



Ministry
of Justice

WEEKLY UPDATE: POST OFFICE CONVICTIONS

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PROGRESS UPDATE

	This week (09/09)		Last week (02/09)	
	Number of Individuals	Total number of convictions	Number of Individuals	Total number of convictions
Total initial assessments made	180	511	139	428
Total letters sent	68	134	27	51
Letter to inform convictions are in scope	68	134	27	51
Letter to request further information	0	0	0	0
Conviction does not meet condition(s) in the Act	0	0	0	0
Case ruled out of scope (already overturned by the courts and upheld/ refused leave to appeal by the CoA)	112	377	112	377

1. Following discrepancies discovered between the Police National Computer (PNC) data and court record data, we are gathering court records for every case. HMCTS have continued to work with convicting courts to retrieve and supply these records.
2. The Court of Appeal have sent their first return to us, detailing whether they have previously considered 258 Crown Court convictions against 39 individuals, meaning that we can begin to send out our first letters covering in scope convictions for Crown Court cases. A second batch of cases was sent to the Court of Appeal on 8 August.
3. We are now aware of 40 individuals that were not on our 'known' list of cases and have been noted as Self Identifiers.
4. We have received HMRC data for cases where employment data was previously missing to help the caseworkers evidence certain conditions in the Act.

NEXT STEPS FOR W/C 12 AUGUST

5. We will continue to work with the National Police Chiefs Council (NPCC) to see if they hold any information which will help us to locate the remaining court records. The NPCC have sent a request out to local forces and we will work with HMCTS to continue searches based on any new information received.
6. The Court of Appeal will continue their assessment of whether any individuals have had their conviction upheld or refused leave to appeal at the Court of Appeal (and so out of scope of the Act) on further batches that we send them so we can send out letters to individuals who were convicted in the Crown Court.
7. The casework team will begin to gather information for the self-identified cases.

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