**Assessing Geographical Need for Strategic Planning**

**National data for assessing need**

The Outcome, Performance and Improvement Framework states that partners need to ‘develop a community justice needs assessment of their local community, using existing profiles and available data’.

The table below contains links to data that can help you assess needs relative to other areas. If you are aware of other numerical data that is useful in identifying local needs **we would welcome any suggestions.**

**Other sources of information on needs**

Area profiles are a useful starting point as they can identify broad areas to focus on. Evaluations and qualitative research with people with convictions and service providers can point to specific gaps at service or intervention level.

**Can this data be used as performance indicators?**

In most cases is not advisable to use this data to benchmark performance because,

* You will be not be able to attribute change in the data to your partnerships.
* Partnerships may not have complete control or influence over some of these variables, for example crime and reconviction rates making them weak indicators of performance.
* Some data is only available at population level so cannot be used as performance indicators for an offender population.

**Structural Outcomes**

**Effective Evidence-based Interventions are Delivered to Prevent and Reduce Reoffending**

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| **Topic** | **Link to data** | **Level of Data** | **Equality Groups** | **Level of Equality Data** |
| **Targeting Interventions** |
| Crime recorded by the police per capita | <http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2015/09/5338/downloads>Table 8 and Table 12 | LA Level | - | - |
| Number of domestic violence incidents per capita | <http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2015/10/8859/downloads>Table 4 | LA Level | AgeGender | National |
| Numbers of racist incidents per capita | <http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2015/11/7911/downloads>Table 2 | LA Level | Victim EthnicityGenderAge | National |
| Experience of discrimination and harassment | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/16002/LATables2014/2014Excel>Scottish Household SurveyTable 4.18 | LA Level | Sexual OrientationEthnicityReligion Mental and Physical Disability | LA Level |
| Prevalence of Crime – self reported victimisation | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/Datasets/SCJS/SCJS2014-15Vol4a>Scottish Crime and Justice SurveyTables 37-44 | CJA and Police Division | - | - |
| Number of people convicted in court for different offences | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/Datasets/DatasetsCrimProc/cja1415>Table 4a | CJA level based on location of the court but soon available at LA level | - | **-** |
| Reconvictions and reconviction frequency rates | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/Datasets/ReconvictOffendDatasets/reconbyoffend1314> Numbers 4-12 in index | CJA and LA  | AgeGender | National |
| Offender risk and needs | LSCMI reports from the Risk Management Authority | Local area only | See data set | See data set |
| Prevalence of drug and alcohol use – self reported | [http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/Dat asets/SCJS/SCJS14-15vol3pdandcja](http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/Dat%20asets/SCJS/SCJS14-15vol3pdandcja)Table 5 (drugs) and Table 3 (alcohol) | CJA and Police Division | - | - |
| Comparative health profiles (drug, alcohol, health and wellbeing and mental health) | <http://www.scotpho.org.uk/comparative-health/profiles/online-profiles-tool>SCOTPHO online profile tool | NHS Board, Local Authority and intermediate zones | Age (older age profiles) | NHS Board, Local Authority and intermediate zones |
| **Maximising the use of community sentences vs. prison** |
| Balance of community and custodial sentences | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/Datasets/DatasetsCrimProc/cja1415>Table 8a | CJA level based on location of the court but soon available at LA level | - | - |
| Proportion of offences receiving a custodial sentence by sentence length | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/Datasets/DatasetsCrimProc/cja1415>Table 10a | CJA level based on location of the court but soon available at LA level  | Gender | National |
| Number of Community Payback Orders (CPOs) | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/Datasets/SocialWork/addcjala1213>Number 5 in index | LA and CJA | AgeGender | CJA and LA |
| Number of bail requests and commencements | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/Datasets/SocialWork/addcjala1213>(bail services sheet) | CJA and LA | - | - |
| Number of bail requests and Supervised Bail cases | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/Datasets/SocialWork/addcjala1213>(bail services sheet) | CJA and LA | AgeGender | CJA and LA |
| Numbers on remand | <http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2012/06/6972/downloads>Table A1 and A9and<http://www.gov.scot/Resource/0049/00491398.pdf>Figures from 2014-2015 onward are in the Scottish Prison Service annual reports | National only | AgeGender | National (age)CJA and LA (gender) |
| Restriction of Liberty Orders | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/Datasets/SocialWork/addcjala1213>(RLO assessments sheet) | CJA and LA | - | - |
| **Credibility of community sentences** |
| Starting time of a Community Payback Order (CPO) work placement | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/Datasets/SocialWork/addcjala1213> Number 12 in index (CPO- when wk pmt std) | CJA and LA | - | - |
| Number of breaches of CPOs | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/Datasets/SocialWork/addcjala1213>CPOs -Number 17 in index (breaches gender) | CJA and LA | AgeGender | CJA and LA |
| Outcome of breaches of CPO | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/Datasets/SocialWork/addcjala1213>CPOs Number 16 in index | CJA and LA | - | - |
| Proportion of requirements successfully completed | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/Datasets/SocialWork/addcjala1213>CPO’s -Number 18 in index | CJA and LA | AgeGender | CJA and LA |

