



Weighted cases
Unweighted cases

Total	Vote in 2019 GE			Age			
	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	18-24	25-49	50-64	65+
7696	2516	1862	654	808	3178	1901	1809
7696	2670	1896	656	532	3230	2026	1908
%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Figures reported below represent the percentage of weighted cases that chose each punishment when we showed a version of the profile of the individual found to possess drugs which included the feature named.

The police have stopped someone and found them to be in possession of a drug that is currently illegal in the UK. The details of the individual and their offence are detailed below.

Which of the following punishments, if any, do you think is MOST appropriate for this individual?

No punishment	10	5	15	8	13	14	8	4
Community service	16	14	19	24	12	17	16	17
A caution on their criminal record	11	11	14	13	7	11	11	14
A small fine	8	6	9	7	10	10	7	4
A large fine	15	18	13	14	14	12	16	19
A prison sentence of up to six months	14	14	12	13	18	13	13	14
A prison sentence of up to a year	7	8	5	4	9	7	6	8
A prison sentence of one to two years	6	6	5	5	5	5	6	6
A prison sentence of three to four years	4	5	3	4	4	4	5	4
A prison sentence of five to six years	3	5	2	3	3	3	5	3
A prison sentence of seven to eight years	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1
A prison sentence of nine to ten years	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	2
More than ten years in prison	3	5	1	2	4	3	4	3
TOTAL PRISON SENTENCE	39	46	30	34	45	37	42	41

DRUG:

[Respondents were randomly allocated to see one of five different drugs at each trial]

Found in possession of: MDMA (ecstasy)

No punishment	9	5	15	6	10	14	7	4
Community service	17	16	22	23	7	19	18	19
A caution on their criminal record	11	11	14	15	5	11	11	15
A small fine	8	6	8	9	12	9	9	5
A large fine	14	17	13	12	15	11	17	18
A prison sentence of up to six months	12	13	12	12	17	12	10	13
A prison sentence of up to a year	7	9	5	7	9	7	7	8
A prison sentence of one to two years	6	7	6	6	6	6	5	7
A prison sentence of three to four years	4	5	2	2	7	3	5	5
A prison sentence of five to six years	3	5	2	2	4	3	4	3
A prison sentence of seven to eight years	1	0	0	2	5	1	1	1
A prison sentence of nine to ten years	1	1	0	1	0	1	2	1
More than ten years in prison	4	4	1	3	3	4	4	3
TOTAL PRISON SENTENCE	39	45	29	35	51	36	39	40

Found in possession of: Cannabis

No punishment	20	12	30	15	24	28	18	9
Community service	15	15	13	20	9	14	13	20
A caution on their criminal record	14	16	14	17	8	13	14	20
A small fine	9	8	13	10	6	13	9	5
A large fine	15	18	12	13	15	11	20	16
A prison sentence of up to six months	12	11	10	11	25	9	11	11
A prison sentence of up to a year	4	6	3	3	3	4	4	7
A prison sentence of one to two years	3	5	1	3	4	2	4	6
A prison sentence of three to four years	2	1	2	1	2	2	2	1
A prison sentence of five to six years	2	3	1	1	1	2	2	2
A prison sentence of seven to eight years	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	0
A prison sentence of nine to ten years	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
More than ten years in prison	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	2
TOTAL PRISON SENTENCE	26	30	18	25	39	21	26	29

Found in possession of: Heroin

No punishment	5	3	10	7	7	7	3	3
Community service	17	12	21	28	19	18	17	15
A caution on their criminal record	10	9	12	11	6	10	11	10
A small fine	5	3	6	2	11	6	4	2
A large fine	13	17	10	11	10	11	12	18
A prison sentence of up to six months	16	16	15	15	16	15	16	19
A prison sentence of up to a year	8	10	6	3	9	8	7	10
A prison sentence of one to two years	8	8	7	7	11	8	7	8
A prison sentence of three to four years	6	8	5	6	4	6	7	5
A prison sentence of five to six years	4	4	4	4	2	3	4	3
A prison sentence of seven to eight years	1	2	1	2	0	1	2	2
A prison sentence of nine to ten years	3	4	2	3	1	2	3	3
More than ten years in prison	4	5	2	1	5	5	5	3
TOTAL PRISON SENTENCE	50	56	42	41	48	47	52	53

