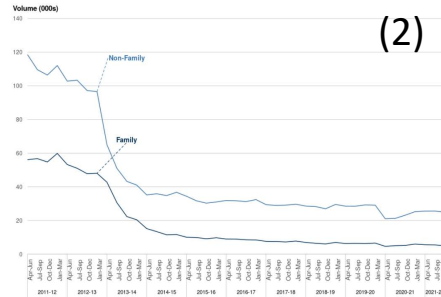


# 1. Some context

**LASPO 2012**

**20%** of population now entitled to legal aid (1)



(2)

# 2. What is the SQE?



# 4. What are the problems?



# 3. Why was the SQE implemented? (3)



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Standardisation

Diversity

Rigour

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