranged? :

1. Detox
2. Rehab programme
3. Group counselling – NOT part of a rehab programme (e.g. AA/NA)
4. Individual or one-to-one counselling
5. Prescribed methadone or buprenorphine (Subutex) maintenance
6. Prescribed Naloxone (to prevent heroin use)
7. Another type of treatment or counselling – specify

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If L2AftOTy7=another type of treatment or counselling}

**L2AftOTy10**

**Record other response: OPEN**

**Offending behaviour programmes**

{Ask all}

**L2AngNo**

During this sentence, that is from <month><year>, have you been on a programme to help you to control anger or violent behaviour (e.g CALM, CSCP, or Healthy Relationships)?

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2AngNo=yes}

**L2AngNoY**

Overall, how many programmes to help you to control your anger or violent behaviour have you been on during your sentence?: 1..97

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2AngNo=yes}

**L2AnPr**

Which programme(s) have you been on during your current sentence?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. CALM (Controlling Anger and Learning to Manage it)
2. CSCP (Cognitive Self Change Programme)
3. Healthy Relationships
4. Other – specify
5. Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If L2AnPr4=other}

**L2AnPr7**

Record other response: OPEN

{Ask if L2AngNo=yes}

**L2AngSe**

And, approximately, how many sessions have you attended during your sentence? : 1..997

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2AngNo=yes}

**L2AngWk**

How many sessions per week did you usually attend? 1...97

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2AngNo=yes}

**L2AngLa**

On average, how long did each session last?

INTERVIEWER: Record in minutes: 1..997

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2AngNo=yes}

**L2AngSt**

Are you still on a programme to help you to control your anger or violent behaviour?

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2AngSt=no}

**L2AngFi**

How long ago did you finish your programme/last programme?

1. Less than a month
2. 1-5 months
3. 6-11 months
4. One year or more

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2AngSt=no}

**L2AngWf**

Why did your programme/last programme finish?

1. Completed the programme
2. Removed from the programme
3. Dropped out
4. Transferred to another prison
5. Other reason – specify

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{If L2AngWf=other reason}

**L2AngWfO**

INTERVIEWER: Record other reason: OPEN

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2AngNo=no}

**L2AngNoN**

Would you have liked to have gone on a programme to help you to control your anger or violent behaviour?

1. Yes

2. No  
Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**L2Behav**

Apart from anything you have already told me about, have you been on a programme to help your thinking skills or to understand your offending at any time during your sentence (e.g. ETS, Think First, or R&R)?

1. Yes  
2. No  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2Behav=yes}

**L2BehavY**

Overall, how many programmes to help you understand yourself and stop your offending have you been on during you sentence? : 1..97

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2Behav=yes}

**L2UnPr**

Which programme(s) have you been on? CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. ETS
  2. Cognitive Skills Booster
  3. Think First
  4. R&R
  5. FOR (Focus on Resettlement)
  6. Other (specify)
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2Behav=yes}

**L2BehavSe**

And please could you estimate the number of sessions you have attended during your sentence? : 1..997

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2Behav=yes}

**L2BehavWk**

Approximately how many sessions per week did you usually attend? 1...97

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2Behav=yes}

**L2BehavLa**

On average, how long did each session last?

INTERVIEWER: Record in minutes: 1..997

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2Behav=yes}

**L2BehavSt**

Are you still on a programme to help you understand yourself and stop your offending?



1. Yes
  2. No
- Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2BehavSt=no}

**L2BehavFi**

How long ago did you finish your/your last programme?

1. Less than a month
2. 1-5 months
3. 6-11 months
4. One year or more

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2BehavSt=no}

**L2BehavWf**

Why did your programme finish?

1. Completed the programme
2. Removed from the programme
3. Dropped out
4. Transferred to another prison
5. Other reason – specify

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If L2BehavWf=other reason}

**L2BehavWfO**

INTERVIEWER: Record other reason: OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2Behav=no}

**L2BehavN**

Would you have liked to have gone on a programme to help you to understand yourself and stop your offending?

1. Yes
2. No

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2AngNo=yes or L2Behav = yes}

**L2BehavOff**

SHOWCARD L2

Overall, thinking about the offending behaviour/anger management programmes you have been on during your sentence, how much do you agree or disagree with the following?

Overall, I am satisfied with the help I received

1. Strongly disagree
2. Disagree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Agree
5. Strongly agree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

## **BLOCK M – Education**

I am now going to ask you some questions about any education you may have received during your sentence, that is from <month> <year>.

{Ask all}

### **L2AsEd**

Have you been assessed for education and training at any time during your sentence?

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if L2AsEd=yes}

### **M2Learn**

Do you have an individual learning plan?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don't know

Not stated/refused

## **Basic skills**

{Ask all}

### **M2ACour**

During your current sentence, did you go on an education course specifically to help your reading, writing, maths/numbers or English speaking skills? This is sometimes referred to as basic skills.

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2ACour=yes}

### **M2ACourA**

Thinking about your whole sentence, approximately how many sessions have you attended?

1...997

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2ACour=yes}

### **M2ACourW**

And how many sessions per week did you usually attend? 1...97

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2ACour=yes}

### **M2ACourL**

On average, how long did each session last?

INTERVIEWER: Record in minutes: 1...997

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2ACour=no}

### **M2ACourR**

Why didn't you go on any courses like this?

CHOOSE THE OPTION THAT BEST DESCRIBES YOUR REASON

1. They were not offered to me
2. The course(s) I wanted were not available
3. I wasn't interested in going on them
4. I didn't need to go on them
5. I got paid more for working
6. I preferred to do other things
7. Other reasons

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2ACourR=they were not offered to me, or the course(s) I wanted were not available, or I wasn't interested in going on them, or I got paid more for working}

**M2ACourH**

Would you have liked to have had help with your reading, writing, numeracy or English speaking skills during your sentence?

1. Yes
2. No

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2ACour=yes}

**Mclass**

Was your course classroom based?

INTERVIEWER NOTE: By this we mean taught in a classroom. :

1. Yes – most of the time
2. Yes – some of the time
3. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2ACour=yes}

**MTWrk**

And did the tutor work with you... READ OUT...CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. ...by yourself
2. ...or, as part of a group or class?

Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2ACour=yes}

**MJob**

Did you do anything which was related to working or getting a job **as part** of this course?

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if MJob=yes}

**M2SkVTy**

What did you do that was related to working or getting a job? : OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2ACour=yes}

**M2ACourC**

Did you complete the course?

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2ACourC=no}

**M2ACourRe**

Why not?

1. Still on the course
2. Removed from course
3. Dropped out of the course
4. Transferred to another prison
5. Other reason

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2ACourRe=transferred to another prison}

**M2ACourCo**

When you were transferred, were you able to continue the course in your new prison?

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2ACour=yes and M2ACourRe<>still on the course}

**M2ACourF**

How long ago did you finish on the course/your most recent course?

1. Less than a month
2. 1-5 months
3. 6-11 months
4. One year or more

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2ACour=yes and M2ACourRe<>still on the course}

**M2ACourQ**

Have you gained any qualifications through this course/these courses?

