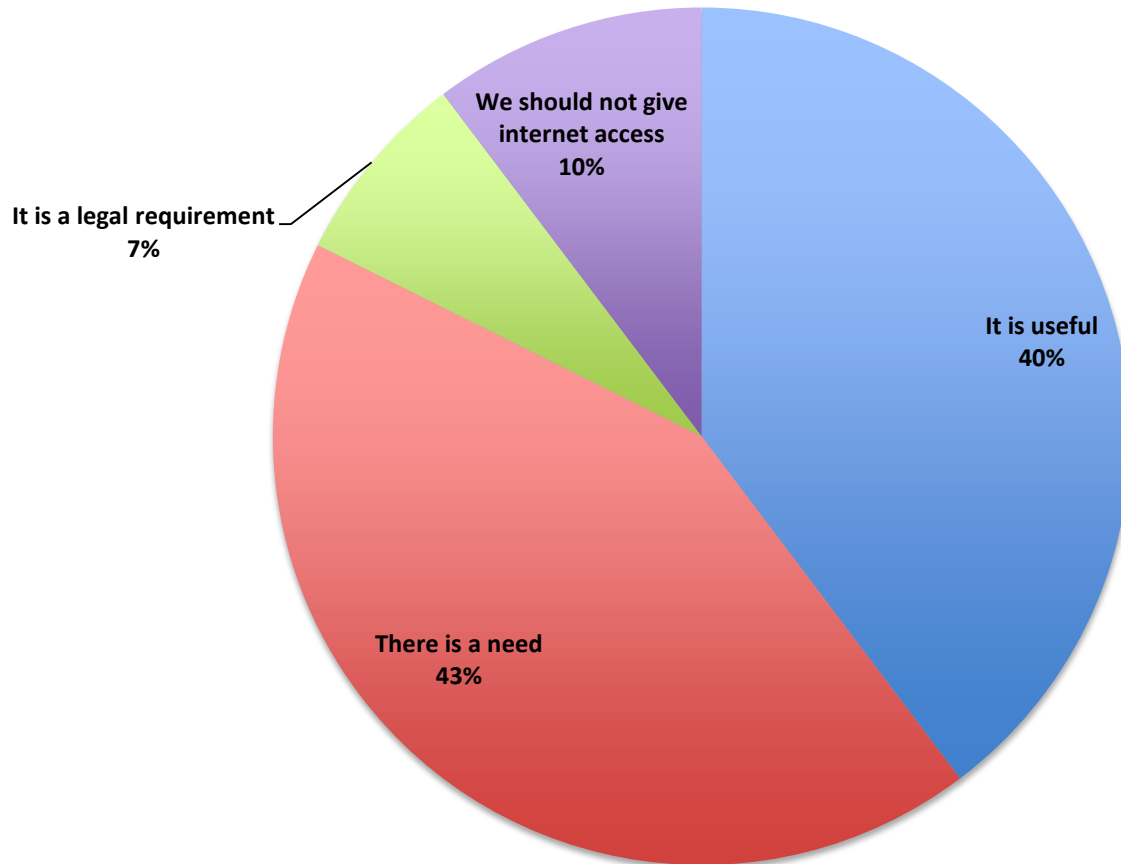# Expert Attitudes Towards Digitization in the Penal Landscape
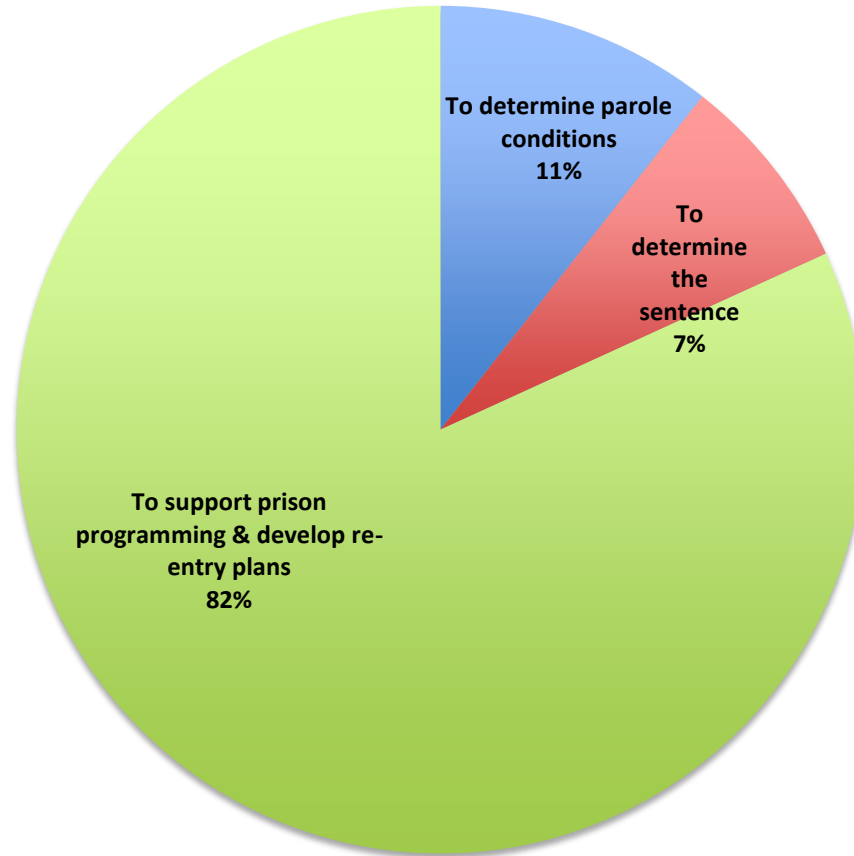
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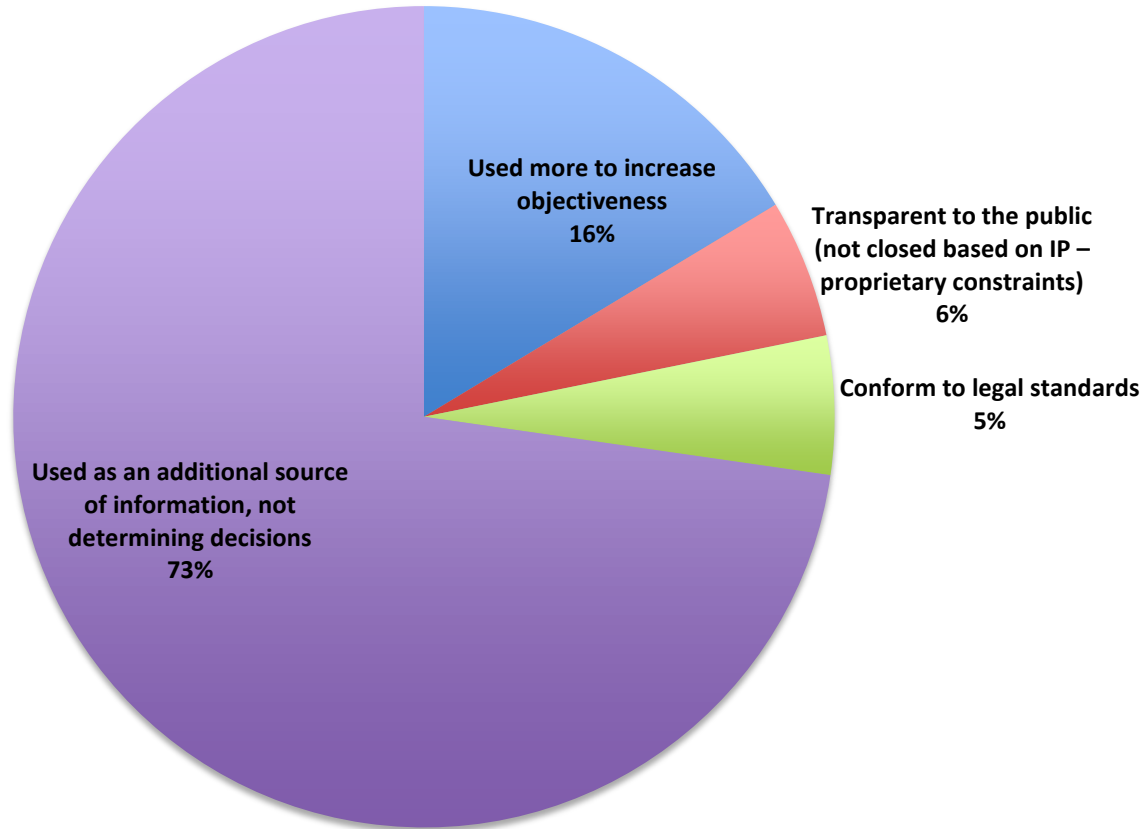
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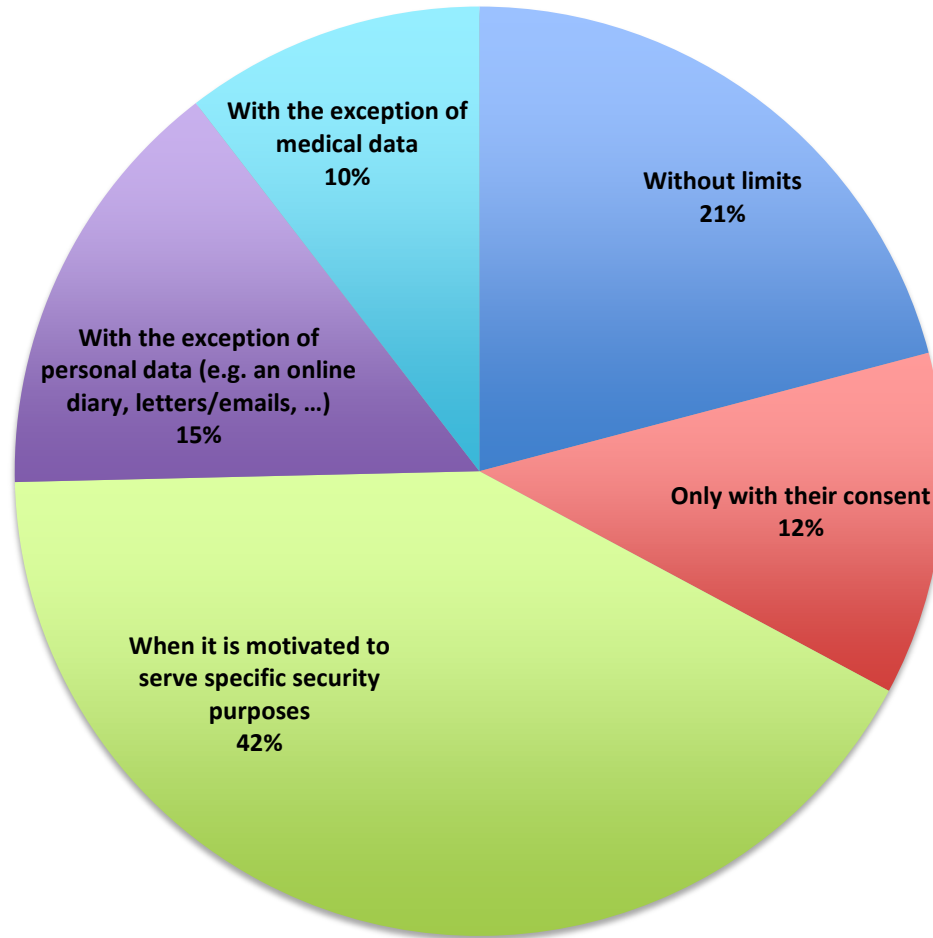

- It is useful — 40%
- There is a need — 43%
- It is a legal requirement — 7%
- We should not give internet access — 10%

Risk assessment tools based on predictive alogorithms can be used...

Predictive alogorithms need to be...

We can gather and use data about prisoners and offenders…

- Without limits — 21%
- Only with their consent — 12%
- When it is motivated to serve specific security purposes — 42%
- With the exception of personal data (e.g. an online diary, letters/emails, …) — 15%
- With the exception of medical data — 10%

Access to technology should mainly be determined by....

What families can pay for
2%

Competence and ability
3%

Risk
16%

Needs
79%