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PROBATION STATISTICS QUARTERLY BRIEF

INTRODUCTION

1. This publication has been prepared by the Prison and Probation Statistics team, Analytical Services. It contains key statistics describing the workload of the Probation Service in England and Wales.
2. Full details on data quality and definitions are given in the notes at the end of the text.
3. All statistics quoted in this quarterly brief are provisional pending publication of the annual volume Offender Management Caseload Statistics. The most recent annual volume, covering 2006, was published in December 2007.
4. The main factors affecting the Probation Service caseload are:
 - a) the number of cases passing through the courts and the number found guilty;
 - b) the community sentence rates at the courts;
 - c) average sentence length given;
 - d) changes to policy and legislation.

KEY POINTS – Q4 2007 compared to Q4 2006 (unless otherwise stated)

A. Offenders starting Probation Service supervision (Tables 1 to 5)

- **Increase in Q4 2007 in the number of offenders starting court order and pre or post release supervision:**
 - 7 per cent rise in the number starting court order supervision (up from 42,610 to 45,410).
 - The Community Order has remained relatively stable with between 30,000 and 33,200 offenders starting these in each of the last five quarters.
 - The number of offenders starting Suspended Sentence Orders (SSOs) increased by 21 per cent (up from 9,700 to 11,690).
 - The number of offenders starting pre or post release supervision increased by 6 per cent (up from 10,820 to 11,480).
- **Half of all Community Orders starting in Q4 2007 had just one requirement:** 50 per cent had one requirement and a further 35 per cent had two requirements; for SSOs these proportions were 37 per cent and 42 per cent respectively.
- **Standalone unpaid work was the most common combination of requirements** accounting for almost a third of Community Orders and 18 per cent of all SSOs starting in Q4 2007 (although for SSOs almost as many – 16 per cent - had the combination of supervision with an accredited programme, and a further 14 per cent had standalone supervision).
- **Overall, supervision was the most used requirement for Community Orders** started in Q4 2007, closely followed by unpaid work and then accredited programme. These accounted for 81 per cent of all requirements. Similarly, they accounted for 80 per cent of all requirements under Suspended Sentence Orders.

B. Offender caseload (Tables 6 and 7) – 31 Dec 2007 compared to 31 Dec 2006

- **Probation Service caseload as at 31 December 2007 increased in line with commencements:**
 - 2 per cent rise in the number of offenders supervised under a court order at the end of December 2007 (up from 146,530 to 150,180).
 - 8 per cent more offenders being supervised under Community Orders and 51 per cent more being supervised under SSOs.
 - Total of 94,460 offenders supervised either before or after release from prison at the end of December 2007, a 4 per cent increase.

C. Terminations of court orders (Table 8)

- **More than half of Community and Suspended Sentence Orders ran their full course or were terminated early for good progress in Q4 2007:**
 - Of the 29,400 Community Orders terminated, 57 per cent had run their full course or were terminated early for good progress, compared to 32 per cent terminated for negative reasons. The equivalent percentages for SSOs were 55 and 35 respectively.

D. Court reports (Tables 9 and 10)

- **Increase in the number of court reports and rise in proportion of fast delivery PSRs:**
 - 4 per cent rise in the total number of court reports prepared (up from 53,670 to 55,770)
 - Standard PSRs fell by 7 per cent whilst Fast Delivery PSRs rose by 33 per cent.
 - In Q4 2007 the proportion of Fast Delivery PSRs (both written and oral) from the combined total of Fast Delivery and Standard Delivery PSRs was 35 per cent, compared to 27 per cent for Q4 2006.

- **The level of concordance between sentences given and proposed was highest for custodial sentences** at 87 per cent, compared to 72 per cent for community sentences and 56 per cent for Suspended Sentence Orders.

Notes

Data Quality

The data presented in this brief are drawn from the probation administrative IT systems. Although care is taken when processing and analysing the returns, the detail collected is subject to the inaccuracies inherent in any large-scale recording system. While the figures shown have been checked as far as practicable, they should be considered as approximate and not necessarily accurate to the last whole number shown in the tables. They are fit to be used for purposes of looking at trends and for comparing the relative magnitude of components.

Counting Rules

Persons starting supervision – annual (and quarterly) statistics in tables 1, 2, 3 and 5 count each person once in each year (or quarter) for each type of supervision started in the year (or quarter). But each person is counted only once in each total or sub-total even if they started several types of supervision in the year or quarter. Thus the sum of the number of persons starting each type of court order exceeds the number of those starting court orders in total. In contrast, table 4 counts each requirement once.

People supervised (caseload) – the statistics in tables 6 and 7 count each person once for each type of supervision being received at the end of the quarter. But each person is counted only once in each total or sub-total even if they were subject to several types of supervision at the end of the quarter. Thus, the sum of the numbers receiving each type of court order supervision exceeds the number receiving court supervision in total.