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2ACour=yes}

**M2Qual**

Was this for: CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Reading or writing
2. Numbers/math
3. Speaking English

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask for each if M2Qual=reading or writing or numbers/math or speaking English}

**M2Qual**

At what level was your qualification?

SHOWCARD M1

ASK FOR EACH OBTAINED (i.e. reading, numbers & speaking)

1. Below entry level
2. Entry level
3. Level 1
4. Level 2

5. Above Level 2
  6. Don't know
- Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2ACour=yes}  
SHOWCARD M2

**M2HLearn**

Overall, how much have you learned from your education in reading, writing, maths/numbers or English speaking skills?

1. A great deal
  2. A fair amount
  3. A little
  4. Not very much
  5. Nothing at all
  6. Don't know
- Not stated/refused

**Other education (not basic skills)**

{Ask all}

**M2Educ**

Apart from any thing you have already told me about, have you been on any other education courses during your sentence, that is from <month> <year>. (e.g. ICT, GCSE, A level, degree etc.)?

1. Yes
  2. No
- Not stated/refused

{If M2Educ=yes}

**M2EducY**

What was this? CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Degree
2. Diploma
3. Certificate of Higher Education
4. A level
5. GCSE
6. ICT
7. Childcare or parenting
8. Other

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask for each mentioned above M2EducY=degree, or diploma, or certificate of higher education, or A level, of GCSE, or ICT, or childcare or parenting, or other}

**M2Educ**

And thinking about your whole sentence, approximately how many sessions did you attend?

1...997

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask for each mentioned above M2EducY=degree, or diploma, or certificate of higher education, or A level, of GCSE, or ICT, or childcare or parenting, or other}

**M2EduS**

And how many sessions per week you usually attend? 1...97

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask for each mentioned above M2EducY=degree, or diploma, or certificate of higher education, or A level, of GCSE, or ICT, or childcare or parenting, or other}

**M2EduL**

On average, how long did each session last?

INTERVIEWER: Record in minutes: 1...997

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2Educ=no}

**M2EducN**

Why didn't you go on any courses like this? CHOOSE THE OPTION THAT BEST DESCRIBES YOUR REASON

1. They were not offered to me
2. The course(s) I wanted were not available
3. I wasn't interested in going on them
4. I didn't need to go on them
5. I got paid more for working
6. I preferred to do other things
7. Other reasons

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2EducN=they were not offered to me , or the course(s) I wanted were not available, or I wasn't interested in going on them, or I got paid more for working}

**M2EduL**

Would you have liked to have gone on one of these courses?

1. Yes
  2. No
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2Educ=yes}

**M2EducYY**

Did you complete the course/most recent course?

1. Yes
  2. No
- Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2EducYY=no}

**M2EducYN**

Why not?

1. Still on the course
2. Removed from course
3. Dropped out of the course
4. Transferred to another prison
5. Other reason

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2EducYN=transferred to another prison}

**M2EducTr**

When you were transferred, were you able to continue the course in your new prison?

1. Yes
  2. No
- Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2EducYY='yes' and M2EducYN='removed from course', 'dropped out of course', or 'trasnferred to another prison'}

**M2EducLg**

How long ago did you finish on the course?

1. Less than a month
2. 1-5 months
3. 6-11 months
4. One year or more

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2Educ=yes}

**M2EducLe**

Overall, how much have you learned from these education courses (not basic skills)?

1. A great deal
2. A fair amount
3. A little
4. Not very much
5. Nothing at all
6. Don't know

Not stated/refused

**Vocational training**

{Ask all}

**M2Voc**

Apart from anything you have already told me about, during your current sentence have you done any training for a particular type of job (e.g. carpentry, painting & decorating, fork lift truck driving, catering, cleaning)?

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{If M2Voc=yes}

**M2VocY**

During your current sentence, how many of these training courses have you done? 1..97

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If M2Voc=yes}

**M2VocSe**

Thinking about your whole sentence, approximately how many sessions of training did you attend? 1...997

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If M2Voc=yes}

**M2VocWk**

And how many sessions per week did you usually attend? 1...97

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If M2Voc=yes}

**M2VocLg**

On average, how long did each session last?

INTERVIEWER: Record in minutes: 1...997

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If M2Voc=yes}

**M2VocMs**

Thinking about your/the most recent job-related training you had started, what was this for? :

OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If M2Voc=yes}

**M2VcCom**

Did you complete the training?

1. Yes

2. No

Not stated/refused

{If M2VcCom=no}

**M2VcNCm**

Why not?

1. Still on the training

2. Removed from training

3. Dropped out of the training

4. Transferred to another prison

5. Other reason

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2VcCom=yes or no or not stated/refused and M2VcNcm<>still on the course}

**M2VocFi**

How long ago did you finish the training? Less than a month

1. 1-5 months

2. 6-11 months

3. One year or more

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2VcCom=yes or no or not stated/refused and M2VcNcm<>still on the course}

**M2VcQu**

Have you gained any qualifications through this work-related training?

1. Yes

2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2VcQu=yes}

**M2VcQW**

What was this qualification? IF MORE THAN ONE, CODE ALL THAT APPLY

BTEC/ BEC/TEC/EdExcel

SCOTVEC, SCOTEC or SCOTBEC

Vocational A-level or equivalent

NVQ/SVQ



GNVQ/GSVQ  
Vocational AS level or equivalent  
Vocational GCSE  
HNC/HND  
ONC/OND  
Apprenticeship  
RSA/ OCR  
City & Guilds  
YT Certificate  
Any other professional / vocational qualification / foreign qualifications  
Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2VNcm=still on the course}

**M2VcNCm**

What type of qualification are you working towards? IF MORE THAN ONE, CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. BTEC/ BEC/TEC/EdExcel
  2. SCOTVEC, SCOTEC or SCOTBEC
  3. Vocational A-level or equivalent
  4. NVQ/SVQ
  5. GNVQ/GSVQ
  6. Vocational AS level or equivalent
  7. Vocational GCSE
  8. HNC/HND
  9. ONC/OND
  10. Apprenticeship
  11. RSA/ OCR
  12. City & Guilds
  13. YT Certificate
  14. Any other professional / vocational qualification / foreign qualifications
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2Voc=no}}

**M2VocN**

Why didn't you do any training for a particular type of job during your sentence?  
CHOOSE THE OPTION THAT BEST DESCRIBES YOUR REASON

1. It was not offered to me
  2. The type of training I wanted was not available
  3. I wasn't interested in getting any job training
  4. I didn't need to get any job training
  5. I got paid more for working
  6. I preferred to do other things
  7. Other reasons
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2VocN=it was not offered to me, the type of training I wanted was not available, or I wasn't interested in getting any job training}

**M2VocJb**

Would you have liked to have done any job training during your sentence?

1. Yes
  2. No
- Don't know

Not stated/refused

### **Learner questionnaire**

#### **SHOWCARD M3**

I am now going to read out some statements about doing everyday tasks, and I would like you to tell me how confident you feel about doing them.

{Ask all}

#### **Learn1PR**

When I think about speaking in front of a group of people, I feel...

1. Not at all confident
2. Not very confident
3. Quite confident
4. Very confident

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

#### **Learn2PR**

When I need to use a telephone, I feel...

