



Fig. DS1. PRISMA Flow Diagram showing the flow of information through the different phases of a systematic review. It maps out the number of records identified, included, and excluded.

Table DS1. Study characteristics including sources of data, and study rating (using the Newcastle-Ottawa Quality Assessment Scale for Cohort Studies). Studies are rated out of maximum of six.

| Author | Year | Country | Region/Unit/ Hospital | Sample size | % male | Sources of data mortality | Sources of data for readmissions | Sources of data for convictions | Study Quality Score (max. 6) |
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| Jones ¹ | 2011 | UK | Broadmoor, Ashworth, Rampton | 4393 | 81.0 | Special Hospital Case Register | n/a | n/a | 6 |
| Davies ² | 2007 | UK | Arnold Lodge | 595 | 84.4 | The Office of National Statistics | Home Office Mental Health Unit, General Practitioner Registration Database | Offenders' Index, Police National Computer | 6 |
| Jamieson ³ | 2005 | UK | Broadmoor, Ashworth, Rampton | 223 | 82.0 | The Office of National Statistics | The Office of National Statistics | Offenders' Index, Police National Computer | 6 |
| Tabita ⁴ | 2012 | Sweden | Orebro County | 88 | 90.9 | National Cause of Death Register, Forensic Psychiatric Service Orebro | n/a | Swedish National Council for Crime Prevention | 6 |
| Steels ⁵ | 1998 | UK | Broadmoor, Ashworth, Rampton | 184 | 78.0 | Special Hospital Case Register | Special Hospital Case Register | Special Hospital Case Register, Home Office | 6 |

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| Maden⁶ | 1999 | UK | Denis Hill Unit, Bethlem Royal Hospital | 243 | 85.0 | Medical records | Medical records, NHS Central Record | Offenders' Index, Prison Service Records | 6 |
| Fioritti⁷ | 2006 | Italy | No information | No information | No information | No information | n/a | No information | 5 |
| Lund⁸ | 2013 | Sweden | Western Sweden | 163 | 100.0 | No information | n/a | National Council of Crime Prevention, Central Criminal Records of the National Police Board, National Prison and Probation Service | 6 |
| Edwards⁹ | 2002 | UK | Three Bridges | 152 | 85.3 | n/a | Home Office Mental Health Unit Medical Records | Offenders' Index, cross-referenced with case-notes | 6 |
| Simpson¹⁰ | 2006 | New Zealand | Auckland | 105 | 88.0 | n/a | Medical Records | Medical Records | 6 |
| Cope¹¹ | 1993 | UK | West Midlands | 51 | 74.5 | n/a | Case notes | Case notes | 6 |
| Ong¹² | 2009 | Australia | Victoria | 25 | 76.0 | n/a | Forensic Mental Health Clinical Records | Forensic Mental Health Clinical Records | 6 |
| Pasewark¹³ | 1982 | US | New York State | 133 | 83.0 | n/a | No data | No data | 5 |

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| Skipworth¹⁴ | 2006 | New Zealand | National cohort | 135 | 83.0 | n/a | New Zealand Health Information Service Database | The Justice Warehouse Database | 6 |
| Nicholson¹⁵ | 1991 | US | Oklahoma | 61 | 91.8 | n/a | Hospital Records | Court Records, Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation Records | 6 |
| Hayes¹⁶ | 2014 | Australia | New South Wales | 197 | 85.0 | n/a | Mental Health Review Tribunal Client Database | Mental Health Review Tribunal Client Database, NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research Re-Offending Database | 6 |
| Bogenberger¹⁷ | 1987 | US | Hawaii | 107 | 93.0 | n/a | Central Register of the Division of Mental Health | Crime Data Center | 6 |
| Baxter¹⁸ | 1999 | UK | Bracton Clinic | 63 | 75.0 | n/a | Case notes from Bracton | Home Office Criminal Records Stats, Medical Notes at Local Psychiatric Services at Bracton Clinic | 6 |
| Blattner¹⁹ | 2009 | UK | Edenfield | 72 | 87.0 | n/a | Case notes | Case notes | 6 |

