

Ara Restart Resettlement Opportunities (ARRO) is a three year pilot project commissioned by the Ministry of Justice. The aims of this service are to reduce reoffending and prevent homelessness by sourcing private rented housing for ex-offenders from HMP Bristol.

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self-contained flats
sourced for ex-
offenders

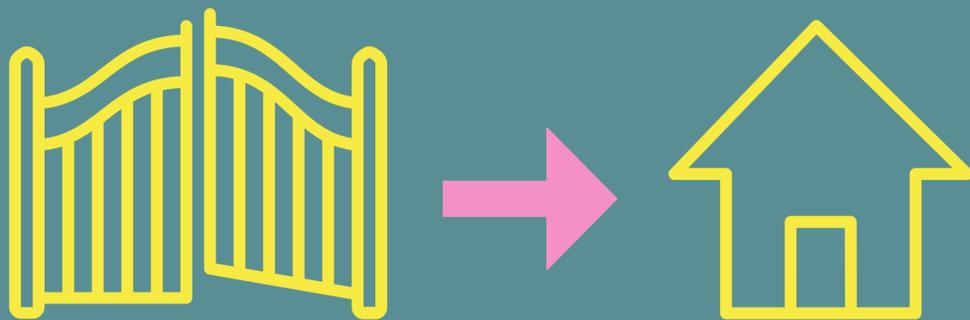


44 CLIENTS

supported on the ARRO pilot and prevented
from being homeless upon release.

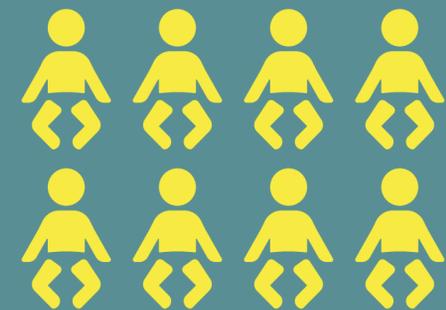
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clients received programmes in training,
education and volunteering, with 11 people
entering employment.



100%

of clients were met at the prison gates on their day of release and
offered safe, secure housing.



8 CLIENTS

were helped by Ara to rebuild
parenting relationships with their
children. One client now has his
son in his full-time care.

"I have had a great support worker and previous support worker. They both helped with my budgeting. I am now going to be doing a tattoo course and have been supported by my support worker to do this".

"Without you lot I'd be back in jail. Many times I say to people if I didn't have ARRO I'd be in trouble. It's helped me".

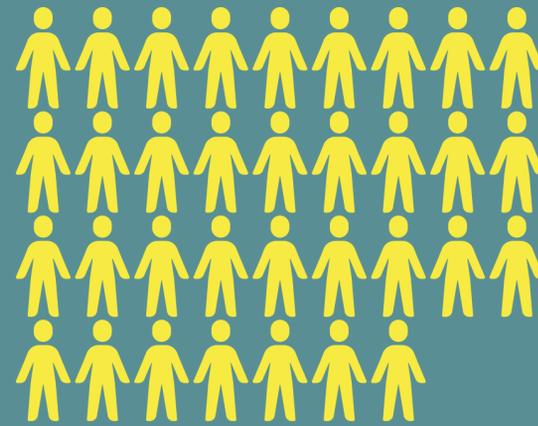
- ARRO Clients

Criminal Justice 2021-22

Ara operates a prison release service through the **RSI (Rough Sleepers Initiative)** in a range of prisons. We secure accommodation for clients with a local connection to Bristol, helping to prevent their return to rough sleeping on release.