1. Not at all confident
2. Not very confident
3. Quite confident
4. Very confident

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

#### **Learn3PR**

If I think about myself as a learner, I feel...

1. Not at all confident
2. Not very confident
3. Quite confident
4. Very confident

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

#### **Learn4PR**

When I have to do some reading, I feel...

1. Not at all confident
2. Not very confident
3. Quite confident
4. Very confident

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

#### **Learn5PR**

When I have to do some writing, I feel...

1. Not at all confident
2. Not very confident
3. Quite confident
4. Very confident

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**Learn6PR**

When I have to fill in a form, I feel...

1. Not at all confident
2. Not very confident
3. Quite confident
4. Very confident

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**Learn7PR**

If I have to read something out loud, I feel...

1. Not at all confident
2. Not very confident
3. Quite confident
4. Very confident

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**Learn8PR**

If I have to read a set of instructions, I feel...

1. Not at all confident
2. Not very confident
3. Quite confident
4. Very confident

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**Learn9PR**

If I have to take a test, I feel...

1. Not at all confident
2. Not very confident
3. Quite confident
4. Very confident

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**Learn10PR**

When I think about going on another education or training course, I feel...

1. Not at all confident
2. Not very confident
3. Quite confident
4. Very confident

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**Learn11PR**

When I think about using a computer I feel...

1. Not at all confident
2. Not very confident
3. Quite confident
4. Very confident

Don't know

Not stated/refused

## **BLOCK N – Health care**

**I am now going to ask you about any healthcare that you may have received during your sentence, this is from <month><year>.**

{Ask all}

### **N2Med**

Have you received any treatment for a physical medical problem during your sentence?

**Please do not include any treatment or help you may have received for a drug or alcohol problem.**

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if N2Med=yes}

### **N2MedWho**

SHOWCARD N1

Who provided this treatment?

(Please do not include any treatment or help you may have received for a drug or alcohol problem.) CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Prison doctor
2. Nurse
3. GP/local doctor
4. Dentist
5. Someone else

Not stated/refused

{Ask for each mentioned M2MedWho=prison doctor, nurse, GP/local doctor, dentist, someone else}

### **N2MedN**

Overall, how many times have you seen a (from previous question) for medical treatment during your sentence? 1..997

Please do not include any treatment or help you may have received for a drug or alcohol problem.

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if N2Med=yes}

### **N2MedLoc**

SHOWCARD N2

And where were you treated? CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Inside the prison healthcare facility or medical wing
2. At a hospital outside the prison
3. On the wing in the prison
4. Somewhere else

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if N2Med=yes}

**N2MedP**

Have you been prescribed any medication for a medical problem during your sentence?  
Please do not include any treatment or help you may have received for a drug or alcohol problem.

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**N2HNow**

SHOWCARD N3

How would you rate your physical health right now?

1. Very good
2. Good
3. Fair
4. Bad
5. Very bad

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**N2Psy**

Have you received any help or treatment for a mental health or emotional problem during your sentence?

Please do not include any treatment or help you may have received for a drug or alcohol problem.

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if N2Psy=yes}

**N2PsyWho**

SHOWCARD N4

Who provided the help or treatment you received?

Please do not include any treatment or help you may have received for a drug or alcohol problem.

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Prison Doctor
2. Psychiatrist
3. Psychotherapist
4. Psychiatric Nurse
5. Chaplain
6. Counsellor
7. Psychologist
8. Voluntary worker
9. Probation Officer
10. Someone else

Not stated/refused

{Ask for each mentioned N2PsyWho=prison doctor, psychiatrist, psychotherapist, psychiatric nurse, chaplin, counselor, psychologist, voluntary worker, probation officer, someone else}

**N2PsyN**

How many times have you had help or treatment from (from previous question) for a mental health or emotional problem during your sentence?

Please do not include any treatment you may have received for a drug or alcohol problem.

:1..997

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if N2Psy=yes}

**N2PsyLoc**

SHOWCARD N5

And where did you receive the help or treatment? CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Inside the prison healthcare facility or medical wing
2. At a hospital outside the prison
3. On the wing in the prison
4. Somewhere else

Not stated/refused

{Ask if N2Psy=yes}

**N2PsyMed**

Have you been prescribed any medication for a psychological or emotional problem during your sentence?

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**N2GPFamDr**

Do you have a GP/family doctor you could see for healthcare after release?

1. Yes
2. No

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if N2GPFamDr=no or don't know}

**N2AdvGP**

Do you need advice on how to get one?

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if M2PsyMed=yes}

**N2MedRel**

Do you know how to obtain your medication after release, if you need it?

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

## Psychological health

{Ask all}

### **AnxD1PR**

SHOWCARD N6

Thinking now about the last **four weeks**, how often have you been distressed or bothered by the following problems:

Feeling tense

1. Never
2. Rarely
3. Sometimes
4. Often
5. Always

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

### **AnxD2PR**

Suddenly scared for no reason

1. Never
2. Rarely
3. Sometimes
4. Often
5. Always

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

### **AnxD3PR**

Feeling fearful

1. Never
2. Rarely
3. Sometimes
4. Often
5. Always

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

### **AnxD4PR**

Nervousness or shakiness inside

1. Never
2. Rarely
3. Sometimes
4. Often
5. Always

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

### **AnxD5PR**

Spells of terror or panic

1. Never
2. Rarely
3. Sometimes

- 4. Often
- 5. Always
- Don't know
- Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**AnxD6PR**

Feeling hopeless about the future

- 1. Never
- 2. Rarely
- 3. Sometimes
- 4. Often
- 5. Always
- Don't know
- Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**AnxD7PR**

Feelings of worthlessness

- 1. Never
- 2. Rarely
- 3. Sometimes
- 4. Often
- 5. Always
- Don't know
- Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**AnxD8PR**

Feeling no interest in things

- 1. Never
- 2. Rarely
- 3. Sometimes
- 4. Often
- 5. Always
- Don't know
- Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**AnxD9PR**

Feeling lonely

- 1. Never
- 2. Rarely
- 3. Sometimes
- 4. Often
- 5. Always
- Don't know
- Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**AnxD10PR**

Thoughts of ending your life

- 1. Never
- 2. Rarely
- 3. Sometimes



- 4. Often
- 5. Always
- Don't know
- Not stated/refused

## Drugs and alcohol

I'd now like to ask you about any drugs or alcohol you may have used during your sentence. Please remember that your answers will be treated in the strictest confidence.

