

#### ... and they lived happily everafter.



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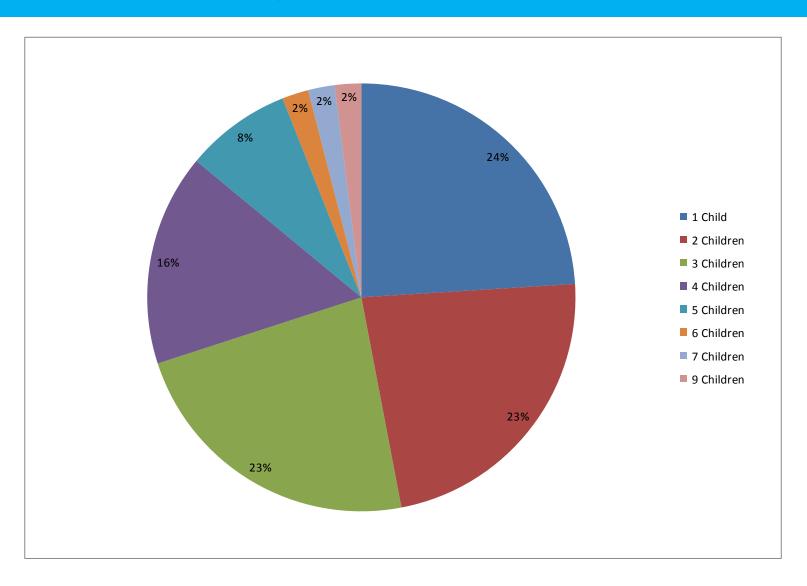


#### Why?

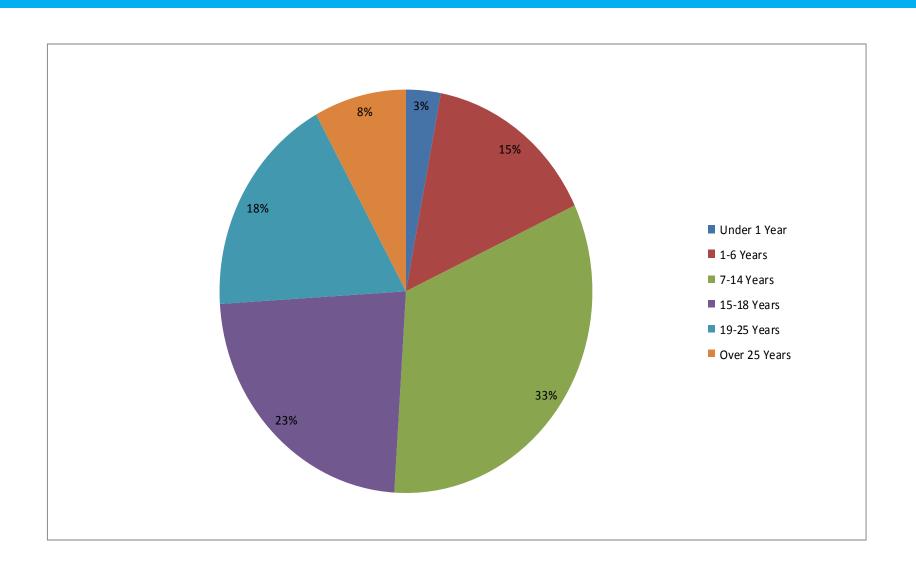
- 18.500 inmates = 40.000 children
- Problems personal
  - family
  - community
  - society

- Survey results in the Heves County Penitentiary Institute, Eger in 2102-2015

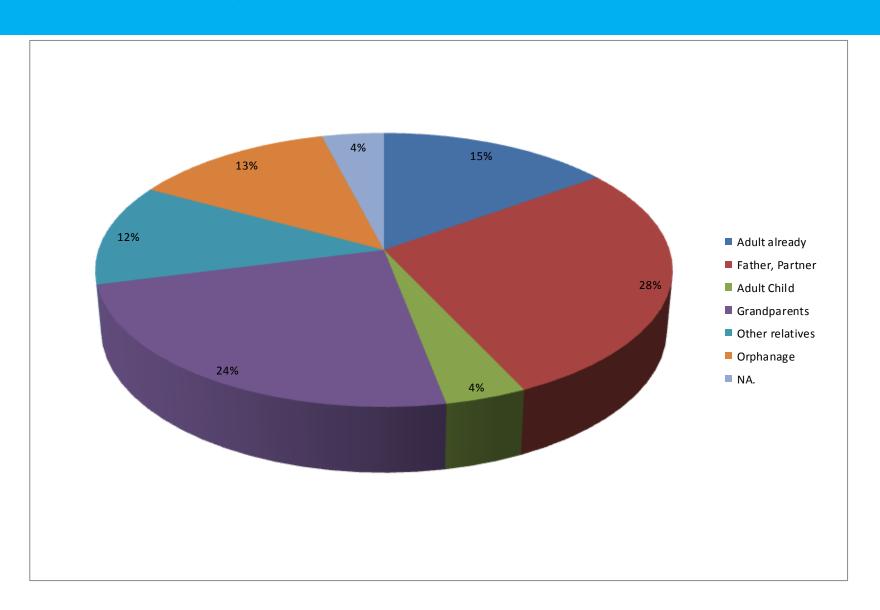
## **Survey results Number of children**