Terminations – the statistics count all terminations of all types of supervision in each quarter.

See Technical Appendix in Offender Management Caseload Statistics 2006 for a more detailed explanation of the counting procedures.

Definitions

PRE-SENTENCE REPORTS

Pre-sentence report (PSR)/ Standard PSR – Pre-sentence reports are written reports prepared by probation staff. PSRs provide information to the sentencing court about the offender and the offence(s) committed, and they assist the court in deciding on a suitable sentence. They should provide a full risk assessment and a proposal for sentencing that takes into account the risk of harm, the likelihood of re-offending, the nature of the offence and the suitability of the offender.

Specific sentence report (SSR) - a shortened form of pre-sentence reports, usually provided on the same day by probation staff. The report helps the sentencing court determine the offender's suitability for a specific sentence envisaged by the court. SSRs were introduced during 1999.

Fast Delivery PSR (written) – As Standard PSR, but normally completed on day of request and must be completed within 5 days. Full risk assessment not usually required.

Fast Delivery PSR (oral) – The Criminal Justice Act 2003 removed the requirement for all PSRs to be written. An oral PSR can be made when the court only requires a limited amount of information.

Deferred Sentence Reports – When a Court defers sentence to a future date and sets clear expectations for the offender's progress, a Pre-Sentence Report (i.e. a deferred sentence report) will normally be required to detail how those expectations have been fulfilled and to assist the court in determining the appropriate sentence.

Court Review Reports – In certain circumstances a court at the time of passing a community order or suspended sentence order can determine that the sentence should be reviewed periodically and would require the responsible officer to present a report (i.e. a Review Report) on the offender's progress and compliance.

PROBATION SERVICE SUPERVISION

The National Probation Service generally deals with those aged 18 years and over. (Those under 18 are mostly dealt with by Youth Offending Teams, answering to the Youth Justice Board.) The main types of supervision are:

Community Order – Single community sentence introduced by the Criminal Justice Act 2003 for offences committed on or after 4 April 2005. Designed to replace all previous adult community orders. The court must add at least one (but could potentially add all 12) of the following requirements: supervision, unpaid work, specified activities, prohibited activities, accredited programs, curfew, exclusion, residence, mental health treatment, drug rehabilitation, alcohol treatment, and attendance centre requirement for under 25s.

Suspended Sentence Order - a custodial sentence suspended for between 6 months and 2 years. During this time the court sets a number of requirements from the set of options available for the Community Order, and these are supervised by the Probation Service.

Community Rehabilitation Order (CRO) – this is of 6 months to 3 years length, for those aged 16 and over. It may have additional requirements such as residence, probation centre attendance or treatment for drug, alcohol or mental problems. CRO was formerly a Probation Order

Community Punishment Order (CPO) – is of unpaid work of 40 – 240 hours for those aged 16 and over (20 – 100 hours for fine defaulters). CPO was formerly a Community Service Order.

Community Punishment and Rehabilitation Order (CPRO) – is of 1 to 3 year probation element and 40-100 hour community punishment element for those aged 16 and over. It may have additional requirements like those of a CRO. CPRO was formerly a Combination Order.

Drug Treatment and Testing Order (DTTO) – for 6 months to 3 years for those aged 16 and over. Introduced nationally from 1 October 2000, following a pilot in a few areas from 30 December 1998.

Children and Young Persons Act 1969 (C&YP 1969) – this is a supervision order for up to 3 years for those aged under 18. It may have additional requirements similar to those of a CRO. Youth Offending Teams, not the Probation Service, have supervised these orders since 2000.

Suspended Sentence Supervision Order (SSSO) – where the Crown Court suspends the 6 month to 2 year prison sentence they may ask the Probation Service to supervise.

Money Payment Supervision Order (MPSO) – Youth and adult magistrates' courts may enforce monetary penalties by appointing a member of the Probation Service (or other person) to supervise the offender.

PRE AND POST RELEASE SUPERVISION

Prisoners released on licence are also supervised by the Probation Service both before and after their release.

All prisoners given a custodial sentence of 12 months or more serve a proportion of their sentence in custody and are then released on licence. They are supervised by probation staff before and after release from custody. In addition, offenders with sentences of less than 12 months who are aged under 22 receive a minimum of 3 months post-release supervision, provided this does not extend beyond their 22nd birthday.

Pre-release supervision – Home supervising officers along with probation staff in prisons work jointly with prison staff on sentence planning and management, including consideration of post-release issues.

Post-release supervision – Prisoners released on licence are supervised by the Probation Service in the community. The aims of post-release supervision are to protect the public, prevent further offences and secure the rehabilitation of the offender.

