“Positively engaging Children and Young People through Restorative Approaches”

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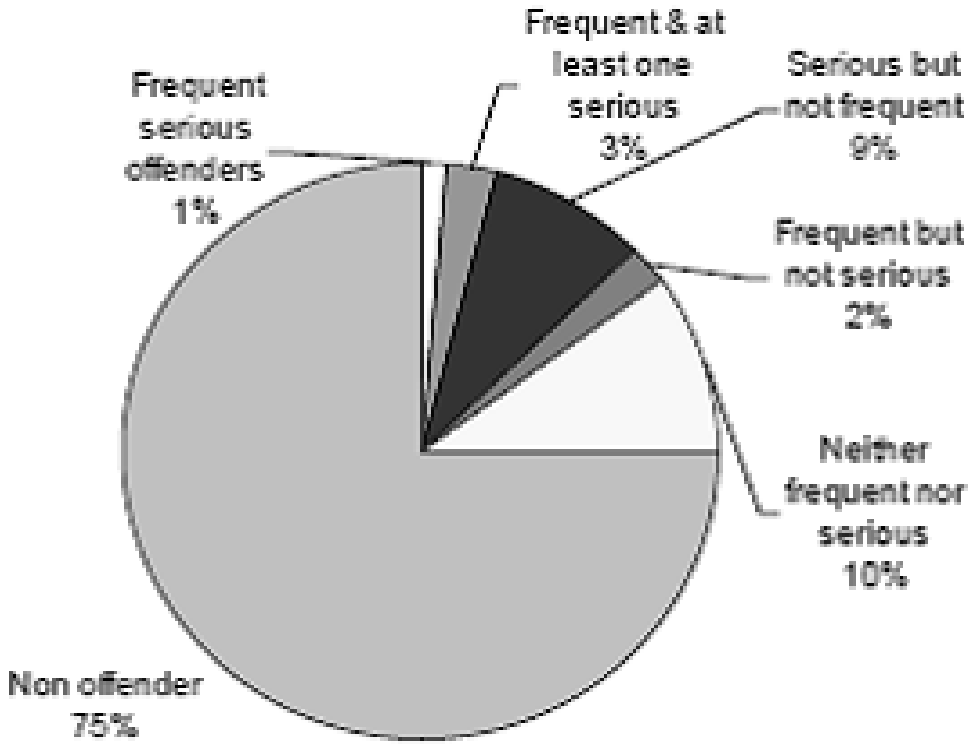
Policing Priorities

- The National Public Confidence Priority
- 34 APACS Measures

Title	PSA	SPI Number	NI Number
Satisfaction with Service Delivery	24	1.1	
Dealing with Local Concerns	23	2.2	21
Perception of ASB	23	4.1	17
Perception of Drunk / Rowdy Behaviour	25	4.2	41
Youth Re-Offending	23	11.2	111
First Time Entrants (Youth)	14	11.3	111
PPO Re-Offending	23	10.1	30