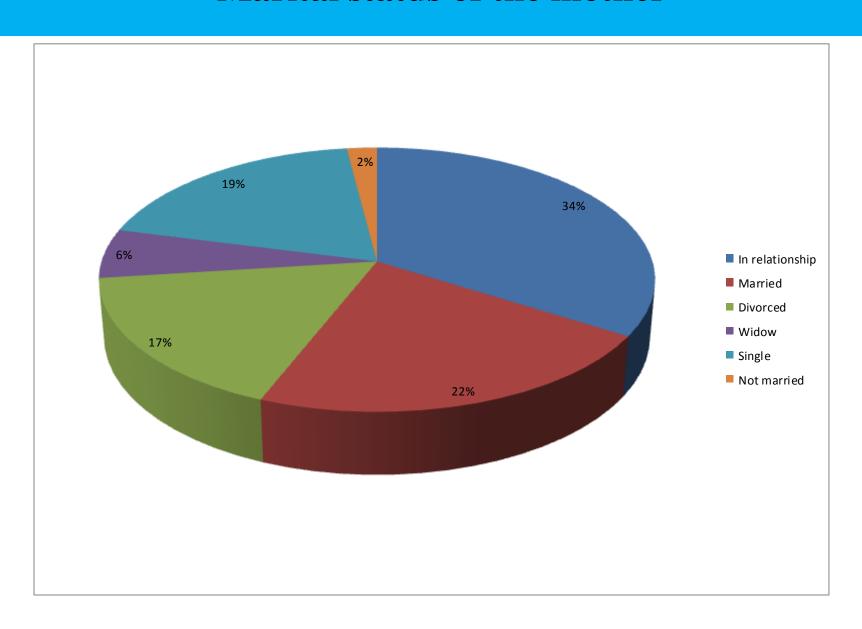
## Age structure of children



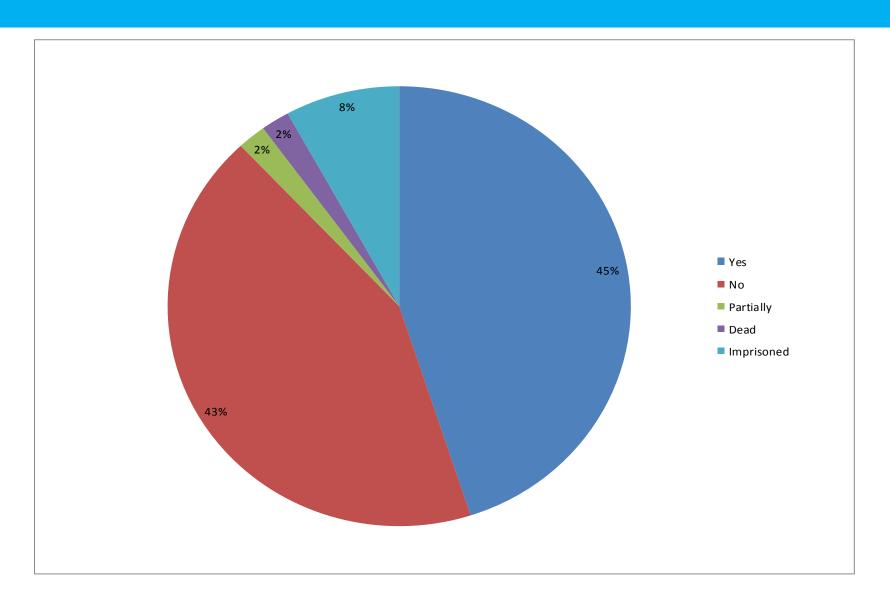
#### Who looks after the children



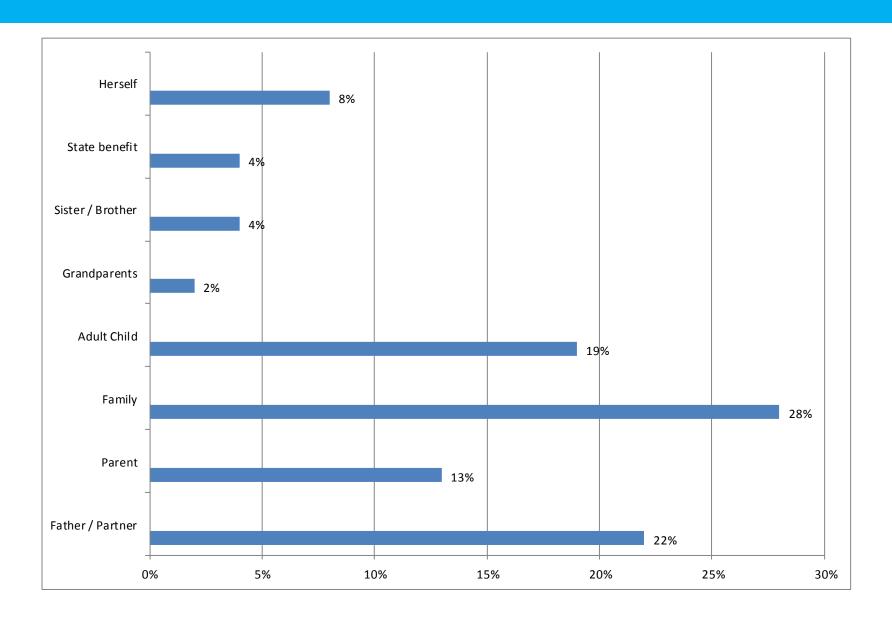
