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Introduction

- Statistics on Arrests and the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 (PACE) in this bulletin are presented on a financial year basis. All statistics on fixed penalty notices, written warnings, vehicle defect rectification scheme (VDRS) notices and breath tests provided in this bulletin are presented on a calendar year basis.
- The bulletin draws together statistics on the following topics:
 - arrests for notifiable offences;
 - stops and searches under the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 (PACE);
 - breath tests;
 - police action in relation to motoring offences.

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- The recorded crime trends quoted in this bulletin were published in *Crime in England and Wales, 2009/10*, in July 2010, which can be accessed via the following web link:

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- Chapters 1 and 2 contain an ethnic breakdown of persons stopped and searched and those arrested. However, a more detailed commentary and analysis will appear later this year in *Statistics on Race and the Criminal Justice System*. This is published by the Ministry of Justice under section 95 of the Criminal Justice Act 1991.

Link: <http://www.justice.gov.uk/publications/raceandcjs.htm>

This coverage of this bulletin differs slightly and as a result data in the two publications cannot always be reconciled. The Race and the Criminal Justice System statistics exclude the following:

- arrests where the age of the offender is not reported; and
- stops and searches of unattended vehicles.

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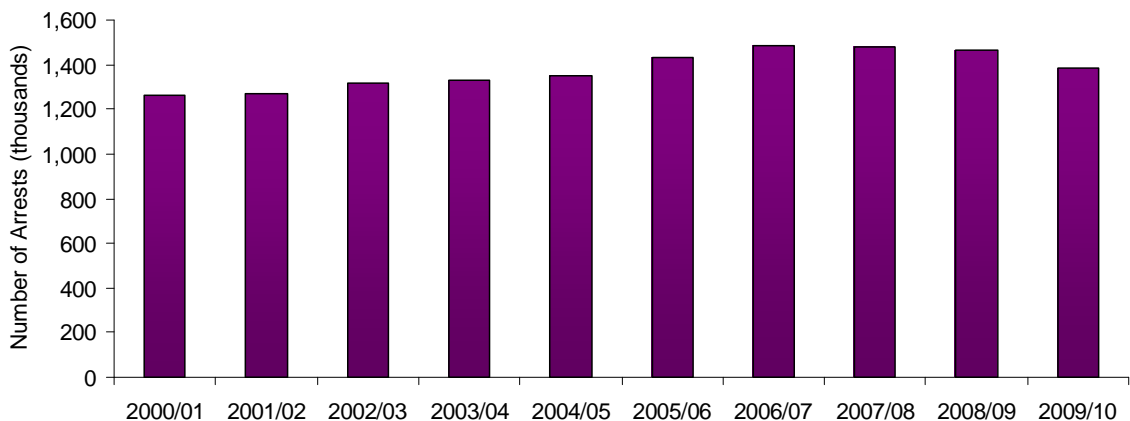
1 Arrests and detentions

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1.1 SUMMARY

- The number of persons arrested for recorded crime (notifiable offences) fell by five per cent between 2008/09 and 2009/10, to 1,386,030. Recorded crime decreased by eight per cent over the same period.
- A two per cent decrease in arrests for offences of violence against the person offences compares with a fall of four per cent in the number of recorded violence against the person offences.
- Arrests for offences of violence against the person fell for the fourth consecutive year from a ten-year peak of 488,100 in 2006/07 to 456,900 in 2009/10.
- Arrests of 10 to 17 year olds fell by 12 per cent in 2009/10 to 241,737.
- In 2009/10, 4,224* persons were detained by the police for more than 24 hours and then released without charge. A like-for-like comparison of police forces that provided data for both 2008/09 and 2009/10 shows a fall of four per cent on the 2008/09 figure.

Figure 1a Number of arrests, England and Wales, 2000/01 to 2009/10



1.2 INTRODUCTION

This chapter covers police powers of arrest. The statistics presented in this chapter relate to arrests for notifiable offences only, which form the basis of recorded crime statistics. The data presented in this chapter are drawn from returns from the 43 local police forces in England and Wales, and cover trends in arrest rates in England and Wales from 2000/01 to 2009/10, as well as breakdowns by offence group, sex and self-defined ethnicity.

Figures on arrests reported to the Home Office reflect police activity and should not be used to infer levels of crime committed by offenders, or their specific characteristics. Figures for recorded crime for 2009/10 are available on the Home Office website at the following web link <http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/publications/science-research-statistics/research-statistics/crime-research/hosb1210>

* Figure excludes Cheshire, West Midlands and Hampshire, as these forces were unable to submit data for 2009/10.

1.3 ARRESTS BY OFFENCE GROUP

The number of arrests has fallen for the third successive year.

- In 2009/10, a total of 1,386,030 persons were arrested for recorded crime offences, a fall of five per cent (76,109 arrests) when compared to 2008/09. Total recorded crime over the same period fell by eight per cent to 4,338,604 offences.

The 76,109 fall in arrests is accounted for by falls in seven of the nine offence groups.

- The three largest percentage decreases recorded were for criminal damage, a fall of 12 per cent (down 16,257 arrests), theft and handling stolen goods down ten per cent (31,794 arrests), and 'other offences' also down ten per cent (21,665 arrests).
- Around a third of all arrests were for violence against the person offences (33%) in 2009/10, one percentage point higher than 2008/09.
- Arrests for fraud and forgery fell by four per cent in 2009/10 after rises in the previous two years.
- Arrests for robbery fell in 2009/10 by six per cent (2,001 arrests) to 32,698.

There were increases in arrests for two offence groups in 2009/10.

- For the second consecutive year, arrests for sexual offences increased, and showed the largest percentage increase in 2009/10 at nine per cent (an increase of 3,147 arrests). Figures on sexual offences are heavily influenced by the willingness of victims to report. Over the last year, police forces have reported taking some additional steps to improve their recording of sexual offences following best practice that the Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) has been promoting within forces over the last two years.
- Arrests for drug offences have been increasing for a number of years with 84,800 recorded arrests in 2004/05 rising to 121,010 arrests in 2009/10.

Arrests for property offences (burglary, theft, fraud and forgery, and criminal damage) accounted for 39 per cent of all arrests for recorded crime offences in 2009/10, down from 41 per cent of arrests in 2008/09. In total, the number of arrests for these offences fell by nine per cent to 544,652, the fourth consecutive year a fall has been reported.

Figure 1b Change in number of arrests by offence group, England and Wales, 2008/09 to 2009/10



(1) Examples of offences covered in the 'other' category include public order offences, immigration offences, public health offences and perverting the course of justice.

Table 1a Persons arrested for recorded crime (notifiable offences) by type of offence and sex, 2000/01–2009/10

| Numbers (thousands) | | England and Wales | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|---------|-----------------------------|-----------------|---------|----------|-------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|-------|
| Sex and year | Total | Violence against the person | Sexual offences | Robbery | Burglary | Theft & handling stolen goods | Fraud & forgery | Criminal damage | Drug offences | Other |
| Males | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2000/01 | 1,066.3 | 222.4 | 23.0 | 28.0 | 97.7 | 348.2 | 30.1 | 117.3 | 97.4 | 102.2 |
| 2001/02 | 1,066.3 | 221.5 | 24.3 | 32.1 | 97.8 | 343.5 | 29.1 | 115.4 | 101.5 | 101.1 |
| 2002/03 | 1,100.6 | 241.8 | 27.8 | 31.5 | 98.7 | 326.3 | 28.1 | 118.0 | 114.7 | 113.8 |
| 2003/04 | 1,109.6 | 278.6 | 29.1 | 30.5 | 98.3 | 302.6 | 28.2 | 128.1 | 97.8 | 116.4 |
| 2004/05 | 1,120.5 | 328.3 | 29.6 | 28.9 | 88.1 | 280.4 | 28.3 | 139.2 | 72.5 | 125.3 |
| 2005/06 | 1,182.1 | 369.3 | 31.1 | 31.3 | 89.9 | 277.1 | 26.1 | 147.0 | 76.3 | 133.9 |
| 2006/07 | 1,230.7 | 400.9 | 31.2 | 36.4 | 92.1 | 263.4 | 21.6 | 145.8 | 77.1 | 162.1 |
| 2007/08 | 1,223.4 | 389.6 | 31.2 | 32.3 | 86.6 | 250.3 | 23.5 | 132.7 | 90.8 | 186.2 |
| 2008/09 ¹ | 1,215.0 | 381.1 | 32.7 | 31.2 | 88.4 | 249.8 | 26.0 | 122.0 | 100.5 | 183.1 |
| 2009/10 | 1,154.0 | 375.4 | 35.9 | 29.7 | 84.9 | 224.2 | 24.6 | 107.7 | 106.6 | 164.9 |
| Females | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2000/01 | 198.0 | 37.1 | 1.1 | 3.2 | 8.9 | 94.5 | 10.9 | 14.4 | 13.9 | 14.0 |
| 2001/02 | 205.6 | 37.9 | 0.9 | 3.8 | 9.5 | 97.0 | 10.5 | 15.2 | 15.1 | 15.7 |
| 2002/03 | 212.5 | 42.2 | 1.0 | 4.3 | 10.2 | 93.7 | 10.5 | 16.2 | 16.4 | 17.9 |
| 2003/04 | 220.9 | 53.5 | 0.9 | 4.2 | 10.6 | 89.7 | 10.2 | 18.1 | 15.2 | 18.4 |
| 2004/05 | 232.9 | 66.8 | 0.9 | 4.0 | 9.6 | 86.9 | 9.6 | 21.6 | 12.2 | 21.3 |
| 2005/06 | 247.7 | 78.9 | 1.0 | 4.1 | 9.2 | 86.6 | 9.3 | 22.6 | 12.3 | 23.7 |
| 2006/07 | 251.5 | 87.2 | 0.9 | 4.4 | 8.8 | 80.2 | 7.8 | 22.1 | 12.1 | 28.1 |
| 2007/08 | 251.9 | 88.1 | 0.8 | 4.0 | 8.0 | 77.4 | 8.3 | 20.2 | 13.7 | 31.4 |
| 2008/09 ¹ | 247.1 | 83.0 | 1.0 | 3.5 | 8.0 | 77.6 | 8.5 | 18.3 | 14.9 | 32.4 |
| 2009/10 | 232.1 | 81.5 | 1.0 | 3.0 | 7.0 | 71.4 | 8.5 | 16.4 | 14.4 | 29.0 |
| Persons | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2000/01 | 1,264.2 | 259.5 | 24.1 | 31.2 | 106.5 | 442.7 | 41.1 | 131.7 | 111.3 | 116.2 |
| 2001/02 | 1,271.9 | 259.4 | 25.2 | 35.9 | 107.3 | 440.5 | 39.6 | 130.6 | 116.6 | 116.8 |
| 2002/03 | 1,313.1 | 284.0 | 28.9 | 35.8 | 108.9 | 419.9 | 38.6 | 134.1 | 131.1 | 131.8 |
| 2003/04 | 1,330.4 | 332.1 | 30.0 | 34.7 | 108.9 | 392.3 | 38.4 | 146.2 | 113.1 | 134.9 |
| 2004/05 | 1,353.4 | 395.2 | 30.4 | 32.8 | 97.7 | 367.2 | 37.8 | 160.8 | 84.8 | 146.6 |
| 2005/06 | 1,429.8 | 448.3 | 32.1 | 35.4 | 99.1 | 363.7 | 35.4 | 169.6 | 88.6 | 157.6 |
| 2006/07 | 1,482.2 | 488.1 | 32.1 | 40.8 | 100.9 | 343.6 | 29.4 | 168.0 | 89.2 | 190.1 |
| 2007/08 | 1,475.3 | 477.7 | 32.0 | 36.3 | 94.6 | 327.8 | 31.8 | 152.9 | 104.5 | 217.6 |
| 2008/09 ¹ | 1,462.1 | 464.1 | 33.7 | 34.7 | 96.4 | 327.4 | 34.5 | 140.3 | 115.3 | 215.5 |
| 2009/10 | 1,386.0 | 456.9 | 36.9 | 32.7 | 91.9 | 295.6 | 33.1 | 124.1 | 121.0 | 193.9 |
| 2009/10 - 2008/09 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total change | -76.1 | -7.2 | 3.1 | -2.0 | -4.6 | -31.8 | -1.4 | -16.3 | 5.7 | -21.7 |
| (%) | -5 | -2 | 9 | -6 | -5 | -10 | -4 | -12 | 5 | -10 |

1. Figures for North Yorkshire and North Wales for 2008/09 have been revised since the 2008/09 police powers bulletin.

1.4 ARRESTS BY SEX AND AGE

Table 1b shows arrests for different offence groups by sex and age group.

- In 2009/10, 83 per cent of those arrested for recorded crime offences were males, the same proportion as the previous four years.

Arrests for both males and females fell in 2009/10.

- Male arrests have declined by 61,058 (5%) to 1,153,954. Female arrests fell by 15,051(6%) to 232,076.

In recent years, arrests for violence against the person have exceeded those for theft, for both men and women.

- As in the previous three years, more females were arrested for offences of violence against the person in 2009/10 (81,490 arrests) than for theft and handling stolen goods (71,438 arrests).
- For males, it is the fifth consecutive year that arrests for offences of violence against the person (375,426 arrests) exceeded those in the theft category (224,187 arrests).

The total arrests for all age categories across both sexes fell in 2009/10.

- Arrests for under 18s accounted for 17 per cent of total arrests in 2009/10, down from 19 per cent in 2008/09.
- Arrests of 10 to 17 year olds fell by 12 per cent to 241,737, and those of 18 to 20 year olds fell by five per cent to 208,262. Arrests of those aged 21 and over fell three per cent to 934,443 in 2009/10.
- The number of arrests of 10 to 17 and 18 to 20 year olds for violence against the person offences fell by nine per cent and three per cent respectively in 2009/10, while the number of persons aged 21 and over arrested for violence against the person offences rose slightly (up 0.4%).
- The other offence categories which showed the highest falls in arrests for 10 to 17 year olds were criminal damage (down 21%) and fraud and forgery (down 16%).
- Arrests for sexual offences amongst 10 to 17 year olds saw the most significant rise in arrests of eight per cent, following the ACPO best practice guidance on recording sexual offences described on page 11.
- For the first time since the arrests collection began, violence against the person offences have overtaken theft and handling as the most prevalent offence group for arrestees aged 10 to 17 (26% of all arrests for that age group), violence against the person remains the most prevalent offence group for arrests of those in the 18 to 20 and 21 and over age groups (30% and 35% respectively). Arrests in both categories, however, fell by five and ten per cent respectively.