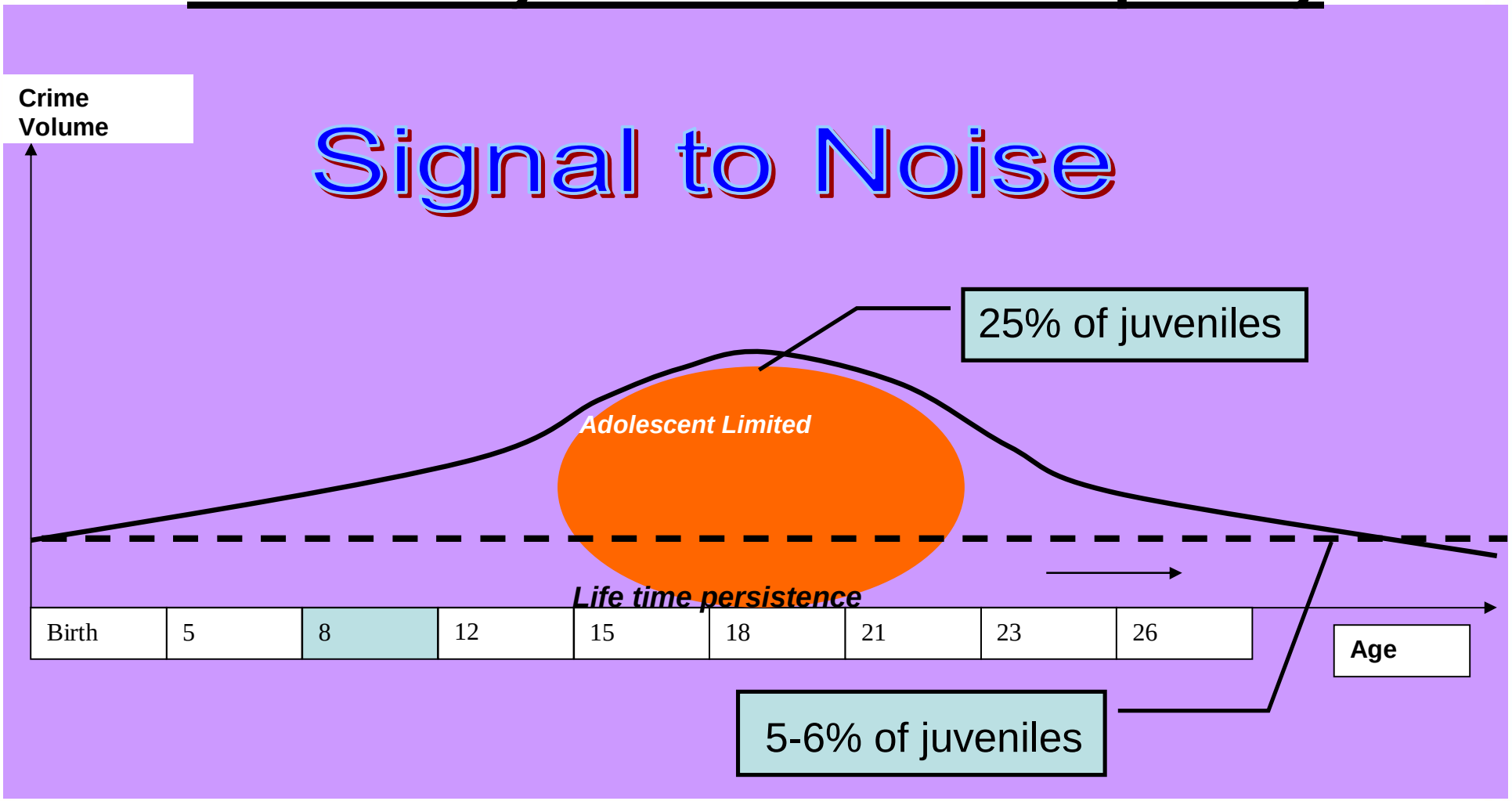
Juvenile 'Crime'