#### Marital status of the mother



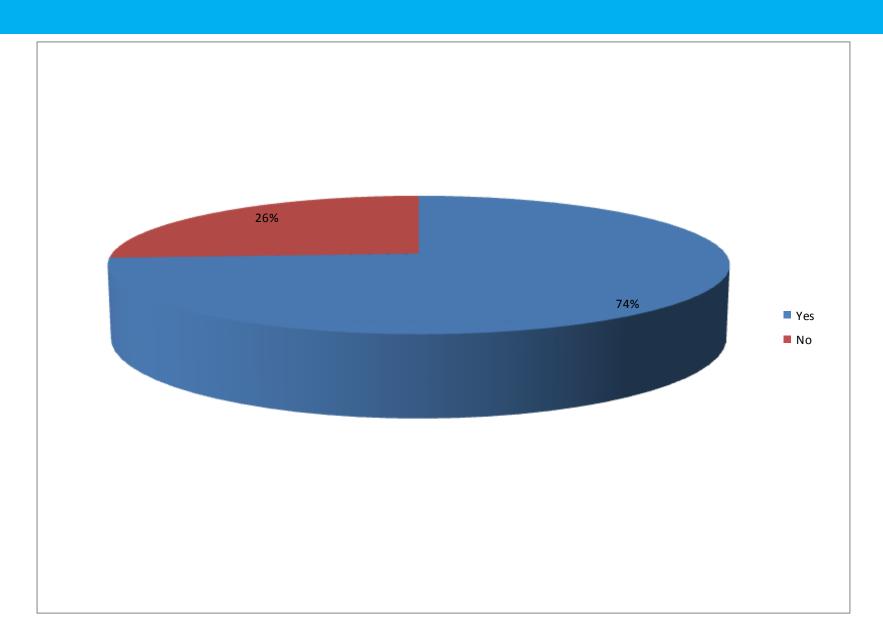
### Is the father involved in the upbringing of the child



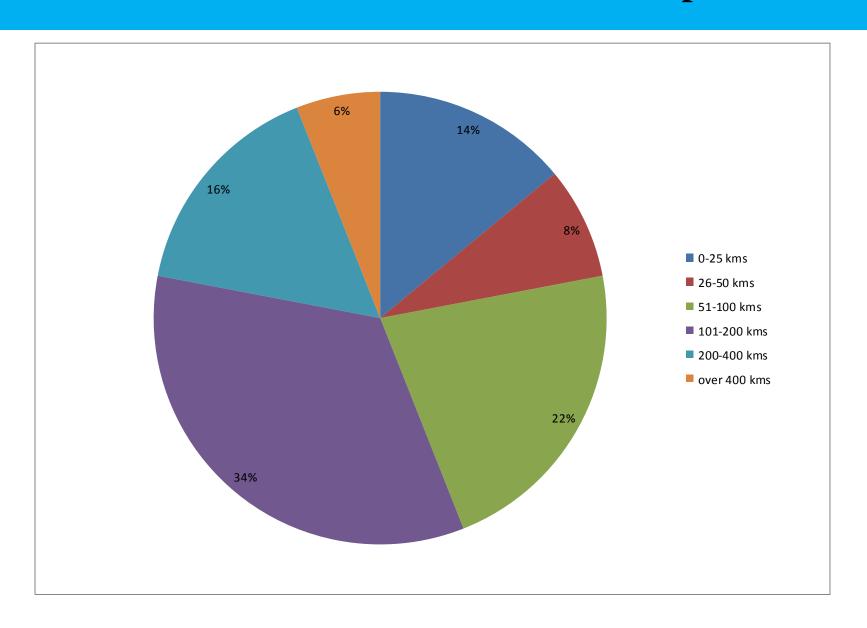
### Who supports the mother during incarceration