{Ask all}

### **N2Alc**

Can I check, have you drank any alcohol while you have been in prison for your current sentence?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- Not stated/refused

{Ask if N2Alc=yes}

### **N2WkAlc**

On how many days have you drank alcohol in the last four weeks? : 0.28

- Don't know
- Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

### **N2Drug**

SHOWCARD N7

And can I check, have you used any of these while you have been in prison for your current sentence? If yes: which? CODE ALL THAT APPLY:

- 1. Amphetamines (also known as speed, whizz, upper, Billy)
- 2. Cannabis (also know as marijuana, grass, hash, ganja, blow, draw, skunk, weed, spliff)
- 3. Crack cocaine (also known as rock, stones, white)
- 4. Cocaine (also known as Charlie, C)
- 5. Ecstasy (also known as E, pills)
- 6. Heroin (also known as smack, skag, H, Brown, horse)
- 7. LSD (also known as tabs, trips) or magic mushrooms
- 8. Unprescribed methadone
- 9. Unprescribed tranquilizers (also known as diazepam, temazepam, downers, jellies, temmazie, tranks)
- 10. None
- 11. Not stated/refused
- Don't know
- Not stated/refused

{If N2Drug9=1 – unprescribed tranquilizers}

### **N2Tranq**

Please specify which tranquilizers: STRING

- Don't know
- Not stated/refused

{Ask for each mentioned N2Drug= Amphetamines, Cannabis, Crack cocaine, Cocaine, Ecstasy, Heroin, LSD, unprescribed methadone, unprescribed tranquilizers}

### **N2Wk**

On how many days have you used <DRUG> in the last four weeks?: 0.28

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if N2Drug= Amphetamines, or Cannabis, or Crack cocaine, or Cocaine, or Ecstasy, or Heroin, or LSD, or unprescribed methadone, or unprescribed tranquilizers}

**N2Inj**

Have you injected any drugs while you have been in prison for your current sentence?:

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if N2Inj=yes}

**N2InjSha**

Did you share any injecting equipment (spoon, filter, syringe or needle) with anyone else?

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if N2Inj=yes}

**N2InjDis**

Did you have access to disinfecting tablets during your current sentence?

1. Yes
2. No

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if N2InjDis=yes}

**N2InjCle**

Did you use any of these tablets to clean injecting equipment?

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask if N2Inj=yes}

**N2InjWk**

Have you injected any illegal drugs in the last four weeks?

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

**BLOCK O – Release**

Now, I would like to ask you some questions about your release and your plans for the future.

{Ask all}

**O2ReIPR**

First can I check, on what date are you due to be released? : DD/MM/YY Range up to 2009 and hard check – later than today's date

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**O2HDC**

Are you eligible for Home Detention Curfew (HDC) or tagging?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2HDC=yes}

**O2HDCy**

Have you been granted Home Detention Curfew (HDC) or tagging?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Still waiting for a decision

Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2HDCy=no}

**O2HDCn**

Why was it not granted? CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Because of offending record
2. Have a breach of license/breach of probation
3. Have been refused in the past
4. Nowhere to live after release
5. Sentence too short
6. Other – specify

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If O2HDCn6=other}

**O2HDCn9**

INTERVIEWER: Record other reason.: OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**O2CtP**

**Can I just check, during your time in custody have you had any contact with a Probation Officer?**

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**O2AppP**

And do you have an appointment with a Probation Officer after release?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don't know

Not stated/refused

## Accommodation for release

{Ask all}

### **O2Add**

Have you got an address to go to immediately after your release, even if it is only temporary?

1. Yes
  2. No
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2Add=yes}

### **O2AdSme**

Is this where you were living before you came into custody?

1. Yes
  2. No
- Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2AdSme=no}

### **O2AdArea**

Is it in the same area as where you were living before you came into custody?

1. Yes
  2. No
- Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2AdArea=no}

### **O2AreaY**

Why are you going to live in a different area?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. To help keep off drugs
2. To help cut down or stop drinking
3. To help avoid re-offending/stay out of trouble
4. To be near family/friends
5. To start a new life/have a fresh start
6. Because people who will be living with have moved
7. Because I couldn't find anywhere to live in other area
8. Will only be temporarily living there, intend to move back
9. Another reason – specify

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If O2AreaY9=other}

### **O2AreaO**

INTERVIEWER: Record other reason.: OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2AdSme=no}

### **O2AccomPR**

SHOWCARD O1

Which of these describes where you will be living?

1. In a house or flat that you (or your partner) owns
2. In a house or flat that you (or your partner) rents
3. In a house or flat that you (or your partner) part rented and part owned (shared ownership)
4. Paying board in a house or flat owned or rented by someone else

5. Living rent free in a house or flat owned or rented by someone else (but not in a squat)
  6. In a squat
  7. In a probation or bail hostel
  8. In a DSS or other hostel
  9. In supported accommodation (e.g. sheltered housing, refuge or foyer)
  10. In any other temporary accommodation (e.g. B&B, night shelter)
  11. Homeless and sleeping rough
  12. Other – specify
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{If O2Accom=other}

**O2AccomOPR**

INTERVIEWER: Record other type of accommodation: OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2Accom=2,3,4,5}

**O2LLord**

Is the property rented from a Local Authority, housing association or private landlord?

1. Local Authority
2. Housing association
3. Private landlord

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2Add=yes}

**O2LivW**

And who will you be living with? CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Nobody – living alone
2. Husband/wife/partner/boyfriend/girlfriend
3. Parents/in-laws
4. Adult children (aged 18+)
5. Dependent children (aged under 18)
6. Other adult relations
7. With friends

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2Add=yes}

**O2AdDur**

How long do you think you will be living there?

1. Less than one month
2. One month or more, but less than six months
3. Six months or more
4. Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2Add=no or don't know or not stated/refused}

**O2Nadd**

Are you hoping to find somewhere in the same area as you lived before you went into custody?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don't mind/no preference

Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2NAdd=no}

**O2NArY**

Why are you looking to move to a different area?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. To help keep off drugs
2. To help cut down or stop drinking
3. To help avoid re-offending/stay out of trouble
4. To be near family/friends
5. To start a new life/have a fresh start
6. Because people who will be living with have moved
7. Another reason – specify

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If O2NArY7=another reason}

**O2NArYO**

INTERVIEWER: Record other reason.: OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If O2Add=no or don't know or not stated/refused}

**O2NAcc**

SHOWCARD 02

What do you expect your living arrangements to be after your release?

1. In a house or flat that you (or your partner) owned
2. In a house or flat that you (or your partner) rented
3. In a house or flat that you (or your partner) part rented and part owned (shared ownership)
4. Paying board in a house or flat owned or rented by someone else
5. Living rent free in a house or flat owned or rented by someone else (but not in a squat)
6. In a squat
7. In a probation or bail hostel
8. In a DSS or other hostel
9. In supported accommodation (e.g. sheltered housing, refuge or foyer)
10. In any other temporary accommodation (e.g. B&B, night shelter)
11. Homeless and sleeping rough
12. Other – specify

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If O2NAccO=other}

**O2NAccO**

INTERVIEWER: Record the other type of accommodation: OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**O2AcHIp**

Have you received any support or advice for housing problems, including rent and housing benefit, during your sentence?

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

{If O2AcHlp=yes}

**O2AcHTp**

What was this help for? CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Problems with your tenancy
2. Housing benefit
3. Rent arrears
4. Finding somewhere to stay after release
5. Other – specify

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If O2AcHTy5=other}

**O2AcHTpO**

INTERVIEWER: Record other type of help: OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If O2AcHlp=yes}

**O2AcHlpW**

**SHOWCARD O3**

**Who provided this help? CODE ALL THAT APPLY**

1. Staff on pre-release programme
2. Prison service/prison officer/resettlement officer
3. Probation service
4. Voluntary organisation (such as NACRO)
5. Family or friends
6. Local Authority Housing Department
7. Local Authority Social Services department
8. An independent advice service
9. Solicitor
10. Someone else – specify

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If O2AcHlpWO=someone else}

**O2AcHWO**

INTERVIEWER: Record other source of help: OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{If O2AcHlp=no or don't know or not stated/refused}

**O2AchLa**

Would you have liked support or advice for housing problems, including rent and housing benefit, during your sentence?