Further detail and analysis of gender issues are published by the Ministry of Justice as part of their 'Women and the Criminal Justice System' series. A link to previous editions of this bulletin is provided below:

<http://www.justice.gov.uk/publications/womencriminaljusticesystem-archive.htm>

Table 1b Persons arrested for recorded crime (notifiable offences) by type of offence, sex and age group, 2008/09 and 2009/10

| Numbers | England and Wales | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|--|
| | Males | | | | | | | Females | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Persons | | | | | | | Persons | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Year and notifiable offence group | Under 10 ¹ | Aged 10-17 | Aged 18-20 | Aged 21 and over | Age unknown | All ages | Under 10 ¹ | Aged 10-17 | Aged 18-20 | Aged 21 and over | Age unknown | All ages | Under 10 ¹ | Aged 10-17 | Aged 18-20 | Aged 21 and over | Age unknown | All ages | |
| 2009/10 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Violence against the person | 11 | 47,577 | 52,212 | 275,194 | 432 | 375,426 | 2 | 16,056 | 10,925 | 54,392 | 115 | 81,490 | 13 | 63,633 | 63,137 | 329,586 | 547 | 456,916 | |
| Sexual offences | 1 | 4,621 | 3,734 | 27,472 | 28 | 35,856 | - | 122 | 91 | 816 | - | 1,029 | 1 | 4,743 | 3,825 | 28,288 | 28 | 36,885 | |
| Robbery | 2 | 12,462 | 6,650 | 10,561 | 18 | 29,693 | - | 1,472 | 498 | 1,032 | 3 | 3,005 | 2 | 13,934 | 7,148 | 11,593 | 21 | 32,698 | |
| Burglary | 4 | 23,022 | 16,426 | 45,403 | 40 | 84,895 | - | 1,946 | 1,205 | 3,811 | 4 | 6,966 | 4 | 24,968 | 17,631 | 49,214 | 44 | 91,861 | |
| Theft & handling stolen goods | 6 | 42,346 | 32,960 | 148,698 | 177 | 224,187 | 2 | 17,534 | 8,369 | 45,468 | 65 | 71,438 | 8 | 59,880 | 41,329 | 194,166 | 242 | 295,625 | |
| Fraud and forgery | - | 1,071 | 2,719 | 20,829 | 21 | 24,640 | - | 496 | 1,001 | 6,958 | 8 | 8,463 | - | 1,567 | 3,720 | 27,787 | 29 | 33,103 | |
| Criminal damage | 1 | 28,314 | 19,799 | 59,492 | 107 | 107,713 | - | 4,960 | 2,198 | 9,171 | 21 | 16,350 | 1 | 33,274 | 21,997 | 68,663 | 128 | 124,063 | |
| Drug offences | 2 | 14,424 | 18,065 | 74,106 | 50 | 106,647 | - | 1,252 | 1,802 | 11,295 | 14 | 14,363 | 2 | 15,676 | 19,867 | 85,401 | 64 | 121,010 | |
| Other | 6 | 19,866 | 25,858 | 118,796 | 371 | 164,897 | 1 | 4,196 | 3,750 | 20,949 | 76 | 28,972 | 7 | 24,062 | 29,608 | 139,745 | 447 | 193,869 | |
| Total | 33 | 193,703 | 178,423 | 780,551 | 1,244 | 1,153,954 | 5 | 48,034 | 29,839 | 153,892 | 306 | 232,076 | 38 | 241,737 | 208,262 | 934,443 | 1,550 | 1,386,030 | |
| 2008/09² | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Violence against the person | 16 | 51,495 | 54,071 | 274,575 | 980 | 381,137 | 2 | 18,145 | 10,955 | 53,577 | 304 | 82,983 | 18 | 69,640 | 65,026 | 328,152 | 1,284 | 464,120 | |
| Sexual offences | 2 | 4,264 | 3,215 | 25,147 | 110 | 32,738 | - | 121 | 87 | 788 | 4 | 1,000 | 2 | 4,385 | 3,302 | 25,935 | 114 | 33,738 | |
| Robbery | 2 | 12,952 | 6,807 | 11,433 | 40 | 31,234 | - | 1,677 | 498 | 1,284 | 6 | 3,465 | 2 | 14,629 | 7,305 | 12,717 | 46 | 34,699 | |
| Burglary | 5 | 24,426 | 16,085 | 47,760 | 161 | 88,437 | - | 2,194 | 1,294 | 4,480 | 21 | 7,989 | 5 | 26,620 | 17,379 | 52,240 | 182 | 96,426 | |
| Theft & handling stolen goods | 13 | 50,240 | 35,973 | 163,105 | 509 | 249,840 | 9 | 20,016 | 8,879 | 48,435 | 240 | 77,579 | 22 | 70,256 | 44,852 | 211,540 | 749 | 327,419 | |
| Fraud and forgery | - | 1,326 | 3,047 | 21,576 | 65 | 26,014 | - | 550 | 965 | 6,989 | 23 | 8,527 | - | 1,876 | 4,012 | 28,565 | 88 | 34,541 | |
| Criminal damage | 10 | 35,794 | 22,301 | 63,593 | 290 | 121,988 | 1 | 6,081 | 2,481 | 9,718 | 51 | 18,332 | 11 | 41,875 | 24,782 | 73,311 | 341 | 140,320 | |
| Drug offences | 3 | 14,328 | 17,013 | 68,955 | 187 | 100,486 | - | 1,370 | 1,884 | 11,562 | 40 | 14,856 | 3 | 15,698 | 18,897 | 80,517 | 227 | 115,342 | |
| Other | 18 | 23,316 | 29,418 | 129,706 | 680 | 183,138 | 2 | 4,974 | 4,335 | 22,976 | 109 | 32,396 | 20 | 28,290 | 33,753 | 152,682 | 789 | 215,534 | |
| Total | 69 | 218,141 | 187,930 | 805,850 | 3,022 | 1,215,012 | 14 | 55,128 | 31,378 | 159,809 | 798 | 247,127 | 83 | 273,269 | 219,308 | 965,659 | 3,820 | 1,462,139 | |

1. Persons who, after further investigation, were found to be under the legal age limit for arrest of ten years.

2. Figures for North Yorkshire and North Wales for 2008/09 have been revised since the 2008/09 police powers bulletin.

1.5 ARRESTS RESULTING FROM STOP AND SEARCH

In England and Wales in 2009/10, eight per cent of arrests for notifiable offences resulted from a stop and search under the Police and Criminal Evidence Act (PACE), the same rate as in 2008/09. For the Metropolitan Police the figure was 16 per cent, a fall of two percentage points on 2008/09. Further breakdown of arrests resulting from stop and searches can be found in Chapter 2 of this publication.

Table 1c Proportion of total arrests for recorded crime (notifiable offences) resulting from a stop and search under s1 Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 and other legislation, 2000/01-2009/10

| Year | Percentages | | England and Wales |
|---------|---------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| | Metropolitan Police | Other forces | England and Wales |
| 2000/01 | 15 | 6 | 8 |
| 2001/02 | 17 | 7 | 8 |
| 2002/03 | 20 | 7 | 9 |
| 2003/04 | 15 | 6 | 7 |
| 2004/05 | 13 | 6 | 7 |
| 2005/06 | 17 | 6 | 7 |
| 2006/07 | 17 | 6 | 7 |
| 2007/08 | 19 | 6 | 8 |
| 2008/09 | 18 | 6 | 8 |
| 2009/10 | 16 | 6 | 8 |

1.6 ARRESTS: GEOGRAPHIC PATTERNS

Nine police forces recorded increases in the number of arrests for recorded crime offences in 2009/10, while 34 recorded decreases (Table 1.01).

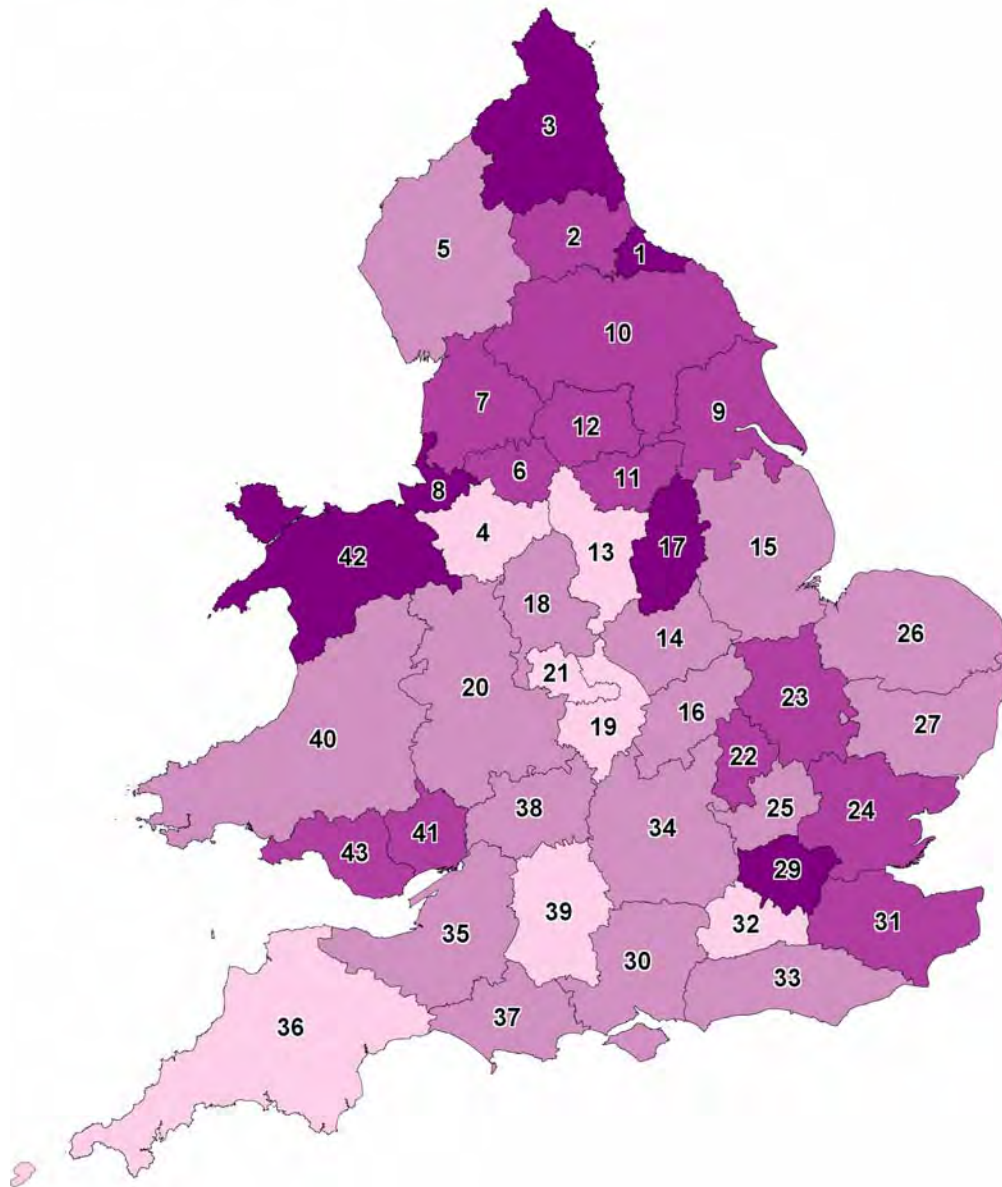
- The largest percentage increases reported were in Wiltshire (up 12%), followed by the Metropolitan Police (up 6%) and Humberside (up 5%).
- The largest percentage falls were recorded in the West Midlands (down 18%), followed by Gloucestershire and West Mercia (both down 17%).
- The Metropolitan Police recorded 12,933 more arrests for recorded crime offences in 2009/10 than in 2008/09, an increase of six per cent. In 2009/10, 17 per cent of arrests in England and Wales took place in the Metropolitan Police force area, an increase of one percentage point from 2008/09.

Figure 1c shows arrests rates by population at police force area level.

- The rates range from 13 per 1,000 population in Surrey to 38 per 1,000 in Cleveland. The rate for England and Wales as a whole was 25 per 1,000 population.

Figure 1c Arrests: rates per 1,000 population at police force area level, 2009/10

- 30 arrests and above
- more than 25 but less than 30 arrests
- more than 20 but less than 25 arrests
- less than 20 arrests



North West Region

- 4. Cheshire
- 5. Cumbria
- 6. Greater Manchester
- 7. Lancashire
- 8. Merseyside

West Midlands Region

- 18. Staffordshire
- 19. Warwickshire
- 20. West Mercia
- 21. West Midlands

Yorkshire and the Humber Region

- 9. Humberside
- 10. North Yorkshire
- 11. South Yorkshire
- 12. West Yorkshire

East Midlands Region

- 13. Derbyshire
- 14. Leicestershire
- 15. Lincolnshire
- 16. Northamptonshire
- 17. Nottinghamshire

North East Region

- 1. Cleveland
- 2. Durham
- 3. Northumbria

Wales

- 40. Dyfed-Powys
- 41. Gwent
- 42. North Wales
- 43. South Wales

South West Region

- 35. Avon and Somerset
- 36. Devon and Cornwall
- 37. Dorset
- 38. Gloucestershire
- 39. Wiltshire

London Region

- 29. Metropolitan Police (including City of London)

South East Region

- 30. Hampshire
- 31. Kent
- 32. Surrey
- 33. Sussex
- 34. Thames Valley

East of England Region

- 22. Bedfordshire
- 23. Cambridgeshire
- 24. Essex
- 25. Hertfordshire
- 26. Norfolk
- 27. Suffolk

1.7 ARRESTS BY ETHNICITY

- Whilst some ethnic breakdowns are provided in this bulletin for the first time, detailed figures and analysis will continue to be the responsibility of the Ministry of Justice and will be published as part of their publication 'Statistics on Race in the Criminal Justice System'. A link to previous editions of this bulletin is provided below:

<http://www.justice.gov.uk/publications/raceandcjs-archive.htm>

During an arrest, a suspect is asked to define his ethnicity. These are grouped in this chapter into White, Black (or Black British), Asian (or Asian British), Chinese or other ethnic group, Mixed ethnicity and ethnicity not stated.

Table 1d Number and proportion of arrests by ethnicity, 2008/09 and 2009/10

| Number of arrests | England and Wales | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------------|-------------------|----------------|------------------|
| | 2009-10 | | | 2008-09 | | |
| | England and Wales | Of which: | | England and Wales | Of which: | |
| Metropolitan Police | | Other forces | Metropolitan Police | | Other forces | |
| Self-defined ethnicity | | | | | | |
| White | 1,103,889 | 117,682 | 986,207 | 1,178,536 | 113,089 | 1,065,447 |
| Black or Black British | 111,000 | 65,022 | 45,978 | 111,271 | 61,876 | 49,395 |
| Asian or Asian British | 78,131 | 27,482 | 50,649 | 78,422 | 24,804 | 53,618 |
| Chinese or Other Ethnic Group | 20,261 | 9,050 | 11,211 | 20,931 | 8,254 | 12,677 |
| Mixed | 40,121 | 14,054 | 26,067 | 40,256 | 12,869 | 27,387 |
| Not stated | 32,628 | 7,526 | 25,102 | 32,723 | 6,991 | 25,732 |
| Total | 1,386,030 | 240,816 | 1,145,214 | 1,462,139 | 227,883 | 1,234,256 |

Proportion of arrests (%)¹

| Self-defined ethnicity | 2009-10 | | | 2008-09 | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| | England and Wales | Of which: | | England and Wales | Of which: | |
| | | Metropolitan Police | Other forces | | Metropolitan Police | Other forces |
| White | 80 | 49 | 86 | 81 | 50 | 86 |
| Black or Black British | 8 | 27 | 4 | 8 | 27 | 4 |
| Asian or Asian British | 6 | 11 | 4 | 5 | 11 | 4 |
| Chinese or Other Ethnic Group | 1 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| Mixed | 3 | 6 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 2 |
| Not stated | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| Total | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

1. The percentages calculated in this table include 'not stated' ethnicities, therefore they are not comparable with those in Figure 1d.

The proportions of arrests by ethnicity in 2009/10 in England and Wales were as follows:

Eighty per cent of those arrested in 2009/10 defined themselves as white. A further 8 per cent defined themselves as Black or Black British, and 9 per cent Asian or Asian British.

The proportion of arrests by ethnicity was similar in 2009/10 as for 2008/09. The proportion of arrests for persons defined as White decreased by one percentage point whilst for those defined as Asian the proportion increased by one percentage point, with the others remaining broadly the same.

Table 1d splits the England and Wales arrests figures into the Metropolitan Police area and the rest of England and Wales. Any differences reflect in part the different proportions of ethnic groups in the overall population (including visitors) in these areas.

- For 2009/10 they show lower proportions of White arrestees in the Metropolitan Police force (49% of all arrests) compared with England and Wales as a whole (80%).
- The picture is reversed for other ethnic groups. In particular the proportion of Black and Black British arrestees in the Metropolitan Police area (27% of all arrestees) is higher than in England and Wales (8%). Similarly the proportion of Asian and Asian British arrestees in the Metropolitan Police (11%) exceeds that of England and Wales (6%).

1.8 POLICE DETENTION

- The overall number of persons detained for more than 24 hours (up to a maximum of 96 hours) under PACE and subsequently released without charge was 4,224 (Table 1.08) during 2009/10. A like-for-like comparison of selected police forces who provided data for both 2008/09 and 2009/10 shows a fall of four per cent on the 2008/09 figure**.
- Ninety-four per cent of those detained for more than 24 hours during 2009/10 were released within 36 hours, up from 88 per cent in 2008/09.

Table 1.08 shows figures on police detentions, by police force area, where the person is detained for more than 24 hours and subsequently released.

Box 1a **Police detention**

Under section 42 of PACE, detention in police custody before charge on the authority of a police officer is normally limited to 24 hours except where the alleged offence is an indictable one, where the maximum is 36 hours. From 20 January 2004, new powers were introduced which enabled a superintendent or above to authorise continued detention for up to 36 hours for all arrestable offences. Additionally, the police can apply to magistrates for warrants of further detention, extending the maximum detention period to 96 hours. With effect from 1 January 2006 the offence coverage was revised to include all indictable offences.

Persons detained under warrant of further detention

Warrants of further detention (issued by magistrates) under PACE, which authorise detention without charge, were applied for on 582 occasions during 2009/10.

In all years since 1999/00, almost all applications have been granted.

- In 2009/10, 66 per cent of those detained under warrant were charged, a fall of five percentage points on the previous year.

Table 1.08 shows the periods for which the warrants of further detention were granted, including any extensions. For 2009/10 only, it also shows the time spent in custody under the warrants. Tables 1.09 and 1.10 show data on the number of persons detained and warrants issued/granted from 2000/01 to 2009/10.

The data in Tables 1.09 to 1.11 are provided for each year from 2000/01. These totals should not be used to make direct comparisons as figures are not available for all police forces over time (see footnotes on tables).

Box 1b **Charges following detention**

Figures on police detention are reported to the Home Office for the purposes of monitoring whether police forces are using their powers of further detention appropriately, rather than to ascertain charging rates. As a result, no figures on the number of persons charged after being held for less than 36 hours with no warrant applied for are collected.

Figures on charging rates when a person is held for more than 36 hours under warrant are collected because, in these instances, persons can be held in police custody for up to 96 hours and it is important to monitor charging rates when persons are held for extended periods of time.

