

Appendix Four – the number of contraband items found in prisons between 2019/20 and 2020/21, broken down by contraband item.

Contraband item finds	2020/21¹	2019/20
Alcohol	149	288
Commercial alcohol	7	8
Homebrew ingredients	14	32
Homebrew substance	119	243
Other	9	5
Communications Device	382	522
Cell phone	177	245
Cell phone battery	12	15
Network device	3	5
Other	25	29
Phone charger	104	131
SIM card	61	97
Drugs	831	1,252
Amphetamine/ Methamphetamine	50	104
Cannabis leaf - less than 20 grams	191	274
Cannabis leaf - greater than 20 grams	18	23
Cannabis oil	38	65
Confirmed not drugs	2	4
Drug indication e.g. physical factors, smell	303	473
Other suspected/ Unidentified	83	112
Pills/ Tablets/ Capsules	126	170
Powder other	20	27
Drugs Paraphernalia	248	415
Drug storage item	25	37
Drugs recipe	2	2
Needles	8	28
Other	44	76
Smoking device	162	267
Weights/ Scales	7	5
Other	2,152	3,425
Drop-offs (in no other category)	8	13
Gang paraphernalia	88	140
Modified equipment	219	413
Money	6	7
Other	872	1,304

¹ As at 28 February 2021.

Pornography	37	45
Prescription medicine	272	386
Stockpiled goods	46	54
T-Bomb	27	31
Throwovers (in no other category)	27	29
Tobacco and smoking equipment	550	1,003
Tattoo Equipment	911	1,768
Ink	199	379
Tattoo	146	367
Tattoo needle	156	298
Tattooing device	410	724
Weapons	380	695
Ammunition / Explosives	5	6
CIE (employment) Tool	6	7
Club/ Baton	10	8
Firearm	2	4
Hobby tool	7	9
Improvised weapon (stabbing/ cutting)	277	549
Knife (not employment related)	32	45
Other	34	67
Plans/ Instructions (e.g. for weapons/ bombs etc.)	-	-
Recreational equipment	7	-
Total	5,053	8,365

Notes:

Each incident within the data provided is categorised by staff at the prison where contraband was found. When reviewing these figures, please note that we rely on individual sites to enter information into a central system in an accurate and timely manner.

- CIE Tool: Find of any industry item in unauthorised area that could be used as a weapon (e.g. knife from kitchen or screwdriver from workshop)
- Confirmed not drugs: Any item tested under suspicion of being drugs that is confirmed as not being drugs
- Drop-offs (in no other category): Any incident where drugs or other contraband is 'dropped off' outside the perimeter fence
- Hobby tool: Find of any hobby tool in an unauthorised area that could be used as a weapon (e.g. chisel, screwdriver)
- Powder other: Find of powder substance suspected to be illicit drugs
- T-Bomb: Find of any modified electrical item used for the heating of water
- Throwovers (in no other category): Any incident where drugs or other contraband is 'thrown' across the perimeter fence.
- Other: may include the unauthorised possession of
 - Pornography
 - Money

- Gang paraphernalia
- Stockpiled goods
- Prescription medicine
- Modified equipment
- Tobacco & smoking equipment or any related items
- Any other illegal / illicit / banned item not listed above.