Table 1 Number of persons starting Court Order supervision by the Probation Service by sex⁽¹⁾

England and Wales

	Q4 2006	Q1 2007	Q2 2007	Q3 2007	Q4 2007	Percentage change Q4 2007
MALES AND FEMALES						
All court orders	42,611	46,963	45,892	46,698	45,408	7
All community sentences	32,922	35,923	34,722	35,112	33,702	2
Community order	30,009	33,165	32,389	33,032	31,988	7
CRO	542	444	323	243	184	-66
CPO ⁽²⁾	1,436	1,431	1,293	1,135	968	-33
CPO (breach)	411	406	320	281	230	-44
CPRO	462	449	373	425	335	-27
DTTO	60	39	18	11	5	*
C&YP 1969 ⁽³⁾	5	4	8	2	5	*
SSSO	43	29	26	17	15	*
MPSO	11	8	6	7	10	*
Other sentences						
Deferred sentence	96	117	138	158	161	68
Suspended sentence order	9,697	11,057	11,150	11,565	11,693	21
Pre and post release supervision	10,819	11,370	10,756	11,451	11,478	6
MALES						
All court orders	36,263	40,234	39,075	39,642	38,452	6
All community sentences	27,858	30,637	29,390	29,636	28,374	2
Community order	25,387	28,273	27,370	27,799	26,839	6
CRO	407	351	256	180	138	-66
CPO ⁽²⁾	1,247	1,233	1,126	1,022	881	-29
CPO (breach)	361	369	292	263	220	-39
CPRO	423	403	331	381	306	-28
DTTO	43	21	15	6	3	*
C&YP 1969 ⁽³⁾	4	4	6	2	5	*
SSSO	30	22	18	13	9	*
MPSO	9	7	5	5	9	*
Other sentences						
Deferred sentence	78	96	111	131	127	63
Suspended sentence order	8,411	9,621	9,682	9,991	10,077	20
Pre and post release supervision	10,104	10,606	9,983	10,644	10,640	5
FEMALES						
All court orders	6,348	6,729	6,817	7,056	6,956	10
All community sentences	5,064	5,286	5,332	5,476	5,328	5
Community order	4,622	4,892	5,019	5,233	5,149	11
CRO	135	93	67	63	46	-66
CPO ⁽²⁾	189	198	167	113	87	-54
CPO (breach)	50	37	28	18	10	-80
CPRO	39	46	42	44	29	-26
DTTO	17	18	3	5	2	*
C&YP 1969 ⁽³⁾	1	0	2	0	0	*
SSSO	13	7	8	4	6	*
MPSO	2	1	1	2	1	*
Other sentences						
Deferred sentence	18	21	27	27	34	*
Suspended sentence order	1,286	1,436	1,468	1,574	1,616	26
Pre and post release supervision	715	764	773	807	838	17

(1) Each person is counted only once in the total even if they started several types of supervision in the year

(2) Includes CPOs for persistent petty offending and CPOs for fine default

(3) Transfer of responsibility for supervision of offenders aged 16 to 17 to Youth Offending Teams began in 2001

* Indicates that one or more of the comparative numbers are less than 50. For small numbers this could give misleading percentage change:

Data Sources and Quality

These figures have been drawn from administrative IT systems which, as with any large scale recording system, are subject to possible errors with data entry and processing.

Table 2 Number of persons starting Community Order and Suspended Sentence Order supervision by number of requirements

England and Wales

	Q4 2006	Q1 2007	Q2 2007	Q3 2007	Q4 2007	Percentage change Q4 2007
Community Orders	30,009	33,165	32,389	33,032	31,988	7
1	14,260	16,035	16,057	16,243	15,906	12
2	10,596	11,521	11,210	11,599	11,170	5
3	4,354	4,725	4,356	4,456	4,171	-4
4	705	788	667	642	642	-9
5 or more	94	96	99	92	99	5
% Breakdown	100	100	100	100	100	
1	48	48	50	49	50	
2	35	35	35	35	35	
3	15	14	13	13	13	
4	2	2	2	2	2	
5 or more	0	0	0	0	0	
Average (mean)	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	
Suspended Sentence Orders	9,697	11,057	11,150	11,565	11,693	21
1	3,463	4,016	4,171	4,195	4,333	25
2	4,093	4,577	4,631	4,933	4,872	19
3	1,790	2,094	1,968	2,067	2,115	18
4	320	313	337	325	323	1
5 or more	31	57	43	45	50	61
% Breakdown	100	100	100	100	100	
1	36	36	37	36	37	
2	42	41	42	43	42	
3	18	19	18	18	18	
4	3	3	3	3	3	
5 or more	0	1	0	0	0	
Average (mean)	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	

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Table 3 Most frequently used combinations of requirements for Community Orders and Suspended Sentence Orders