* Figure excludes Cheshire, West Midlands and Hampshire, which were unable to submit data for 2009/10.

** A number of forces have been excluded from calculations made on this page to allow a like-for-like comparison between the two years to be calculated. See Table 1.07.

Table 1.01 Persons arrested for recorded crime (notifiable offences) by sex and police force area, 2008/09 and 2009/10

| Police force area | Numbers and percentage changes | | | | | | England and Wales | | |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|
| | Males | | Females | | Persons | | Arrest rate per 1,000 population (persons) ¹ | Change 2008/09 - 2009/10 | |
| | 2008/09 | 2009/10 | 2008/09 | 2009/10 | 2008/09 | 2009/10 | | Number | % |
| Cleveland | 17,932 | 17,760 | 3,671 | 3,474 | 21,603 | 21,234 | 38 | -369 | -2 |
| Durham | 14,970 | 14,669 | 3,376 | 3,120 | 18,346 | 17,789 | 29 | -557 | -3 |
| Northumbria | 44,968 | 40,548 | 10,848 | 9,503 | 55,816 | 50,051 | 35 | -5,765 | -10 |
| North East Region | 77,870 | 72,977 | 17,895 | 16,097 | 95,765 | 89,074 | 34 | -6,691 | -7 |
| Cheshire | 16,930 | 16,152 | 3,484 | 2,868 | 20,414 | 19,020 | 19 | -1,394 | -7 |
| Cumbria | 9,895 | 8,769 | 2,507 | 2,130 | 12,402 | 10,899 | 22 | -1,503 | -12 |
| Greater Manchester | 63,701 | 58,490 | 12,797 | 10,982 | 76,498 | 69,472 | 27 | -7,026 | -9 |
| Lancashire | 37,081 | 35,598 | 7,591 | 7,237 | 44,672 | 42,835 | 30 | -1,837 | -4 |
| Merseyside | 36,080 | 36,678 | 7,194 | 6,844 | 43,274 | 43,522 | 32 | 248 | 1 |
| North West Region | 163,687 | 155,687 | 33,573 | 30,061 | 197,260 | 185,748 | 27 | -11,512 | -6 |
| Humberside | 20,052 | 21,275 | 3,817 | 3,893 | 23,869 | 25,168 | 27 | 1,299 | 5 |
| North Yorkshire ² | 17,751 | 17,082 | 4,111 | 3,931 | 21,862 | 21,013 | 26 | -849 | -4 |
| South Yorkshire | 31,371 | 28,189 | 6,309 | 5,296 | 37,680 | 33,485 | 25 | -4,195 | -11 |
| West Yorkshire | 57,993 | 53,041 | 12,536 | 11,315 | 70,529 | 64,356 | 29 | -6,173 | -9 |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 127,167 | 119,587 | 26,773 | 24,435 | 153,940 | 144,022 | 27 | -9,918 | -6 |
| Derbyshire | 19,344 | 16,931 | 3,767 | 2,995 | 23,111 | 19,926 | 20 | -3,185 | -14 |
| Leicestershire | 19,247 | 19,456 | 2,888 | 2,947 | 22,135 | 22,403 | 23 | 268 | 1 |
| Lincolnshire | 16,009 | 13,487 | 3,246 | 2,766 | 19,255 | 16,253 | 23 | -3,002 | -16 |
| Northamptonshire | 13,218 | 12,558 | 2,223 | 2,134 | 15,441 | 14,692 | 21 | -749 | -5 |
| Nottinghamshire | 30,297 | 27,249 | 6,149 | 5,740 | 36,446 | 32,989 | 31 | -3,457 | -9 |
| East Midlands Region | 98,115 | 89,681 | 18,273 | 16,582 | 116,388 | 106,263 | 24 | -10,125 | -9 |
| Staffordshire | 21,724 | 20,425 | 4,158 | 4,087 | 25,882 | 24,512 | 23 | -1,370 | -5 |
| Warwickshire | 8,754 | 7,509 | 1,525 | 1,330 | 10,279 | 8,839 | 17 | -1,440 | -14 |
| West Mercia | 23,845 | 19,919 | 4,980 | 4,077 | 28,825 | 23,996 | 20 | -4,829 | -17 |
| West Midlands | 52,542 | 43,792 | 11,118 | 8,110 | 63,660 | 51,902 | 20 | -11,758 | -18 |
| West Midlands Region | 106,865 | 91,645 | 21,781 | 17,604 | 128,646 | 109,249 | 20 | -19,397 | -15 |
| Bedfordshire | 14,147 | 12,971 | 2,522 | 2,393 | 16,669 | 15,364 | 25 | -1,305 | -8 |
| Cambridgeshire | 17,411 | 16,498 | 3,556 | 3,461 | 20,967 | 19,959 | 26 | -1,008 | -5 |
| Essex | 43,206 | 36,357 | 10,177 | 8,556 | 53,383 | 44,913 | 26 | -8,470 | -16 |
| Hertfordshire | 18,991 | 19,366 | 4,101 | 4,027 | 23,092 | 23,393 | 21 | 301 | 1 |
| Norfolk | 15,719 | 14,293 | 3,035 | 2,835 | 18,754 | 17,128 | 20 | -1,626 | -9 |
| Suffolk | 13,208 | 12,750 | 2,642 | 2,439 | 15,850 | 15,189 | 21 | -661 | -4 |
| East of England Region | 122,682 | 112,235 | 26,033 | 23,711 | 148,715 | 135,946 | 24 | -12,769 | -9 |
| London, City of | 3,338 | 2,845 | 491 | 440 | 3,829 | 3,285 | 286 | -544 | -14 |
| Metropolitan Police | 193,382 | 202,913 | 34,501 | 37,903 | 227,883 | 240,816 | 31 | 12,933 | 6 |
| London Region | 196,720 | 205,758 | 34,992 | 38,343 | 231,712 | 244,101 | 31 | 12,389 | 5 |
| Hampshire | 35,634 | 36,673 | 7,777 | 8,056 | 43,411 | 44,729 | 24 | 1,318 | 3 |
| Kent | 36,085 | 34,263 | 7,638 | 7,431 | 43,723 | 41,694 | 25 | -2,029 | -5 |
| Surrey | 13,097 | 11,959 | 2,550 | 2,381 | 15,647 | 14,340 | 13 | -1,307 | -8 |
| Sussex | 31,813 | 30,506 | 7,641 | 7,005 | 39,454 | 37,511 | 24 | -1,943 | -5 |
| Thames Valley | 49,830 | 44,294 | 10,180 | 8,967 | 60,010 | 53,261 | 24 | -6,749 | -11 |
| South East Region | 166,459 | 157,695 | 35,786 | 33,840 | 202,245 | 191,535 | 23 | -10,710 | -5 |
| Avon and Somerset | 27,652 | 28,041 | 5,943 | 6,222 | 33,595 | 34,263 | 21 | 668 | 2 |
| Devon and Cornwall | 22,391 | 22,976 | 4,117 | 4,309 | 26,508 | 27,285 | 16 | 777 | 3 |
| Dorset | 13,802 | 12,755 | 2,672 | 2,448 | 16,474 | 15,203 | 21 | -1,271 | -8 |
| Gloucestershire | 12,608 | 10,495 | 3,157 | 2,570 | 15,765 | 13,065 | 22 | -2,700 | -17 |
| Wiltshire | 7,324 | 8,057 | 1,370 | 1,676 | 8,694 | 9,733 | 15 | 1,039 | 12 |
| South West Region | 83,777 | 82,324 | 17,259 | 17,225 | 101,036 | 99,549 | 19 | -1,487 | -1 |
| England Total | 1,143,342 | 1,087,589 | 232,365 | 217,898 | 1,375,707 | 1,305,487 | 25 | -70,220 | -5 |
| Dyfed-Powys | 9,863 | 9,500 | 2,117 | 2,101 | 11,980 | 11,601 | 23 | -379 | -3 |
| Gwent | 14,171 | 12,353 | 2,563 | 2,250 | 16,734 | 14,603 | 26 | -2,131 | -13 |
| North Wales ² | 20,237 | 18,164 | 3,819 | 3,850 | 24,056 | 22,014 | 32 | -2,042 | -8 |
| South Wales | 27,399 | 26,348 | 6,263 | 5,977 | 33,662 | 32,325 | 26 | -1,337 | -4 |
| Wales Total | 71,670 | 66,365 | 14,762 | 14,178 | 86,432 | 80,543 | 27 | -5,889 | -7 |
| England and Wales | 1,215,012 | 1,153,954 | 247,127 | 232,076 | 1,462,139 | 1,386,030 | 25 | -76,109 | -5 |

1. Arrest rate high for City of London police due to very small resident population within the force.

2. Figures for North Yorkshire and North Wales for 2008/09 have been revised since the 2008/09 police powers bulletin.

Table 1.02 Number and proportion of persons arrested for recorded crime (notifiable offences) in each police force area by sex and age group, 2009/10¹

| Police force area | England and Wales | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|----------|----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|------------|
| | Number of arrests | Males | | | | Females | | | | Persons | | | |
| | | 10-17 | 18-20 | 21 and over | all ages | 10-17 | 18-20 | 21 and over | all ages | 10-17 | 18-20 | 21 and over | all ages |
| Cleveland | 21,234 | 12 | 13 | 58 | 84 | 2 | 2 | 12 | 16 | 15 | 15 | 69 | 100 |
| Durham | 17,789 | 15 | 14 | 53 | 82 | 4 | 2 | 11 | 18 | 19 | 16 | 64 | 100 |
| Northumbria | 50,051 | 15 | 14 | 53 | 81 | 4 | 2 | 12 | 19 | 19 | 16 | 65 | 100 |
| North East Region | 89,074 | 14 | 14 | 54 | 82 | 4 | 2 | 12 | 18 | 18 | 16 | 66 | 100 |
| Cheshire | 19,020 | 11 | 14 | 60 | 85 | 2 | 2 | 11 | 15 | 13 | 16 | 70 | 100 |
| Cumbria | 10,899 | 14 | 13 | 53 | 80 | 4 | 3 | 13 | 20 | 18 | 16 | 66 | 100 |
| Greater Manchester | 69,472 | 15 | 13 | 56 | 84 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 16 | 19 | 15 | 66 | 100 |
| Lancashire | 42,835 | 16 | 13 | 54 | 83 | 4 | 2 | 11 | 17 | 20 | 15 | 65 | 100 |
| Merseyside | 43,522 | 17 | 14 | 53 | 84 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 16 | 20 | 16 | 64 | 100 |
| North West Region | 185,748 | 15 | 13 | 55 | 84 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 16 | 19 | 15 | 66 | 100 |
| Humberside | 25,168 | 14 | 12 | 58 | 85 | 3 | 2 | 10 | 15 | 17 | 15 | 68 | 100 |
| North Yorkshire | 21,013 | 14 | 14 | 54 | 81 | 4 | 3 | 12 | 19 | 18 | 17 | 65 | 100 |
| South Yorkshire | 33,485 | 15 | 14 | 56 | 84 | 4 | 2 | 10 | 16 | 18 | 16 | 66 | 100 |
| West Yorkshire | 64,356 | 15 | 13 | 54 | 82 | 4 | 2 | 11 | 18 | 19 | 15 | 65 | 100 |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 144,022 | 15 | 13 | 55 | 83 | 4 | 2 | 11 | 17 | 18 | 16 | 66 | 100 |
| Derbyshire | 19,926 | 15 | 13 | 57 | 85 | 3 | 2 | 10 | 15 | 19 | 15 | 67 | 100 |
| Leicestershire | 22,403 | 13 | 14 | 59 | 87 | 2 | 2 | 9 | 13 | 16 | 16 | 68 | 100 |
| Lincolnshire | 16,253 | 11 | 13 | 59 | 83 | 4 | 2 | 11 | 17 | 15 | 15 | 70 | 100 |
| Northamptonshire | 14,692 | 14 | 13 | 58 | 85 | 3 | 2 | 10 | 15 | 17 | 15 | 68 | 100 |
| Nottinghamshire | 32,989 | 14 | 13 | 56 | 83 | 3 | 2 | 12 | 17 | 17 | 15 | 68 | 100 |
| East Midlands Region | 106,263 | 13 | 13 | 58 | 84 | 3 | 2 | 10 | 16 | 17 | 15 | 68 | 100 |
| Staffordshire | 24,512 | 13 | 14 | 56 | 83 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 17 | 16 | 16 | 66 | 100 |
| Warwickshire | 8,839 | 10 | 15 | 59 | 85 | 3 | 2 | 10 | 15 | 13 | 18 | 69 | 100 |
| West Mercia | 23,996 | 13 | 14 | 56 | 83 | 4 | 2 | 11 | 17 | 17 | 16 | 67 | 100 |
| West Midlands | 51,902 | 11 | 12 | 61 | 84 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 16 | 13 | 15 | 72 | 100 |
| West Midlands Region | 109,249 | 12 | 13 | 59 | 84 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 16 | 15 | 15 | 69 | 100 |
| Bedfordshire | 15,364 | 13 | 13 | 58 | 84 | 3 | 2 | 10 | 16 | 16 | 15 | 68 | 100 |
| Cambridgeshire | 19,959 | 13 | 12 | 57 | 83 | 4 | 2 | 11 | 17 | 17 | 14 | 69 | 100 |
| Essex | 44,913 | 15 | 13 | 53 | 81 | 5 | 2 | 12 | 19 | 20 | 15 | 65 | 100 |
| Hertfordshire | 23,393 | 15 | 13 | 55 | 83 | 4 | 2 | 11 | 17 | 18 | 16 | 66 | 100 |
| Norfolk | 17,128 | 12 | 12 | 59 | 83 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 17 | 15 | 14 | 71 | 100 |
| Suffolk | 15,189 | 12 | 14 | 58 | 84 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 16 | 15 | 16 | 68 | 100 |
| East of England Region | 135,946 | 14 | 13 | 56 | 83 | 4 | 2 | 11 | 17 | 18 | 15 | 67 | 100 |
| London, City of | 3,285 | 5 | 7 | 74 | 87 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 13 | 6 | 9 | 85 | 100 |
| Metropolitan Police | 240,816 | 15 | 11 | 58 | 84 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 16 | 18 | 13 | 69 | 100 |
| London Region | 244,101 | 15 | 11 | 58 | 84 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 16 | 17 | 13 | 69 | 100 |
| Hampshire | 44,729 | 15 | 14 | 54 | 82 | 4 | 2 | 12 | 18 | 19 | 16 | 65 | 100 |
| Kent | 41,694 | 16 | 13 | 53 | 82 | 4 | 2 | 11 | 18 | 20 | 15 | 64 | 100 |
| Surrey | 14,340 | 11 | 14 | 58 | 83 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 17 | 14 | 17 | 69 | 100 |
| Sussex | 37,511 | 12 | 12 | 57 | 81 | 4 | 2 | 12 | 19 | 16 | 14 | 70 | 100 |
| Thames Valley | 53,261 | 13 | 13 | 57 | 83 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 17 | 16 | 15 | 69 | 100 |
| South East Region | 191,535 | 14 | 13 | 55 | 82 | 4 | 2 | 12 | 18 | 18 | 15 | 67 | 100 |
| Avon and Somerset | 34,263 | 14 | 13 | 55 | 82 | 4 | 2 | 12 | 18 | 18 | 15 | 67 | 100 |
| Devon and Cornwall | 27,285 | 11 | 13 | 60 | 84 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 16 | 14 | 16 | 70 | 100 |
| Dorset | 15,203 | 12 | 14 | 57 | 84 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 16 | 15 | 16 | 68 | 100 |
| Gloucestershire | 13,065 | 11 | 13 | 56 | 80 | 4 | 3 | 12 | 20 | 15 | 16 | 68 | 100 |
| Wiltshire | 9,733 | 12 | 14 | 57 | 83 | 4 | 2 | 11 | 17 | 16 | 16 | 68 | 100 |
| South West Region | 99,549 | 12 | 13 | 57 | 83 | 4 | 2 | 11 | 17 | 16 | 16 | 68 | 100 |
| England Total | 1,305,487 | 14 | 13 | 56 | 83 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 17 | 17 | 15 | 67 | 100 |
| Dyfed-Powys | 11,601 | 16 | 13 | 53 | 82 | 4 | 3 | 12 | 18 | 19 | 16 | 64 | 100 |
| Gwent | 14,603 | 14 | 15 | 56 | 85 | 3 | 2 | 10 | 15 | 17 | 17 | 66 | 100 |
| North Wales | 22,014 | 13 | 14 | 55 | 83 | 4 | 3 | 11 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 66 | 100 |
| South Wales | 32,325 | 13 | 13 | 55 | 82 | 4 | 3 | 12 | 18 | 17 | 15 | 67 | 100 |
| Wales Total | 80,543 | 14 | 14 | 55 | 82 | 4 | 3 | 11 | 18 | 18 | 16 | 66 | 100 |
| England and Wales | 1,386,030 | 14 | 13 | 56 | 83 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 17 | 17 | 15 | 67 | 100 |