Figure 2.2 Offending status of young people aged from 10 to 25, 2005 OCJS

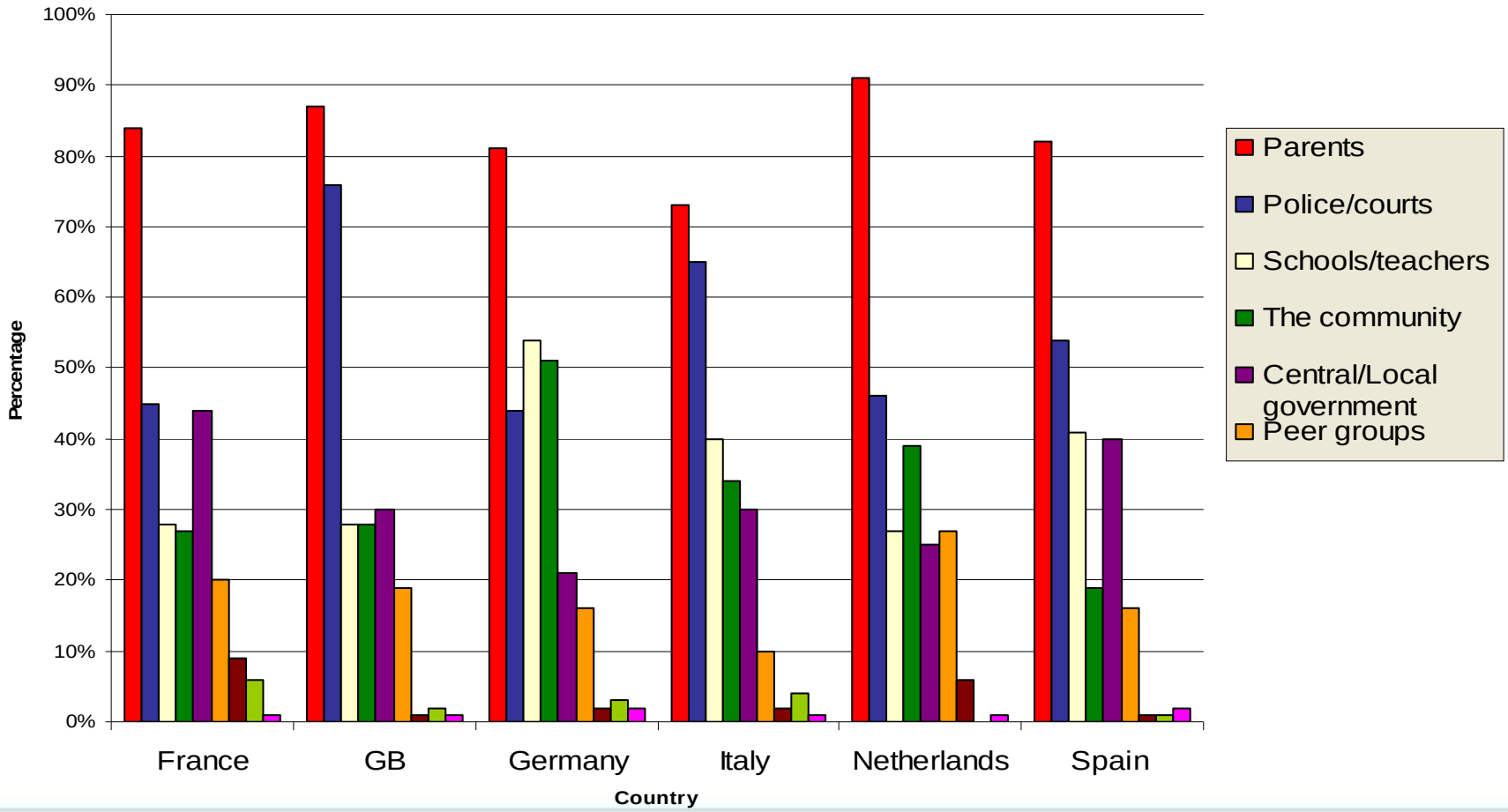


- 33% of all crimes are committed by 25% of juveniles

The Reality of Juvenile Delinquency



Responsibility for dealing with juvenile 'crime' and 'anti-social behaviour'



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Understanding Juvenile Offenders

'By age 3, and certainly by age 8, clear warning signs can be seen in children's behaviour that are strongly indicative of long-term problems and exclusion'

Social Exclusion unit report to PMSU August 2006

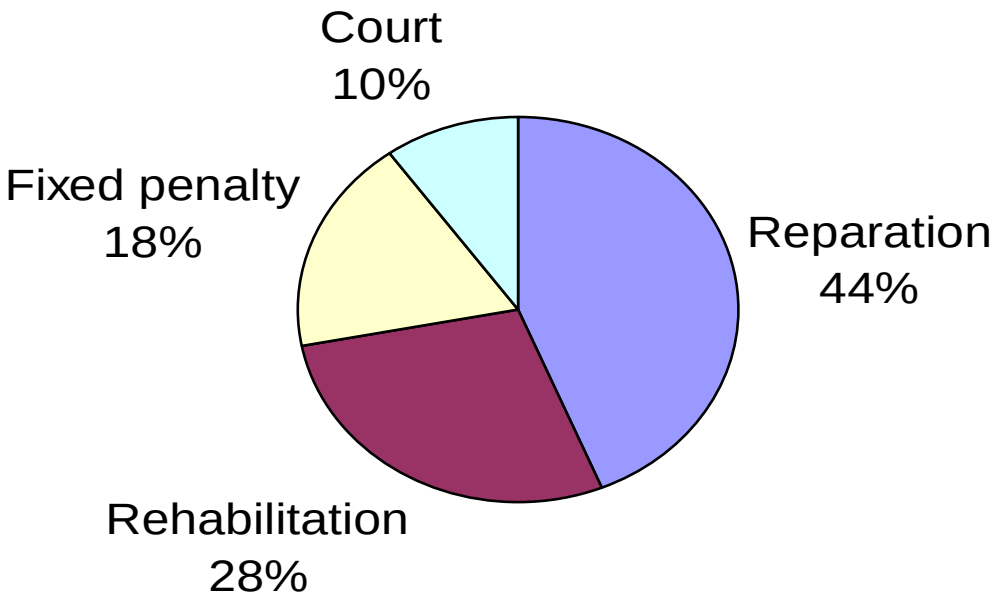
'Of the 6,000 young people taken into custody each year the profile is desperate street age 30, chronological age 16, reading age 10 and all have lost trust in the agencies responsible for their care'