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused

**Employment, training and education after release**

{Ask all}

**O2Ete**

During your sentence, have you received any help to look for a job, training or education for after your release?

1. Yes
  2. No
- Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2Ete=yes}

**O2Ete**

What was this help for? CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Finding a job
  2. Training
  3. Education
- Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2Ete=yes}

**O2EteM**

**Who provided this help? CODE ALL THAT APPLY**

1. Staff on a pre-release programme
2. Staff from prison education department
3. Other prison staff/prison officer/resettlement officer
4. Probation officer
5. Voluntary organisation (such as NACRO)
6. Job centre
7. Former employer
8. Family or friends or other informal contacts outside prison
9. Local Authority
10. Private employment agency
11. An independent advice service
12. Someone else – specify

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2EteM=no or not stated/refused}

**O2EteAR**

Would you have liked help to look for a job, training or education for after your release?

1. Yes
  2. No
- Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**O2Job**

I'd now like to ask you about working. Do you have a paid job to go to when you are released?

1. Yes
  2. No
- Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2Job=yes}

**O2JbSme**

Is this the same job as you had before you went into custody?

1. Yes
2. No

Not stated/refused



{Ask if O2JbSme=no or don't know or not stated/refused}

**O2Ind**

What does the firm/organisation you will be working for mainly make or do? :OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2JbSme=no or don't know or not stated/refused}

**O2Title**

What will be your job title?:OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2JbSme=no or don't know or not stated/refused}

**O2Wtyp**

And what type of work will you be doing? :OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2JbSme=no or don't know or not stated/refused}

**O2Emp**

Will you be employed or self-employed?

1. Employed
2. Self-employed

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2JbSme=no or don't know or not stated/refused}

**O2FTPT**

Will you be working full-time or part-time?

1. Full time
2. Part time
3. Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2JbSme=no or don't know or not stated/refused}

**O2Temp**

Will this job be temporary or permanent?

1. Temporary
2. Permanent
3. Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2JbSme=no or don't know or not stated/refused}

**O2JbHlp**

SHOWCARD 04

How did you hear about this job?

1. Through a prison job club
2. Through contact with a job centre
3. Through contact with another employment agency
4. Through prison pre-release/resettlement programme
5. Through a probation officer
6. Through prison education department
7. Through a former employer
8. Through direct contact with employer
9. Saw an advert when on home leave

- 10. Through a fellow inmate
  - 11. Through friends, family or other contacts outside of prison
  - 12. In another way – specify
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{If O2JbHlp=in another way}

**O2JbHlpOPR**

INTERVIEWER: RECORD Other way: OPEN

- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2Job=no or don't know or not stated/refused}

**O2Train**

Do you have a place on a training or education course to go to when you are released?  
Please include any place you have on a Government training scheme.

- 1. Yes
  - 2. No
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2Train=yes}

**O2TrNm**

What is the course or training scheme called? : OPEN

- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2Train=yes}

**O2TrFt**

Is this course full time or part time?

- 1. Full time
- 2. Part time
- 3. Don't know

{Ask if O2Train=yes}

**O2TrLngPR**

How long is the course for?

- 1. Up to 1 week
- 2. More than 1 week, up to 2 weeks
- 3. More than 2 weeks, up to 1 month
- 4. More than 1 month, up to 3 months
- 5. More than 3 months, up to 6 months
- 6. More than 6 months, up to 12 months
- 7. More than 12 months

- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2Job=no or don't know or not stated/refused and O2Train=no or don't know or not stated}

**O2Look**

Are you, or will you be looking for a paid job or a training course to go to when you are released?

- 1. Yes
  - 2. No
- Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2Look=no or don't know or not stated/refused}

**O2LNLKYPR**

What, if anything, is stopping you from getting looking for work or training for when you are released? DO NOT PROMPT. PROBE: What else? MULTICODE

Personal

- Language difficulties
- I am too old
- I am too young
- Childcare is not available
- Homelessness
- Addiction (drug/alcohol)
- I have caring responsibilities (other than for children)
- Want to look after children
- Short-term illness, disability or infirmity
- Previous criminal record

Discrimination

- Sexual discrimination
- My ethnic origin/racial discrimination
- Because of my sexual preference
- Because of my religion

Skills/Training

- I do not have sufficient skills and experience
- I do not have the right skills and experience
- I do not have sufficient qualifications
- I do not have the right qualifications

Type of work available

- No jobs available
- No suitable jobs available

Financial

- I can't afford childcare
- Pay too low
- Loss of benefits

Information

- Too little information on what is available
- Lack of information/support for self-employment
- I can't get the right kind of help
- Jobs get filled by word of mouth/on the grapevine

Other

- Problems with transport/lack of transport
- Unable to move to find a (new) job
- An address in this area makes it difficult for people to get job interviews
- Afraid to leave my home unattended
- Lack of address makes it difficult to get an interview
- Other (SPECIFY)

No reason

Don't know

Not stated/Don't know

{If O2NLkY32=other}

**O2LNLkYO**

INTERVIEWER: Record other reason: OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

### **Advice**

{Ask all}

#### **O2CtOrg**

SHOWCARD O5

During your current sentence, have you tried to contact any of these people or organisations to obtain advice or information to help you resolve a problem or dispute? CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Independent advice agency (e.g. Citizens Advice, Law Centre)
2. A solicitor or barrister
3. Police or prison staff
4. Probation staff
5. Trade union
6. Other
7. Did not try to contact

Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2CtOrg<>did not try to contact or O2CtOrg<>not stated/refused}

#### **O2CtProb**

Was this for...

1. A crime related problem
2. A non-crime related problem (financial problems, housing issues, family difficulties etc.)
3. Both crime and non-crime related problems

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2CtOrg<>did not try to contact or O2CtOrg<>not stated/refused}

#### **O2CtHoW**

How did you try to contact these people or organisations? CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. In person, they visited the prison
2. In person, while away from the prison
3. By telephone
4. By letter
5. E-mail/internet
6. Other

Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2CtOrg<>did not try to contact or O2CtOrg<>not stated/refused}

#### **O2AdvO**

Were you able to obtain advice or information?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask if O2AdvO=yes or don't know or not stated/refused}

#### **O2AHlp**

And was the advice or information you obtained helpful in your efforts to resolve the problem?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don't know

Not stated/refused

**BLOCK P – Attitudes**

{Ask all}

**I1Att1PR**

SHOWCARD P1

Now I am going to read out a number of statements and I would like you to say how strongly you agree or disagree with each of them.

In the end, crime does pay. Do you... READ OUT...

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**I1Att2PR**

I have never hurt anyone by what I've done. Do you... READ OUT...

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**I1Att3PR**

I will always get into trouble. Do you... READ OUT...