1. Arrests of those under the age of ten and 'age unknown' have been excluded due to low figures.

Table 1.03 Number and proportion of persons (all ages) arrested for recorded crime (notifiable offences) in each police force area by offence group, 2009/10

| Police force area | England and Wales | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------|----------|---------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | Total notifiable offences [=100%] | Violence against the person | Sexual offences | Robbery | Burglary | Theft and handling stolen goods | Fraud and forgery | Criminal damage | Drugs offences | Other offences |
| Cleveland | 21,234 | 31 | 1 | 2 | 11 | 30 | 0 | 10 | 9 | 7 |
| Durham | 17,789 | 33 | 3 | 1 | 8 | 25 | 2 | 13 | 6 | 9 |
| Northumbria | 50,051 | 31 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 26 | 3 | 13 | 8 | 8 |
| North East Region | 89,074 | 31 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 27 | 2 | 12 | 8 | 8 |
| Cheshire | 19,020 | 38 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 22 | 2 | 9 | 8 | 10 |
| Cumbria | 10,899 | 43 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 24 | 1 | 14 | 7 | 1 |
| Greater Manchester | 69,472 | 34 | 3 | 4 | 9 | 22 | 2 | 9 | 9 | 10 |
| Lancashire | 42,835 | 32 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 27 | 2 | 13 | 12 | 5 |
| Merseyside | 43,522 | 31 | 2 | 2 | 7 | 22 | 2 | 7 | 21 | 6 |
| North West Region | 185,748 | 34 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 23 | 2 | 9 | 12 | 7 |
| Humberside | 25,168 | 24 | 3 | 1 | 8 | 17 | 1 | 8 | 5 | 33 |
| North Yorkshire | 21,013 | 36 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 26 | 3 | 10 | 8 | 5 |
| South Yorkshire | 33,485 | 36 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 24 | 2 | 10 | 9 | 7 |
| West Yorkshire | 64,356 | 33 | 2 | 3 | 11 | 24 | 2 | 9 | 7 | 8 |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 144,022 | 33 | 2 | 2 | 9 | 23 | 2 | 9 | 7 | 12 |
| Derbyshire | 19,926 | 40 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 20 | 2 | 10 | 8 | 6 |
| Leicestershire | 22,403 | 25 | 3 | 2 | 8 | 17 | 2 | 7 | 6 | 30 |
| Lincolnshire | 16,253 | 27 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 25 | 1 | 9 | 6 | 23 |
| Northamptonshire | 14,692 | 28 | 3 | 3 | 9 | 21 | 2 | 8 | 6 | 20 |
| Nottinghamshire | 32,989 | 27 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 21 | 1 | 9 | 8 | 21 |
| East Midlands Region | 106,263 | 29 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 20 | 2 | 9 | 7 | 20 |
| Staffordshire | 24,512 | 41 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 20 | 2 | 10 | 7 | 9 |
| Warwickshire | 8,839 | 37 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 22 | 2 | 10 | 8 | 9 |
| West Mercia | 23,996 | 29 | 4 | 2 | 6 | 20 | 2 | 8 | 6 | 25 |
| West Midlands | 51,902 | 39 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 21 | 2 | 10 | 10 | 9 |
| West Midlands Region | 109,249 | 37 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 21 | 2 | 10 | 8 | 13 |
| Bedfordshire | 15,364 | 27 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 17 | 2 | 8 | 5 | 29 |
| Cambridgeshire | 19,959 | 28 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 22 | 3 | 9 | 6 | 23 |
| Essex | 44,913 | 30 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 23 | 2 | 10 | 6 | 18 |
| Hertfordshire | 23,393 | 37 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 22 | 4 | 9 | 13 | 7 |
| Norfolk | 17,128 | 29 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 22 | 2 | 10 | 6 | 22 |
| Suffolk | 15,189 | 27 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 18 | 2 | 8 | 5 | 30 |
| East of England Region | 135,946 | 30 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 21 | 3 | 9 | 7 | 20 |
| London, City of | 3,285 | 19 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 36 | 18 | 5 | 10 | 7 |
| Metropolitan Police | 240,816 | 31 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 19 | 3 | 6 | 11 | 18 |
| London Region | 244,101 | 31 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 19 | 3 | 6 | 11 | 18 |
| Hampshire | 44,729 | 40 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 19 | 2 | 9 | 7 | 12 |
| Kent | 41,694 | 31 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 22 | 3 | 10 | 8 | 15 |
| Surrey | 14,340 | 38 | 2 | 2 | 7 | 21 | 4 | 8 | 6 | 11 |
| Sussex | 37,511 | 26 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 17 | 2 | 8 | 7 | 30 |
| Thames Valley | 53,261 | 30 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 20 | 2 | 8 | 9 | 20 |
| South East Region | 191,535 | 32 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 20 | 3 | 9 | 8 | 18 |
| Avon and Somerset | 34,263 | 35 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 22 | 1 | 12 | 8 | 10 |
| Devon and Cornwall | 27,285 | 48 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 16 | 2 | 9 | 10 | 6 |
| Dorset | 15,203 | 37 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 22 | 3 | 10 | 7 | 10 |
| Gloucestershire | 13,065 | 35 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 25 | 3 | 10 | 10 | 7 |
| Wiltshire | 9,733 | 46 | 3 | 2 | 8 | 20 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 9 |
| South West Region | 99,549 | 40 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 21 | 2 | 9 | 8 | 8 |
| England Total | 1,305,487 | 33 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 21 | 2 | 9 | 9 | 14 |
| Dyfed-Powys | 11,601 | 32 | 4 | 1 | 7 | 22 | 2 | 16 | 15 | 1 |
| Gwent | 14,603 | 27 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 20 | 1 | 9 | 8 | 24 |
| North Wales | 22,014 | 44 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 20 | 1 | 12 | 5 | 8 |
| South Wales | 32,325 | 40 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 22 | 2 | 10 | 8 | 7 |
| Wales Total | 80,543 | 37 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 21 | 2 | 11 | 8 | 9 |
| England and Wales | 1,386,030 | 33 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 21 | 2 | 9 | 9 | 14 |

Table 1.04 Number and proportion of persons aged 10-17 arrested for recorded crime (notifiable offences) in each police force area by offence group, 2009/10

| Number and percentages | | | | | | | | | | England and Wales |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|---------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Police force area | Total notifiable offences [=100%] | Violence against the person | Sexual offences | Robbery | Burglary | Theft and handling stolen goods | Fraud and forgery | Criminal damage | Drugs offences | Other offences |
| Cleveland | 3,079 | 26 | 1 | 2 | 14 | 30 | 0 | 18 | 4 | 5 |
| Durham | 3,399 | 30 | 2 | 1 | 10 | 25 | 1 | 21 | 2 | 7 |
| Northumbria | 9,570 | 30 | 2 | 2 | 9 | 26 | 1 | 20 | 4 | 6 |
| North East Region | 16,048 | 29 | 2 | 2 | 10 | 27 | 1 | 20 | 4 | 6 |
| Cheshire | 2,520 | 32 | 2 | 3 | 12 | 22 | 1 | 14 | 5 | 8 |
| Cumbria | 1,929 | 34 | 1 | 1 | 12 | 24 | 0 | 22 | 3 | 1 |
| Greater Manchester | 13,018 | 27 | 2 | 7 | 13 | 23 | 1 | 12 | 7 | 8 |
| Lancashire | 8,621 | 28 | 1 | 2 | 10 | 30 | 1 | 21 | 5 | 3 |
| Merseyside | 8,726 | 27 | 1 | 3 | 12 | 22 | 1 | 12 | 18 | 4 |
| North West Region | 34,814 | 28 | 2 | 4 | 12 | 25 | 1 | 15 | 9 | 5 |
| Humberside | 4,277 | 18 | 2 | 2 | 14 | 20 | 0 | 13 | 3 | 27 |
| North Yorkshire | 3,725 | 30 | 2 | 2 | 10 | 30 | 1 | 18 | 4 | 3 |
| South Yorkshire | 6,029 | 29 | 2 | 4 | 11 | 28 | 1 | 15 | 5 | 5 |
| West Yorkshire | 12,444 | 24 | 2 | 7 | 18 | 27 | 0 | 12 | 4 | 6 |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 26,475 | 25 | 2 | 5 | 15 | 27 | 1 | 14 | 4 | 8 |
| Derbyshire | 3,719 | 33 | 2 | 8 | 11 | 22 | 0 | 15 | 5 | 4 |
| Leicestershire | 3,494 | 21 | 2 | 6 | 13 | 20 | 0 | 13 | 4 | 19 |
| Lincolnshire | 2,408 | 22 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 31 | 0 | 15 | 4 | 16 |
| Northamptonshire | 2,432 | 21 | 2 | 8 | 16 | 22 | 1 | 13 | 3 | 15 |
| Nottinghamshire | 5,634 | 22 | 2 | 6 | 12 | 23 | 0 | 14 | 5 | 14 |
| East Midlands Region | 17,687 | 24 | 2 | 6 | 12 | 23 | 0 | 14 | 4 | 13 |
| Staffordshire | 3,979 | 31 | 3 | 5 | 11 | 23 | 1 | 15 | 3 | 7 |
| Warwickshire | 1,166 | 34 | 2 | 3 | 11 | 23 | 1 | 16 | 3 | 6 |
| West Mercia | 4,134 | 28 | 3 | 3 | 10 | 22 | 0 | 14 | 3 | 17 |
| West Midlands | 6,909 | 32 | 1 | 7 | 7 | 23 | 1 | 16 | 7 | 6 |
| West Midlands Region | 16,188 | 31 | 2 | 5 | 9 | 23 | 1 | 15 | 5 | 9 |
| Bedfordshire | 2,489 | 26 | 2 | 7 | 9 | 20 | 0 | 13 | 4 | 19 |
| Cambridgeshire | 3,458 | 27 | 2 | 3 | 10 | 25 | 0 | 14 | 4 | 13 |
| Essex | 9,050 | 26 | 1 | 3 | 8 | 28 | 0 | 17 | 5 | 11 |
| Hertfordshire | 4,298 | 26 | 1 | 5 | 8 | 30 | 2 | 13 | 11 | 5 |
| Norfolk | 2,547 | 24 | 3 | 2 | 8 | 28 | 0 | 16 | 3 | 16 |
| Suffolk | 2,312 | 23 | 2 | 4 | 12 | 24 | 0 | 13 | 3 | 19 |
| East of England Region | 24,154 | 26 | 2 | 4 | 9 | 27 | 1 | 15 | 6 | 12 |
| London, City of | 191 | 10 | 1 | 9 | 6 | 41 | 6 | 5 | 12 | 10 |
| Metropolitan Police | 42,468 | 21 | 2 | 14 | 7 | 23 | 1 | 7 | 11 | 14 |
| London Region | 42,659 | 21 | 2 | 14 | 7 | 23 | 1 | 7 | 11 | 14 |
| Hampshire | 8,494 | 32 | 2 | 3 | 10 | 26 | 1 | 13 | 5 | 8 |
| Kent | 8,537 | 23 | 2 | 2 | 11 | 27 | 1 | 16 | 5 | 13 |
| Surrey | 2,070 | 31 | 2 | 5 | 9 | 28 | 1 | 12 | 3 | 9 |
| Sussex | 5,933 | 24 | 3 | 3 | 9 | 25 | 0 | 13 | 5 | 18 |
| Thames Valley | 8,685 | 23 | 2 | 7 | 10 | 24 | 1 | 13 | 7 | 14 |
| South East Region | 33,719 | 26 | 2 | 4 | 10 | 26 | 1 | 14 | 5 | 13 |
| Avon and Somerset | 6,226 | 28 | 2 | 5 | 11 | 21 | 0 | 16 | 7 | 10 |
| Devon and Cornwall | 3,719 | 43 | 3 | 2 | 10 | 18 | 1 | 15 | 5 | 3 |
| Dorset | 2,336 | 30 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 27 | 1 | 18 | 4 | 8 |
| Gloucestershire | 1,990 | 27 | 1 | 3 | 8 | 33 | 1 | 16 | 7 | 5 |
| Wiltshire | 1,527 | 38 | 3 | 5 | 13 | 26 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 8 |
| South West Region | 15,798 | 33 | 2 | 3 | 10 | 23 | 1 | 15 | 6 | 7 |
| England Total | 227,542 | 26 | 2 | 6 | 10 | 25 | 1 | 14 | 7 | 10 |
| Dyfed-Powys | 2,255 | 27 | 2 | 1 | 10 | 24 | 1 | 24 | 10 | 0 |
| Gwent | 2,546 | 17 | 2 | 3 | 15 | 24 | 0 | 14 | 4 | 21 |
| North Wales | 3,803 | 38 | 2 | 1 | 10 | 22 | 0 | 19 | 1 | 6 |
| South Wales | 5,591 | 33 | 2 | 3 | 10 | 27 | 0 | 16 | 5 | 5 |
| Wales Total | 14,195 | 30 | 2 | 2 | 11 | 25 | 0 | 18 | 4 | 7 |
| England and Wales | 241,737 | 26 | 2 | 6 | 10 | 25 | 1 | 14 | 6 | 10 |

Table 1.05 Number and proportion of persons aged 18-20 arrested for recorded crime (notifiable offences) in each police force area by offence group, 2009/10

| Police force area | England and Wales | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------|-----------|---------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | Total notifiable offences [=100%] | Violence against the person | Sexual offences | Robbery | Burglary | Theft and handling stolen goods | Fraud and forgery | Criminal damage | Drugs offences | Other offences |
| Cleveland | 3,200 | 30 | 1 | 2 | 11 | 26 | 0 | 13 | 8 | 9 |
| Durham | 2,927 | 31 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 24 | 1 | 18 | 3 | 11 |
| Northumbria | 8,102 | 31 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 23 | 3 | 16 | 9 | 7 |
| North East Region | 14,229 | 31 | 2 | 2 | 9 | 24 | 2 | 16 | 8 | 8 |
| Cheshire | 3,107 | 34 | 2 | 3 | 9 | 19 | 1 | 10 | 10 | 13 |
| Cumbria | 1,751 | 45 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 19 | 1 | 16 | 8 | 1 |
| Greater Manchester | 10,267 | 31 | 2 | 6 | 11 | 20 | 2 | 9 | 9 | 10 |
| Lancashire | 6,436 | 31 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 23 | 3 | 15 | 14 | 4 |
| Merseyside | 6,799 | 27 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 18 | 2 | 7 | 28 | 6 |
| North West Region | 28,360 | 31 | 2 | 3 | 9 | 20 | 2 | 11 | 15 | 8 |
| Humberside | 3,654 | 23 | 2 | 2 | 10 | 15 | 1 | 9 | 5 | 33 |
| North Yorkshire | 3,524 | 36 | 2 | 2 | 11 | 23 | 2 | 12 | 7 | 5 |
| South Yorkshire | 5,329 | 35 | 1 | 2 | 9 | 22 | 1 | 12 | 9 | 8 |
| West Yorkshire | 9,934 | 28 | 2 | 5 | 15 | 22 | 2 | 10 | 8 | 9 |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 22,441 | 30 | 2 | 3 | 12 | 21 | 2 | 11 | 8 | 12 |
| Derbyshire | 2,927 | 38 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 21 | 1 | 13 | 7 | 5 |
| Leicestershire | 3,591 | 23 | 2 | 3 | 9 | 17 | 1 | 7 | 7 | 29 |
| Lincolnshire | 2,516 | 25 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 22 | 0 | 10 | 6 | 28 |
| Northamptonshire | 2,245 | 23 | 2 | 4 | 11 | 20 | 1 | 11 | 6 | 23 |
| Nottinghamshire | 4,973 | 24 | 2 | 3 | 10 | 19 | 1 | 12 | 8 | 21 |
| East Midlands Region | 16,252 | 26 | 2 | 3 | 9 | 20 | 1 | 11 | 7 | 21 |
| Staffordshire | 3,965 | 39 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 18 | 1 | 13 | 6 | 10 |
| Warwickshire | 1,569 | 34 | 2 | 4 | 12 | 20 | 2 | 11 | 6 | 11 |
| West Mercia | 3,823 | 28 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 17 | 1 | 11 | 6 | 25 |
| West Midlands | 7,531 | 36 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 20 | 2 | 11 | 11 | 9 |
| West Midlands Region | 16,888 | 35 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 19 | 2 | 12 | 8 | 13 |
| Bedfordshire | 2,358 | 24 | 1 | 5 | 7 | 16 | 1 | 9 | 6 | 31 |
| Cambridgeshire | 2,747 | 26 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 20 | 2 | 12 | 6 | 22 |
| Essex | 6,816 | 27 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 23 | 2 | 12 | 7 | 18 |
| Hertfordshire | 3,660 | 34 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 19 | 4 | 11 | 15 | 7 |
| Norfolk | 2,450 | 25 | 2 | 2 | 7 | 20 | 1 | 13 | 7 | 23 |
| Suffolk | 2,470 | 25 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 17 | 1 | 11 | 5 | 29 |
| East of England Region | 20,501 | 27 | 2 | 2 | 7 | 20 | 2 | 11 | 8 | 20 |
| London, City of | 284 | 15 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 36 | 13 | 5 | 12 | 8 |
| Metropolitan Police | 31,398 | 26 | 2 | 7 | 7 | 19 | 3 | 6 | 13 | 18 |
| London Region | 31,682 | 25 | 2 | 7 | 7 | 20 | 3 | 6 | 13 | 18 |
| Hampshire | 7,124 | 38 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 17 | 1 | 10 | 7 | 13 |
| Kent | 6,353 | 29 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 21 | 2 | 12 | 9 | 15 |
| Surrey | 2,374 | 32 | 2 | 4 | 10 | 22 | 3 | 10 | 6 | 12 |
| Sussex | 5,417 | 25 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 16 | 1 | 9 | 7 | 29 |
| Thames Valley | 8,016 | 27 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 18 | 1 | 10 | 11 | 20 |
| South East Region | 29,284 | 30 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 18 | 2 | 10 | 8 | 18 |
| Avon and Somerset | 5,174 | 33 | 2 | 3 | 9 | 19 | 1 | 14 | 7 | 13 |
| Devon and Cornwall | 4,332 | 49 | 2 | 2 | 7 | 14 | 2 | 11 | 7 | 6 |
| Dorset | 2,505 | 36 | 2 | 2 | 7 | 20 | 2 | 12 | 7 | 12 |
| Gloucestershire | 2,091 | 33 | 2 | 2 | 10 | 23 | 2 | 11 | 10 | 6 |
| Wiltshire | 1,569 | 38 | 3 | 5 | 12 | 21 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 13 |
| South West Region | 15,671 | 38 | 2 | 3 | 9 | 19 | 1 | 11 | 7 | 10 |
| England Total | 195,308 | 30 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 20 | 2 | 10 | 10 | 14 |
| Dyfed-Powys | 1,867 | 30 | 3 | 1 | 9 | 21 | 2 | 18 | 15 | 2 |
| Gwent | 2,435 | 25 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 18 | 1 | 11 | 8 | 26 |
| North Wales | 3,716 | 42 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 18 | 1 | 16 | 4 | 9 |
| South Wales | 4,936 | 40 | 2 | 2 | 9 | 20 | 2 | 11 | 7 | 7 |
| Wales Total | 12,954 | 36 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 19 | 1 | 13 | 8 | 11 |
| England and Wales | 208,262 | 30 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 20 | 2 | 11 | 10 | 14 |