Found in possession of: Cocaine

No punishment	7	4	9	3	10	10	5	2
Community service	15	12	21	19	12	18	12	16
A caution on their criminal record	10	10	14	14	5	9	13	13
A small fine	8	5	7	11	9	9	7	6
A large fine	18	21	17	20	15	15	17	24
A prison sentence of up to six months	14	16	10	10	16	14	13	13
A prison sentence of up to a year	7	7	7	4	13	8	6	5
A prison sentence of one to two years	5	5	4	5	4	5	7	5
A prison sentence of three to four years	4	5	3	6	4	4	6	4
A prison sentence of five to six years	4	6	3	3	3	3	8	4
A prison sentence of seven to eight years	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	1
A prison sentence of nine to ten years	1	2	0	1	1	1	2	2
More than ten years in prison	4	6	2	2	5	3	4	6
TOTAL PRISON SENTENCE	42	48	31	33	49	38	47	40

Found in possession of: Ketamine

No punishment	8	2	12	9	10	11	6	2
Community service	16	12	19	28	12	16	18	16
A caution on their criminal record	11	10	15	7	10	13	9	10
A small fine	9	7	11	4	13	11	7	4
A large fine	15	17	14	15	15	14	16	17
A prison sentence of up to six months	14	16	10	17	13	13	14	16
A prison sentence of up to a year	8	10	6	3	11	6	7	10
A prison sentence of one to two years	6	6	7	4	3	5	7	8
A prison sentence of three to four years	5	6	4	4	4	5	4	7
A prison sentence of five to six years	4	5	1	4	3	3	5	4
A prison sentence of seven to eight years	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	2
A prison sentence of nine to ten years	1	2	0	1	2	0	1	3
More than ten years in prison	3	5	0	3	4	2	5	3
TOTAL PRISON SENTENCE	42	52	30	38	40	35	44	52

INTENT

[Each respondent was randomly allocated to see one of three different intentions behind possession the drug at each trial]

Possession is intended for personal use only

No punishment	13	6	22	12	15	17	11	6
Community service	20	19	20	33	12	20	19	24
A caution on their criminal record	16	17	21	16	8	17	17	17
A small fine	10	9	10	7	17	11	11	4
A large fine	15	19	11	12	15	12	16	20
A prison sentence of up to six months	11	13	7	10	12	10	10	13
A prison sentence of up to a year	5	6	3	3	10	4	3	5
A prison sentence of one to two years	3	4	2	3	4	3	4	3
A prison sentence of three to four years	2	3	1	3	1	2	3	3
A prison sentence of five to six years	2	2	2	1	2	1	2	2
A prison sentence of seven to eight years	1	0	0	2	0	1	1	0
A prison sentence of nine to ten years	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
More than ten years in prison	2	2	1	1	2	2	3	2
TOTAL PRISON SENTENCE	26	31	16	22	33	22	26	29

Possession is intended for personal use and use by friends

No punishment	12	6	18	8	20	16	10	4
Community service	18	15	24	26	17	18	19	18
A caution on their criminal record	13	13	13	17	5	11	14	19
A small fine	10	7	13	11	9	12	8	8
A large fine	16	19	13	14	15	13	17	20
A prison sentence of up to six months	11	13	10	9	10	11	11	12
A prison sentence of up to a year	6	8	4	3	6	6	6	7
A prison sentence of one to two years	4	5	2	3	5	4	5	5
A prison sentence of three to four years	3	4	2	2	3	3	3	3
A prison sentence of five to six years	2	4	1	1	3	1	2	2
A prison sentence of seven to eight years	1	1	0	1	2	0	1	0
A prison sentence of nine to ten years	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
More than ten years in prison	3	4	0	3	5	3	3	2
TOTAL PRISON SENTENCE	31	39	19	23	34	29	31	32

Possession is intended for selling to the public

No punishment	4	3	6	2	4	8	3	1
Community service	10	7	14	12	7	12	9	8
A caution on their criminal record	5	3	7	5	7	6	4	5
A small fine	4	2	4	3	4	5	3	2
A large fine	14	16	15	17	12	12	16	16
A prison sentence of up to six months	19	17	17	20	30	17	18	19
A prison sentence of up to a year	11	12	9	8	11	10	10	12
A prison sentence of one to two years	10	9	11	10	8	9	10	12
A prison sentence of three to four years	7	9	7	7	7	7	8	8
A prison sentence of five to six years	7	9	5	7	4	6	10	6
A prison sentence of seven to eight years	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	3
A prison sentence of nine to ten years	2	3	1	4	1	2	3	3
More than ten years in prison	5	8	2	3	5	5	6	6
TOTAL PRISON SENTENCE	63	69	54	61	67	58	66	68

CRIMINAL RECORD

[Each respondent was randomly allocated to see one of five different criminal histories at each trial]

