

# PROJECT SUMMARY

# PS Plus 3 – London Probation

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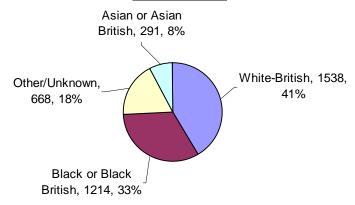
This report has been compiled to give information about the offenders (beneficiaries) worked with on the PS Plus 3 project by London probation. The project ran for 24 months between July 2006 and June 2008, in which time 3711 beneficiaries started on the project. At its peak, it is estimated that London probation worked with approximately 2530 beneficiaries.

45 beneficiaries were also worked with in London who had started on the project in a PS Plus prison, including 21 from HMP Highpoint and 9 from HMP Wellingborough, allowing PS Plus intervention to be continued upon release.

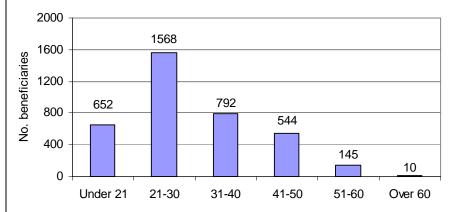
#### **Demographics**

- 41% (1538) of the beneficiaries started in London were White-British. 59% (2153) of the beneficiaries were from ethnic minority groups (where known), and 495 beneficiaries were from outside the United Kingdom (where known).
- 42% (1568) of beneficiaries started in London were aged between 21 and 30, with the average age on starting the project being 30 years 3 months.
- The most common offence of beneficiaries started in London was violent offences (29%) followed by theft, burglary or robbery (21%).

# **Ethnic Origin**



#### **Age Groups**





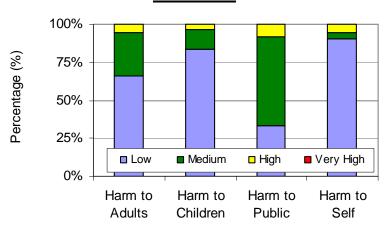




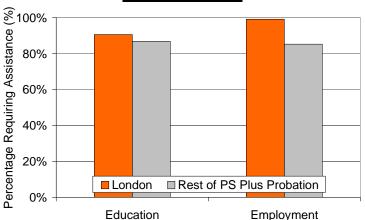
#### <u>Assessment</u>

- For the majority of prisoners (where known), the level of risk posed towards adults, children, staff, the public and themselves in either low or medium. Less than 9% were classed as high or very high risk in each category.
- Every beneficiary required help with either employment or education. 3679 (99%) beneficiaries required help with employment, while 3338 (90%) required help with both employment and education.
- Comparison to the rest of the beneficiaries worked with in PS Plus probation areas shows that beneficiaries started at London were significantly *more* likely to require assistance with education and employment issues.
- o 1963 (53%) beneficiaries had been unemployed for more than a year on starting the PS Plus project at London.
- o 972 (26%) beneficiaries started by London had not completed their formal school education.
- Comparison to beneficiaries worked with in other PS Plus probation areas shows that beneficiaries in London were significantly less motivated on starting the project.

#### **Risk Levels**



#### **Assessed Needs**









#### **Soft Outcomes**

- o 5470 soft outcomes were achieved by London.
- 52% (1963) of the beneficiaries worked with in London achieved at least one outcome while there.
- o 1097 beneficiaries received advice and guidance.
- 1632 beneficiaries received assistance with employment issues.
- 1473 beneficiaries received assistance with education or training issues.

### **Qualifications**

- 1330 courses or qualifications were passed by beneficiaries on the PS Plus project at London.
- PS Plus beneficiaries completed courses in a wide range of subjects, from basic skills to health and safety.
- 1305 Employability Skills Programme courses and 14 Emergency Life Support courses were passed.

Soft Outcomes Gained	<u>No.</u> Bens
Non-NVQs Gained	1301
CV Assisted	1104
Advice On Disclosure	1065
Job Club	991
Work Experience Community	401
IAG Assistance	333
Accessed Beneficiary Fund	182
CSCS - Health And Safety Test	46
CV Written on Own	26
NVQs Gained	9
Job Interview	7
Other	5

# **Exam Results**







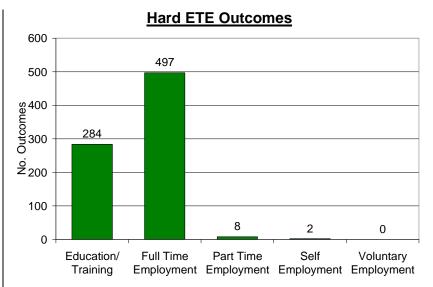


#### **Hard Outcomes**

- o In total 812 hard outcomes were recorded by PS Plus staff.
- o 791 hard outcomes had sufficient evidence for ESF auditing purposes.
- Beneficiaries successfully achieved 507 employment outcomes and 284 education/training outcomes while on PS Plus 3.
- Employment ranged from shop work to scaffolding, while education/training ranged from the Construction Skills Certification Scheme (CSCS) test to linguistics.

# **Summary**

 Overall, London started 3711 beneficiaries, achieved 791 hard ETE outcomes and 5470 soft outcomes on the PS Plus 3 project.



# **Outcomes Gained**