Table 1.06 Number and proportion of persons aged 21 and over arrested for recorded crime (notifiable offences) in each police force area by offence group, 2009/10

| Police force area | England and Wales | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------|----------|---------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | Total notifiable offences [=100%] | Violence against the person | Sexual offences | Robbery | Burglary | Theft and handling stolen goods | Fraud and forgery | Criminal damage | Drugs offences | Other offences |
| Cleveland | 14,746 | 32 | 1 | 1 | 10 | 31 | 0 | 8 | 10 | 7 |
| Durham | 11,451 | 34 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 25 | 2 | 10 | 8 | 9 |
| Northumbria | 32,378 | 31 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 27 | 4 | 10 | 9 | 8 |
| North East Region | 58,575 | 32 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 28 | 3 | 10 | 9 | 8 |
| Cheshire | 13,391 | 40 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 22 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 10 |
| Cumbria | 7,140 | 44 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 25 | 1 | 11 | 8 | 1 |
| Greater Manchester | 46,113 | 36 | 4 | 2 | 7 | 22 | 3 | 7 | 9 | 10 |
| Lancashire | 27,777 | 33 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 28 | 3 | 9 | 14 | 5 |
| Merseyside | 27,991 | 33 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 23 | 3 | 6 | 21 | 6 |
| North West Region | 122,412 | 36 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 24 | 3 | 8 | 13 | 8 |
| Humberside | 17,215 | 25 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 16 | 2 | 6 | 6 | 35 |
| North Yorkshire | 13,759 | 38 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 25 | 3 | 8 | 9 | 5 |
| South Yorkshire | 22,124 | 38 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 23 | 3 | 9 | 10 | 7 |
| West Yorkshire | 41,960 | 37 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 23 | 3 | 8 | 8 | 9 |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 95,058 | 35 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 22 | 3 | 8 | 8 | 13 |
| Derbyshire | 13,269 | 43 | 5 | 1 | 6 | 19 | 3 | 8 | 9 | 6 |
| Leicestershire | 15,293 | 27 | 4 | 1 | 6 | 16 | 2 | 6 | 6 | 33 |
| Lincolnshire | 11,318 | 29 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 24 | 2 | 7 | 7 | 23 |
| Northamptonshire | 10,001 | 31 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 21 | 3 | 7 | 6 | 21 |
| Nottinghamshire | 22,366 | 29 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 20 | 2 | 7 | 8 | 22 |
| East Midlands Region | 72,247 | 31 | 4 | 1 | 6 | 20 | 2 | 7 | 7 | 22 |
| Staffordshire | 16,256 | 43 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 20 | 3 | 8 | 8 | 9 |
| Warwickshire | 6,102 | 39 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 22 | 3 | 8 | 9 | 9 |
| West Mercia | 16,022 | 29 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 20 | 2 | 6 | 6 | 27 |
| West Midlands | 37,422 | 41 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 21 | 2 | 9 | 10 | 10 |
| West Midlands Region | 75,802 | 39 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 21 | 3 | 8 | 8 | 13 |
| Bedfordshire | 10,475 | 28 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 17 | 3 | 7 | 5 | 31 |
| Cambridgeshire | 13,729 | 28 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 21 | 3 | 7 | 6 | 26 |
| Essex | 29,013 | 32 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 22 | 3 | 8 | 6 | 21 |
| Hertfordshire | 15,417 | 40 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 21 | 5 | 8 | 13 | 7 |
| Norfolk | 12,113 | 30 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 21 | 2 | 8 | 7 | 23 |
| Suffolk | 10,384 | 28 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 17 | 2 | 7 | 5 | 32 |
| East of England Region | 91,131 | 32 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 20 | 3 | 7 | 7 | 22 |
| London, City of | 2,804 | 20 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 36 | 19 | 5 | 10 | 7 |
| Metropolitan Police | 166,655 | 34 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 18 | 4 | 6 | 10 | 19 |
| London Region | 169,459 | 34 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 18 | 4 | 6 | 10 | 19 |
| Hampshire | 29,098 | 43 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 17 | 3 | 7 | 8 | 13 |
| Kent | 26,780 | 34 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 20 | 4 | 8 | 9 | 15 |
| Surrey | 9,896 | 40 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 20 | 5 | 7 | 7 | 11 |
| Sussex | 26,101 | 26 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 16 | 3 | 6 | 7 | 33 |
| Thames Valley | 36,532 | 33 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 19 | 3 | 7 | 8 | 21 |
| South East Region | 128,407 | 35 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 18 | 3 | 7 | 8 | 20 |
| Avon and Somerset | 22,858 | 38 | 4 | 1 | 6 | 23 | 1 | 10 | 8 | 10 |
| Devon and Cornwall | 19,224 | 49 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 16 | 2 | 7 | 11 | 6 |
| Dorset | 10,345 | 39 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 22 | 3 | 8 | 8 | 10 |
| Gloucestershire | 8,915 | 38 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 23 | 3 | 8 | 10 | 8 |
| Wiltshire | 6,631 | 50 | 4 | 1 | 6 | 19 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 9 |
| South West Region | 67,973 | 42 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 20 | 2 | 8 | 9 | 8 |
| England Total | 881,064 | 35 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 21 | 3 | 7 | 9 | 15 |
| Dyfed-Powys | 7,478 | 33 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 22 | 3 | 13 | 17 | 1 |
| Gwent | 9,614 | 30 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 19 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 24 |
| North Wales | 14,490 | 46 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 20 | 1 | 10 | 6 | 8 |
| South Wales | 21,797 | 42 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 21 | 3 | 8 | 10 | 7 |
| Wales Total | 53,379 | 40 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 20 | 2 | 9 | 9 | 10 |
| England and Wales | 934,443 | 35 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 21 | 3 | 7 | 9 | 15 |

Table 1.07 Number and proportion of persons arrested for recorded crime (notifiable offences) in each police force area by self-defined ethnicity, 2008/09 and 2009/10

| Police force area | 2009/10 | | | | | | | 2008/09 | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|------------|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|------------|
| | Total notifiable offences | White | Black | Asian | Mixed | Other | Not stated | Total notifiable offences | White | Black | Asian | Mixed | Other | Not stated |
| | [=100%] | | | | | | | [=100%] | | | | | | |
| Cleveland | 21,234 | 95 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 21,603 | 95 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Durham | 17,789 | 97 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 18,346 | 97 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Northumbria | 50,051 | 95 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 55,816 | 95 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| North East Region | 89,074 | 96 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 95,765 | 95 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Cheshire | 19,020 | 95 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 20,414 | 95 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Cumbria | 10,899 | 98 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12,402 | 98 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Greater Manchester | 69,472 | 82 | 5 | 7 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 76,498 | 83 | 5 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| Lancashire | 42,835 | 91 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 44,672 | 92 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| Merseyside | 43,522 | 92 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 43,274 | 90 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| North West Region | 185,748 | 89 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 197,260 | 89 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Humberside | 25,168 | 94 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 23,869 | 94 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| North Yorkshire (1) | 21,013 | 77 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 21 | 21,862 | 94 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 4 |
| South Yorkshire | 33,485 | 88 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 37,680 | 88 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| West Yorkshire | 64,356 | 76 | 4 | 11 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 70,529 | 79 | 4 | 10 | 3 | 1 | 3 |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 144,022 | 82 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 153,940 | 86 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Derbyshire | 19,926 | 88 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 23,111 | 89 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Leicestershire | 22,403 | 76 | 6 | 13 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 22,135 | 76 | 6 | 13 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Lincolnshire | 16,253 | 96 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 19,255 | 96 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Northamptonshire | 14,692 | 86 | 7 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 15,441 | 85 | 7 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| Nottinghamshire | 32,989 | 84 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 36,446 | 84 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 1 |
| East Midlands Region | 106,263 | 85 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 116,388 | 85 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| Staffordshire | 24,512 | 89 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 25,882 | 89 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Warwickshire | 8,839 | 88 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 10,279 | 90 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| West Mercia | 23,996 | 93 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 28,825 | 93 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| West Midlands | 51,902 | 63 | 13 | 14 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 63,660 | 65 | 12 | 14 | 5 | 2 | 2 |
| West Midlands Region | 109,249 | 77 | 7 | 9 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 128,646 | 78 | 7 | 9 | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| Bedfordshire | 15,364 | 71 | 10 | 12 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 16,669 | 70 | 11 | 13 | 5 | 1 | 1 |
| Cambridgeshire | 19,959 | 84 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 20,967 | 83 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 6 |
| Essex | 44,913 | 89 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 53,383 | 88 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Hertfordshire | 23,393 | 78 | 7 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 6 | 23,092 | 79 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 6 |
| Norfolk | 17,128 | 93 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 18,754 | 92 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Suffolk | 15,189 | 89 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 15,850 | 89 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| East of England Region | 135,946 | 85 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 148,715 | 85 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| London, City of | 3,285 | 57 | 18 | 12 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 3,829 | 53 | 20 | 13 | 4 | 4 | 6 |
| Metropolitan Police | 240,816 | 49 | 27 | 11 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 227,883 | 50 | 27 | 11 | 6 | 4 | 3 |
| London Region | 244,101 | 49 | 27 | 11 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 231,712 | 50 | 27 | 11 | 6 | 4 | 3 |
| Hampshire | 44,729 | 90 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 43,411 | 90 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Kent | 41,694 | 84 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 43,723 | 83 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 6 |
| Surrey | 14,340 | 86 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 15,647 | 85 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Sussex | 37,511 | 85 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 39,454 | 84 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 6 |
| Thames Valley | 53,261 | 77 | 8 | 9 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 60,010 | 78 | 8 | 8 | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| South East Region | 191,535 | 84 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 202,245 | 83 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| Avon and Somerset | 34,263 | 88 | 6 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 33,595 | 88 | 6 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| Devon and Cornwall | 27,285 | 96 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 26,508 | 95 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Dorset | 15,203 | 91 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 16,474 | 91 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Gloucestershire | 13,065 | 86 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 15,765 | 86 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| Wiltshire | 9,733 | 89 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 8,694 | 89 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 |
| South West Region | 99,549 | 90 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 101,036 | 90 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| England Total | 1,305,487 | 79 | 8 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1,375,707 | 80 | 8 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| Dyfed-Powys | 11,601 | 98 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11,980 | 98 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Gwent | 14,603 | 94 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 16,734 | 94 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| North Wales (1) | 22,014 | 97 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 24,056 | 97 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| South Wales | 32,325 | 90 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 33,662 | 87 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 6 |
| Wales Total | 80,543 | 94 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 86,432 | 93 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| England and Wales | 1,386,030 | 80 | 8 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1,462,139 | 81 | 8 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 2 |

(1) Figures for North Yorkshire and North Wales for 2008/09 have been revised since the 2008/09 police powers bulletin.

Table 1.08 Persons detained for more than 24 hours under Part IV of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984, by police force area, 2009/10

| Numbers | England and Wales | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| | Persons detained for more than 24 hours and subsequently released | | | | | Warrants of further detention | | | | |
| | Total | Police detention | | Detained under warrant of further detention | Applied for | Refused | Granted | | | |
| | | Over 24 & up to 36 hours | More than 36 hours | | | | Total | Charged | Not charged | |
| Indictable offences | | Indictable offences | | | | | | | | |
| Police force area | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cleveland | 30 | 30 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Durham | 20 | 20 | - | - | 5 | - | 5 | 5 | - | - |
| Northumbria | 10 | 10 | - | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| North East Region | 60 | 60 | - | - | 5 | - | 5 | 5 | 5 | - |
| Cheshire | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Cumbria | 24 | 22 | - | 2 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Greater Manchester | 539 | 525 | - | 14 | 99 | - | 99 | 82 | 14 | 14 |
| Lancashire | 97 | 84 | - | 13 | 43 | - | 43 | 30 | 13 | 13 |
| Merseyside | 25 | 24 | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | 1 | 1 |
| North West Region | 685 | 655 | - | 30 | 148 | 1 | 147 | 114 | 30 | 30 |
| Humberside | 141 | 127 | - | 14 | 35 | 1 | 34 | 20 | 14 | 14 |
| North Yorkshire | 32 | 23 | 9 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| South Yorkshire | 45 | 33 | - | 12 | 35 | - | 35 | 23 | 12 | 12 |
| West Yorkshire | 129 | 119 | - | 10 | 28 | - | 28 | 16 | 10 | 10 |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 347 | 302 | 9 | 36 | 98 | 1 | 97 | 59 | 36 | 36 |
| Derbyshire | 101 | 99 | - | 2 | 7 | - | 7 | 5 | 2 | 2 |
| Leicestershire | 83 | 78 | - | 5 | 9 | - | 9 | 4 | 5 | 5 |
| Lincolnshire | 21 | 21 | - | - | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| Northamptonshire | 45 | 45 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Nottinghamshire | 157 | 145 | - | 12 | 18 | 1 | 17 | 5 | 12 | 12 |
| East Midlands Region | 407 | 388 | - | 19 | 35 | 1 | 34 | 15 | 19 | 19 |
| Staffordshire | 43 | 42 | 1 | - | 6 | 2 | 4 | 4 | - | - |
| Warwickshire | 39 | 39 | - | - | 9 | - | 9 | 9 | - | - |
| West Mercia | 108 | 96 | - | 12 | 27 | - | 27 | 15 | 12 | 12 |
| West Midlands | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| West Midlands Region | 190 | 177 | 1 | 12 | 42 | 2 | 40 | 28 | 12 | 12 |
| Bedfordshire | 35 | 34 | - | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | - | 1 | 1 |
| Cambridgeshire | 24 | 24 | - | - | 2 | - | 2 | 2 | - | - |
| Essex | 366 | 361 | 1 | 4 | 6 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 4 |
| Hertfordshire | - | - | - | - | 9 | - | 9 | 9 | - | - |
| Norfolk | 45 | 40 | - | 5 | 11 | - | 11 | 6 | 5 | 5 |
| Suffolk | 35 | 31 | 2 | 2 | 8 | - | 8 | 6 | 2 | 2 |
| East of England Region | 505 | 490 | 3 | 12 | 39 | 3 | 36 | 24 | 12 | 12 |
| London, City of | 4 | 4 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Metropolitan Police | 967 | 887 | 66 | 14 | 73 | 12 | 61 | 47 | 14 | 14 |
| London Region | 971 | 891 | 66 | 14 | 73 | 12 | 61 | 47 | 14 | 14 |
| Hampshire | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Kent | 35 | 26 | - | 9 | 22 | - | 22 | 13 | 9 | 9 |
| Surrey | 13 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 9 | - | 9 | 6 | 3 | 3 |
| Sussex | 95 | 93 | - | 2 | 6 | - | 6 | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| Thames Valley | 110 | 100 | 1 | 9 | 19 | - | 19 | 10 | 9 | 9 |
| South East Region | 253 | 227 | 3 | 23 | 56 | - | 56 | 33 | 23 | 23 |
| Avon and Somerset | 594 | 589 | - | 5 | 17 | - | 17 | 12 | 5 | 5 |
| Devon and Cornwall | 50 | 50 | - | - | 18 | - | 18 | 18 | - | - |
| Dorset | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Gloucestershire | 5 | - | - | 5 | 7 | - | 7 | 2 | 5 | 5 |
| Wiltshire | 15 | 15 | - | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| South West Region | 664 | 654 | - | 10 | 42 | - | 42 | 32 | 10 | 10 |
| England Total | 4,082 | 3,844 | 82 | 156 | 538 | 20 | 518 | 357 | 156 | 156 |
| Dyfed-Powys | 62 | 47 | 10 | 5 | 20 | 2 | 18 | 13 | 5 | 5 |
| Gwent | 61 | 53 | 7 | 1 | 7 | - | 7 | 6 | 1 | 1 |
| North Wales | 16 | 10 | 3 | 3 | 3 | - | 3 | - | 3 | 3 |
| South Wales | 3 | - | - | 3 | 14 | - | 14 | 11 | 3 | 3 |
| Wales Total | 142 | 110 | 20 | 12 | 44 | 2 | 42 | 30 | 12 | 12 |
| England and Wales | 4,224 | 3,954 | 102 | 168 | 582 | 22 | 560 | 387 | 168 | 168 |
| Percentage changes based on selected police forces¹ | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2009/10 | 4,148 | 3,896 | 90 | 162 | 565 | 22 | 543 | 376 | 162 | 162 |
| 2008/09 | 4,308 | 3,786 | 364 | 158 | 570 | 30 | 540 | 382 | 158 | 158 |
| Percentage change (08/09 to 09/10) | -4 | 3 | -75 | 3 | -1 | -27 | 1 | -2 | 3 | 3 |

.. Data not available

1. Calculations exclude police forces who were unable to provide data for both 2008/09 and/or 2009/10, the police forces excluded are:

Cheshire, Dorset, Hampshire, Northumbria, North Yorkshire, West Midlands, Wiltshire, North Wales and South Wales.