Rod Morgan, Ex-'Youth Justice Board' Chairman

71% of custody leavers offend again within a year, 86% within 18 months

'Youth Justice Board of England and Wales' research

Public Opinion on addressing Juvenile Offending



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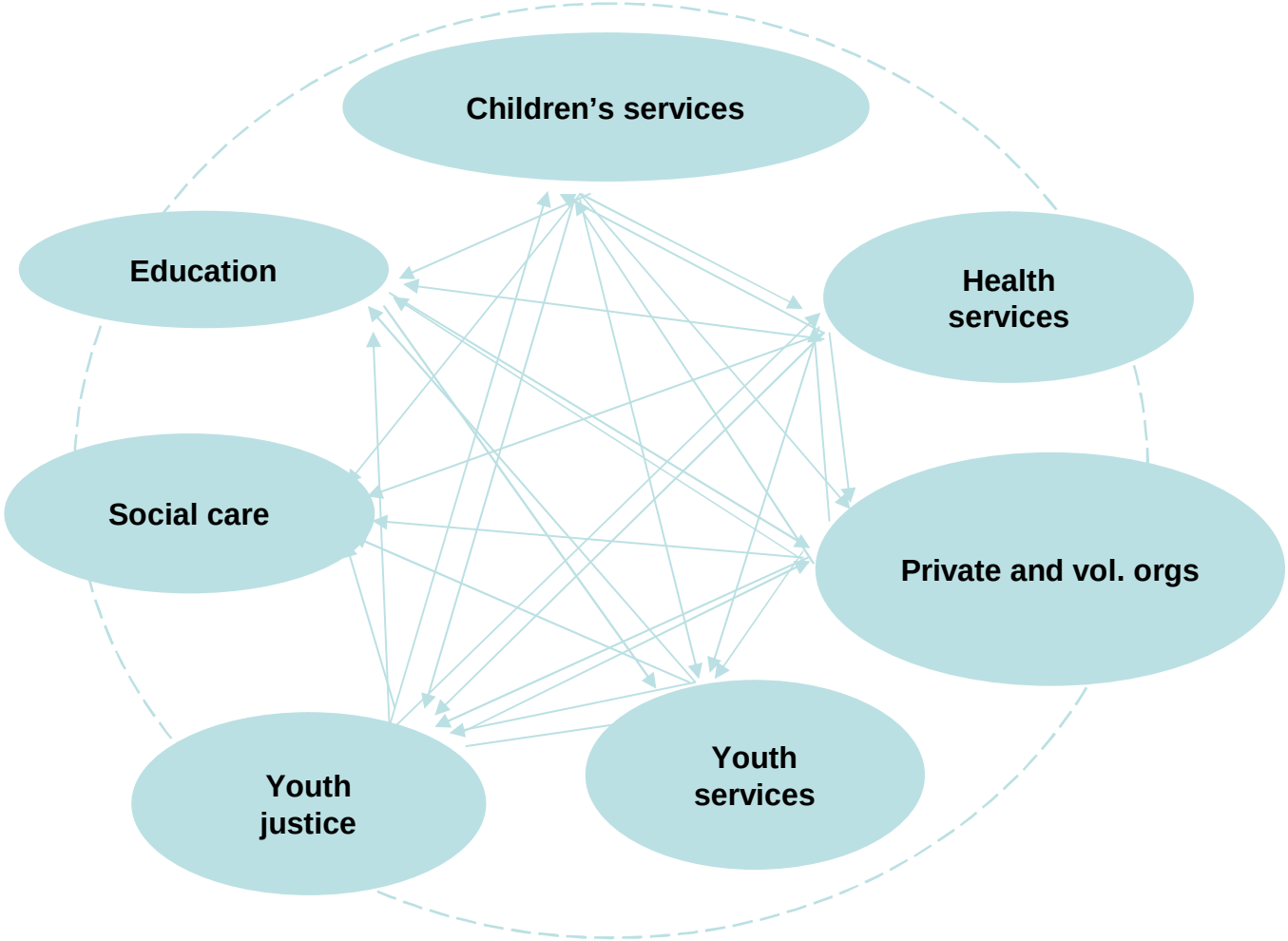
Restorative Partnerships