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| Black ²⁰ | 1982 | UK | Broadmoor | 125 | 100 | n/a | Broadmoor records, Special Hospitals Research Unit records, Mental Health Index of the Department of Health and Social Security. | Broadmoor records, Special Hospitals Research Unit records, Mental Health Index of the Department of Health and Social Security. | 6 |
| Falla ²¹ | 2000 | UK | Trevor Gibbens Unit | 85 | No information | n/a | No information | Police and Home Office records compared with offences known to the multidisciplinary community care team. | 6 |
| Bjorkly ²² | 2010 | Norway | National cohort | 125 | 87.0 | The Central Register of Deaths and Causes of Death | Self-reports | Official Crime Register | 5.5 |
| Maden ²³ | 2004 | UK | National cohort | 959 | 88.0 | n/a | n/a | Offenders' Index | 6 |
| Yoshikawa ²⁴ | 2007 | Japan | National cohort | 489 | 84.0 | n/a | n/a | Japanese Ministry of Justice Database | 6 |

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| Buchanan ²⁵ | 1998 | UK | Broadmoor, Ashworth, Rampton | 425 | 82.0 | n/a | n/a | Offenders' Index | 6 |
| Bailey ²⁶ | 1992 | UK | Park Lane | 106 | 100 | n/a | n/a | Home Office | 6 |
| Coid ²⁷ | 2007 | UK | 7 medium secure units in England | 1344 | 86.6 | n/a | n/a | Mental Health Unit at the Home Office | 6 |
| Nilsson ²⁸ | 2011 | Sweden | Stockholm | 46 | 89.0 | n/a | n/a | Structured research protocol applied to records from Forensic Psychiatric Investigation and Interviews | 6 |
| Rice ²⁹ | 1990 | Canada | No information | 253 | No information | Coroner's Office | n/a | Lieutenant Governor's Review Board, The Royal Canadian Mountain Police, Parole Service | 6 |
| Russo ³¹ | 1994 | Italy | Barcelona Hospital (high security) | 91 | 100.0 | n/a | n/a | For small towns: Records of municipal authorities, police force, social services, territorial psychiatric | 6 |

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| | | | | | | | | structures, family, priests, voluntary workers. For main towns: penal certificates, subjects during their imprisonment. | |
| Luetzgen ³² | 1998 | Canada | No data | 125 | No data | No data | No data | No data | 2 |
| Silver ³³ | 1989 | US | Maryland | 127 | No information | n/a | n/a | FBI Arrest Records | 6 |
| Akande ³⁴ | 2007 | UK | Low security | 33 | 76.0 | n/a | Data collected by researchers from patients' designated key workers, who had known the patients for at least three months | Data collected by researchers from patients' designated key workers, who had known the patients for at least three months | 2 |
| Castro ³⁵ | 2002 | UK | Redford Lodge | 49 | 80.0 | n/a | Structured telephone questionnaires | Structured telephone questionnaires | 5 |

Table DS2 Crude death rates (CDRs) for all-cause mortality and suicides in discharged forensic patients. Rates are per 100,000 person-years.

| Author, year | Number of deaths from all-causes | Number of suicides | Number of person-years | All-cause CDR (95%CI) | Suicide CDR (95%CI) |
|------------------------------------|---|---------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Luetzgen, 1998³² | - | 3 | 730 | - | 410 (380-1201) |
| Steels, 1998⁵ | 39 | - | 2,502 | 1,559 (1,142-2,123) | - |
| Maden, 1999⁶ | 20 | 8 | 1,544 | 1,260 (840-1,992) | 518 (263-1,019) |
| Jamieson1, 2005³ | 19 | 5 | 1,048 | 1,813 (1,164-2,814) | - |
| Jamieson2, 2005³ | 16 | 1 | 933 | 1,715 (1,059-2,768) | - |
| Fioritti, 2006⁷ | 5 | - | 177 | 2,825 (751-4,038) | - |
| Davies, 2007² | 57 | 26 | 5,593 | 1,019 (787-1,318) | 321 (317-680) |
| Coid, 2007³⁶ | 20 | 10 | 2535 | 789 (511-1214) | 394 (213-724) |
| Jones, 2011¹ | - | 140 | 50,520 | - | 277 (238-332) |
| Tabita, 2012⁴ | 20 | 8 | 827 | 2,418 (1,571-3,705) | 967 (491-1,898) |
| Lund, 2013⁸ | 29 | - | 1,337 | 2,170 (1,515-3,099) | - |

Online Table DS3 Crude readmission rates of discharged forensic psychiatric patients. Rates are per 100,000 person-years.

