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(Professor Barry Goldson 2014-09-30)

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#### About the Author

John Muncie is Emeritus Professor of Criminology at the Open University, UK. He is the author of *Youth and Crime* (4th edition, Sage, 2014), and he has published widely on issues in comparative youth justice and children's rights, including the co-edited companion volumes *Youth Crime and Justice* and *Comparative Youth Justice* (Sage, 2006). He has produced numerous Open University texts and readers, including *Crime: Local and Global* (Willan, 2010), *Criminal Justice: Local and Global* (Willan, 2010), *The Problem of Crime* (2nd edition, Sage, 2001), *Crime Prevention and Community Safety* (Sage, 2001) and *Imprisonment: European Perspectives* (Harvester, 1991). He has also contributed nine volumes to the *The Sage Library of Criminology* (Sage, 2007–2009). He is co-editor of the Sage journal *Youth Justice: An International Journal*.

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