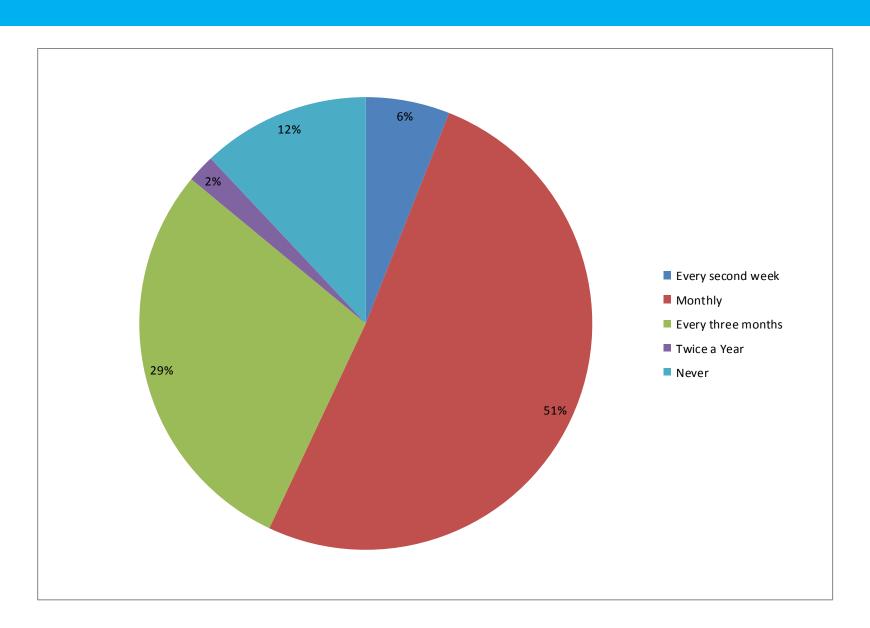
#### Does the child remains at home



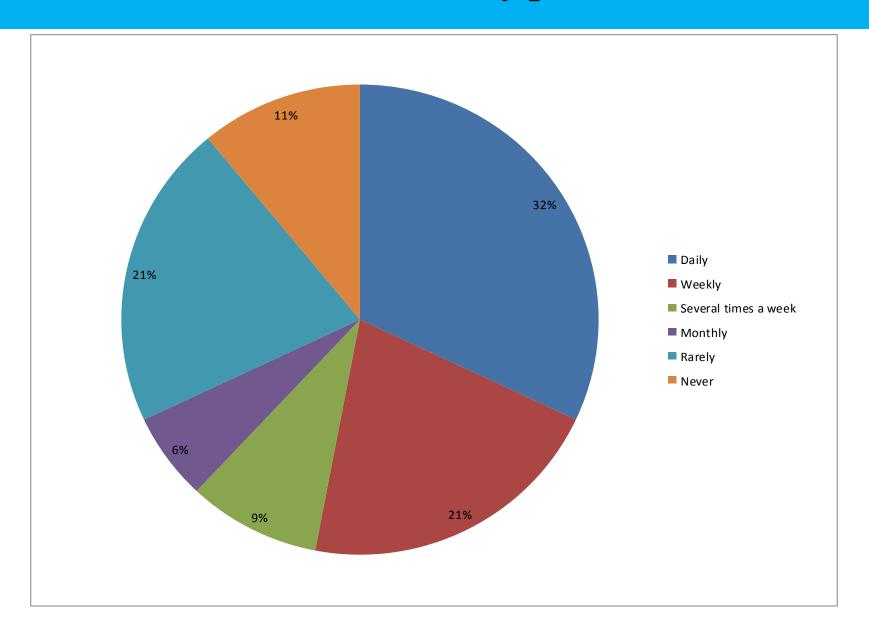
### How far does the child live from the prison