England and Wales

	Q4 2006	Q1 2007	Q2 2007	Q3 2007	Q4 2007	Percentage change Q4 2007
Community Orders	30,009	33,165	32,389	33,032	31,988	7
Unpaid Work	9,170	10,371	10,251	10,274	10,031	9
Supervision	4,059	4,368	4,509	4,665	4,355	7
Supervision & Accredited Programme	3,923	4,053	3,696	3,811	3,569	-9
Supervision & Unpaid Work	2,276	2,478	2,661	2,467	2,383	5
Supervision & Drug Treatment	1,530	1,608	1,672	1,705	1,686	10
Supervision, Unpaid Work & Accredited Programme	1,533	1,611	1,463	1,366	1,241	-19
Curfew	734	960	939	977	1,172	60
Unpaid Work & Unpaid Work	568	805	763	849	823	45
Supervision & Specified Activity	613	712	602	688	605	-1
Supervision, Accredited Programme & Drug Treatment	711	764	650	661	586	-18
All other combinations of requirements	4,892	5,435	5,183	5,569	5,537	13
Suspended Sentence Orders	9,697	11,057	11,150	11,565	11,693	21
Unpaid Work	1,499	1,824	1,940	2,020	2,102	40
Supervision & Accredited Programme	1,839	1,881	1,864	1,905	1,867	2
Supervision	1,514	1,658	1,724	1,677	1,685	11
Supervision & Unpaid Work	994	1,169	1,256	1,278	1,227	23
Supervision, Unpaid Work & Accredited Programme	679	791	732	746	712	5
Supervision & Drug Treatment	399	498	485	540	579	45
Curfew	179	228	223	252	300	68
Supervision & Curfew	213	235	218	299	288	35
Supervision, Accredited Programme & Drug Treatment	224	299	244	240	254	13
Supervision & Specified Activity	175	209	177	189	175	0
All other combinations of requirements	1,982	2,265	2,287	2,419	2,504	26

Data Sources and Quality

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Table 4 Number of requirements commenced under Community Orders and Suspended Sentence Orders

England and Wales						Percentage change
	Q4 2006	Q1 2007	Q2 2007	Q3 2007	Q4 2007	Q4 2007
Community Orders	51,926	57,176	55,014	56,152	54,155	4
Supervision	18,568	19,936	19,428	19,848	18,826	1
Unpaid Work	16,517	18,957	18,608	18,600	18,041	9
Accredited Programme	7,890	8,215	7,406	7,520	6,968	-12
Drug Treatment	2,855	3,095	3,025	3,034	2,976	4
Curfew	2,613	3,008	2,877	3,159	3,428	31
Specified Activity	2,140	2,426	2,033	2,149	2,019	-6
Alcohol Treatment	573	658	748	892	956	67
Residential	212	222	235	231	205	-3
Mental Health	194	211	173	150	156	-20
Exclusion	155	185	201	230	231	49
Prohibited Activity	141	163	181	206	254	80
Attendance Centre	68	100	99	133	95	40
% breakdown	100	100	100	100	100	
Supervision	36	35	35	35	35	
Unpaid Work	32	33	34	33	33	
Accredited Programme	15	14	13	13	13	
Drug Treatment	5	5	5	5	5	
Curfew	5	5	5	6	6	
Specified Activity	4	4	4	4	4	
Alcohol Treatment	1	1	1	2	2	
Residential	0	0	0	0	0	
Mental Health	0	0	0	0	0	
Exclusion	0	0	0	0	0	
Prohibited Activity	0	0	0	0	0	
Attendance Centre	0	0	0	0	0	
Suspended Sentence Orders	18,372	20,946	20,839	21,813	22,024	20
Supervision	7,462	8,359	8,342	8,623	8,645	16
Unpaid Work	4,085	4,941	5,099	5,284	5,262	29
Accredited Programme	3,593	3,900	3,710	3,803	3,782	5
Curfew	1,091	1,222	1,179	1,424	1,559	43
Drug Treatment	829	1,023	970	996	1,092	32
Specified Activity	694	738	709	731	657	-5
Alcohol Treatment	227	282	347	405	400	76
Exclusion	123	50	55	141	159	29
Prohibited Activity	101	167	140	155	182	80
Residential	102	128	135	170	189	85
Mental Health	55	128	141	67	80	45
Attendance Centre	10	8	12	14	17	*
% breakdown	100	100	100	100	100	
Supervision	41	40	40	40	39	
Unpaid Work	22	24	24	24	24	
Accredited Programme	20	19	18	17	17	
Curfew	6	6	6	7	7	
Drug Treatment	5	5	5	5	5	
Specified Activity	4	4	3	3	3	
Alcohol Treatment	1	1	2	2	2	
Exclusion	1	0	0	1	1	
Prohibited Activity	1	1	1	1	1	
Residential	1	1	1	1	1	
Mental Health	0	1	1	0	0	
Attendance Centre	0	0	0	0	0	

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Table 5 Number of persons starting Community Order and Suspended Sentence Order supervision by the Probation Service by area