| Author, year | Number of readmissions | Number of person-years | Crude readmission rate (per 100,000 patients) (95% CI) |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Black, 1982²⁰ | 48 | 625 | 7,680 (6,245-8646) |
| Pasewark, 1982¹³ | 41 | 665 | 6,165 (4,577-8,257) |
| Bogenberger, 1987¹⁷ | 44 | 856 | 5,140 (3,851-6,830) |
| Nicholson, 1991¹⁵ | 10 | 207 | 4,822 (2,640-8,647) |
| Cope, 1993¹¹ | 16 | 270 | 5,919 (3,676-9,398) |
| Luetggen, 1998³² | 64 | 496 | 12,908 (10,227-16,172) |
| Baxter, 1999¹⁸ | 56 | 340 | 16,461 (12,899-20,772) |
| Maden, 1999⁶ | 175 | 1,544 | 11,331 (9,845-13,009) |
| Falla, 2000²¹ | 9 | 289 | 3,114 (1,646-5,811) |
| Edwards, 2002⁹ | 39 | 760 | 5,132 (3,776-6,938) |
| Jamieson1, 2005³ | 40 | 1,048 | 3,816 (2,815-5,155) |
| Jamieson2, 2005³ | 38 | 932 | 4,074 (2,982-5,542) |
| Simpson, 2006¹⁰ | 19 | 189 | 10,583 (6,531-15,167) |

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| Skipworth, 2006¹⁴ | 108 | 742 | 14,546 (12,191-17,264) |
| Davies, 2007² | 412 | 5,593 | 7,366 (6,711-8,081) |
| Coid, 2007a³⁶ | 94 | 2,454 | 3,830 (3,139-4,664) |
| Akande, 2007 | 5 | 118 | 4,232 (3,130-30,920) |
| Blattner, 2009¹⁹ | 33 | 352 | 9,353 (6,737-12,845) |
| Ong, 2009¹² | 12 | 75 | 16,000 (9,396-25,917) |
| Bjørkly, 2010²² | 30 | 1,025 | 2,926 (2,057-4,147) |
| Hayes, 2013³⁷ | 76 | 1,327 | 5,726 (4,599-7,108) |

Notes: Jamieson1 refers to 1984 cohort and Jamieson2 refers to 1996 cohort.

Table DS4 Readmission rates for populations comparative with forensic psychiatric patients. Rates are per 100,000 person-years.

| Study | Country | Population | Crude readmission rate (95%CI) |
|------------------------------------|------------------|---|---|
| Lyons, 1997³⁸ | US | Community patients | 35,294 (26,998-43,589) |
| Kravitz, 1999³⁹ | US | Offenders with mental disorders (NGRIs) treated in an outpatient programme | 55,555 (39,323-71,787) |
| Bernardo, 2001⁴⁰ | Canada | Community patients | 14,666 (11,835-17,497) |
| Irmiter, 2007⁴¹ | US | mentally disordered veterans | 12,230 (12,102-12,359) |
| Zhang, 2011⁴² | Australia | community patients | 3,838 (3,024-4,653) |
| Current review | Various | forensic patients | 7,208 (5,916-8,500) |

Table DS5 Crude reoffending rates of discharged forensic psychiatric patients. Rates are per 100,000 person-years.

| Author, year | Number of reoffenders | Number of person-years | Crude reoffending rate (per 100,000) (95% CI) |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Black, 1982²⁰ | 50 | 937 | 6,963 (5,333-51,873) |
| Pasewark, 1982¹³ | 38 | 718 | 5,291 (3,878-7,178) |
| Bogenberger, 1987¹⁷ | 72 | 856 | 8,411 (6,733-10,462) |
| Silver, 1989³³ | 83 | 2,159 | 3,844 (3,112-4,741) |
| Rice, 1990²⁹ | 103 | 1,645 | 6,263 (5,191-7,539) |
| Nicholson, 1991¹⁵ | 10 | 207 | 4,822 (2,640-8,647) |
| Bailey, 1992²⁶ | 41 | 636 | 6,447 (4,787-8,629) |
| Cope, 1993¹¹ | 4 | 186 | 2,156 (842-5,412) |
| Russo, 1994³¹ | 20 | 455 | 4,395 (2,836-6,692) |
| Reiss, 1996⁴³ | 10 | 230 | 4,342 (2,375-7,807) |
| Steels, 1998⁵ | 76 | 704 | 10,789 (8,707-13,269) |
| Luettgen, 1998³² | 8 | 730 | 1,095 (555-2,147) |
| Buchanan, 1998²⁵ | 131 | 4,462 | 2,936 (2,479-3,473) |