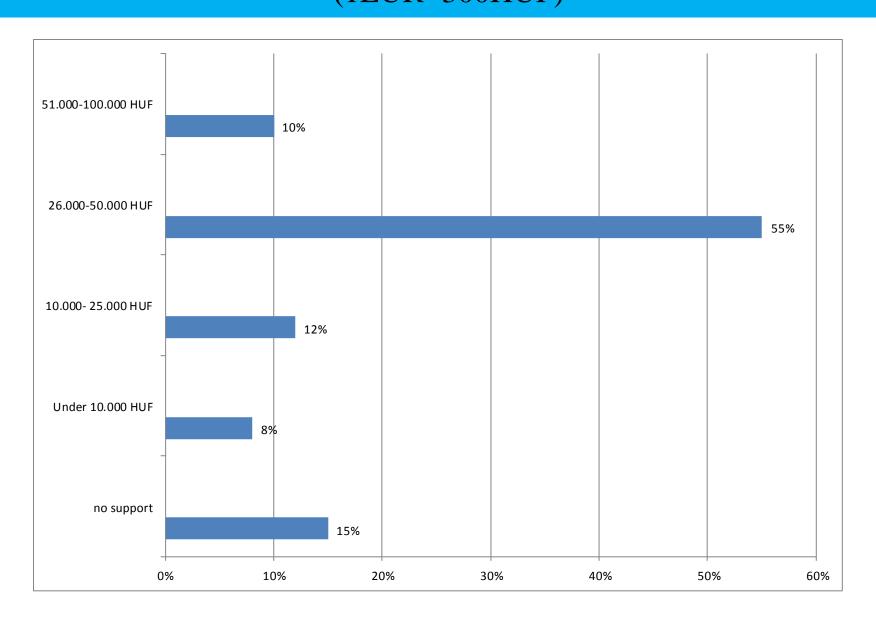
## How often do they meet



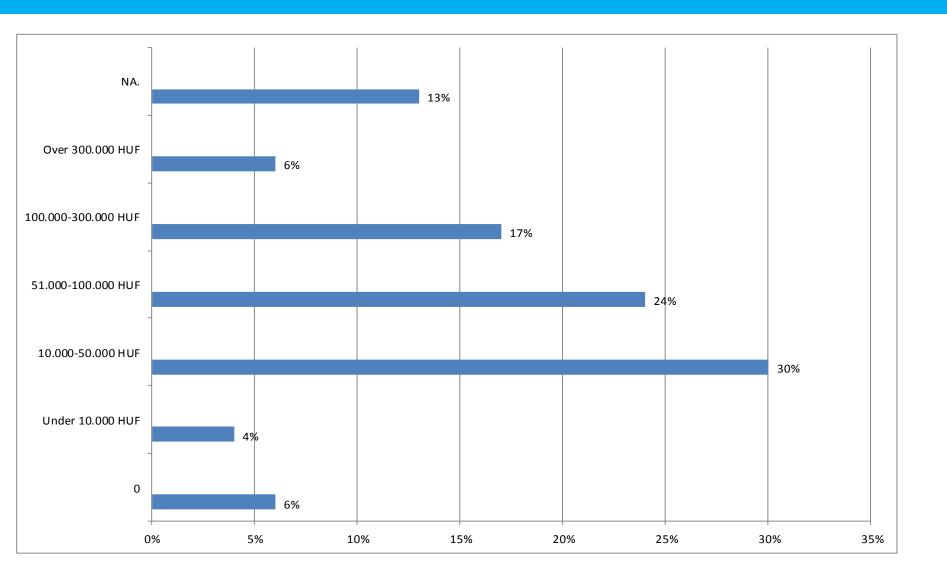
## How often do they phone



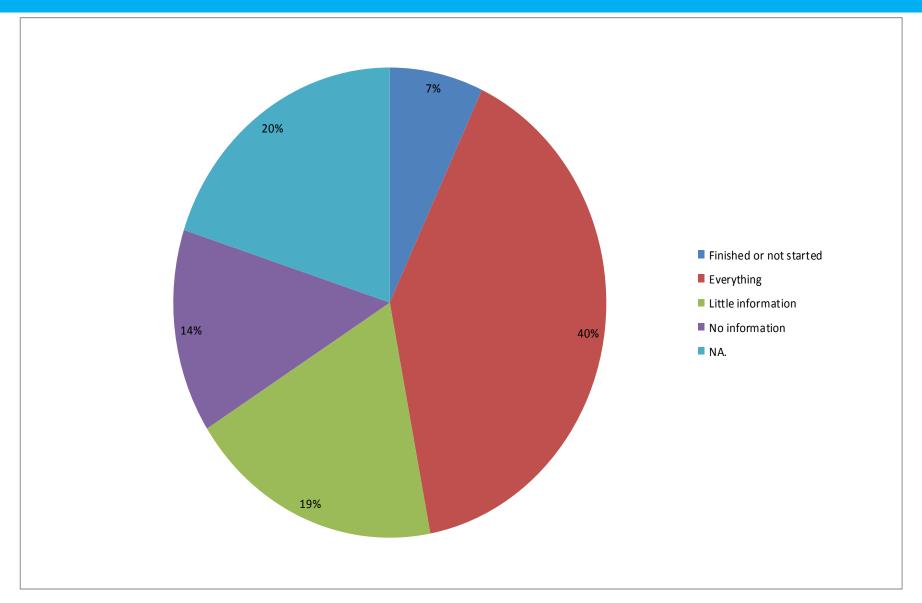
## How much does the incarceration cost to the