Table 1.09 Persons detained for whom a warrant of further detention issued by a magistrate was granted, by period of warrant and time in custody under warrant, 2000/01 to 2009/10

| Numbers | England and Wales ¹ | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| | Total period of magistrates' warrant applied for including any extensions (following police detention) ² | | | | | |
| Year | Up to 12 hours (totalling up to 48 hours) | Over 12 and up to 24 hours (totalling up to 60 hours) | Over 24 and up to 36 hours (totalling up to 72 hours) | Over 36 and up to 48 hours (totalling up to 84 hours) | Over 48 and up to 60 hours (totalling up to 96 hours) | Total |
| 2000/01 | 14 | 72 | 120 | 26 | 87 | 319 |
| 2001/02 | 10 | 77 | 102 | 28 | 100 | 317 |
| 2002/03 | 8 | 45 | 127 | 19 | 95 | 294 |
| 2003/04 | 20 | 39 | 102 | 33 | 110 | 304 |
| 2004/05 | 4 | 37 | 215 | 35 | 124 | 415 |
| 2005/06 | 13 | 53 | 198 | 50 | 174 | 488 |
| 2006/07 ³ | 54 | 45 | 234 | 32 | 98 | 463 |
| 2007/08 | 34 | 77 | 341 | 19 | 115 | 586 |
| 2008/09 | 12 | 78 | 339 | 25 | 107 | 561 |
| 2009/10 | 14 | 88 | 313 | 23 | 122 | 560 |
| Of which in 2009/10: | | | | | | |
| Time in custody under warrant issued by magistrate | | | | | | |
| Up to 12 hours (totalling up to 48 hours) | 14 | 35 | 29 | 5 | 0 | 83 |
| Over 12 and up to 24 hours (totalling up to 60 hours) | * | 53 | 75 | 0 | 13 | 141 |
| Over 24 and up to 36 hours (totalling up to 72 hours) | * | * | 209 | 9 | 18 | 236 |
| Over 36 and up to 48 hours (totalling up to 84 hours) | * | * | * | 9 | 12 | 21 |
| Over 48 and up to 60 hours (totalling up to 96 hours) | * | * | * | * | 79 | 79 |

1. Excludes data for the five police forces for which no data were supplied in Table 1.07.

2. This table is based on the maximum time period that the police can hold suspects for indictable offences without a court warrant, which is 36 hours.

3. Excludes three warrants where the exact period of detention is unknown.

* Not applicable

Table 1.10 Persons detained for more than 24 hours and subsequently released under Part IV of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984, as amended, 2000/01 to 2009/10

| Numbers and percentages | | England and Wales | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Year | Persons detained for more than 24 hours and released without charge | | | |
| | Total | Released from police detention | | Detained under warrant of further detention |
| | | | (%) | |
| 2000/01 | 525 | 449 | 86 | 76 |
| 2001/02 | 505 | 453 | 90 | 52 |
| 2002/03 | 633 | 559 | 88 | 74 |
| 2003/04 ^{1,2} | 621 | 527 | 85 | 94 |
| 2004/05 ³ | 1,132 | 1,041 | 92 | 91 |
| 2005/06 ³ | 2,463 | 2,350 | 96 | 113 |
| 2006/07 ³ | 1,826 | 1,685 | 92 | 141 |
| 2007/08 ³ | 3,590 | 3,428 | 95 | 162 |
| 2008/09 ³ | 4,358 | 4,195 | 96 | 163 |
| 2009/10 ³ | 4,224 | 4,056 | 96 | 168 |

1. From 1 April 2003 to 19 January 2004, Part IV of PACE remained unamended. For this period data for seven police forces are not available.

2. As from 20 January 2004, new provisions were introduced to Part IV of PACE. Data for 23 police forces are not available for the short period up to 31 March 2004.

3. Data for the police forces listed below are not included in the totals from 2004/05 to 2008/09, these forces are:

2004/05: Leicestershire, City of London, Nottinghamshire, Gwent

2005/06: Leicestershire, Gwent

2006/07: South Wales

2007/08: Cheshire, Lincolnshire, Nottinghamshire, Staffordshire, Metropolitan Police, South Wales

2008/09: Cheshire, Hampshire, West Midlands, North Wales, South Wales

2009/10: Cheshire, Dorset, Hampshire, West Midlands

Table 1.11 Warrants of further detention under PACE and persons charged, 2000/01 to 2009/10

| Numbers and percentages | | | | | England and Wales | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------|---------|---------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|------------------------|
| Year | Warrants of further detention | | | | | | |
| | Applied for | Refused | Granted | | <i>Of those granted</i> | | |
| | | | Total granted | Percentage granted (%) | Charged | Not charged | Percentage charged (%) |
| 2000/01 | 326 | 7 | 319 | 98% | 243 | 76 | 76% |
| 2001/02 ¹ | 325 | 8 | 317 | 98% | 264 | 52 | 83% |
| 2002/03 ³ | 302 | 8 | 294 | 97% | 220 | 74 | 75% |
| 2003/04 ^{1,3} | 304 | - | 304 | 100% | 209 | 94 | 69% |
| 2004/05 ³ | 423 | 8 | 415 | 98% | 324 | 91 | 78% |
| 2005/06 ^{2,3} | 525 | 10 | 515 | 98% | 375 | 113 | 73% |
| 2006/07 ³ | 470 | 4 | 466 | 99% | 325 | 141 | 70% |
| 2007/08 ³ | 612 | 26 | 586 | 96% | 424 | 162 | 72% |
| 2008/09 ³ | 591 | 30 | 561 | 95% | 398 | 163 | 71% |
| 2009/10 ³ | 582 | 22 | 560 | 96% | 387 | 168 | 69% |

1. The outcome of one application is not known.

2. Full data for two police forces not available.

3. The following police forces were not able to provide breakdowns of warrants for the years shown below, these forces are:

2002/03 South Yorkshire, Staffordshire

2003/04 Essex, Greater Manchester, Leicestershire, Nottinghamshire, Staffordshire, Surrey, Gwent

2004/05 Leicestershire, City of London, Nottinghamshire, Gwent

2005/06 Leicestershire, Gwent

2006/07 South Wales

2007/08 Cheshire, Lincolnshire, Nottinghamshire, Staffordshire, Metropolitan Police, South Wales

2008/09 Cheshire, Hampshire, West Midlands, North Wales, South Wales

2009/10 Cheshire, Dorset, Hampshire, Northumbria, West Midlands, Wiltshire

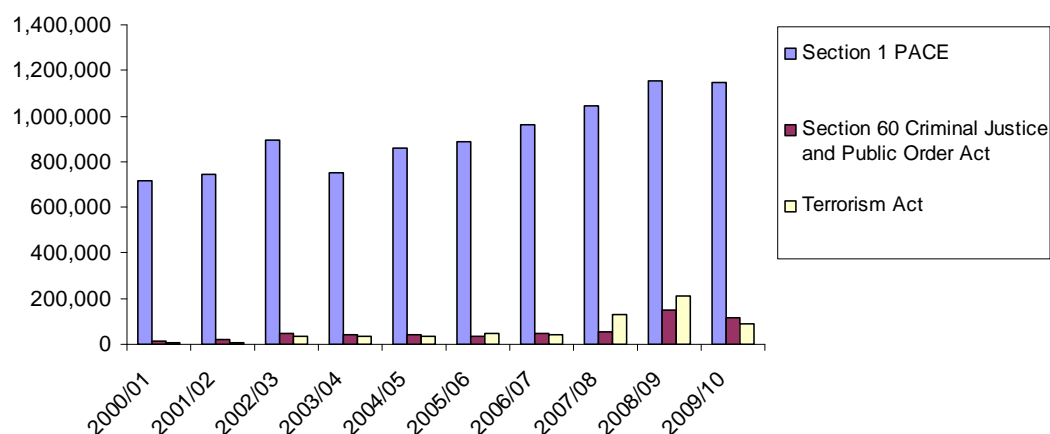
2 Stops and searches

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2.1 SUMMARY

- The police have the power to stop and search persons and vehicles under various legislation. These are summarised in Box 2a on the next page. Under these powers, the police stopped and searched 1,360,167 persons and/or vehicles in 2009/10, a decrease of ten per cent on 2008/09.
- The total above comprises:
 - 1,150,153 searches under section 1 of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act (PACE) in 2009/10, a decrease of 0.3 per cent on 2008/09.
 - 118,446 stops and searches in anticipation of violence (under section 60 of the Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994), a decrease of 21 per cent on last year.
 - 91,568 stops and searches in order to prevent acts of terrorism (under section 44 of the Terrorism Act 2000), a decrease of 56 per cent on 2008/09.
- Additionally, the police carried out 21 road checks, one less than in 2008/09.
- They also carried out 85 intimate searches, mostly for drugs, in 2009/10, 13 per cent less than in 2008/09.
- The British Transport Police (BTP) made an additional 45,745 searches in 2009-10. This is the first year that stops and searches made by the BTP have been collected. In order that England and Wales figures for 2009-10 are comparable with previous years, BTP figures have been **excluded** from the analysis within this chapter this year unless otherwise stated.

Figure 2a Number of stops and searches by type of search, England and Wales (excluding BTP), 2000/01 to 2009/10



2.2 INTRODUCTION

This chapter covers stops and searches under the Police and Criminal Evidence Act (PACE) and other legislation. It also covers other police powers under PACE.

Under sections 5, 50 and 55 of the Act, there is a statutory requirement for Chief Police Officers to collect and publish statistics monitoring their use. These provisions cover stops and searches of persons or vehicles, road checks, detention of persons, and intimate searches of persons.

The tables included within the text (Tables 2a to 2g) cover trends in national totals. Further tables for 2009/10, mainly by police force area, appear at the end of the chapter (Tables 2.01 to 2.08).

Figures on stops and searches and resultant arrests reported to the Home Office reflect police activity and should not be used to infer levels of crime committed by offenders. Figures for recorded crime for 2009/10 are available on the Home Office website at the following web link <http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/publications/science-research-statistics/research-statistics/crime-research/hosb1210>

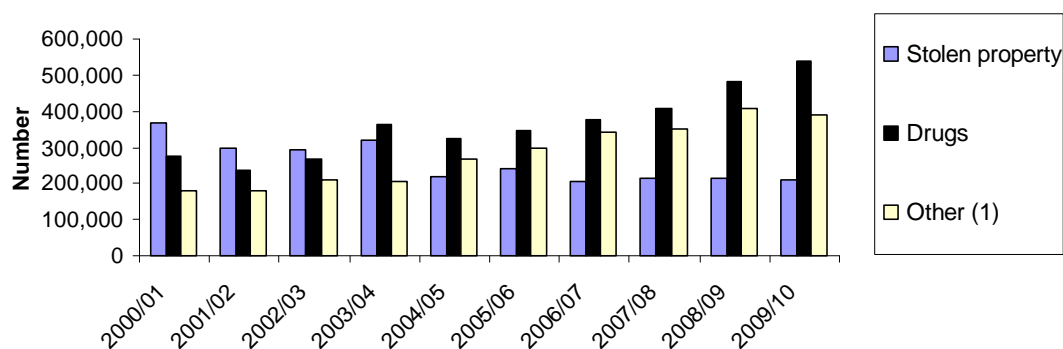
| Box 2a Main stop and search powers covered in Chapter 2 | | | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| <i>Power</i> | <i>What police can search for</i> | <i>Who, what and where the police can search</i> | <i>Where published in bulletin Chapter 2</i> |
| STOP AND SEARCH: <i>Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984, s1</i> | Stolen property; going equipped to steal; offensive weapons, including bladed or sharply pointed articles; other items, including prohibited possession of fireworks; criminal damage (articles made, adapted or intended for use by destroying or damaging property) | <i>Persons and vehicles; where there is public access</i> | <i>Section 2.3</i> |
| STOP AND SEARCH: <i>Firearms Act 1968, s47</i> | Firearms | <i>Persons and vehicles, in a public place (or anywhere in the case of reasonable suspicion of offences of carrying firearms with criminal intent or trespassing with firearms)</i> | <i>Section 2.3</i> |
| STOP AND SEARCH: <i>Misuse of Drugs Act 1971, s23</i> | Controlled drugs | <i>Persons and vehicles; anywhere</i> | <i>Section 2.3</i> |
| STOP AND SEARCH IN ANTICIPATION OF VIOLENCE: <i>Section 60 Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, as amended by s8 of the Knives Act 1997</i> | Offensive weapons or dangerous instruments to prevent incidents of serious violence or to deal with the carrying of such items | <i>Persons and vehicles; anywhere within an authorised locality</i> | <i>Section 2.4</i> |
| STOP AND SEARCH IN ORDER TO PREVENT ACTS OF TERRORISM: <i>Terrorism Act 2000, s44(1,2)</i> | Articles which could be used for a purpose connected with the commission, preparation or instigation of acts of terrorism | <i>Vehicles, driver and passengers (s44(1)); anywhere within an area authorised by the Home Secretary</i> | <i>Section 2.5</i> |
| | | <i>Pedestrians (s44(2)); anywhere within an area authorised by the Home Secretary</i> | <i>Section 2.5</i> |

2.3 STOPS AND SEARCHES UNDER SECTION 1 OF PACE

Extent and trends

- Overall stops and searches under section 1 of PACE decreased in number in 2009/10 for the first time in six years. The police stopped and searched 1,150,153 persons and/or vehicles under section 1 of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act (PACE) in 2009/10, 0.3 per cent fewer than in 2008/09.
- The articles most commonly searched for in 2009/10 were drugs (almost half – 48% of the total compared with 47% in 2008/09), and stolen property (18% in both 2008/09 and 2009/10).
- In 2009/10, stops and searches increased in three of the seven categories of reason for search. The largest percentage increases were recorded for searches for going equipped (up 11% to 147,151) and drugs (up 3% to 550,452). In comparison, stops and searches for criminal damage fell by 23 per cent to 21,543 and for firearms fell by 17 per cent to 9,909.
- Of the 1,150,153 searches under section 1 of PACE in 2009/10, 1,141,839 were of persons and 8,314 of vehicles. A breakdown of all searches of persons and vehicles under this power, broken down by police force area, can be found in Tables 2.06a and 2.06b.
- The British Transport Police carried out a further 27,100 stop and searches under section 1 of PACE. The most common reason for searches was for drugs which accounted for about two-thirds of all searches.

