

# Justice sector issues

## ANALYSIS

- This slide serves to examine the issues pertaining to the justice sector. Online mentions of Secretary of State for Justice Robert Buckland and former Secretary of State for Justice David Gauke in relation to the justice sector are highlighted, while social media mentions focus on posts by MPs and the MoJ about the justice sector.
- Similarly to the Justice sector, a key theme was David Gauke pushing for some offenders to have their criminal records wiped in order to help them find jobs. According to Gauke a regular pay cheque will prevent re-offences.
- Additionally, there was a big discussion surrounding the scrapping of short sentences, which, according to Gauke and the MoJ, would reduce reoffending costs. Given this information there was a major outcry after Johnson announced that thousands more prison places would be created to “properly punish” offenders.
- Other noteworthy topics around reoffending included: Ping pong helping prisoners turn the tables on violence and reoffending, as well as consideration by the MoJ to give female prisoners mobile phones and let their children live with them to stop them reoffending.
- Members of Labour and the Conservative Party were active in the discussion about reoffending. Liam Byrne of the Labour party was the top poster by volume. His tweets surrounded Multiple Disadvantage Day which aims to show people the full picture about individuals impacted by homelessness, addiction and reoffending amongst others. David Lammy (Labour) posted the top engaged post: he posited that young offenders are set up to fail - failure to provide education, housing and support makes reoffending more likely.

### Trending Articles

**MailOnline**

**Killers, sex offenders and drug dealers will have their criminal records wiped clean to help them find jobs, Justice Secretary says**

Dailymail.co.uk | 13 July 2019  
 Engagement (Combined): 29.7K  
 Engagement: 1.1K  
 Engagement: 28.6K

**INDEPENDENT**

**Dismay as Boris Johnson 'ignores evidence' with pledge to crack down on crime with thousands more prison places**

Independent.co.uk | 11 August 2019  
 Engagement (Combined): 2.8K  
 Engagement: 1K  
 Engagement: 1.8K

**The Guardian**

**Number of homeless women sent to prison doubles since 2015**

Financialtimes.com | 3 July 2019  
 Engagement (Combined): 2.6K  
 Engagement: 867  
 Engagement: 1.8K

### Trending Posts

David Lammy @DavidLammy

We're setting up young offenders to fail. On release they need education, housing and support. Failing to do so makes reoffending far more likely.

Young offenders 'set up to fail' on their release. Many do not have accommodation and support services in place when they leave, a report finds. @bbc.co.uk

9:33 AM · Aug 8, 2019 · Twitter for Android

166 Retweets 598 Likes

Ben Bradley MP @bbradleymp

@BorisJohnson absolutely right that as PM he would give "political top cover" to the #police to do what they need to do in order to deal with #KnifeCrime on our streets. Neighbourhood crime, youth reoffending down and public confidence in the police up when he was London Mayor

9:02 PM · Jun 26, 2019 · Twitter for Android

27 Retweets 70 Likes

David Gauke @DavidGauke

This is very sensible from @IainDale on the ineffectiveness of short prison sentences.

Iain Dale @IainDale · Jun 23  
 READ: My @EDP24 @EADT24 column...  
 Such a simple crime fix: we stop prisoners from reoffending  
 edp24.co.uk/features/simpl...

11:07 AM · Jun 24, 2019 from London, England · Twitter for iPhone

10 Retweets 47 Likes

Short prison sentences

homelessness

Criminal records wiped

'shameful' prison admission figures

Sport as anti-reoffending measure

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### Top Political Influencers by Volume

