

European Facility Survey Questionnaire - Prisons

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Introduction

The EUDA has conducted work on drugs and prison for a number of years and published a methodological framework to monitor drugs and prison in Europe. The methodological framework has the objective to set up the methods and tools for collecting and analysing harmonised data across Europe on the issue of drugs and prison. The document published in 2013 identified the need to develop two data collection tools: a 'European Questionnaire on Drug use among people living in Prison (EQDP)' aimed at collecting epidemiological data on drug use and drug-related problems on those who are incarcerated during a given time period and a 'European Facility Survey Questionnaire in Prison (EFSQ-P)' aimed at collecting data on availability and provision of drug-related interventions inside prison.

A full package of monitoring tools has been published for conducting survey on drugs and prison, including: EQDP long version, EQDP short version, and EQDP methodological guidelines.

The EFSQ-P is based on an existing questionnaire, used to monitor and collect information on interventions provided in community and other settings (the [European Facilities Survey Questionnaire](#), EFSQ). However, because of the different characteristics of prisons compared to community settings, significant modifications have been made to the original to produce the EFSQ-P. The EFSQ-P is intended as a model questionnaire to be used across Europe in order to improve international comparisons and harmonisation of data; it could also be used as basis to provide data to other sources, from the EUDA to national governments to international organisations (e.g. WHO, UN and others).

As in the case of the EQDP, the EFSQ-P package includes a long and a short version of the questionnaire and methodological guidelines to support the collection of data on interventions inside prison and the completion of the questionnaire, question by question.

Data protection

Any data collected or information provided by users will be processed in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC. This Regulation concerns the protection of individuals with regard to personal data provided to the European Union institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data.

Section 1 – Background data

1. Prison

a) Identification code of the institution (ISO 3166-1 numeric - postal code -three letters of the city)	Click here to enter text.
b) Name of the institution	Click here to enter text.
c) Type of prison	
d) Sections in the prison	
Data source:	

Specifications:

For the type of prison, indicate the security level (high, medium or low); with closed, open or semi-open regime; prison hospital; or any other information which may be relevant to understanding the characteristics of the prison.

For prisons with sections, please indicate the number and type of sections (e.g. female, remand, minors, etc.); in data sources please indicate the sources of the data provided in the survey, including: registries, administrative data, expert opinion, etc. Specify which of these sources are used in each group of questions

See Annex I of the Methodological guidelines for ISO 3166-1 numeric values (e.g. a prison in SPAIN-MADRID: 724-28001-MAD).

2. Contacts

a) Date of completion of questionnaire	Click here to enter a date.
b) Name of service(s) for which the questionnaire is completed	Click here to enter text.
c) Name of the person filling in the questionnaire	Click here to enter text.
d) Role/job title of the person completing the questionnaire	Click here to enter text.
e) Email address/telephone of reference person	Click here to enter text.
Data source	

Specifications: It is very important to have a contact person for filling in the survey.

3. Stock indicators

a) Year of reference (if less than one year, indicate the period)	
b) Number of places available in the penal institution (mean capacity of detention setting)	Click here to enter text.
c) Number of people living in prison (mean daily population, including pre-trial detainees)	Click here to enter text.
d) Number of males living in prison	Click here to enter text.
e) Number of females living in prison	Click here to enter text.
f) Number of people living in prison who are sentenced	Click here to enter text.
g) Number of people living in prison who are pre-trial	Click here to enter text.
h) Number of nationals living in prison	Click here to enter text.
i) Number of foreign nationals living in prison	Click here to enter text.
j) Number of people living in juvenile detention centres	Click here to enter text.
k) Number of people living in prison for drug law offences	Click here to enter text.
l) Number of people living in prison by age group:	
<18	Click here to enter text.
18-24	Click here to enter text.
25-29	Click here to enter text.
30-34	Click here to enter text.
35-39	Click here to enter text.
40-44	Click here to enter text.
45-49	Click here to enter text.
50-54	Click here to enter text.
55-59	Click here to enter text.
>59	Click here to enter text.
Data source	

Specifications: People living in prison or persons deprived of freedom in penal institutions for a given year. Please include prisoners with and without final sentence (see: Aebi, M. F. and Cocco, E. (2024), [Prisons and prisoners in Europe 2023: key findings of the SPACE I report](#)).

Section 2 – Availability of drug-related interventions

4. What type of interventions are available in the prison establishment?

Type of intervention	Available (Yes/No/ NK/NA)	Provided inside and/or outside prison (Inside/outside/inside and outside/NK)	Coverage of individuals (Percentage of all people living in the prison where the intervention is implemented)
a) Health check-up			
1. Medical check-up done within 48 hours from prison entry			
2. Assessment of drug use and drug-related problems			
b) Detoxification			
1. Pharmacological			
2. Drug-free			
c) Counselling on drug-related problems			
1. Individual counselling			
2. Group counselling			
3. Peer to peer support			
4. Other (specify)			
d) Residential drug treatment			
1. Drug-free units without treatment component			
2. Drug-free units with treatment component			
3. Therapeutic community			
4. Other (specify)			