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**I1Att4PR**

Crime has now become a way of life for me. Do you... READ OUT...

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**I1Att5PR**

Crime can be a useful way of getting what you want. Do you... READ OUT...

1. Strongly agree
  2. Agree
  3. Neither agree nor disagree
  4. Disagree
  5. Strongly disagree
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**I1Att6PR**

I believe in living for now; the future will take care of itself. Do you... READ OUT...

1. Strongly agree
  2. Agree
  3. Neither agree nor disagree
  4. Disagree
  5. Strongly disagree
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**I1Att7PR**

Most people would commit offences if they knew they could get away with it. Do you... READ OUT...

1. Strongly agree
  2. Agree
  3. Neither agree nor disagree
  4. Disagree
  5. Strongly disagree
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**I1Att8PR**

I definitely won't get into trouble with the police after my release. Do you... READ OUT...

1. Strongly agree
  2. Agree
  3. Neither agree nor disagree
  4. Disagree
  5. Strongly disagree
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**I1Att9PR**

I don't see myself as a real 'criminal'. Do you... READ OUT...

1. Strongly agree
  2. Agree
  3. Neither agree nor disagree
  4. Disagree
  5. Strongly disagree
- Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**I1Att10PR**

Committing crime is quite exciting. Do you... READ OUT...

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**I1Att11PR**

I find it hard to resist an opportunity to commit a crime. Do you... READ OUT...

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**I1Att12PR**

Many so-called crimes are not really wrong. Do you... READ OUT...

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**I1Att13PR**

My crimes have never harmed anyone. Do you... READ OUT...

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**I1Att14PR**

If things go wrong for me, I might offend again. Do you... READ OUT...

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**I1Att15PR**

I am not really a criminal. Do you... READ OUT...

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**I1Att16PR**

I always seem to give in to temptation. Do you... READ OUT...

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**I1Att17PR**

When people have no money, they can't be blamed for stealing. Do you... READ OUT...

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**I1Att18PR**

There was no victim of my offence(s). Do you... READ OUT...

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**I1Att19PR**

I wouldn't commit the offence(s) again. Do you... READ OUT...

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused



{Ask all}

**I1Att20PR**

Once a criminal, always a criminal. Do you... READ OUT...

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**P2Motiv1**

SHOWCARD P1

I want to avoid offending in the future

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**P2Motiv2**

And from your experience being in prison, how far would you agree or disagree with the following: Going to prison teaches someone more about crime...

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**P2Motiv3**

Once someone is into crime it's almost impossible to really go straight...

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**P2Motiv4**

Once someone has done time in prison just the thought of going back keeps them out of crime...

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**P2Motiv5**

Prison should be hard – it's a punishment...

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**P2Motiv6**

Going to prison is a risk someone has to accept if they get involved in crime...

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**P2Retn**

SHOWCARD P2

Realistically, how likely do you think it is that you will commit a crime at some point in the future?

1. Not at all likely
2. Not very likely
3. Quite likely
4. Very likely

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**P2Drug**

SHOWCARD P2

And realistically, how likely do you think it is that you will use illegal drugs after you are released?

1. Not at all likely
2. Not very likely
3. Quite likely
4. Very likely

Don't know  
Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**I1PrevPR**

SHOWCARD P3

Looking at this card, can you tell me which of these things, if any, will be important in stopping you re-offend in the future?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Having a place to live
  2. Having a job
  3. Having access to health care
  4. Having enough money to support myself
  5. Not using drugs
  6. Not drinking too much alcohol
  7. Having treatment and support for drug or alcohol problems
  8. Getting support from my family
  9. Seeing my children
  10. Getting support from my friends
  11. Avoiding certain people
  12. Fear of returning to prison
  13. Something else – specify
  14. Not stated
- Not stated/refused

{If I1Prev13PR= something else}

**I1Prev16PR**

INTERVIEWER: Record other. OPEN

Don't know

Not stated/refused

**{Ask all}**

**P2Rec1**

That is the end of the interview.

As I explained at the beginning we would like to come back to interview you again to see how you are getting on.

To help us do this, I just need to ask you for a few more details.

First can I just check that I have your full name?

Not stated/refused

{Ask all}

**P2Rec2**

And do you know where you are likely to be living when you are released?

INTERVIEWER ADD IF NECESSARY: This information will not be passed to the Prison Service. Giving us this information will not affect your discharge grant.

Yes

No

Not stated/refused

**UPDATE reception address collection details:** telephone contact details, contact details for two stable contacts, probation officer details.

**In-custody combined questionnaire (pre-release questions fielded as part of the reception questionnaire for prisoners on short sentences)**

{Ask these sections if qtype = combined}

**Prison Regime**

{Ask all}

**J2Cell**

I now want to ask you about your time in prison for this current sentence.

Do you currently sleep in a... READ OUT

1. ...a cell
2. ...a room
3. ...or a dormitory?

{If J1Cell= cell or room}

**J2Share**

Do you share your cell/room?:

1. Yes
2. No

{If J1Share=yes}

**J2ShrN**

How many others do you share with? : 1..97

{Ask all}

**J2Lock**

How many hours did you spend locked up yesterday (ie time you were *not allowed* out of a cell/room/dormitory)?:0..24

**J2CellH**

And in total, how many hours did you actually spend in your cell/room/dormitory yesterday?:  
0..24

**J2Day**

INTERVIEWER: Code day

1. Monday
2. Tuesday
3. Wednesday
4. Thursday
5. Friday
6. Saturday
7. Sunday

{If female}

INTERVIEWER: Check if in or been in a mother and baby unit during custody

1. Yes
2. No

{Ask all}

What level of regime are you on currently?

1. Basic
2. Standard
3. Enhanced
4. Don't know

{Ask all}

**J2Puni**

SHOWCARD J1

Have you received any of these punishments during your current sentence?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Additional days
2. Loss of privileges
3. Closed visits
4. Loss of earnings

5. Caution
6. Different regime
7. Restriction/stoppage of visits
8. Cell confinement
9. Loss of home leave
10. Re-categorisation
11. Exclusion from prison work
12. Some other punishment
13. No, none of these

### **Prison work**

{Ask all}

#### **J2Work**

Have you done any paid work during your current sentence, this is from <month> <year>?

**Please do not include any training or education courses which you were paid to do.**

1. Yes
2. No

{If J2Work=yes}

#### **J2Wtyp**

What sort of work have you done?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Packing
2. Engineering (including welding or machining)
3. Carpentry/woodwork
4. Any other production or manufacturing
5. Data entry
6. Kitchen work
7. Cleaning
8. Laundry
9. Works department (including minor maintenance, painting or decorating)
10. Farming/gardening
11. Library
12. Another type of work

How much are you/were paid each week for this work?:

IF MORE THAN ONE JOB, ENTER COMBINED PAY

INTERVIEWER: Enter amount in pounds and pence. 0.00..997.00

### **Custodial Interventions**

The next questions ask about any treatment, education, training or other help that you may have received during your sentence, that is, from <month> <year>.

Have you been assessed by a healthcare worker during your current sentence?

1. Yes
2. No

Have you been assessed by a CARAT worker during your current sentence?