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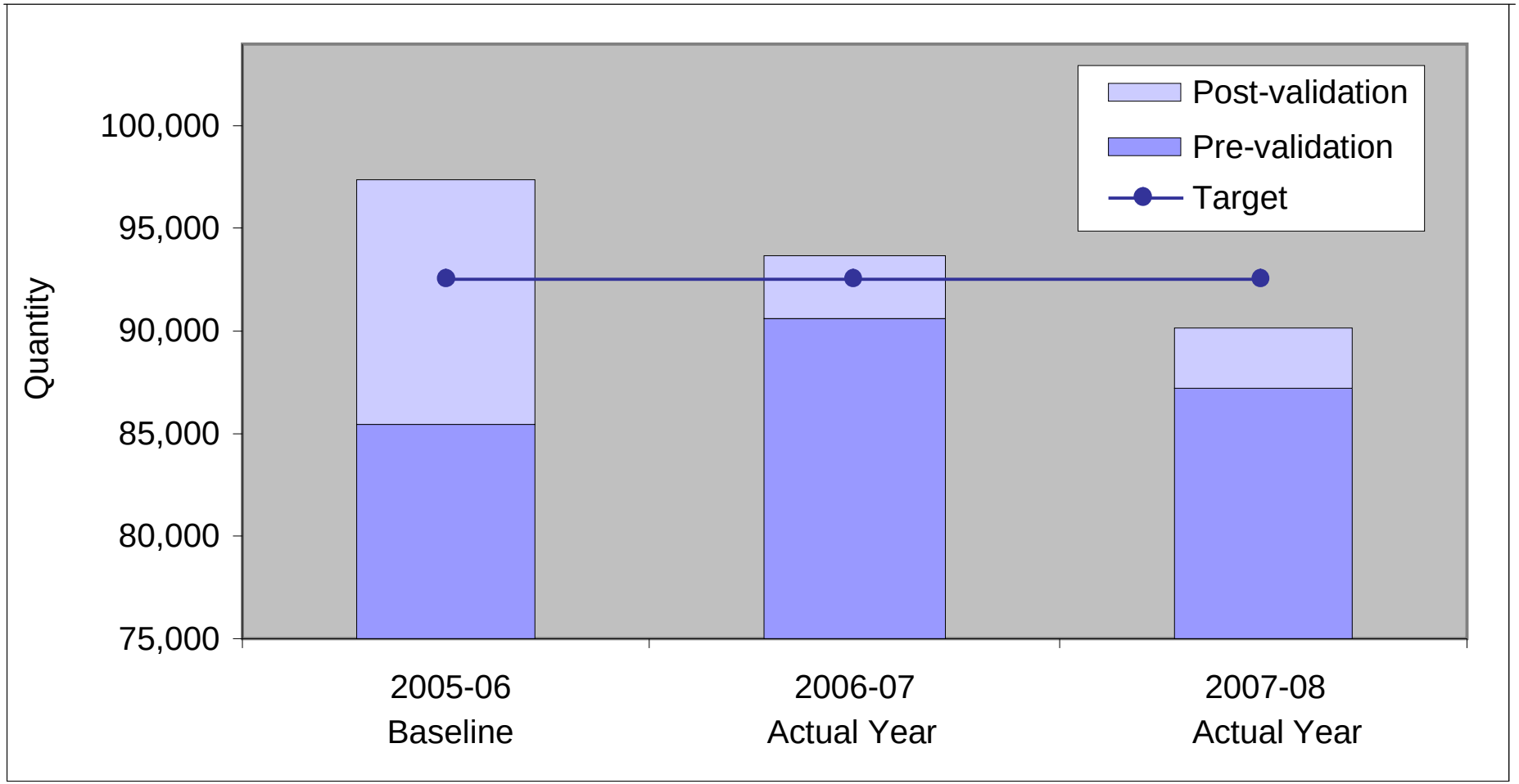
Restorative Opportunities

- Final Warnings
- Youth Conditional Cautions
- Panels (e.g., Referral Order Youth Offending Panels)
- Restorative Conferencing and Street Interventions
- Victim Offender Mediation
- Family Group Conferencing
- Safer Schools Partnerships
- Less formal approaches (e.g., in schools, care homes, custody, neighbourhood disposals)
- Secure estate and resettlement

The Results

- ✓ Re-Offending Rates:
  - ✓ Restorative Justice – 10.4%
  - ✓ Penalty Notices – 18%
  - ✓ Reprimands – 23%
  - ✓ Final Warnings – 16%
  - ✓ Conditional Cautions – 16%
  - *X* Custody – 71%
- ✓ Satisfaction rates of the victim – up to 89%
- ✓ Confidence rates of communities – up to 81%

Reducing 'First Time Entrants'



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Thank you…

…Questions?

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