	Q4 2006	Q1 2007	Q2 2007	Q3 2007	Q4 2007	Percentage change Q4 2007	Q4 2006	Q1 2007	Q2 2007	Q3 2007	Q4 2007	Percentage change Q4 2007
North East	1,968	2,212	2,194	2,348	2,382	21	493	554	640	650	741	50
Durham	421	449	489	538	519	23	110	109	140	147	186	69
Northumbria	1,041	1,143	1,151	1,230	1,275	22	222	260	317	339	366	65
Teesside	506	620	554	580	588	16	161	185	183	164	189	17
North West	4,995	5,604	5,413	5,498	5,067	1	1,635	1,886	1,898	1,906	1,922	18
Cheshire	578	611	632	590	530	-8	178	188	219	223	223	25
Cumbria	324	379	343	393	383	18	72	121	94	123	113	57
Lancashire	1,033	1,231	1,264	1,239	1,307	27	342	353	379	415	407	19
Greater Manchester	1,962	2,195	2,143	2,107	1,947	-1	785	921	861	816	857	9
Merseyside	1,098	1,188	1,031	1,169	900	-18	258	303	345	329	322	25
Yorkshire & Humberside	3,686	4,045	3,899	3,923	3,853	5	1,009	1,145	1,137	1,150	1,092	8
Humberside	500	485	570	539	566	13	227	238	270	267	276	22
North Yorkshire	391	452	383	387	392	0	115	133	148	131	127	10
South Yorkshire	956	1116	987	1,003	964	1	327	361	342	386	356	9
West Yorkshire	1,839	1,992	1,959	1,994	1,931	5	340	413	377	366	333	-2
East Midlands	2,402	2,765	2,678	2,729	2,650	10	843	1012	951	986	961	14
Derbyshire	450	582	579	601	562	25	195	219	226	239	197	1
Leicestershire	567	645	576	587	540	-5	175	247	223	263	233	33
Lincolnshire	300	327	314	307	301	0	124	159	132	110	119	-4
Northamptonshire	342	394	386	387	392	15	53	79	85	119	133	151
Nottinghamshire	743	817	823	847	855	15	296	308	285	255	279	-6
West Midlands	3,258	3,612	3,527	3,653	3,328	2	966	1198	1,266	1,401	1,411	46
Staffordshire	601	677	631	603	565	-6	155	222	188	220	227	46
Warwickshire	261	286	301	332	289	11	70	66	63	60	81	16
West Mercia	472	551	537	586	591	25	182	196	202	231	238	31
West Midlands	1,924	2,098	2,058	2,132	1,883	-2	559	714	813	890	865	55
Eastern	2,500	2,659	2,650	2,845	2,808	12	934	1062	983	1,036	1,028	10
Bedfordshire	246	265	268	285	298	21	71	99	79	99	97	37
Cambridgeshire	399	393	341	445	434	9	122	170	115	167	167	37
Essex	720	860	848	878	886	23	312	344	344	340	309	-1
Hertfordshire	498	573	512	552	514	3	180	173	148	155	134	-26
Norfolk	369	320	422	416	381	3	122	136	178	129	169	39
Suffolk	268	248	259	269	295	10	127	140	119	146	152	20
London	4,005	4,333	4,160	4,123	3,966	-1	1,321	1,488	1,490	1,511	1,552	17
South East	3,497	3,861	3,748	3,885	3,605	3	1,164	1,329	1,317	1,418	1,272	9
Hampshire	937	1048	992	1,045	1,058	13	296	340	315	349	316	7
Kent	664	755	728	750	761	15	247	315	302	348	359	45
Surrey	340	360	354	416	409	20	108	107	125	108	113	5
Sussex	623	737	721	740	802	29	200	274	248	292	298	49
Thames Valley	933	961	953	934	951	2	313	293	327	321	312	0
South West	1,851	2,044	2,151	2,123	2,078	12	550	633	624	611	714	30
Avon & Somerset	543	672	716	670	678	25	166	187	200	179	223	34
Devon & Cornwall	530	576	591	585	572	8	156	160	190	220	222	42
Dorset	297	267	308	309	298	0	93	109	108	98	103	11
Gloucestershire	233	260	305	263	310	33	62	96	70	57	88	42
Wiltshire	248	269	231	296	220	-11	73	81	56	57	78	7
Wales	1,847	2,030	1,969	1,905	1,875	2	782	750	844	896	874	12
Dyfed-Powys	221	268	293	238	239	8	71	77	114	95	94	32
Gwent	399	362	393	381	411	3	126	117	138	149	149	18
North Wales	420	496	407	418	411	-2	153	149	139	184	152	-1
South Wales	807	904	876	868	814	1	432	407	453	468	479	11
All areas	30,009	33,165	32,389	33,032	31,988	7	9,697	11,057	11,150	11,565	11,693	21

Data Sources and Quality

These figures have been drawn from administrative IT systems, which, as with any large scale recording system, are subject to possible errors with data entry and processing.

