

Community Justice in Aberdeen

Key Facts

Recorded Crime:



42%

The number of Crimes recorded by the Police **fell by 42%** over the last ten years



42%

The number of detected offences committed by young people (under 18) **reduced by 42%** over the past five years



95% of people in Aberdeen rate their neighbourhood as a very good or fairly good place to live

Sentences in 2015-16:



52% received a Community Payback Order (community sentence)



18% received a prison sentence



30% received another sentence (eg other community or monetary penalty)

Victims of Crime:

The risk of being a victim of crime was higher for adults living in the most deprived areas of the city.



The risk of being a victim of any crime decreased with age.



Community Sentences:

Community Payback Orders (CPOs) are the main 'community sentence' which can be given by a court in Scotland. CPOs are made up of one or more Requirements including Supervision, Unpaid Work and Other Activity, Compensation, Programme, Residence, Mental Health Treatment, Drug

Treatment, Alcohol Treatment and Conduct Requirements. With the exception of a Level 1 Unpaid Work Requirement, all the other Requirements must be given with a Supervision Requirement. CPOs are managed/supervised by the Criminal Justice Social Work Service.

In 2015-16:



1,132 CPOs

1,132 new Community Payback Orders were given to individuals from Aberdeen



1,506

These were made up of **1,506** Requirements



80,000 hours

Approximately **80,000** hours of Unpaid Work were completed by individuals 'paying back' to the community

Prison sentences:

As at 31st July 2016, 289 people from Aberdeen were in custody, of which:



49 were on remand



265 were male and **24** were female



21 were under the age of **21**

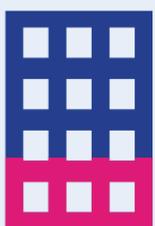


68% of these individuals were in HMP & YOI Grampian at Peterhead, and the remainder were in other prisons across Scotland. The young males were in HMYOI Polmont.



On average **43** people from Aberdeen were released from prison each month during 2015-16.

Accommodation:



30% did not know where they would be staying on release from prison (NB this is likely to be improving in relation to HMP & YOI Grampian given input of Aberdeen Housing service, Shelter, SPS Throughcare Support Officers, etc)



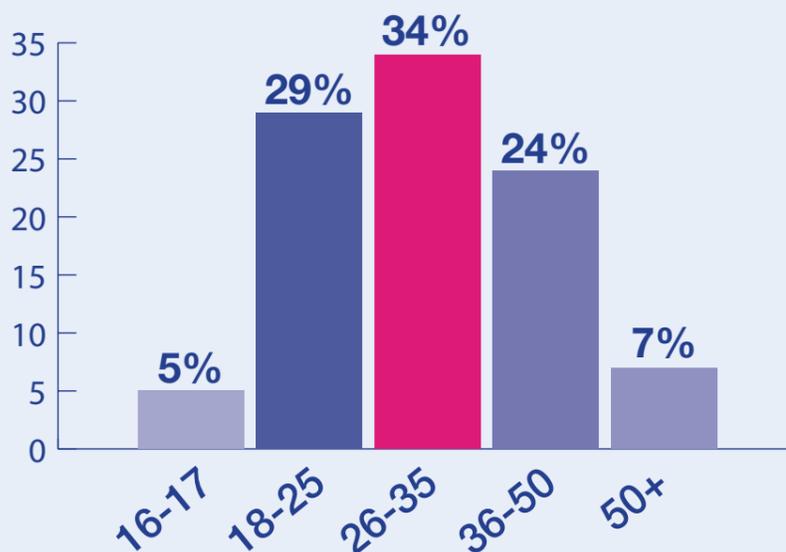
Each year **16,500** children in Scotland experience having a parent in prison



27% of prisoners have spent time in care during their childhood

Characteristics of clients of the Criminal Justice Social Work Service:

Age:



Education/Employment:



58% are unemployed



32% left school with no qualifications

Family:



32% have a close relative with a criminal record



33% have low self esteem



28% have been the victim of family violence (including physical/emotional abuse and/or neglect) in the last 12 months

Addictions issues:



28% have a drug problem



32% have an alcohol problem