family (1EUR=300HUF)



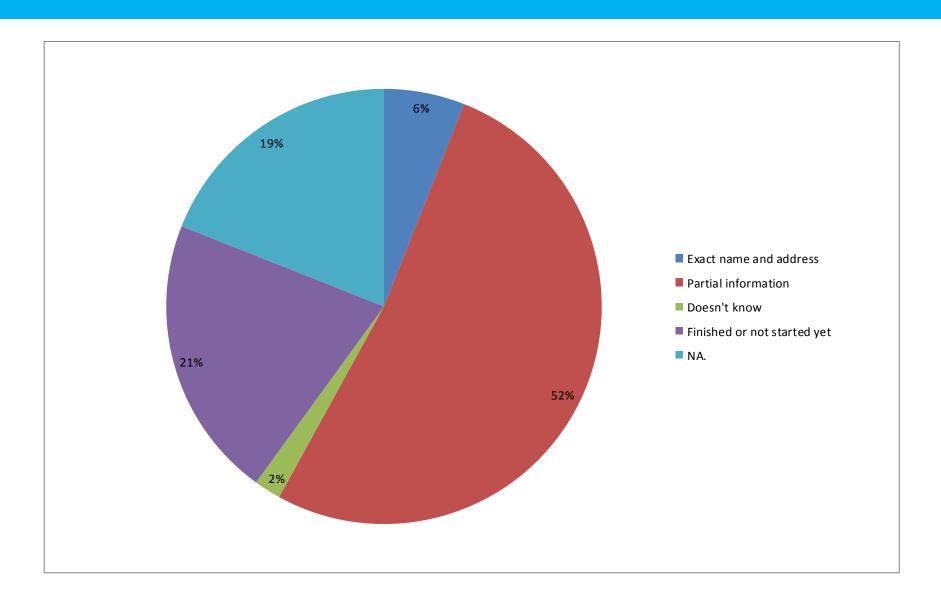
#### How much was the mother's average monthly income



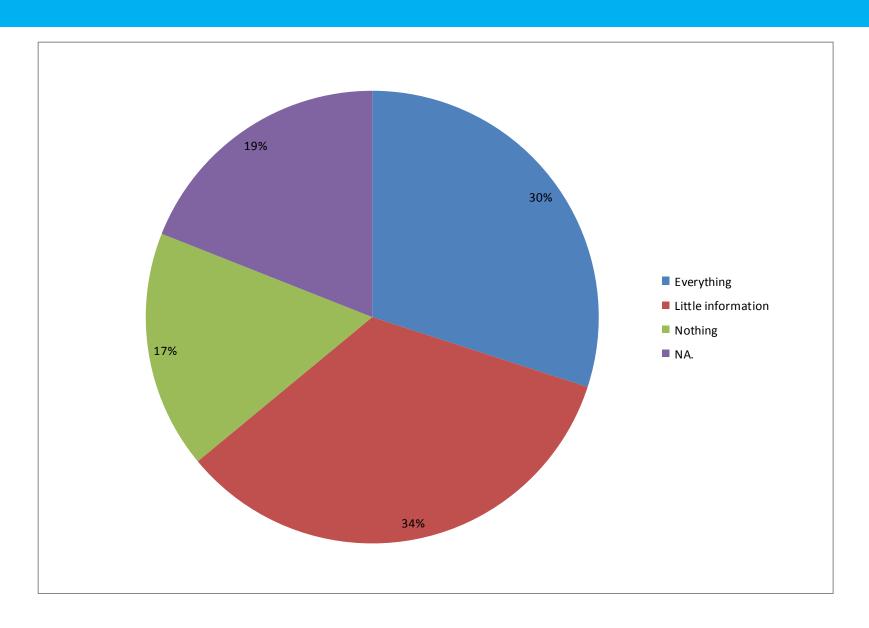
## What does the mother know about the child's school results