Table 6 Persons supervised by the Probation Service at end of period⁽¹⁾

England and Wales

	Q4 2006	Q1 2007	Q2 2007	Q3 2007	Q4 2007	Percentage change Q4 2007
MALES AND FEMALES						
All court orders	146,532	148,126	149,045	149,777	150,179	2
All community sentences	121,367	117,816	115,339	113,276	111,454	-8
Community order	93,895	98,092	100,597	101,667	101,858	8
CRO	14,132	9,683	6,717	4,923	3,774	-73
CPO ⁽²⁾	7,945	5,811	4,595	3,775	3,260	-59
CPO (breach)	1,181	952	792	682	572	-52
CPRO	5,817	4,500	3,531	2,905	2,492	-57
DTTO	821	485	281	181	130	-84
C&YP 1969 ⁽³⁾	36	40	43	41	41	*
SSSO ⁽⁴⁾	478	375	292	229	170	-64
MPSO	607	439	293	279	273	-55
Other sentences						
Deferred sentence	69	82	87	94	111	61
Suspended sentence order	28,364	33,890	37,706	40,634	42,912	51
All pre and post release supervision^(1,5)	90,740	91,776	92,394	93,659	94,459	4
Pre release supervision	65,378	66,347	66,243	66,225	66,381	2
Post release supervision	26,096	26,110	26,763	28,113	28,721	10
MALES						
All court orders	125,504	127,162	127,937	128,386	128,561	2
All community sentences	103,635	100,827	98,731	96,845	95,165	-8
Community order	80,652	84,276	86,332	87,007	86,952	8
CRO	11,580	7,958	5,528	4,072	3,142	-73
CPO ⁽²⁾	6,886	5,044	3,989	3,317	2,909	-58
CPO (breach)	1,081	873	723	637	546	-49
CPRO	5,125	3,967	3,102	2,564	2,198	-57
DTTO	636	365	215	136	97	-85
C&YP 1969 ⁽³⁾	31	34	36	35	35	*
SSSO ⁽⁴⁾	315	249	197	160	120	-62
MPSO	447	323	212	202	199	-55
Other sentences						
Deferred sentence	49	63	64	69	86	*
Suspended sentence order	24,698	29,496	32,759	35,194	37,091	50
All pre and post release supervision^(1,5)	85,583	86,549	87,129	88,443	89,269	4
Pre release supervision	61,743	62,719	62,670	62,805	62,969	2
Post release supervision	24,550	24,491	25,052	26,295	26,930	10
FEMALES						
All court orders	21,028	20,964	21,108	21,391	21,618	3
All community sentences	17,732	16,989	16,608	16,431	16,289	-8
Community order	13,243	13,816	14,265	14,660	14,906	13
CRO	2,552	1,725	1,189	851	632	-75
CPO ⁽²⁾	1,059	767	606	458	351	-67
CPO (breach)	100	79	69	45	26	*
CPRO	692	533	429	341	294	-58
DTTO	185	120	66	45	33	*
C&YP 1969 ⁽³⁾	5	6	7	6	6	*
SSSO ⁽⁴⁾	163	126	95	69	50	-69
MPSO	160	116	81	77	74	-54
Other sentences						
Deferred sentence	20	19	23	25	25	*
Suspended sentence order	3,666	4,394	4,947	5,440	5,821	59
All pre and post release supervision^(1,5)	5,157	5,227	5,265	5,216	5,190	1
Pre release supervision	3,635	3,628	3,573	3,420	3,412	-6
Post release supervision	1,546	1,619	1,711	1,818	1,791	16

(1) Each person is counted only once in the all community sentences and pre and post release figures, even if they started several types of supervision in the year.

(2) Includes CPOs for persistent petty offending and CPOs for fine default. Excludes those supervised on CPO for more than 2 years.

(3) Transfer of responsibility for supervision of offenders aged 16 to 17 to Youth Offending Teams began in 2000.

(4) Pre CJA03 sentence

(5) Excludes those on voluntary supervision for more than 3 years.

* Indicates that one or more of the comparative numbers are less than 50. For small numbers this could give misleading percentage changes.