Type of intervention	Available (Yes/No/ NK/NA)	Provided inside and/or outside prison (Inside/outside/inside and outside/NK)	Coverage of individuals (Percentage of all people living in the prison where the intervention is implemented)
e) Opioid agonist therapy (excluding OAT interventions aiming at detoxification)			
1. OAT continuation from the community			
2. OAT continuation to the community			
3. OAT initiation in prison			
f) Infectious diseases interventions			
1. HIV testing			
2. HBV testing			
3. HCV testing			
4. TB testing			
5. Hepatitis B vaccination			
6. BCG vaccination for tuberculosis			
7. HIV antiretroviral therapy			
8. Hepatitis C treatment with DAA			
9. Hepatitis B treatment			
10. TB treatment			
11. HIV prophylaxis			
12. HIV/HCV/HBV counselling			
13. Other (specify)			

Type of intervention	Available (Yes/No/ NK/NA)	Provided inside and/or outside prison (Inside/outside/inside and outside/NK)	Coverage of individuals (Percentage of all people living in the prison where the intervention is implemented)
g) Harm reduction interventions			
1. Needle and syringe programmes			
2. Disinfecting tablets/bleach			
3. Other sterile material distribution			
4. Condom distribution			
5. Lubricant distribution			
6. Training on safer injecting			
7. Safe tattoo (training and education)			
8. Other (specify)			
h) Drug related interventions in preparation for release			
1. Interventions of social reintegration, including housing and employment			
2. Educational/vocational training			
3. Overdose prevention			
4. Overdose counselling			
5. Naloxone distribution and training			
6. Referrals to external drug services			
7. Linkage to OAT in the community			
8. Linkage to HIV care on release			
9. Linkage to HCV care on release			

Type of intervention	Available (Yes/No/ NK/NA)	Provided inside and/or outside prison (Inside/outside/inside and outside/NK)	Coverage of individuals (Percentage of all people living in the prison where the intervention is implemented)
10. Linkage to care for other infectious diseases (e.g. TB, HBV) (if needed)			
11. Referrals to external health services for other health-related issues (not drug-specific)			
12. Referrals to external social services			
13. Other (specify)			
Data source			

Specifications: A definition of each intervention is included in the methodological guidelines. Condom distribution does not include distribution of condom during family/partner visits. If an intervention is not needed, indicate NA = not applicable. NK = not known.

5. What was the total number of unique clients who entered drug treatment in the reference period (year)?

	Number
a) Total number of clients entering treatment during the reference period	
b) Of whom for the first time during their life	
c) Of whom for the first time during the reference period	
d) If an approximate figure is provided, please indicate it with an asterisk (*) and provide an explanation on how that figure was reached.	
Data source	

Specifications: See Question 3. If the reference period is different from 1 year please indicate it.

6. What was the primary drug for people living in prison who are entering drug treatment?

	Number of clients entering drug treatment inside prison during the last year by main problem drug	Percentage of clients entering drug treatment inside prison during the last year by main problem drug
Tobacco		
Alcohol		
Cannabis		
Powder cocaine		
Crack cocaine		
Amphetamine		
Methamphetamine		
Ecstasy (MDMA or MDA)		
Hallucinogenic mushrooms		
Ketamine		
LSD		
Heroin		
Methadone misused*		
Buprenorphine misused*		
Fentanyl illicit/misused*		
Barbiturates misused*		
Benzodiazepines misused*		
GHB/GBL		
Volatile inhalants/solvents		
New psychoactive substances: synthetic cannabinoids (e.g. 'Spice')** (specify) _____		
New psychoactive substances: synthetic cathinones (e.g. mephedrone, pentedrone, alpha-PVP)** (specify) _____		

	Number of clients entering drug treatment inside prison during the last year by main problem drug	Percentage of clients entering drug treatment inside prison during the last year by main problem drug
Anabolic steroids		
Other substances (specify below)		
Data source		
* Without a doctor's prescription.		
** List new psychoactive substances from the substance groups that are prevalent in the country and show images of drugs to facilitate answers if necessary.		

Each treatment entrant should be counted only once. Enter NK or NA if number not known or not applicable.

Specifications: The primary drug is defined as the drug that causes the client the most problems at the start of treatment. This is usually based on the request made by the clients and (or) on the diagnosis made by a therapist, commonly using international standard instruments (e.g. ICD-10; DSM-5, ASI) or clinical assessment (Source: TDI).

7. Regarding the different types of interventions available in this prison, could you please provide further specifications on the characteristics of the services/interventions indicated below?

