



**Convention on the
Rights of the Child**

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COMMITTEE ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS SUBMITTED BY STATES PARTIES
UNDER ARTICLE 44 OF THE CONVENTION

Initial reports of States parties due in 1994

Addendum

UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND
INITIAL REPORT ON THE CROWN DEPENDENCY: ISLE OF MAN

[14 September 1999]

Corrigendum

The Government has provided the following information to update its report of
15 April 1998.

1. Add to paragraph 18 the following text:

It is intended that a Children and Young Persons Bill will be introduced in the legislature in the 1999/2000 session.

2. After paragraph 45 add a new paragraph as follows:

It is intended that a bill to incorporate in Manx law the European Convention on Human Rights will be introduced in the legislature in the 1999/2000 session.

3. After paragraph 58 add a new paragraph as follows:

In November 1998 there were a total of 87 children in care:

Fostered	48
Accommodated in children's homes	18
Undergoing assessment by local social services authorities in England	3
With their own families	15
Old enough to live alone	3

4. After paragraph 60 add a new paragraph as follows:

Legislation to implement the Hague Convention on Protection of Children in Respect of Intercountry Adoption of 1993 is likely to be introduced in the 1999/2000 session, in parallel with similar legislation in the United Kingdom.

5. Add to the end of paragraph 77:

Infant mortality in the island has fallen further to 3.42 deaths per 1,000 live births in 1997 (see appendix I).

6. After paragraph 105 add a new paragraph as follows:

The Police Powers and Procedures Act 1998 came into force on 11 January 1999. It introduces additional safeguards for under-17s who are arrested and in police detention: the police are obliged to inform a parent, guardian or other persons responsible for the child's welfare of the arrest, the reasons for it and where he is being detained. (These rights are in addition to the ordinary rights of a person in police detention.)

7. Replace appendices I-III with the attached new appendices.

Appendix I

LAND AND PEOPLE

Area	572 sq km
Population (1996 Census)	71,714
Per capita income	£9,862 (1996/97)
Gross national product	£712.9 million (1996/97)
Rate of inflation	2.3% (1997 average)
Rate of unemployment (1996 average)	Males 2.8% Females 1.2% Total 2.1%
Literacy rate	Assumed 100%
Percentage of population whose mother tongue is English	Above 95%
Infant mortality (based on only 1 and 2 deaths respectively)	Males 2.36 per 1,000 (1997) Females 4.48 per 1,000 (1997)

Age structure of population:

<u>Age last birthday</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Per cent</u>
0	766	1.07
1	856	1.19
2	843	1.18
3	829	1.16
4	852	1.19
5	864	1.20
6	865	1.21
7	841	1.17
8	872	1.22
9	836	1.17
10	850	1.19

<u>Age last birthday</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Per cent</u>
11	810	1.13
12	835	1.16
13	816	1.14
14	889	1.24
15	859	1.20
16	896	1.25
17	845	1.18
Total under 18	15 224	21.23
Rural/urban population	Rural	27.0% (1996)
	Urban	73.0% (1996)
Percentage of households headed by women		30.8% (1991)

Sources: Isle of Man Census 1996; Isle of Man Government Economic Statistics.

Appendix II

CHILDREN RECEIVING FULL-TIME EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS MAINTAINED
BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
(Sept. 1998)

<u>Age group</u>	<u>Number</u>
Primary schools	
Infants (4-6)	2,707
Junior (7-10)	3,603
Secondary schools	
Up to upper limit of compulsory school age (11-15)	4,167
Above upper limit of compulsory school age (16+)	626

Source: Department of Education.

Appendix III

JUVENILE OFFENDERS

Detected crime involving juvenile offenders
(under 18)

1997

Number of offences 877

Number of juveniles involved 479

Cautions and prosecutions of juveniles

“Children” (10-13):

Cautioned 73

Prosecuted 32

Total 105

“Young persons” (14-17):

Cautioned 99

Prosecuted 211

Total 310

Source: Isle of Man Constabulary Annual Reports.