INTERVIEWER ADD IF NECESSARY: CARAT stands for Counselling, Assessment, Referral, Advice and Throughcare.

1. Yes
2. No

Have you participated in voluntary drug testing during your current sentence?

1. Yes
2. No

Have you been assessed for education and training at any time during your sentence?

1. Yes
2. No

Did you receive any of these programmes or courses during your sentence?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Treatment or counselling for a drug or alcohol problem
2. Help to control anger or violent behaviour (e.g. CALM, CSCP, or Healthy Relationships)
3. Help to understand yourself and stop your offending (e.g. ETS, Think First, FOR)
4. An education course to help your reading, writing, maths/numbers or English speaking skills
5. Training for a particular type of job (e.g. carpentry, painting & decorating, catering)?
6. Treatment for a physical medical problem (NOT for a drug or alcohol problem)
7. Help or treatment for a mental health or emotional problem (NOT for a drug or alcohol problem)

{if =1}

What type(s) of treatment or counselling for a drug or alcohol problem have you received during your current sentence?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Detox
2. Rehab programme e.g. TC, RAPt, 12 step, Ley Community
3. Group counselling – NOT part of a rehab programme – e.g. AA/NA, PASRO, SDP (Short Duration Programme )
4. Individual or one-to-one counseling
5. Prescribed methadone or buprenorphine (Subutex) maintenance (NOT a detox)
6. Naltrexone (to prevent relapse to heroin use)
7. Another type of treatment or counselling - specify

And was this for...READ OUT

1. A drug problem
2. An alcohol problem
3. Both a drug and alcohol problem

{if =2}

Which programme(s) to help control anger or violent behaviour have you been on during your current sentence?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. CALM (Controlling Anger and Learning to Manage it)
2. CSCP (Cognitive Self Change Programme)
3. Healthy Relationships
4. Other – specify
5. Don't know

{if =3}

Which programme(s) to help you understand yourself and stop your offending have you been on during your current sentence?: 1..97

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. ETS
2. Cognitive Skills Booster
3. Think First

4. R&R
5. FOR (Focus on Resettlement)
6. Other (specify)
7. Don't know

{if =4}

### **BLOCK M – Basic skills**

Which types skills have you received help for during your current sentence?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Reading or writing
2. Numbers/math
3. Speaking English

And is/was your course classroom based?

INTERVIEWER NOTE: By this we mean taught in a classroom. :

1. Yes – most of the time
2. Yes – some of the time
3. No

And does/did the tutor work with you... READ OUT...

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. ...by yourself
2. ...or, as part of a group or class?

Do/did you do anything which was related to working or getting a job **as part** of this course?

1. Yes
2. No

### **BLOCK O – Release**

{Ask all}

#### **O2Intr**

Now, I would like to ask you some questions about your release and your plans for the future.

#### **O2Rel**

First can I check, on what date are you due to be released?: DD/MM/YY

{ask all}

Can I just check, during your time in custody have you had any contact with a Probation Officer?

1. Yes
2. No

{ask all}

And do you have an appointment with a Probation Officer after release?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don't know

### **Accommodation for release**

{Ask all}

**O2Add**

Have you got an address to go to immediately after your release, even if it is only temporary?

1. Yes
2. No

{If O2Add=yes}

**O2AdSme**

Is this where you were living before you came into custody?

1. Yes
2. No

{If O2AdSme=no}

**O2AdArea**

Is it in the same area as where you were living before you came into custody?

1. Yes
2. No

{If O2AdArea=no}

**O2AreaY**

Why are you going to live in a different area?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. To help keep off drugs
2. To help cut down or stop drinking
3. To help avoid re-offending/stay out of trouble
4. To be near family/friends
5. To start a new life/have a fresh start
6. Because people who will be living with have moved
7. Because I couldn't find anywhere to live in other area
8. Will only be temporarily living there, intend to move back
9. Another reason - specify

{If O2AreaY=other}

**O2AreaO**

INTERVIEWER: Record other reason.: OPEN

{If O2AdSme=no}

**O2Accom**

SHOWCARD O2

Which of these describes where you will be living?

1. In a house or flat that you (or your partner) owned
2. In a house or flat that you (or your partner) rented
3. In a house or flat that you (or your partner) part rented and part owned (shared ownership)
4. Paying board in a house or flat owned or rented by someone else
5. Living rent free in a house or flat owned or rented by someone else (but not in a squat)
6. In a squat
7. In a probation or bail hostel
8. In a DSS or other hostel
9. In supported accommodation (e.g. sheltered housing, refuge or foyer)
10. In any other temporary accommodation (e.g. B&B, night shelter)
11. Homeless and sleeping rough
12. Other – specify



{If O2Accom=other}

**O2AccomO**

INTERVIEWER: Record other type of accommodation.: OPEN

{If O2Accom=rent, share or rent free}

**O2LLord**

Is the property rented from a Local Authority, housing association or private landlord?

1. Local Authority
2. Housing association
3. Private landlord

{If O2Add=yes}

**O2LivW**

And who will you be living with?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Nobody – living alone
2. Husband/wife/partner/boyfriend/girlfriend
3. Parents/in-laws
4. Adult children (aged 18+)
5. Dependent children (aged under 18)
6. Other adult relations
7. With friends

{If O2Add=yes}

**O2AdDur**

How long do you think you will be living there?

1. Less than one month
2. One month or more, but less than six months
3. Six months or more
4. Don't know

{If O2Add=no}

**O2Nadd**

Are you hoping to find somewhere in the same area as you lived before you went into custody?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don't mind/no preference

{If O2NAdd=no}

**O2NArY**

Why are you looking to move to a different area?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. To help keep off drugs
2. To help cut down or stop drinking
3. To help avoid re-offending/stay out of trouble
4. To be near family/friends
5. To start a new life/have a fresh start
6. Because people who will be living with have moved
7. Another reason - specify

{If O2NAry=other}

**O2NArYo**

INTERVIEWER: Record other reason.: OPEN

{If O2Add=no}

**O2NAcc**

SHOWCARD 02

What do you expect your living arrangements to be after your release?

1. In a house or flat that you (or your partner) owned
2. In a house or flat that you (or your partner) rented
3. In a house or flat that you (or your partner) part rented and part owned (shared ownership)
4. Paying board in a house or flat owned or rented by someone else
5. Living rent free in a house or flat owned or rented by someone else (but not in a squat)
6. In a squat
7. In a probation or bail hostel
8. In a DSS or other hostel
9. In supported accommodation (e.g. sheltered housing, refuge or foyer)
10. In any other temporary accommodation (e.g. B&B, night shelter)
11. Homeless and sleeping rough
12. Other – specify

{If O2NAcc=other}

**O2NAccO**

INTERVIEWER: Record the other type of accommodation.: OPEN

{Ask all}

**O2AcHlp**

Have you received any support or advice for housing problems, including rent and housing benefit, during your sentence?