**People have Better Access to the Services they Require**

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| **Access to support via community disposals** |
| Diversion from Prosecution | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/Datasets/DP>Numbers 5,6 and 7 in index | CJA and LA  | AgeGender | CJA and LA |
| CJA and LA |
| Use of CPO requirements | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/Datasets/SocialWork/addcjala1213>Numbers 11-14 in index | CJA and LA | Gender | CJA and LA |
| Number of Drug Treatment and Testing Orders (DTTOs) Assessments and Orders | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/Datasets/DTTOs>Numbers 5-8 in index | CJA and LA | AgeGender | CJA and LA |
| Statutory throughcare and voluntary assistance cases | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/Datasets/Tcare>Numbers 6-15 on index | CJA and LA  | Gender | CJA and LA |
| **Substance misuse** |
| Comparative health profiles (drugs alcohol)SCOTPHO online profile tool | <http://www.scotpho.org.uk/comparative-health/profiles/online-profiles-tool> | NHS Board, Local Authority and intermediate zones | Age (older age profiles) | NHS Board, Local Authority and intermediate zones |
| Drug and alcohol waiting times | <http://www.isdscotland.org/Health-Topics/Drugs-and-Alcohol-Misuse/Publications/data-tables.asp?id=1684#1684> | LA, HB and ADP | - | - |
| Alcohol Brief Interventions | <http://www.isdscotland.org/Health-Topics/Drugs-and-Alcohol-Misuse/Publications/data-tables.asp> | Health Board | - | - |
| **General health** |  |  |  |
| Comparative health profiles (health and wellbeing, mental health , older people) | <http://www.scotpho.org.uk/comparative-health/profiles/online-profiles-tool>SCOTPHO online profile tool | NHS Board, Local Authority and intermediate zones | Age (older age profiles) | NHS Board, Local Authority and intermediate zones |
| Patient views of GP services  | <http://www.hace15.quality-health.co.uk/index.php/reports/gp-practice-reports> | GP practices across Scotland | GenderAgeDisability | GP practices across Scotland |

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| **Topic** |  **Link to data** | **Level of data** | **Equality groups** | **Level of Equality Data** |
| **Mental health** |
| Comparative mental health profiles | <http://www.scotpho.org.uk/comparative-health/profiles/online-profiles-tool>SCOTPHO online profile tool | NHS Board, Local Authority and intermediate zones | Age (older age profiles) | NHS Board, Local Authority and intermediate zones |
| Suicide rates | <http://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/statistics-and-data/statistics/statistics-by-theme/vital-events/deaths/suicides/list-of-tables-and-chart>Table 5 | LA Level | Gender | National |
| Number of mental health inpatients | <http://www.isdscotland.org/Health-Topics/Mental-Health/Publications/data-tables.asp?id=1641#1641>Table 2.1.3 | LA Level | AgeGender | NHS Board |
| **Substance misuse** |
| Comparative health profiles (drugs, alcohol) | <http://www.scotpho.org.uk/comparative-health/profiles/online-profiles-tool>SCOTPHO online profile tool | NHS Board, Local Authority and intermediate zones | Age (older age profiles) | NHS Board, Local Authority and intermediate zones |
| Prevalence of drug misuse | <http://www.scotpho.org.uk/behaviour/drugs/data/availability-and-prevalence>See report at bottom of page. | LA Level | AgeGender | Health board and ADP |
| Prevalence of drug and alcohol use – self reported | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/Datasets/SCJS/SCJS14-15vol3pdandcja>Scottish Crime and Justice Survey Table 5 (drugs) and table 3 (alcohol) | CJA and police division |  |  |
| Drug and alcohol initial assessments  | <http://www.isdscotland.org/Health-Topics/Drugs-and-Alcohol-Misuse/Publications/data-tables.asp> | Health board and ADP |  |  |
| Drug deaths | <http://www.isdscotland.org/Health-Topics/Drugs-and-Alcohol-Misuse/Publications/data-tables.asp> | SMID | AgeGenderChildren | National |
| **Financial inclusion** |
| Benefit claimants | <https://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/lmp/la/1946157405/report.aspx>‘Out of work benefits’ | LA level |  |  |