Figure 2b Number of stops and searches by reason for search, England and Wales (excluding BTP) 2000/01 to 2009/10



1. Includes stops and searches for firearms, offensive weapons, going equipped, criminal damage and other.

Table 2a Searches of persons or vehicles under section 1 of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 and other legislation, and resultant arrests, by reason for search and reason for arrest, England and Wales (excluding BTP) 2000/01-2009/10

| Numbers (thousands) | | England and Wales | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-------------------|----------------|------------------------------|--------------------|----------|
| Searches made by reason for search | | | | | | | | |
| Year | Stolen property | Drugs | Firearms | Offensive weapons | Going equipped | Criminal damage ¹ | Other ² | Total |
| 2000/01 | 295.9 | 236.9 | 7.9 | 47.4 | 89.1 | * | 36.8 | 714.1 |
| 2001/02 | 292.1 | 267.1 | 8.6 | 54.3 | 82.0 | * | 37.0 | 741.0 |
| 2002/03 | 320.9 | 363.1 | 9.9 | 62.6 | 93.2 | * | 45.5 | 895.3 |
| 2003/04 | 219.5 | 326.2 | 10.9 | 59.8 | 88.4 | 0.3 | 44.3 | 749.4 |
| 2004/05 | 241.5 | 351.3 | 12.7 | 76.4 | 108.4 | 13.0 | 58.1 | 861.5 |
| 2005/06 | 204.6 | 377.9 | 13.3 | 77.5 | 102.8 | 28.1 | 74.2 | 888.7 |
| 2006/07 | 213.7 | 406.5 | 13.0 | 96.3 | 117.6 | 33.8 | 79.2 | 962.9 |
| 2007/08 ³ | 213.1 | 481.1 | 14.5 | 98.9 | 120.5 | 32.4 | 85.3 | 1,045.8 |
| 2008/09 | 211.0 | 536.6 | 12.0 | 139.0 | 132.9 | 28.0 | 94.0 | 1,153.5 |
| 2009/10 | 211.2 | 550.5 | 9.9 | 119.6 | 147.2 | 21.5 | 90.3 | 1,150.2 |
| 2009/10 - 2008/09 | | | | | | | | |
| Total change | 0.1 | 13.9 | -2.1 | -19.4 | 14.3 | -6.5 | -3.7 | -3.3 |
| Percentage change (%) | | | | | | | | |
| | 0.1 | 3 | -17 | -14 | 11 | -23 | -4 | -0.3 |
| Number of arrests made by reason for arrest and the proportion of searches resulting in an arrest | | | | | | | | |
| Year | Stolen property | Drugs | Firearms | Offensive weapons | Going equipped | Criminal damage ¹ | Other ² | Total |
| | (%) | (%) | (%) | (%) | (%) | (%) | (%) | (%) |
| 2000/01 | 31.8 11 | 33.3 14 | 0.8 10 | 7.0 15 | 5.7 6 | * | 16.8 46 | 95.4 13 |
| 2001/02 | 31.3 11 | 35.8 13 | 0.9 10 | 8.2 15 | 5.9 7 | * | 16.7 45 | 98.7 13 |
| 2002/03 | 33.3 10 | 43.9 12 | 1.0 10 | 9.3 15 | 6.5 7 | * | 20.3 45 | 114.3 13 |
| 2003/04 | 26.2 12 | 35.6 11 | 0.9 9 | 8.2 14 | 6.7 8 | 0.0 14 | 17.3 39 | 95.1 13 |
| 2004/05 | 26.3 11 | 29.8 8 | 1.4 11 | 9.5 12 | 7.0 6 | 1.3 10 | 19.2 33 | 95.8 11 |
| 2005/06 | 24.2 12 | 30.4 8 | 1.4 11 | 9.7 13 | 6.5 6 | 1.9 7 | 23.5 32 | 102.7 12 |
| 2006/07 | 25.1 12 | 33.0 8 | 1.4 11 | 10.5 11 | 7.1 6 | 3.0 9 | 30.7 39 | 111.1 12 |
| 2007/08 ³ | 30.1 14 | 43.6 9 | 1.5 10 | 12.5 13 | 8.7 7 | 3.0 9 | 20.2 24 | 119.6 11 |
| 2008/09 | 27.7 13 | 40.6 8 | 1.2 10 | 12.8 9 | 8.0 6 | 2.6 9 | 19.5 21 | 112.4 10 |
| 2009/10 | 26.2 12 | 39.7 7 | 1.0 10 | 12.2 10 | 8.7 6 | 2.2 10 | 17.4 19 | 107.4 9 |
| 2009/10 - 2008/09 | | | | | | | | |
| Total change | -1.5 | -1.0 | -0.2 | -0.5 | 0.6 | -0.4 | -2.0 | -4.9 |
| Percentage change (%) | | | | | | | | |
| | -5 | -2 | -14 | -4 | 8 | -16 | -10 | -4 |

1. The category of stops and searches for items used to cause criminal damage was introduced under section 1(2) of the Criminal Justice Act 2003.

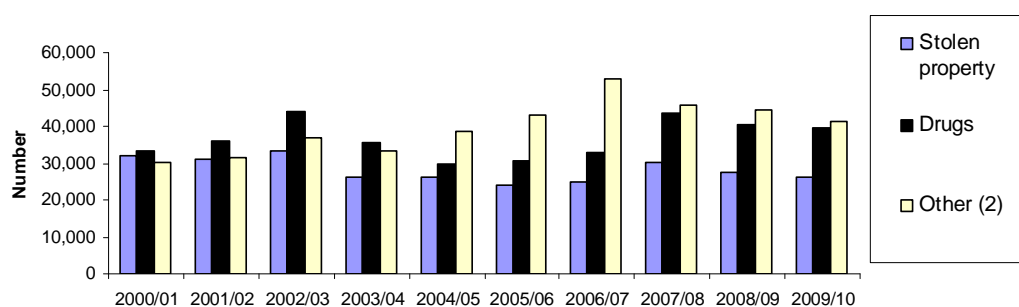
2. Includes searches under other powers such as searches for fireworks and searches under section 43 of the Terrorism Act 2000.

3. Figures updated since 2007/08 bulletin to include newly available breakdowns from Avon and Somerset.

Resultant arrests

- In 2009/10 the number of arrests following a stop and search fell for the second consecutive year by five per cent to 107,444, bringing the proportion of people arrested following a stop and search in 2009/10 down one percentage point to nine per cent.
- The largest numbers of arrests resulting from stops and searches in 2009/10 were for drugs (39,662), stolen property (26,241) and 'other' offences (17,436). 'Other' offences include searches for items not covered in the main categories, for example searches under section 43 of the Terrorism Act 2000 and fireworks offences. Arrest rates differed according to the reason for a stop/search: 'other offences' was the highest category at 19 per cent and 'going equipped' was lowest, at six per cent.
- Of the 27,100 section 1 searches made by the British Transport Police, 1,646 (6%) resulted in arrest. The highest resultant arrest rate was for searches relating to firearms (22%), whilst the lowest was for following arrests for drugs (4%).

Figure 2c Number of arrests following stops and searches under section 1 of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act (PACE) by reason for arrest¹, England and Wales (excluding BTP) 2000/01 to 2009/10



1. A search for one type of article may result in a different category of article being found, and in this event, the reason for the arrest will be tabulated according to the type of article found.
2. Includes stops and searches for firearms, offensive weapons, going equipped, criminal damage and other.

2.4 STOPS AND SEARCHES UNDER SECTION 60 OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC ORDER ACT 1994

The Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 introduced new powers to stop and search vehicles and persons (see Box 2a). Section 60 enables stops and searches to be made in anticipation of violence.

Table 2b shows the number of stops and searches from 2000/01 through to 2009/10, the number of persons found to be carrying offensive weapons or dangerous instruments, arrests for offensive weapons and arrests for other reasons (e.g. a class A drug is found). Information for 2009/10 by police force area is given in Table 2.03.

- There were 118,446 such searches carried out in 2009/10, down 21 per cent.
- Section 60 searches in 2008/09 were nearly three times the number of searches in 2007/08. This large increase in searches in 2008/09 coincided with Operation Blunt 2 which commenced in London on 19 May 2008, as well as the Home Office Tackling Knives Action Plan Initiative, launched in June 2008, both aimed at reducing knife crime.
- The proportion of stops and searches resulting in an arrest under section 60 powers varied across the forces; overall, two per cent led to an arrest in 2009/10, one percentage point less than in 2008/09.
- Of the 118,446 searches under section 60 of PACE in 2009/10, 118,112 were of persons and 334 of vehicles. A breakdown of all searches of persons and vehicles under this power, broken down by police force area, can be found in Tables 2.06c and 2.06d.
- Thirty-nine forces are recorded as having used stops and searches in anticipation of violence in 2009/10 (compared to 41 forces in 2008/09). Devon and Cornwall, Dorset, Gloucestershire and Staffordshire were the police forces who did not use the power in 2009/10.
- The British Transport Police made a further 1,527 searches in anticipation of violence, 93 (6%) of which resulted in arrests. Of these arrests, 50 (54%) were for arrest for possession of an offensive weapon, whilst 43 (46%) were arrested for other reasons.

Table 2b Searches of persons or vehicles under section 60 of the Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 and resultant arrests, England and Wales (excluding BTP) 2000/01-2009/10

| Numbers | England and Wales | | | |
|------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| | Stops and searches in anticipation of violence | | | |
| Year | Total searches | Number of persons found to be carrying offensive weapons or dangerous instruments | Arrests for offensive weapons | Arrests for other reasons |
| 2000/01 | 11,330 | 357 | 309 | 411 |
| 2001/02 | 18,900 | 1,367 | 203 | 485 |
| 2002/03 | 44,400 | 1,568 | 356 | 2,143 |
| 2003/04 | 40,400 | 550 | 299 | 1,248 |
| 2004/05 | 41,600 | 286 | 256 | 958 |
| 2005/06 | 36,300 | 542 | 192 | 1,522 |
| 2006/07 | 44,700 | 724 | 256 | 1,369 |
| 2007/08 ^{1,2} | 53,319 | 759 | 311 | 1,758 |
| 2008/09 | 150,172 | 1,185 | 544 | 3,736 |
| 2009/10 | 118,446 | 864 | 384 | 2,490 |
| 2009/10 - 2008/09 | | | | |
| Total change | -31,726 | -321 | -160 | -1,246 |
| Percentage change (%) | -21 | -27 | -29 | -33 |

1. Figures updated since 2007/08 police powers bulletin.

2. Figures for 2007/08 onwards unrounded, figures for previous years are rounded.

Box 2b Terrorism Act 2000 (Remedial) Order 2011 and new section 47A Schedule 6B of the Terrorism Act

The Home Secretary announced on 26 January 2011 the findings from the review of counter-terrorism and security powers. One of the recommendations of the review was that stop and search powers under sections 44 to 47 of the Terrorism Act 2000 should be repealed and replaced with a much more limited power.

This recommendation was based on the Government's commitments to introduce safeguards against the misuse of terrorism legislation, and in order to bring the powers into line with the European Convention of Human Rights, following the European Court of Human Rights ruling in the case of Gillan and Quinton v United Kingdom.

The recommendation is being implemented by provisions in the Protection of Freedoms Bill which was introduced to Parliament on 11 February 2011. The review also recommended that consideration be given to whether the new counter-terrorism stop and search powers should be available more quickly than the Protection of Freedoms Bill would allow. On 1 March 2011 the Home Secretary announced that she had concluded that the police do need the powers more quickly than the Bill would allow.

The Home Secretary has therefore made a "remedial order" under section 10 of the Human Rights Act 1998 to make immediate changes to the legislation. The new powers contained in that order are supported by a robust statutory Code of Practice.

The remedial order replaces sections 44 to 47 of the Terrorism Act 2000 with a more targeted and proportionate power. The provisions in the order will cease to have effect on the coming into force of the similar provisions in the Protection of Freedoms Bill – in other words, the order makes temporary provision while the Protection of Freedoms Bill is being taken through Parliament. The order came into force on 18 March 2011.

Section 47A and Schedule 6B of the Terrorism Act 2000 introduce replacement stop and search provisions. An authorisation for the use of the new stop and search powers can only be given under section 47A where the person giving it reasonably suspects an act of terrorism will take place and considers the powers are necessary to prevent such an act. An authorisation can last for no longer and cover no greater an area than is necessary to prevent such an act. This represents a significantly higher threshold for giving an authorisation than the "expediency" test under section 44 of the 2000 Act.

2.5 STOPS AND SEARCHES UNDER SECTION 44 OF THE TERRORISM ACT 2000

- This section deals with searches carried out under section 44 of the Terrorism Act 2000. Subject to confirmation by the Home Secretary within a 48-hour period, police forces were able to apply to carry out such stops and searches within a particular area during an agreed period without the need of reasonable suspicion. The majority of those police forces that regularly authorised the use of section 44 ceased using the power following the Home Secretary's statement on 8 July 2010*. Further details can be found in Box 2b.
- These powers are differentiated from searches under section 43 of the Terrorism Act 2000, where the officer will not need such authorisation but instead reasonable suspicion that the suspect is a terrorist. These searches are grouped under "other" section 1 searches (see section 2.3 and Tables 2.01 and 2.02).
- Table 2c shows the number of section 44 searches carried out from 2000/01 to 2009/10 together with the number of resultant arrests. Although many of the arrests were not under the Terrorism Act, they did include arrests for terrorist-related matters and other serious crimes. In 2009/10, 12 of the 43 forces carried out stops and searches to prevent acts of terrorism, compared with 15 in 2008/09.

* A full text of this statement can be found at the following link:

<http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/+http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/publications/parliamentary-business/oral-statements/stop-and-search-statement/?view=Standard&pubID=821759>

- In 2009/10, there were 91,568 searches, a decrease of 56 per cent on the 2008/09 figure of 210,013.
- Two (0.02% of these searches resulted in arrests connected with terrorism, down from ten (0.04%) in 2008/09. A further 436 (0.5%) resulted in arrests for other reasons, down from 1,239 (0.6%).
- Of all searches, 96 per cent were conducted by the Metropolitan Police in 2009/10, compared with 94 per cent in 2008/09. The Metropolitan Police recorded a fall in searches of 109,748 in 2009/10 (down 56%).
- Of the 91,568 searches under the Terrorism Act in 2009/10, 85,311 were of persons and 6,257 vehicles. A breakdown of all searches of persons and vehicles under this power, broken down by police force area, can be found in Table 2.06e.
- The British Transport Police made a further 17,118 stops and searches under section 44 of the Terrorism Act, none of which resulted in arrests in connection with terrorism. Seventy-nine resultant arrests (0.5% of searches) were made for other reasons.
- Quarterly figures for stops and searches under the Terrorism Act 2000 (including data relating to section 43 searches under the Terrorism Act 2000) appear in the Home Office Statistical Bulletin 'Operation of police powers under the Terrorism Act 2000 and subsequent legislation: Arrests, outcomes and stops & searches'. Links to the annual bulletin and the quarterly update can be found in the web link below:

<http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/science-research/research-statistics/counter-terrorism>

Table 2c Searches of pedestrians, vehicles and occupants under sections 44(1) and 44(2) of the Terrorism Act 2000¹ and resultant arrests, England and Wales (excluding BTP), 2000/01-2009/10

| Numbers | England and Wales | | | | |
|------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| | Stops and searches in order to prevent acts of terrorism | | | | |
| | Total searches ¹ | Resultant arrests | | | |
| | | Total arrests | of which: | Arrests for terrorism offences ² | Arrests for other reasons |
| Year | | | | | |
| 2000/01 | 6,400 | 45 | | 1 | 44 |
| 2001/02 | 10,200 | 189 | | 20 | 169 |
| 2002/03 | 32,100 | 380 | | 19 | 361 |
| 2003/04 | 33,800 | 491 | | 19 | 472 |
| 2004/05 | 37,000 | 468 | | 64 | 404 |
| 2005/06 | 50,000 | 563 | | 105 | 458 |
| 2006/07 ³ | 42,800 | 495 | | 28 | 467 |
| 2007/08 ^{2,3} | 126,500 | 1,234 | | 19 | 1,215 |
| 2008/09 | 210,200 | 1,249 | | 10 | 1,239 |
| 2009/10 | 91,568 | 438 | | 2 | 436 |
| 2009/10 to 2008/09 | | | | | |
| Total change | -118,632 | -811 | | -8 | -803 |
| Percentage change (%) | -56 | -65 | | -80 | -65 |

1. Formerly sections 13A and 13B of the Prevention of Terrorism (Temporary Provisions) Act 1989 and repealed under the Terrorism Act 2000 (which came into force on 19 February 2001).

2. Figure for terrorism arrests in 2007/08 is amended since 2007/08 bulletin due to a data revision by the Metropolitan Police.

3. Figures amended since 2007/08 bulletin.

2.6 GEOGRAPHICAL PATTERNS IN STOP AND SEARCH

Table 2.05 gives 2009/10 figures for all stops and searches by police force area and searches per thousand population.