Criminal record: Has one drug related offence on their criminal record

No punishment	10	5	13	8	16	13	9	4
Community service	16	13	23	25	9	17	16	20
A caution on their criminal record	10	7	13	14	3	9	11	13
A small fine	8	5	10	5	5	11	7	4
A large fine	16	19	13	14	22	12	21	16
A prison sentence of up to six months	14	17	10	10	16	14	12	16
A prison sentence of up to a year	8	10	4	5	13	8	6	6
A prison sentence of one to two years	6	6	6	6	5	6	4	8
A prison sentence of three to four years	4	5	4	1	4	3	5	5
A prison sentence of five to six years	3	5	1	4	1	2	5	3
A prison sentence of seven to eight years	1	1	1	3	3	1	2	0
A prison sentence of nine to ten years	1	2	0	1	1	1	2	2
More than ten years in prison	3	5	1	4	3	3	2	4
TOTAL PRISON SENTENCE	40	50	27	34	45	39	38	44

Criminal record: Has several drug related offences on their criminal record

No punishment	8	3	14	9	12	12	6	4
Community service	15	11	19	19	10	18	12	15
A caution on their criminal record	6	5	8	7	3	6	6	6
A small fine	6	4	7	6	5	7	6	3
A large fine	13	15	11	13	9	13	12	17
A prison sentence of up to six months	16	18	15	21	22	14	15	17
A prison sentence of up to a year	9	9	10	4	12	9	7	10
A prison sentence of one to two years	8	8	6	7	10	6	8	7
A prison sentence of three to four years	7	8	5	7	6	6	9	8
A prison sentence of five to six years	5	6	3	3	7	4	5	5
A prison sentence of seven to eight years	1	1	0	3	0	1	2	1
A prison sentence of nine to ten years	2	3	1	1	0	1	3	3
More than ten years in prison	5	9	1	0	3	3	8	5
TOTAL PRISON SENTENCE	52	62	41	46	61	44	58	56

Criminal record: This is their first drug offence

No punishment	13	7	19	6	17	17	12	4
Community service	17	17	19	23	15	18	16	18
A caution on their criminal record	17	18	21	17	11	16	18	22
A small fine	9	8	10	4	17	9	8	5
A large fine	15	18	12	19	10	12	16	21
A prison sentence of up to six months	10	11	8	9	12	11	10	9
A prison sentence of up to a year	4	6	1	3	6	3	3	7
A prison sentence of one to two years	4	3	4	4	2	3	5	4
A prison sentence of three to four years	3	3	1	6	3	4	3	3
A prison sentence of five to six years	3	3	3	2	1	2	5	2
A prison sentence of seven to eight years	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1
A prison sentence of nine to ten years	1	1	0	2	0	1	1	1
More than ten years in prison	3	2	0	5	4	3	2	2
TOTAL PRISON SENTENCE	29	31	20	32	31	28	30	30

Criminal record: Has one non-violent non-drug related offence on their record

No punishment	10	5	16	9	13	13	8	5
Community service	16	14	16	24	18	15	18	16
A caution on their criminal record	14	16	14	11	8	15	13	16
A small fine	10	8	10	12	13	13	8	5
A large fine	15	18	16	13	12	14	16	18
A prison sentence of up to six months	13	13	11	14	14	10	14	14
A prison sentence of up to a year	6	6	5	4	3	4	5	10
A prison sentence of one to two years	5	5	4	7	4	4	6	4
A prison sentence of three to four years	3	3	3	1	3	3	3	2
A prison sentence of five to six years	3	4	2	3	0	3	3	2
A prison sentence of seven to eight years	2	2	1	1	3	1	1	3
A prison sentence of nine to ten years	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1
More than ten years in prison	4	5	2	0	8	4	4	3
TOTAL PRISON SENTENCE	35	39	28	31	36	30	37	39

Criminal record: Has one violent non-drug related offence on their record

No punishment	9	5	14	5	5	14	7	3
Community service	16	13	18	27	9	17	15	16
A caution on their criminal record	10	8	12	14	10	9	10	11
A small fine	7	5	8	8	12	8	7	3
A large fine	16	20	14	11	15	12	18	22
A prison sentence of up to six months	15	13	13	13	24	13	14	15
A prison sentence of up to a year	8	11	7	6	8	8	9	8
A prison sentence of one to two years	6	8	5	3	5	5	7	9
A prison sentence of three to four years	4	5	3	4	3	3	4	4
A prison sentence of five to six years	4	6	3	2	4	4	5	4
A prison sentence of seven to eight years	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
A prison sentence of nine to ten years	1	2	1	3	2	1	1	2
More than ten years in prison	3	3	2	2	3	3	3	2
TOTAL PRISON SENTENCE	42	48	34	34	48	39	43	45