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| Baxter, 1999¹⁸ | 19 | 246 | 7,733 (5,006-11,761) |
| Maden, 1999⁶ | 56 | 1,544 | 3,626 (2,803-4,679) |
| Falla, 2000²¹ | 6 | 289 | 2,076 (1,631-4,455) |
| Edwards, 2002⁹ | 15 | 760 | 1,974 (1,200-3,230) |
| Castro, 2002³⁵ | 6 | 24 | 24,244 (17,089-24,489) |
| Maden, 2004²³ | 145 | 1,918 | 7,560 (6,460-8,830) |
| Jamieson1, 2005³ | 61 | 2,364 | 2,580 (2,014-3,300) |
| Jamieson2, 2005³ | 35 | 735 | 4,763 (3,444-6,552) |
| Simpson, 2006¹⁰ | 19 | 189 | 10,053 (6,530-15,166) |
| Skipworth, 2006¹⁴ | 20 | 742 | 2,694 (1,750-4,123) |
| Fioritti, 2006⁷ | 10 | 295 | 3,390 (1,851-6,127) |
| Coid, 2007²⁷ | 428 | 8,332 | 5,136 (4,682-5,631) |
| Davies, 2007² | 264 | 5,095 | 5,182 (4,606-5,825) |
| Yoshikawa, 2007²⁴ | 49 | 5,281 | 928 (702-1,224) |
| Akande 2007³⁴ | 0 | 126 | 0 (0-10,427) |
| Blattner, 2009¹⁹ | 8 | 353 | 2,268 (1,153-4,410) |

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| Ong, 2009¹² | 1 | 75 | 1,333 (363-7,174) |
| Bjorkly, 2010²² | 13 | 1,028 | 1,263 (739-2,150) |
| Nilsson, 2011²⁸ | 5 | 165 | 3,019 (1,296-6,872) |
| Tabita, 2012⁴ | 24 | 592 | 4,053 (2,738-5,959) |
| Hayes, 2013 (conditional)³⁷ | 32 | 1,327 | 2,411 (1,713-3,384) |
| Hayes, 2013 (unconditional)³⁷ | 8 | 400 | 1,999 (1,016-3,894) |
| Lund, 2013⁸ | 75 | 1,337 | 5,611 (4,500-6,977) |

Table DS6 Crude violent reoffending rates of discharged forensic patients.

| Author, year | Number of violent reoffenders | Number of person-years | Crude violent reoffending rate (95% CI) |
|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Reiss, 1996⁴³ | 5 | 230 | 1,737 (677-4,380) |
| Luetzgen, 1998³² | 2 | 730 | 273 (75-993) |
| Maden, 1999⁶ | 43 | 1,544 | 2,784 (2,074-3,729) |
| Falla, 2000²¹ | 6 | 289 | 2,076 (955-4,455) |
| Maden, 2004²³ | 58 | 1,918 | 3,024 (2,347-3,889) |
| Skipworth, 2006¹⁴ | 8 | 270 | 3,000 (1,545-5,736) |
| Coid, 2007²⁷ | 90 | 2,511 | 3,584 (2,925-4,385) |
| Davies, 2007² | 53 | 2,975 | 8,403 (7,459-9,455) |
| Yoshikawa, 2007²⁴ | 52 | 5,281 | 985 (752-1,289) |
| Blattner, 2009¹⁹ | 6 | 378 | 1,589 (729-3,419) |
| Bjorkly, 2010²² | 5 | 1,028 | 486 (208-1,133) |
| Nilsson, 2011²⁸ | 20 | 165 | 3,019 (1,296-6,873) |
| Tabita, 2012⁴ | 4 | 384 | 1,041 (405-2,645) |
| Lund, 2013⁸ | 75 | 1.320 | 2,788 (2,231-3,481) |
| Hayes, 2013³⁷ (conditional sample) | 14 | 1352 | 1,035 (617-1,730) |
| Hayes, 2013³⁷ (unconditional sample) | 4 | 486 | 822 (319-2,096) |

Table DS7 Violent reoffending of populations comparable with forensic patients.

| Study | Country | Population | CROR violent (95%CI) |
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| Langan, 2002⁴⁵ | US | released prisoners who violently reoffended | 7,200 (7,144-7,256) |
| Ministry of Justice Proven Reoffending Statistics, 2011 | England and Wales | released prisoners who violently reoffended | 25,494 (25,379- 25,609) |
| Peck, 2011 (UK Ministry of Justice Statistics Bulletin) | England and Wales | violent offenders qualified for MAPPA | 19,896 (19,121-20,695) |
| Current review | Various | forensic patients who violently reoffended | 3,902 (2,671-5,187) |

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