**Communities Improve their Understanding and Participation in Community Justice**

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| Public knowledge and confidence in the criminal justice system | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/Datasets/SCJS/2014-15SCJSpolicedivision>Table 67-80 question series | Police Division and CJA | - | - |

**Person-centric Outcomes**

The following data is only available at population level, not offender level, so can only be used as a general indicator of need relative to other areas. It can provide a useful context and generate a profile of you area. As the data is not available at offender level, it should not be used as a performance indicator.

If you are looking for offender-level data on person-centric outcomes, LS/CMI analysis captures the prevalence of needs for individuals supervised in the community. It captures data on education, employment, housing and health issues and by age and gender as well as violence and anti-social behaviour.

**Below are links to specific sources. A useful general tool to help you profile you area is here -** The new Community Planning Outcomes Profile is now available online -<http://www.improvementservice.org.uk/community-planning-outcomes-profile.html>

This tool brings together measures of outcomes and inequality for all 32 CPPs within one profile - at partnership and locality level - and shows how they change over time. It includes a set of core measures on important life outcomes including early years, older people, safer/stronger communities, health and wellbeing, economic development and employment.  The profile shows which communities are faring well below average for your area and compared to similar communities across Scotland, creating opportunities for learning.  Outcomes are considered 'in the round' as well as individually, encouraging a focus on the most vulnerable communities where negative outcomes are clustered.

**Life Chances are Improved through Needs being Addressed**

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| **Topic** | **Link to data** | **Level of Data** | **Equality Groups** | **Level of Equality Data** |
| **Housing** |
| Housing need and demand tool | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Built-Environment/Housing/supply-demand/chma/hnda/HNDAToolVersion201> | LA level and planning authority | - | - |
| New housing supply | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Housing-Regeneration/HSfS/NewHousingSupply> | LA level | - | - |
| Demand for social housing  | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Housing-Regeneration/HSfS/HousingLists> All tables | LA apart from the 6 (including Glasgow that have transferred stock to RSLs) | - | - |
| Homelessness and main reason for homelessness | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Housing-Regeneration/RefTables/RefTables> Tables 1, 2b, 9, 11c, 13, 16 | Some at LA level | AgeGenderEthnicity | National |
| **Safety** |
| Number of Offences | [http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2015/09/5338/downloads Table 8](http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2015/09/5338/downloads%20Table%208) | LA level | - | - |
| Perception of neighbourhood as safe | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/16002/LATables2014/2014Excel>Scottish Household Survey Table 4.12a-4.20 | LA level  | AgeGenderDisabilityEthnicity | LA Level |
| Domestic Abuse | <http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2015/10/8859/downloads> Table 4  | LA Level | AgeGender | National Level |
| Homicide | <http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2015/09/8172/downloads> Table 2 | LA Level | AgeGender | National Level |
| Firearms | <http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2015/06/6247/downloads> Table 14a | LA Level | Age | National Level |
| Gender | National Level |
| Fire and Rescue | <http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2014/12/2384/downloads> Table 1-1b | LA level | - | -  |

**People Develop Positive Relationships and More Opportunities to Participate and Contribute**

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| **Topic** | **Link to data** | **Level of Data** | **Equality Groups** | **Level of equality data** |
| **Education** |
| Level of Qualifications(self-reported) | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/16002/LATables2014/2014Excel>Scottish Household Survey Table 5.1 | LA level | AgeGenderEthnicityReligion | LA Level |
| Level of Qualifications | <https://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/lmp/la/1946157406/report.aspx> | LA level | Gender | LA Level |
| **Employment** |
| Employment and labour market  | <https://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/lmp/la/1946157405/report.aspx#tabempunemp> | LA level | - | - |
| Labour market | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Labour-Market/TrendData>Number 6 in index | LA level | - | - |
| Economic activity | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/16002/LATables2014/2014Excel>Scottish Household Survey Number 5 in index | LA level | AgeGenderEthnicityReligion | LA Level |
| **Volunteering** |
| Volunteering | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/16002/LATables2014/2014Excel>Scottish Household Survey Table 12.3 | LA level | AgeGenderEthnicityReligion | LA Level |
| **Leisure** |
| Engagement in cultural activities  | <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/16002/LATables2014/2014Excel>Scottish Household Survey Number 13 in index | LA level | AgeGenderEthnicityReligion | LA Level |