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Table 7 Persons supervised by the Probation Service at 31 December 2007, by area

Region/Area	All Pre CJA orders	Community Order	Suspended Sentence Order	All court orders ⁽¹⁾	All pre release supervision	All post release supervision	All pre and post release supervision ⁽¹⁾	All Probation Service supervision ⁽¹⁾
North East	547	6,752	2,505	9,460	3,016	1,495	4,494	13,872
Durham	108	1,505	567	2,096	551	301	850	2,921
Northumbria	286	3,519	1,201	4,836	1,514	741	2,244	7,044
Teesside	153	1,728	737	2,528	951	453	1,400	3,907
North West	1,841	16,389	7,414	24,811	10,402	4,886	15,196	39,657
Cheshire	111	1,683	668	2,389	891	487	1,367	3,730
Cumbria	85	1,046	395	1,487	427	238	663	2,129
Lancashire	285	3,417	1,451	4,965	1,778	972	2,733	7,655
Greater Manchester	843	6,306	3,323	10,139	4,541	2,104	6,626	16,650
Merseyside	517	3,937	1,577	5,831	2,765	1,085	3,807	9,493
Yorkshire & Humberside	671	10,199	3,826	14,331	7,153	3,367	10,490	24,698
Humberside	125	1,533	907	2,509	1,301	616	1,913	4,410
North Yorkshire	88	922	432	1,411	558	298	854	2,258
South Yorkshire	143	2,526	1,145	3,695	2,012	909	2,907	6,580
West Yorkshire	315	5,218	1,342	6,716	3,282	1,544	4,816	11,450
East Midlands	600	7,282	3,276	10,846	4,768	2,294	7,039	17,787
Derbyshire	162	1,559	752	2,399	976	487	1,460	3,837
Leicestershire	155	1,633	804	2,513	955	459	1,405	3,891
Lincolnshire	47	846	449	1,317	516	255	771	2,076
Northamptonshire	75	1,119	347	1,512	769	378	1,140	2,632
Nottinghamshire	161	2,125	924	3,105	1,552	715	2,263	5,351
West Midlands	1,305	12,298	5,161	18,152	8,635	3,057	11,485	29,255
Staffordshire	174	1,871	746	2,738	1,024	530	1,551	4,270
Warwickshire	56	842	252	1,114	416	200	608	1,714
West Mercia	179	1,770	792	2,649	1,252	153	1,405	4,010
West Midlands	896	7,815	3,371	11,651	5,943	2,174	7,921	19,261
Eastern	872	8,926	4,130	13,420	4,547	2,180	6,689	19,967
Bedfordshire	46	823	326	1,172	682	294	974	2,137
Cambridgeshire	80	1,441	649	2,102	708	391	1,096	3,179
Essex	438	3,149	1,459	4,780	1,277	582	1,839	6,552
Hertfordshire	164	1,630	658	2,370	683	324	1,000	3,347
Norfolk	68	1,057	524	1,605	707	319	1,023	2,618
Suffolk	76	826	514	1,391	490	270	757	2,134
London	2,217	15,894	6,194	23,535	14,063	4,955	18,882	41,998
South East	1,163	11,820	4,844	17,256	6,952	3,110	10,024	27,145
Hampshire	252	2,956	1,126	4,241	1,462	786	2,234	6,440
Kent	253	2,376	1,258	3,764	1,566	631	2,197	5,934
Surrey	57	1,007	340	1,369	517	261	770	2,132
Sussex	299	2,368	997	3,473	1,720	638	2,349	5,793
Thames Valley	302	3,113	1,123	4,409	1,687	794	2,474	6,846
South West	603	6,403	2,325	9,097	3,755	1,768	5,496	14,536
Avon & Somerset	150	2,244	759	3,059	1,392	472	1,851	4,887
Devon & Cornwall	223	1,633	680	2,476	943	584	1,521	3,982
Dorset	69	800	334	1,191	531	316	844	2,032
Gloucestershire	64	919	294	1,232	490	215	704	1,927
Wiltshire	97	807	258	1,139	399	181	576	1,708
Wales	440	5,895	3,237	9,271	3,090	1,609	4,664	13,807
Dyfed-Powys	32	701	373	1,075	275	156	430	1,500
Gwent	115	1,339	550	1,951	575	302	869	2,799
North Wales	101	1,331	715	2,090	616	340	953	3,015
South Wales	192	2,524	1,599	4,155	1,624	811	2,412	6,493
All areas	10,259	101,858	42,912	150,179	66,381	28,721	94,459	242,722

(1) Each person is counted only once in the all court orders and pre and post release figures, even if they started several types of supervision in the period.

Data Sources and Quality

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Table 8 Terminations of court orders by reason ⁽¹⁾