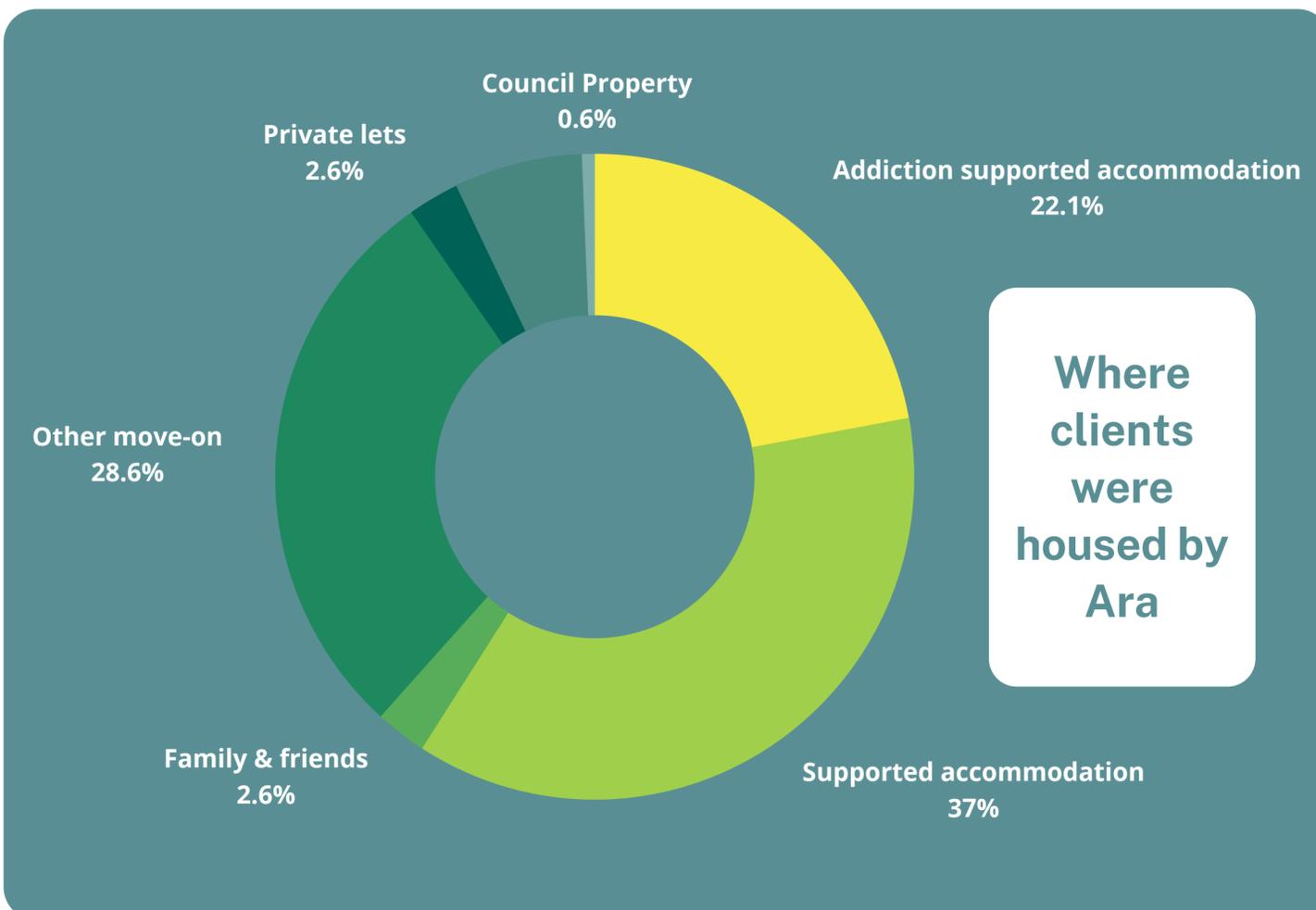
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clients met on day of released and housed in safe, secure accommodation and preventing rough sleeping.



34 CLIENTS

were directly assisted into specialist drug and alcohol supported accommodation.



RSI CASE STUDY: Client had experienced periods of homelessness, declining mental health, increased alcohol misuse, and had received his first prison sentence. Ara were able to secure accommodation for him upon his release. Support from Ara ensured that he remained stable, allowing him to engage with services and seek treatment. Client continues to be supported by Ara during his transition to independent living and he now volunteers and is completing a course in bike mechanics.