1. Yes
2. No

{If O2AcHlp=yes}

**O2AcHTy**

What was this help for?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Problems with your tenancy
2. Housing benefit
3. Rent arrears
4. Finding somewhere to stay after release
5. Other – specify

{If O2AcHTy=other}

**O2AcHTyO**

INTERVIEWER: Record other type of help: OPEN

{If O2AcHlp=yes}

**O2AcHlpW**

SHOWCARD 03

Who provided this help?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Staff on pre-release programme
2. Prison service/prison officer/resettlement officer
3. Probation service
4. Voluntary organisation (such as NACRO)
5. Family or friends
6. Local Authority Housing Department
7. Local Authority Social Services department

8. An independent advice service
9. Solicitor
10. Someone else – specify

{If O2AcHTy=other}

**O2AcHWO**

INTERVIEWER: Record other source of help: OPEN

{If O2AcHlp=no}

Would you have liked support or advice for housing problems, including rent and housing benefit, during your sentence?

1. Yes
2. No

**Employment, training and education after release**

{Ask all}

During your sentence, have you received any help to look for a job, training or education for after your release?

1. Yes
2. No

{If yes}

What was this help for?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Finding a job
2. Training
3. Education

Who provided this help?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Staff on a pre-release programme
2. Staff from prison education department
3. Other prison staff/prison officer/resettlement officer
4. Probation officer
5. Voluntary organisation (such as NACRO)
6. Job centre
7. Former employer
8. Family or friends or other informal contacts outside prison
9. Local Authority
10. Private employment agency
11. An independent advice service
12. Someone else - specify

{if no help}

Would you have liked help to look for a job, training or education for after your release?

1. Yes
2. No

{ask all}

**O2Job**

I'd now like to ask you about working. Do you have a paid job to go to when you are released?

1. Yes

2. No

{If O2Job=yes}

**O2JbSme**

Is this the same job as you had before you went into custody?

1. Yes
2. No

{If O2JbSme=no or DK or DWTA}

**O2Ind**

What does the firm/organisation you will be working for mainly make or do?:OPEN

{If O2JbSme=no}

**O2Title**

What will be your job title?:OPEN

{If O2JbSme=no}

**O2Wtyp**

And what type of work will you be doing?:OPEN

{If O2JbSme=no}

**O2Emp**

Will you be employed or self-employed

1. Employed
2. Self-employed

{If O2JbSme=no}

**O2FTPT**

Will you be working full-time or part-time?

1. Full time
2. Part time
3. Don't know

{If O2JbSme=no}

**O2Temp**

Will this job be temporary or permanent?

1. Temporary
2. Permanent
3. Don't know

{If O2JbSme=no}

**O2JbHlp**

SHOWCARD 04

How did you hear about this job?

1. Through a prison job club
2. Through contact with a job centre
3. Through contact with another employment agency
4. Through prison pre-release/resettlement programme
5. Through a probation officer
6. Through prison education department
7. Through a former employer
8. Through direct contact with employer
9. Saw an advert when on home leave
10. Through a fellow inmate
11. Through friends, family or other contacts outside of prison

12. In another way – specify

{If O2JbHlp=other}

**O2JbHlpO**

INTERVIEWER: RECORD Other way.: OPEN

{If O2Job=no}

**O2Train**

Do you have a place on a training or education course to go to when you are released?  
Please include any place you have on a Government training scheme.

1. Yes
2. No

{If O2Train=yes}

**O2TrNm**

What is the course or training scheme called?: OPEN

{If O2Train=yes}

**O2TrFt**

Is this course full time or part time?

1. Full time
2. Part time
3. Don't know

{If O2Train=yes}

**O2TrLng**

How long is the course for?

1. Up to 1 week
2. More than 1 week, up to 2 weeks
3. More than 2 weeks, up to 1 month
4. More than 1 month, up to 3 months
5. More than 3 months, up to 6 months
6. More than 6 months, up to 12 months
7. More than 12 months

{If O2Job=no and O2Train=no}

**O2Look**

Are you, or will you be looking for a paid job or a training course to go to when you are released?

1. Yes
2. No

{If O2Look=no}

**O2NLkY**

What, if anything, is stopping you from getting looking for work or training for when you are released? DO NOT PROMPT. PROBE: What else? MULTICODE OK

Personal

- I am too old
- I am too young
- Childcare is not available
- I have caring responsibilities (other than for children)
- Want to look after children
- Language difficulties
- Short-term illness, disability or infirmity

Long-standing disability, illness or infirmity (anything that has troubled you over a period of time or that is likely to trouble you at least over the next year)

Discrimination

- Sexual discrimination
- My ethnic origin/racial discrimination
- Because of my sexual preference
- Because of my religion

Skills/Training

- I do not have sufficient skills and experience
- I do not have the right skills and experience
- I do not have sufficient qualifications
- I do not have the right qualifications

Type of work available

- No jobs available
- No suitable jobs available

Financial

- I can't afford childcare
- Pay too low
- Loss of benefits

Information

- Too little information on what is available
- Lack of information/support for self-employment
- I can't get the right kind of help
- Jobs get filled by word of mouth/on the grapevine

Other

- Problems with transport/lack of transport
- Unable to move to find a (new) job
- An address in this area makes it difficult for people to get job interviews
- Afraid to leave my home unattended
- Other (SPECIFY)

No reason

Don't know

{If O2NLkY=other}

**O2NLkYO**

INTERVIEWER: Record other reason.:OPEN

**Advice**

SHOW CARD D (LISTS ADVISERS BELOW)

During your current sentence, have you tried to contact any of these people or organisations to obtain advice or information to help you resolve a problem or dispute?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. Independent advice agency (e.g. Citizens Advice, Law Centre)
2. A solicitor or barrister
3. Police or prison staff
4. Probation staff
5. Trade union
6. Other
7. Did not try to contact

{if 1-6}

Was this for...

1. A crime related problem
2. A non-crime related problem (financial problems, housing issues, family difficulties etc.)

3. Both crime and non-crime related problems

{if 1-6}

How did you try to contact these people or organisations?

CODE ALL THAT APPLY

1. In person, they visited the prison
2. In person, while away from the prison
3. By telephone
4. By letter
5. E-mail/internet
6. Other

Were you able to obtain advice or information?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don't know

And was the advice or information you obtained helpful in your efforts to resolve the problem?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don't know
4. Refused

That is the end of the interview. Thank you very much.

**Ministry of Justice Research Series 6/12**

**Report title Surveying Prisoner Crime Reduction (SPCR)**

**Wave 2 (Pre-release) Samples 1 and 2**

**Technical Report**

This report summarises the methodologies used to collect interview data at Wave 2 from participants in Surveying Prisoner Crime Reduction (SPCR), a longitudinal cohort study of adult prisoners sentenced to between one month and four years in England and Wales in 2005 and 2006. Wave 2 interviews were conducted in prisons before release, and followed Wave 1 interviews, which were conducted shortly after reception to prison. Waves 3 and 4 interviews were conducted after release from prison. SPCR aimed to assess prisoners' problems and needs, and how these were addressed, and the effect of interventions on offending and other outcomes.

ISBN 978-1-84099-502-2

© Crown copyright  
Produced by the Ministry of Justice

Alternative format versions of this report are available on request.

E-mail: [research@justice.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:research@justice.gsi.gov.uk)

<http://www.justice.gov.uk/publications/research-and-analysis/moj>