England and Wales

	Q4 2006	Q1 2007	Q2 2007	Q3 2007	Q4 2007
Community Order					
Ran their full course	42	45	46	47	49
Terminated early for:					
good progress	12	11	10	9	9
failure to comply with requirements	21	23	23	22	20
conviction of offence	12	12	12	11	12
other reasons	10	10	10	10	11
Total number	23,564	26,457	27,568	29,923	29,396
Suspended Sentence Order					
Ran their full course	36	40	44	46	49
Terminated early for:					
good progress	6	5	6	5	6
failure to comply with requirements	23	25	23	22	18
conviction of offence	20	21	18	17	17
other reasons	15	9	8	9	9
Total number	4,053	5,377	6,484	7,859	8,307
CRO					
Ran their full course	73	76	79	77	78
Replaced by conditional discharge order	1	0	0	0	0
Terminated early for:					
good progress	8	7	5	6	6
failure to comply with requirements	7	6	6	7	6
conviction of offence	8	7	5	5	6
other reasons	4	4	4	5	4
Total number	4,878	3,683	2,728	1,733	1,204
CRO element of CPRO					
Ran their full course	65	64	70	63	58
Replaced by conditional discharge order	0	0	0	0	0
Terminated early for:					
good progress	10	7	6	6	6
failure to comply with requirements	10	12	10	12	16
conviction of offence	9	10	9	11	10
other reasons	5	7	5	7	9
Total number	1,463	1,156	890	627	477
CPO					
Specified hours completed	55	48	46	42	46
Failure to comply with requirements	16	19	21	21	25
Conviction of an offence	11	10	9	9	13
Other change in circumstances	3	3	3	2	3
Warrant unexecuted	5	8	2	4	3
Other reason	10	12	18	22	10
Total number	3,831	3,360	2,548	2,452	1,594
CPO element of CPRO					
Specified hours completed	49	42	38	57	42
Failure to comply with requirements	17	18	23	23	26
Conviction of an offence	17	15	13	16	17
Other change in circumstances	3	4	3	5	3
Warrant unexecuted	4	5	3	2	2
Other reason	11	16	20	39	11
Total number	981	781	658	449	422
DTTO					
Ran their full course	60	52	62	72	64
Terminated early for:					
good progress	8	10	8	5	2
failure to comply with requirements	16	19	16	15	21
conviction of offence	13	15	10	5	11
other reasons	3	4	4	3	2
Total number	484	295	192	95	47

(1) The increase over time in percentages of Community orders and Suspended sentence orders running their full course is due mainly to the fact that the more time the order has had to run, the greater the chance of it being completed successfully.

Data Sources and Quality

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Table 9 Criminal reports written by the Probation Service by type of report and court

England and Wales

	Q4 2006	Q1 2007	Q2 2007	Q3 2007	Q4 2007	Percentage change Q4 2007
All court reports⁽¹⁾	53,673	57,629	55,695	56,690	55,770	4
Standard PSR	37,189	38,546	36,482	36,219	34,407	-7
Fast Delivery PSR written	11,241	12,612	12,926	13,470	13,129	17
Fast Delivery PSR oral	2,649	3,336	3,470	4,079	5,277	99
Deferred sentence ⁽²⁾	279	264	292	225	266	-5
PSR breach	2,315	2,871	2,525	2,697	2,691	16
Court Review	416	261	304	294	198	-52
Magistrates' courts	40,469	43,935	42,672	43,200	42,161	4
Standard PSR	24,737	25,618	24,249	23,584	21,787	-12
Fast Delivery PSR written	10,833	12,183	12,492	12,957	12,506	15
Fast Delivery PSR oral	2,585	3,278	3,401	4,011	5,197	101
Deferred sentence ⁽²⁾	186	169	194	137	172	-8
PSR breach	2,128	2,687	2,336	2,511	2,499	17
Court Review	412	252	236	249	193	-53
Crown Court	13,204	13,694	13,023	13,490	13,609	3
Standard PSR	12,452	12,928	12,233	12,635	12,620	1
Fast Delivery PSR written	408	429	434	513	623	53
Fast Delivery PSR oral	64	58	69	68	80	25
Deferred sentence ⁽²⁾	93	95	98	88	94	1
PSR breach	187	184	189	186	192	3
Court Review	4	9	68	45	5	*

(1) Does not include Court Review reports

(2) On appearance for sentence after deferment.

* Indicates that one or more of the comparative numbers are less than 50. For small numbers this could give misleading percentage changes.

Data Sources and Quality

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Table 10 Concordance between sentences proposed and given where a PSR was written, January - December 2007

England and Wales

	Sentence given						All
	Community Sentences	Suspended Sentence Order	Custody	Fine	Absolute/Conditional Discharge	Other	
Sentence proposed							
Community Order	92,543	18,930	11,026	1,139	1,164	2,180	126,982
All Community Sentences ⁽¹⁾	95,009	19,981	12,144	1,202	1,215	2,383	131,934
Suspended Sentence Order	2,792	12,870	6,478	101	127	433	22,801
All custodial sentences	649	1,011	15,078	39	74	393	17,244
Fine	696	153	111	1,742	211	114	3,027
All	99,146	34,015	33,811	3,084	1,627	3,323	175,006
% breakdown							
Community Order	73%	15%	9%	1%	1%	2%	100%
All Community Sentences ⁽¹⁾	72%	15%	9%	1%	1%	2%	100%
Suspended Sentence Order	12%	56%	28%	0%	1%	2%	100%
All custodial sentences	4%	6%	87%	0%	0%	2%	100%
Fine	23%	5%	4%	58%	7%	4%	100%

(1) Includes all pre-CJA community sentences

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