

Statistics for the year 2006

Visit statistics

Total number of visits 100

Number of visitors on visits

Visits with two visitors 7 (7%)
 Visits with three visitors 23 (23%)
 Visits with four visitors 39 (39%)
 Visits with five visitors 31 (31%)

Practical support for detainees

Phonecards	305 (average of 3 per visit)
Emergency payments	18
Solicitors list/booklet for detainees	22
Toiletries	11
Clothes	28
Magazines/Other info/papers	40
Contact legal rep	70
Liaise other orgs	47
Help with tracing belongings	9

Detainee statistics

Average number of detainees seen on each visit	6
Lowest number of detainees seen on a visit	2
Highest number of detainees seen on a visit	15

Total detainees visited

Men	156 (74%)
Women	38 (18%)
Children	18 (8%)
Total	212

Eight of the men and 12 of the women above were detained in the family unit. All of the children were detained as part of a family

Country of origin

Pakistan	19	9%
Turkey	19	9%
Eritrea	18	8%
Nigeria	17	8%
Somalia	12	6%
Afghanistan	11	5%
Algeria	8	4%
DRC	7	3%
Ethiopia	7	3%
Iran	6	3%
Iraq	6	3%
Liberia	6	3%

scottish detainee visitors

Sierra Leone	6	3%
Bangladesh	5	2%
Jamaica	5	2%
Uganda	5	2%
India	4	2%
Sudan	4	2%
Zimbabwe	4	2%
Ghana	3	1%
Palestine	3	1%
Russia	3	1%
Ukraine	3	1%
Angola	2	1%
Congo Brazzaville	2	1%
Gambia	2	1%
Kenya	2	1%
Sri Lanka	2	1%
Togo	2	1%
Albania	1	<1%
Benin	1	<1%
Brazil	1	<1%
Cameroon	1	<1%
Georgia	1	<1%
Guinea	1	<1%
Kosovo	1	<1%
Malawi	1	<1%
Malaysia	1	<1%
Moldova	1	<1%
Morocco	1	<1%
Romania	1	<1%
Senegal	1	<1%
Serbia	1	<1%
Tanzania	1	<1%
Zambia	1	<1%
Unknown	3	1%

Number of visits¹

Detainees receiving 1 visit	110	52%
Detainees receiving 2 visits	45	21%
Detainees receiving 3 visits	20	9%
Detainees receiving 4 visits	10	5%
Detainees receiving 5 visits	7	3%
Detainees receiving 6 visits	4	2%
Detainees receiving 7 visits	3	1%
Detainees receiving 8 visits	2	1%
Detainees receiving 9 visits	2	1%
Detainees receiving 10 or more visits	9	4%

Most visits received by a detainee 24

¹ A small number of detainees receiving more than one visit may have received some of their total number of visits in another period

Key points from the statistics

- In 2006 SDV visited a total of 212 detainees compared with 146 in 2005
- Eighteen (8%) of the people we visited were children, detained as part of a family. None of the detainees we visited in 2005 were children
- As in previous years the vast majority of the people we visited were single men (74% in 2006 compared to 84% in 2005)
- We visited people from a total of 45 different countries compared to 39 in 2005.
- The countries producing the highest number of detainees in 2006 were Pakistan and Turkey. Turkey's high score is largely due to the fact that we saw two families from Turkey during the year.
- In 2005 we saw only one detainee from Eritrea. In 2006 Eritrea produced the third highest number of detainees we visited – 18.
- The proportion of detainees we saw for only one visit rose from 45% in 2005 to 52% in 2006. This is partly the result of seeing more families this year – families tend to stay in Dungavel for a very short period of time before being moved to other detention centres or released.
- However 4% of the detainees we visited received 10 or more visits. One detainee was visited 24 times between May and December.
- In 2006 we kept the number of visitors on each visit high. Seventy per cent of visits had four or five visitors on them compared to just 32% in 2005.
- We were also able to increase the practical support we offered, despite continued difficulties in leaving items for detainees. We provided an average of 3 phonecards per visit (2.5 in 2005), gave 18 emergency payments of £20 (12 in 2005) and contacted legal representatives or other organisations 117 times (99 in 2005)