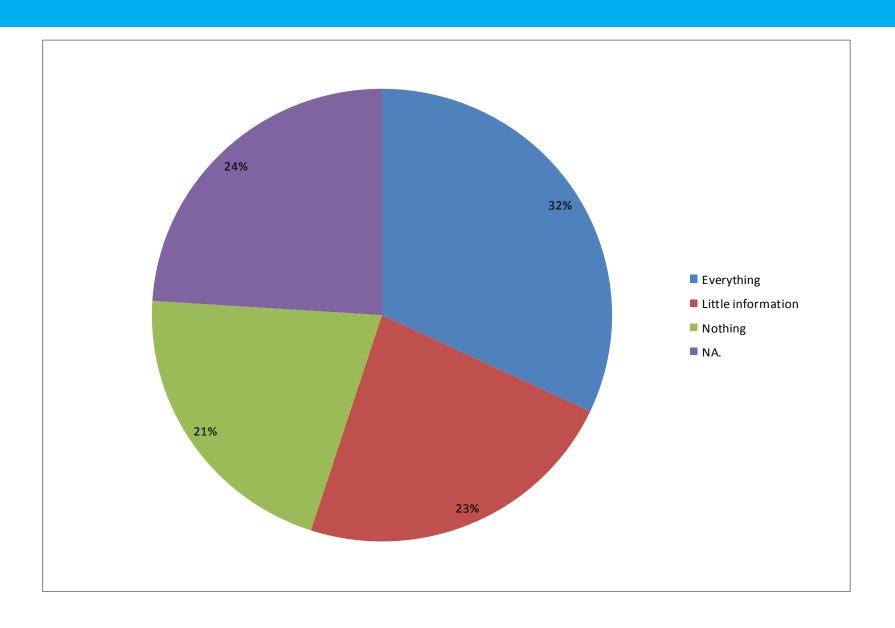
### Where does the child study (checking the previous answer)



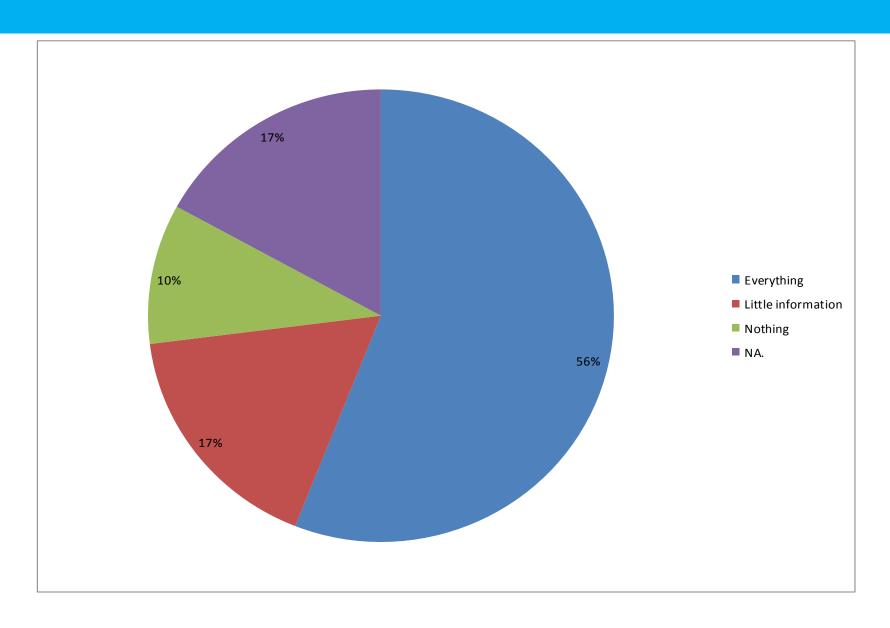
## What does the mother know about the child's problems



