

REPORT ON AN UNANNOUNCED INSPECTION OF  
**MAGHABERRY PRISON**

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**MAGHABERRY PRISON HEALTHY PRISON OUTCOMES 2022 AND 2018**

- Good
- Reasonably Good
- Not Sufficiently Good
- Poor

	 <b>SAFETY</b>	 <b>RESPECT</b>	 <b>PURPOSEFUL ACTIVITY</b>	 <b>REHABILITATION AND RELEASE PLANNING</b>
<b>2022</b>				
<b>2018</b>				

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## PROGRESS MADE AGAINST 2018 RECOMMENDATIONS 14 RECOMMENDATIONS MADE:



**Fully achieved**

**7 recommendations**



**Not achieved**

**7 recommendations**

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## WHAT NEEDS TO IMPROVE?

### PRIORITY CONCERNS - REQUIRING IMMEDIATE ATTENTION

- ! Learning from deaths in custody
- ! Access to education, skills and work
- ! Plan to reduce the demand for the supply of drugs
- ! Support to guide prisoners through their sentence and prevent offending
- ! Safeguarding

### KEY CONCERNS

- ! Regime for newly committed prisoners
- ! Supporting Prisoner at Risk
- ! Meeting social care needs
- ! Access to psychologically informed treatment services
- ! Level of accredited qualifications in work activities
- ! Attendance of prison health care appointments
- ! Gaps in the learning curriculum



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## EXAMPLES OF NOTABLE POSITIVE PRACTICE



**Use of  
technology**



**Support provided for vulnerable  
prisoners in the Donard Centre**



**Adaptation of the rewards and sanctions scheme for  
prisoners who had learning and behavioural difficulties**



**Support for non-English speakers to  
make complaints in their own language**

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## PRISONER FEEDBACK

**78%** of prisoners said they felt safe

**33%** said the overall quality of health services was very/quite good

**65%** said most staff treat you with respect

**23%** said they had been helped with their mental health problem

**50%** said they spent less than two hours out of their cell on a typical weekday

**29%** reported completing offending behaviour programmes

**20%** said it was easy for their family to visit

**41%** of prisoners indicated it was very/quite easy to get illicit drugs

Unless otherwise stated the survey findings relate to the main prison site and exclude the Mourne complex.

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## PRISONER PROFILE

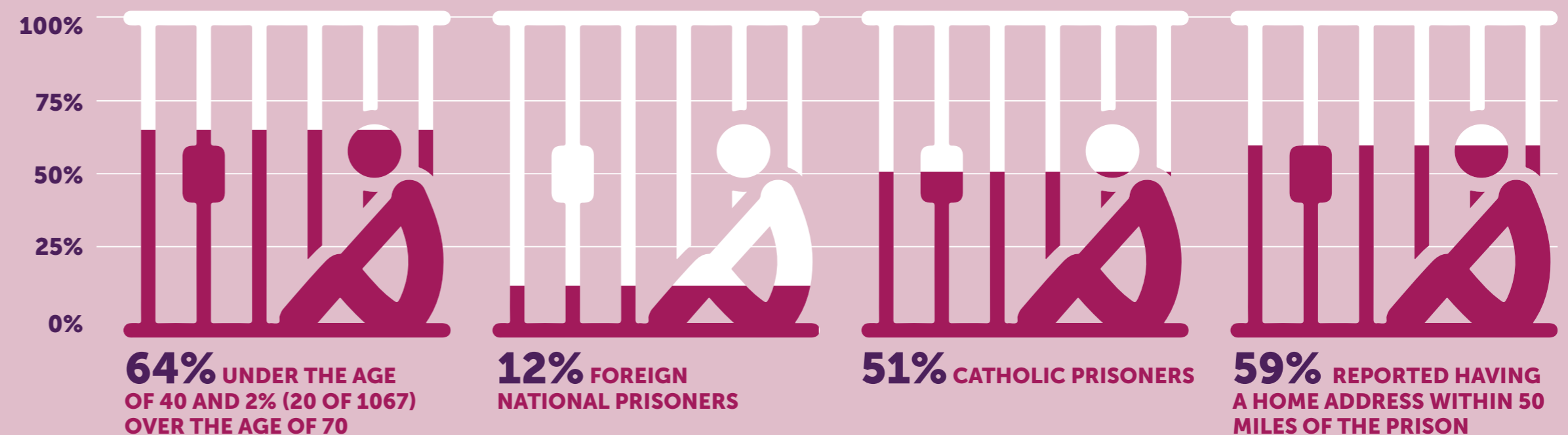
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MEN IN CUSTODY

Around  
**260**  
new prisoners arrived  
at Maghaberry  
each month

On average  
**219**  
prisoners  
discharged  
per month

### AT THE TIME OF THE INSPECTION:



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Figures mostly  
extracted  
from a profile  
report for  
30/09/2022