(Please skip any interventions you indicated in your response to Question 4 are not available)

	Yes/No/NK/NA	Comment
Modalities:		
- Provided to all at prison entry: mandatory		
- Offered to all at prison entry: voluntary (opt-out-option)		
- Provided on request by the person		
- Yearly health check as follow-up		
Carried out by:		
- Medical doctor		

- Psychologist/psychiatrist		
- Other health professional		
- Other prison staff		
- Other		
Type of problems assessed:		
- Drug use/drug dependence		
- Other mental health disorders		
- Suicide risk		
- Gender-based violence		
- Sexual health and pregnancy		
- Other disorders (specify)		

7a. Opioid agonist therapy (OAT) – excluding OAT aiming at detoxification (see Question 4)

	Yes/No/ NK/NA	Average individual doses provided in mg	Coverage of individuals (Percentage of all people living in the prison where the intervention is implemented)	Comment
a) OAT with methadone		/ _____ /mg		
b) OAT with buprenorphine		/ _____ /mg		
c) OAT with morphine		/ _____ /mg		
d) Eligibility criteria for enrolling in OAT in prison (specify)				
Data source				

7b. Infectious diseases testing

	HIV Yes/No/ NK/NA	HCV Yes/No/ NK/NA	HBV Yes/No/ NK/NA	Comment
a) Provided to all persons at prison entry: mandatory				
b) Offered to all persons at prison entry: voluntary (opt-out-option)				
c) Carried out at the person's request				
d) Offered annually to all persons as part of routine infectious diseases interventions				
e) Provided in the period close to release: mandatory				
f) Offered in the period close to release: voluntary				
Data source				

7c. Condom distribution

	Yes/No/ NK/NA	Comment
a) Distributed by health/social staff		
b) Distributed with distributing machines		
c) Available at the prison bar		
d) Free of charge		
e) Other type of condom distribution (please specify)		
	Number	Comment
f) Number of condoms distributed in the reference year/period		
Data source		

7d. Needle and syringe distribution

	Yes/No/ NK/NA	Comment
a) Distributed by health staff		
b) Distributed by distributing machines		
c) Free of charge		
d) Other type of distribution (please specify)		
	Number	Comment
e) Number of syringes distributed in the reference year/period		
Data source		

7e. Availability of drug treatment targeting specific populations

Is targeted treatment available for the following population groups?	Yes/No/ NK/NA	Comment
a) Women		
b) Foreigners/non-nationals		
c) LGBTQI+		
d) Others (specify)		
Data source		

Section 3 – Staff, quality of service and training

8. What staff provides drug-related interventions in this prison establishment?

	Main provider	Additional provider	No interventions provided
a) Health and social care staff employed by the prison administration (including drug professionals)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Prison staff employed by the prison administration for security tasks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Staff employed by external drug treatment services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Health and social care staff employed by external services (excluding drug treatment services) (e.g. Ministry of Health)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) Other (specify below)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Data source			

9. Types of professionals involved in drug-related treatment (*in alphabetical order*)

	Number	Of whom: Number working full time in the prison	Of whom Number employed by prison administration	Comment
e) Administrative	f)	g)	h)	i)
a) Medical doctors				
b) Nurses				
c) Peer staff				
d) Pharmacists				
e) Psychiatrists				
f) Psychologists				
g) Security staff				
h) Social workers				
i) Volunteers		NA	NA	
j) Self-help groups		NA	NA	
k) Other (specify)				
Data source				

10. Does the prison follow guidelines for the implementation of drug-related interventions?

	Yes	No
a) Guidelines on health treatment in prison		
b) Guidelines on drug treatment in prison		
c) Guidelines on drug treatment (regardless if in prison or not)		
d) Others (specify below)		
Data source (please provide exact reference)		

11. (If yes) Please indicate how this is ensured. Please check all activities that apply

	Yes	No
a) Internal supervision		
b) External supervision		
c) Regular team meetings		
d) Others (specify below)		
Data source		

12. Is training organised on drug-related issues?

	Yes	No
a) Training for staff		
b) Training for people living in prison		
c) Others (specify below)		
Data source		

13. Please provide the details of any existing national or local documents, including grey literature, guidelines, legislative documents, etc. concerning quality assurance and training for the provision of drug-related interventions provided in the prison?

Section 4 – Drug testing

14. Is drug testing carried out in the prison?

	Yes/No/NA	Comment
a) Is drug testing in prison available/allowed in your country?		
b) To all persons at prison entry		
c) To all persons randomly		
d) Only on suspicious of drug use		
e) As part of a drug treatment/ helping programme		
f) To all persons when they are transferred to another prison		
g) To all persons when leaving prison for temporary leave		
h) To all persons when they leave prison for release		
i) Other (specify)		
Data source		

Specifications: If drug testing in prison is not available or permitted in your country, indicate NA for all the following questions (b to i)

15. If any drug testing was carried in the reference period (specify the period)

	Number	Reference period	Comment
a) Number of persons tested			
b) Number of drug tests carried out			
c) Other			
Data source			

Specifications: The question aims at gathering information on the number of tests conducted and their results.

16. If drug testing is NOT conducted in the framework of drug treatment, are there punitive consequences for positive drug tests?

	Yes/No	Comment
a) Reduced access to external visits		
b) Negative effect on sentence (e.g. extension, no reduction of sentence, etc.)		
c) Reduced permissions for short leave		
d) Reduced access to other privileges (specify)		
e) Extra days imprisonment		
f) Held in isolation		
g) Held in hospital		
h) Extra help/treatment		
i) Other (specify)		
Data source		

Specifications: The question aims at understanding the possible consequences of positive tests.