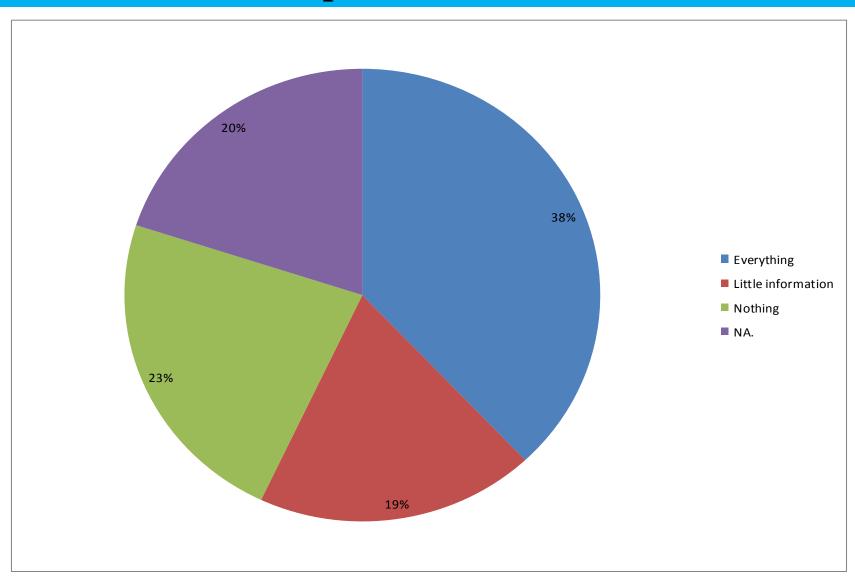
#### What does the mother know about the child's friends



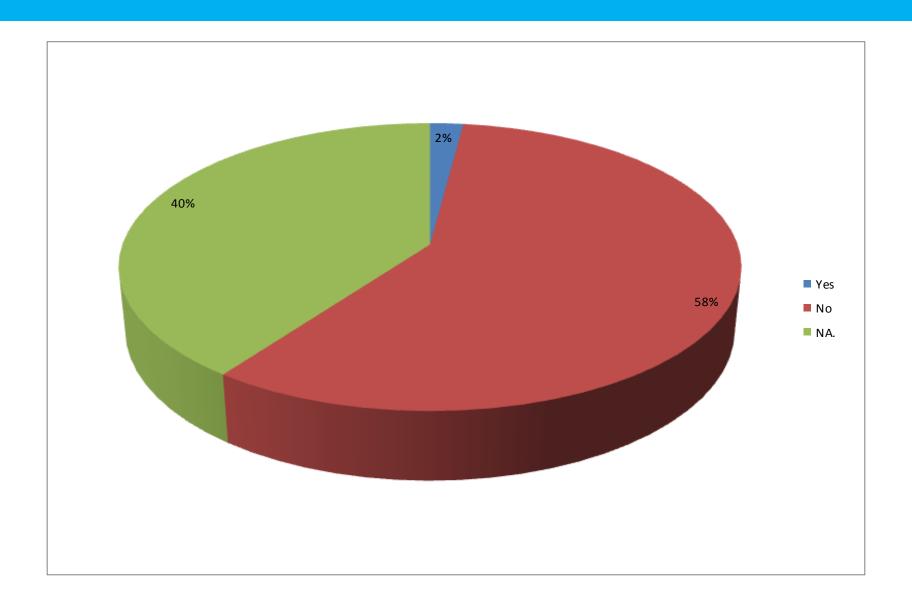
#### What does the mother know about the child's health



# What does the mother know about the child's plans/dreams



#### Has the child been incarcerated



### Something has to be done!

- But what?
- ... and who should be doing it?

• the social role of the prison

#### 2010 Storybook Mums

- 2006 England Storybook Dads
- 2010 Eger 28 inmates
- Preparing CD for Christmas

#### Aims:

- strengthening family bonds,
- strengthening social relationships,
- improving reading skills,
- improving self-expression.

#### **2011 Storybook Mums**

- 26 inmates
- regular story telling for disabled children
   (inmates visit the home for disabled children every month)
- restorative element

### **2012** one big step...

Summer camp for incarcerated mothers and their children:

- 1 generous offer
- 5 mothers
- 13 children
- 10 days
- 1 experience of a lifetime...

#### 2013 involving families

- including 5 families
- 17 children
- regular programmes and support
- social inclusion
- organizing family days

#### 2014 working with families

- 15 families
- over 70 children
- scholarship programmes for the children
- regular visits and support
- regular feedback for the mother and the family
- financing family visits
- preparing the community
- specialised programmes according to the family's needs
- raising awareness

#### The benefits

- closer family relations
- providing a safe environment home
- more supportive community
- less recividism (1 out of the 86 participants so far)
- more relaxed atmosphere in the prison
- statistically less disciplinary cases (hardly any)
- raising awareness
- happier families, happier community ...



## Thank you for your attention!

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