

Follow up evidence from Law Society of Scotland
13 December 2023

Dear Seán,

During this morning's session I made reference to conviction rates in Scotland and England. I said I would check the sources and advise the committee.

The Scottish data is here: [Criminal proceedings in Scotland: 2020-2021 - gov.scot \(www.gov.scot\)](http://www.gov.scot).

The English data is here (at table 2.1): <https://www.cps.gov.uk/sites/default/files/documents/publications/Prosecution-Crime-Types-Data-Tables-Year-Ending-March-2021.xlsx>

As I mentioned, care has to be taken in interpreting the data – there may be a range of factors contributing to the conviction rates.

Kind regards,

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