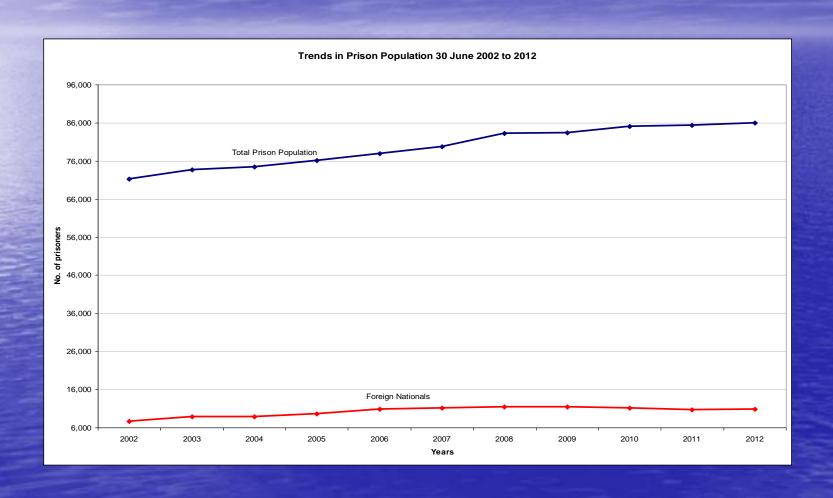
# GRAHAM WILKINSON National Offender Management Service

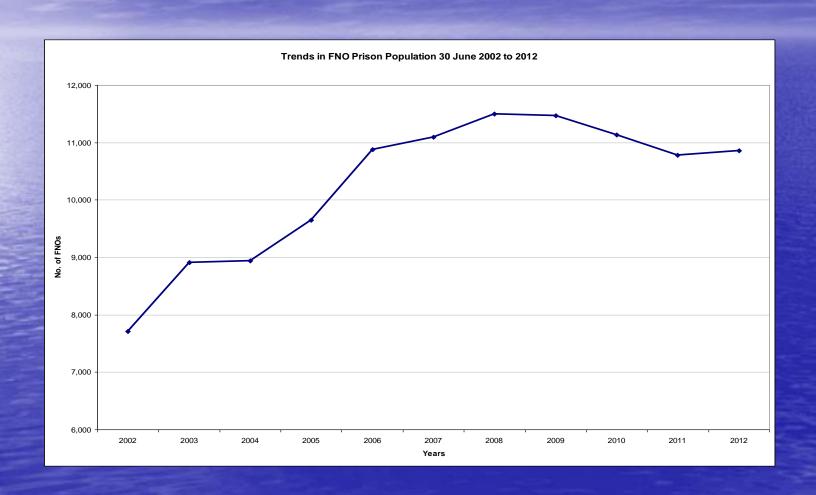
Admission, allocation, and regime of foreign prisoners – the UK perspective

## OVERVIEW OF THE PRISON POPULATION

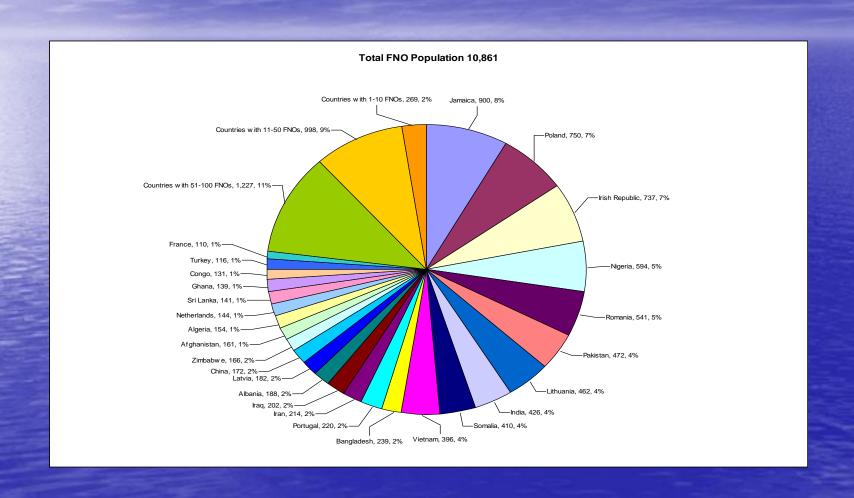
### Trends in Prison Population



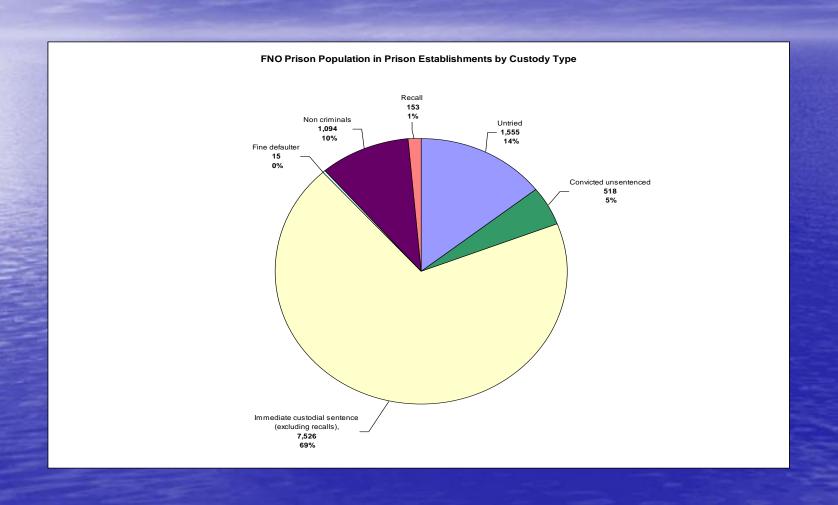
### TEN YEAR TREND



### Breakdown of FNO Population



#### FNO POPULATION CUSTODY TYPE



## Admission of Foreign National Offenders

#### Admission to prison

- Identifying & Recording of nationality
   Nationality self declared
- Identification of Immigration Status
   All foreign national prisoners referred to the UK Border Agency within 5 days of Sentence
- Contact with Embassy
   Prisoners are given facilities to contact Embassy.
- Provision of information
   Information available in different languages

## ALLOCATION OF FOREIGN NATIONAL OFFENDERS

#### Allocation

- Foreign National Offenders are first and foremost prisoners.
- They are allocated to prisons in the same way as British nationals according to their sentence length and their security needs.
- All prisoners are categorised. They are assigned the lowest security category consistent with managing their needs in terms of security and control at all stages of the sentence.
- It is open to foreign national offenders to progress to the lowest security category.
- Prisoners of interest to the United Kingdom Border Agency may be allocated to designated Foreign National Offender accommodation.

## PRISON REGIME FOR FOREIGN NATIONAL OFFENDERS

### Regime

Foreign National Offenders are first and foremost prisoners

They have the same rights to access services and interventions as British nationals subject to their individual needs.

Prisons are encouraged to have in place a policy for the management of foreign national offenders

## Barriers & Needs of Foreign National Offenders

#### Language

Prisoners with poor English skills should be supported and encouraged to learn English.

#### Tackling Isolation

Use of peer support and Prisoner Forums

#### Sentence Planning and Resettlement

Need to plan for resettlement in either the UK or abroad

#### Prisoner transfer/Early Release

Is it in the best interest of the prisoner to serve sentence in his country of nationality.