

Quarterly Analysis – Q1 2026/27

● TOTAL RECORDS

919

● RECOMMENDATIONS

644

● GOOD PRACTICE

275

● REPORTS

71

REPORT MIX

Monitoring  38

Inspection  30

Thematic  3

Recommendation thematic tags

Maintenance

Governance

Staff training and oversight

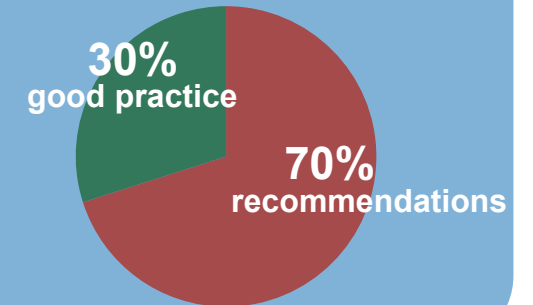
Good practice thematic tags

Wellbeing support

Staff-detainee relationships

Staff training and oversight

RECORD COMPOSITION



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PRISONS

44 reports | 413 recommendations | 204 good practice

CONCERNS Maintenance • Progression • Funding

STRENGTHS Wellbeing support • Staff-detainee relationships • Progression

Persistent structural pressures alongside stable relational strengths.

IMMIGRATION DETENTION

8 reports | 78 recommendations | 18 good practice

CONCERNS Time in detention • Governance • Maintenance

STRENGTHS Staff training and oversight • Safeguarding • Staff-detainee relationships

Ongoing concerns around indeterminate detention and detainee oversight with stable day-to-day care from staff.

POLICE CUSTODY

7 reports | 50 recommendations | 21 good practice

CONCERNS Staff training and oversight • Data recording • Safeguarding

STRENGTHS Data recording • Disabilities • Staff training and oversight

Staff training and data recording remain closely scrutinised. Positive individualised care for detainees by staff.

COURT CUSTODY

4 reports | 26 recommendations | 7 good practice

CONCERNS Data recording • Maintenance • Privacy

STRENGTHS Staff training and oversight • Wellbeing support • Access to information

While staff are commended, the physical estate creates unfavourable conditions.

SECURE CHILDREN'S ESTATE

5 reports | 45 recommendations | 15 good practice

CONCERNS Education • Staff training and oversight • Governance

STRENGTHS Staff training and oversight • Wellbeing support • Detainee consultation

Strong relationships between children and staff, but improvements needed in accessing quality education.

SECURE MENTAL HEALTH

4 reports | 32 recommendations | 10 good practice

CONCERNS Staff training and oversight • Governance • Maintenance

STRENGTHS Data recording • Staff training and oversight • Trauma-informed approach

Recording appears both a concern and an inspected strength.

CROSS-CUTTING MESSAGE:

Strong staff-detainee relationships and compassionate day-to-day care were frequently offset by structural issues like maintenance and prolonged detention. Recurring concerns around staff training and data recording highlight the need for stronger oversight and accountability.