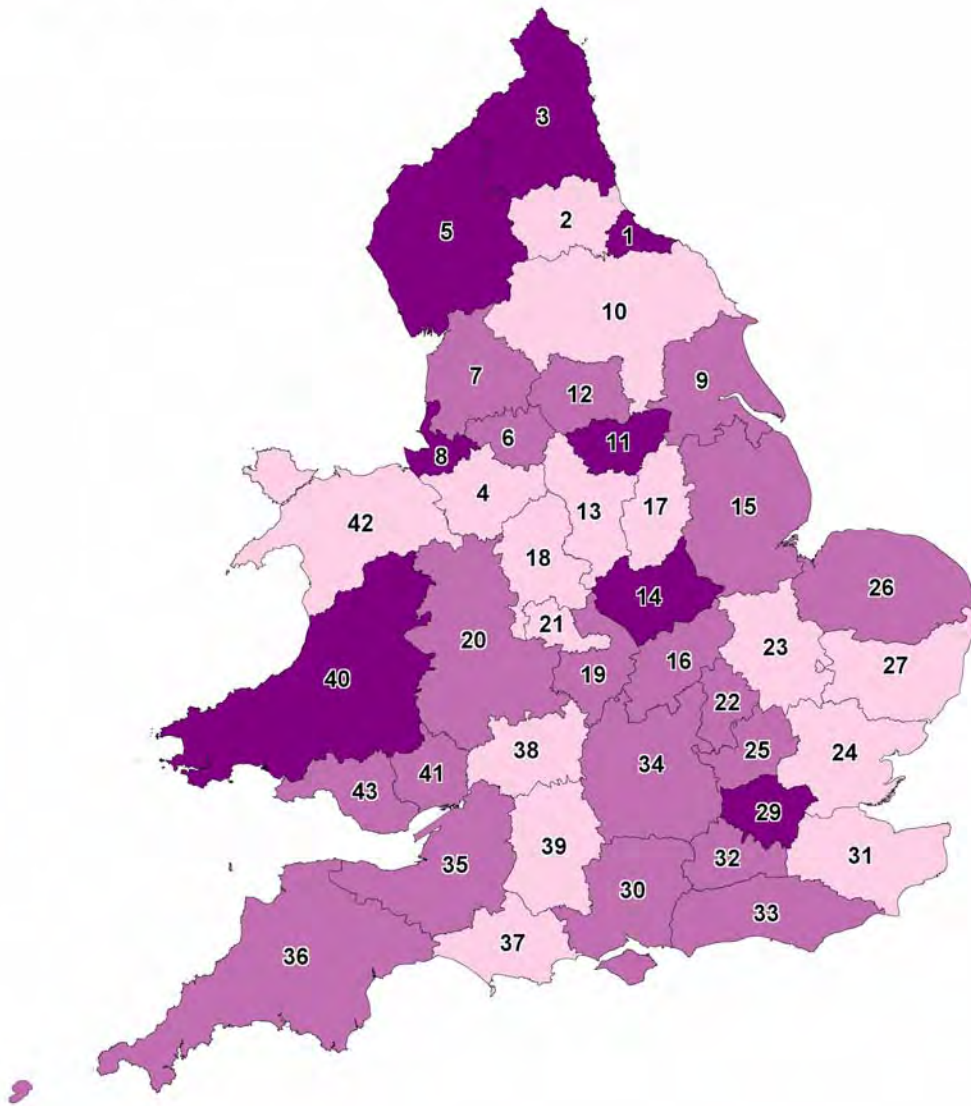
- Roughly two-thirds (66%) of all stops and searches in England and Wales were conducted by six police forces: Metropolitan, Merseyside, Thames Valley, Greater Manchester, Northumbria and West Yorkshire. The Metropolitan Police accounted for nearly half (49%) of the national total of all stops and searches.
- The police forces with the highest proportion of arrests to searches in 2009/10 were City of London at 31 per cent and Bedfordshire at 30 per cent. Leicestershire had the lowest proportion at five per cent. The England and Wales rate stood at 15 per cent.

Figure 2d shows stop and search rates per 1,000 of the population by police force area for 2009/10. Wide variations between police forces are apparent.

- The rates range from five searches per 1,000 population in Cheshire to 87 in the Greater London area (comprising of the Metropolitan Police and City of London Police). The rate for England and Wales as a whole was 25 searches per 1,000 population.

Figure 2d Stops and searches per 1,000 population by police force area (excluding BTP), 2009/10

- 20 searches and above
- more than 10 but less than 20 searches
- less than 10 searches



North West Region

- 4. Cheshire
- 5. Cumbria
- 6. Greater Manchester
- 7. Lancashire
- 8. Merseyside

Wales

- 40. Dyfed-Powys
- 41. Gwent
- 42. North Wales
- 43. South Wales

West Midlands Region

- 18. Staffordshire
- 19. Warwickshire
- 20. West Mercia
- 21. West Midlands

South West Region

- 35. Avon and Somerset
- 36. Devon and Cornwall
- 37. Dorset
- 38. Gloucestershire
- 39. Wiltshire

Yorkshire and the Humber Region

- 9. Humberside
- 10. North Yorkshire
- 11. South Yorkshire
- 12. West Yorkshire

London Region

- 29. Metropolitan Police (including City of London)

East Midlands Region

- 13. Derbyshire
- 14. Leicestershire
- 15. Lincolnshire
- 16. Northamptonshire
- 17. Nottinghamshire

South East Region

- 30. Hampshire
- 31. Kent
- 32. Surrey
- 33. Sussex
- 34. Thames Valley

North East Region

- 1. Cleveland
- 2. Durham
- 3. Northumbria

East of England Region

- 22. Bedfordshire
- 23. Cambridgeshire
- 24. Essex
- 25. Hertfordshire
- 26. Norfolk
- 27. Suffolk

2.7 ETHNIC PATTERNS IN STOP AND SEARCH

- Whilst some ethnic breakdowns are provided in this bulletin for the first time, detailed figures and analysis will continue to be the responsibility of the Ministry of Justice and will be published as part of their annual publication 'Statistics on Race in the Criminal Justice System'. A link to previous editions of this bulletin is provided below:

<http://www.justice.gov.uk/publications/raceandcjs-archive.htm>

- During a stop and search, a suspect is asked to define their ethnicity. These are grouped in this chapter into White, Black (or Black British), Asian (or Asian British), Chinese or other ethnic group, Mixed ethnicity and ethnicity not stated. Sixty-four per cent of all stops and searches conducted by the police were on persons defining themselves as White, 16 per cent on Black, 11 per cent on Asian, three per cent Mixed, and one per cent Chinese or other ethnicity. Five per cent did not state their ethnicity.
- The Metropolitan Police Service (MPS) accounted for 49 per cent of all stops and searches nationwide and have therefore been separately identified within Tables 2d and 2e. Fifty per cent of all stops and searches conducted by the Metropolitan Police were on ethnic minority suspects, compared to 13 per cent across all other forces. This in part is explained by both the high population density and the high ethnic minority population within the Metropolitan Police area.
- The proportion of searches conducted on ethnic minority suspects varied across the different types of searches. Twenty-eight per cent of all section 1 stops were conducted on those defining themselves in ethnic minority groups, compared with 55 per cent of section 60 searches and 35 per cent of section 44 searches.
- The Metropolitan Police conducted 77 per cent of all section 60 stops and searches and 41 per cent of these searches were conducted on Black suspects. This, in part, explains the high proportion of ethnic minority section 60 searches.
- Having been searched, White suspects were most likely to be arrested (arrests followed 9% of searches), whilst Asian and Black suspects were less likely to be arrested (6% and 7% respectively). Other ethnic groups mirrored the overall average of eight per cent.
- Sixty-two per cent of stops and searches made by the British Transport Police were conducted on White suspects, ten per cent on Black suspects, nine per cent on Asian suspects, five per cent on other or Mixed ethnicity suspects. Fourteen per cent of suspects searched by the British Transport Police did not state their ethnicity.

Table 2d Proportion of stops and searches¹ by self-defined ethnic group, England and Wales (excluding BTP), 2008/09 and 2009/10

| Percentages | | 2009-10 | | | | | | | 2008-09 | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---------------|-----------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------|----------|------------|------------|-----------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------|----------|------------|------------|
| | | White | Black or Black British | Asian or Asian British | Chinese or Other | Mixed | Not stated | Total | White | Black or Black British | Asian or Asian British | Chinese or Other | Mixed | Not stated | Total |
| Section 1 | E&W excl. MPS | 84 | 4 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 100 | 83 | 4 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 100 |
| | MPS | 45 | 29 | 14 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 100 | 44 | 29 | 13 | 2 | 4 | 100 | |
| England & Wales | | 67 | 15 | 10 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 100 | 67 | 15 | 9 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 100 |
| Section 60 | E&W excl. MPS | 83 | 7 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 100 | 85 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 100 |
| | MPS | 27 | 41 | 20 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 100 | 29 | 40 | 17 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 100 |
| England & Wales | | 40 | 33 | 16 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 100 | 42 | 32 | 14 | 4 | 1 | 7 | 100 |
| Section 44 | E&W excl. MPS | 74 | 5 | 13 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 100 | 80 | 5 | 9 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 100 |
| | MPS | 59 | 11 | 18 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 100 | 58 | 12 | 16 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 100 |
| England & Wales | | 60 | 11 | 17 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 100 | 60 | 11 | 16 | 2 | 4 | 7 | 100 |
| All searches | E&W excl. MPS | 84 | 4 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 100 | 83 | 4 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 100 |
| | MPS | 44 | 28 | 15 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 100 | 45 | 27 | 14 | 3 | 4 | 8 | 100 |
| England & Wales | | 64 | 16 | 11 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 100 | 64 | 16 | 10 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 100 |

1. All calculations based on Table 2.05 excluding vehicle-only searches.

2. All figures exclude the British Transport Police in order that comparisons with 2008-09 can be made.

Table 2e Proportion of stops and searches¹ resulting in arrests by self-defined ethnic group, England and Wales (excluding BTP), 2008/09 and 2009/10

| Percentages | | 2009-10 | | | | | | | 2008-09 | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---------------|-----------|------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------|----------|------------|----------|-----------|------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| | | White | Black or Black British | Asian British | Chinese or Other Ethnic Group | Mixed | Not stated | Total | White | Black or Black British | Asian British | Chinese or Other Ethnic Group | Mixed | Not stated | Total |
| Section 1 | E&W excl. MPS | 11 | 11 | 8 | 12 | 9 | 10 | 10 | 11 | 11 | 9 | 13 | 10 | 10 | 11 |
| | MPS | 8 | 8 | 6 | 10 | 10 | 8 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 7 | 10 | 10 | 7 | 8 |
| England & Wales | | 10 | 9 | 7 | 11 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 10 | 9 | 8 | 11 | 10 | 8 | 10 |
| Section 60 | E&W excl. MPS | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 22 | 3 | 4 |
| | MPS | 2 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 2 |
| England & Wales | | 3 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 2 | 3 |
| Section 44 | E&W excl. MPS | 0 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| | MPS | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| England & Wales | | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| All searches | E&W excl. MPS | 10 | 10 | 8 | 12 | 9 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 8 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 |
| | MPS | 6 | 7 | 5 | 7 | 8 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 4 | 6 | 7 | 5 | 6 |
| England & Wales | | 9 | 7 | 6 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 9 | 7 | 5 | 7 | 8 | 6 | 8 |

1. All calculations based on Table 2.05 excluding vehicle-only searches.
 2. All figures exclude the British Transport Police in order that comparisons with 2008-09 can be made.

2.8 ROAD CHECKS UNDER SECTION 4 OF PACE

Table 2f shows the number of road checks under section 4 of PACE, by reason for check and numbers of resultant arrests.

- In 2009/10, 21 road checks were carried out, one fewer than in 2008/09.
- An average of 283 vehicles were stopped in each road check in 2009/10, compared with 305 in 2008/09.
- The total number of vehicles recorded as having been stopped was 5,940 in 2009/10 compared to 6,700 in 2008/09 and 7,200 in 2007/08.
- The number of arrests made as a result of road checks is relatively low and in 2009/10 three arrests resulted from a road check, two fewer than in 2008/09. No arrests were connected with the reason for the road check.

Table 2f Road checks under section 4 of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984, by reason for road check and result, England and Wales (excluding BTP) 2000/01–2009/10

| Numbers | | England and Wales | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| | | Road checks | | | | | Number of arrests resulting | | |
| | | To ascertain whether a vehicle was carrying a person who: | | | | | | | |
| Year | Total road checks ¹ | Had committed an indictable offence ² | Had witnessed an indictable offence ² | Was intending to commit an indictable offence ² | Was unlawfully at large | Number of vehicles stopped ³ | Number of road obstructions | Connected with the reason for the road check | Not Connected with the reason for the road check |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| 2000/01 | 181 | 72 | 84 | 22 | 3 | 17,900 | 162 | 3 | 34 |
| 2001/02 | 95 | 18 | 76 | - | 1 | 14,800 | 132 | 2 | 8 |
| 2002/03 ⁴ | 77 | 15 | 62 | - | - | 32,000 | 102 | - | 5 |
| 2003/04 ⁵ | 68 | 17 | 48 | 2 | 1 | 7,500 | 102 | 1 | 6 |
| 2004/05 ⁴ | 63 | 11 | 49 | 1 | 2 | 12,500 | 88 | 2 | 4 |
| 2005/06 ⁴ | 69 | 8 | 43 | 16 | 2 | 11,300 | 180 | 29 | 62 |
| 2006/07 ⁴ | 38 | 6 | 31 | 1 | - | 7,000 | 43 | 49 | 10 |
| 2007/08 ⁴ | 27 | 1 | 26 | - | - | 7,200 | 41 | 1 | 4 |
| 2008/09 ⁶ | 22 | 5 | 17 | - | - | 6,700 | 36 | 1 | 4 |
| 2009/10 ⁶ | 21 | 3 | 18 | - | - | 5,940 | 28 | - | 3 |

1. Where there was more than one reason for a road check, each reason has been counted: components therefore do not sum to totals.
 2. With effect from 1 January 2006 the Serious and Organised Crimes and Police Act 2005 (SOCAP) amended the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 by substituting references to 'arrestable offence' and 'serious arrestable offence' with 'indictable offence'.
 3. Rounded due to estimation in some forces.
 4. Data for one police force not available.
 5. Data for two police forces not available.
 6. Data for four police forces not available.

2.9 INTIMATE SEARCHES UNDER SECTION 55 OF PACE

- During 2009/10, 85 intimate searches were carried out, 13 fewer than the figure of 98 recorded in 2008/09.
- Drugs accounted for 88 per cent of known reasons for intimate searches in 2009/10 compared to 89 per cent in 2008/09.
- In 2009/10, class A drugs (mainly heroin, other opiate drugs, LSD and cocaine) were found during 13 per cent of the intimate searches made for drugs compared to eight per cent in 2008/09.

Table 2g Intimate searches made under section 55 of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 by person conducting the search, reason for search and outcome, England and Wales (excluding BTP), 2000/01–2009/10

| Year | Numbers | | | | | England and Wales | | | |
|----------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|---|
| | Total searches | Search conducted: ¹ | | | Reasons for searches ² | | | | |
| | | by suitably qualified person | in presence of suitably qualified person | by police officer | by designated civilian officer | Drugs | | Other harmful articles | |
| | | | | | Searches made ³ | Class A drugs found | Searches made ³ | Harmful articles found | |
| 2000/01 | 131 | 126 | 3 | 2 | * | 112 | 21 | 14 | 1 |
| 2001/02 | 102 | 102 | - | - | * | 88 | 18 | 6 | 2 |
| 2002/03 | 172 | 160 | 6 | - | * | 157 | 61 | 9 | 2 |
| 2003/04 | 81 | 68 | 7 | 6 | * | 72 | 11 | 9 | 1 |
| 2004/05 ⁴ | 92 | 67 | 12 | 13 | - | 80 | 11 | 11 | 1 |
| 2005/06 ⁴ | 99 | 86 | 6 | 7 | - | 78 | 11 | 12 | - |
| 2006/07 ⁴ | 104 | 94 | 2 | 8 | - | 64 | 4 | 38 | 1 |
| 2007/08 ⁴ | 117 | 106 | 7 | 3 | - | 90 | 7 | 20 | 3 |
| 2008/09 | 98 | 92 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 87 | 7 | 9 | - |
| 2009/10 | 85 | 80 | - | 5 | - | 75 | 10 | 10 | - |

1. Includes only searches where data on who conducted the search are available.

2. Persons may be searched for both drugs and harmful articles.

3. Includes only searches where data on the outcome of the search are available.

4. Data revised since 2007/08 bulletin.

Box 2c Description of intimate searches

Intimate searches involve a physical search of the body orifices, and therefore exclude strip searches. They may only be carried out if there are reasonable grounds for believing that a person who has been arrested and is detained may have concealed anything which could be used to cause physical injury; or, in the case of suspected couriers or dealers only, a class A drug (as defined in the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971). In the case of searches for drugs, a registered doctor or nurse can carry out the search. Searches for harmful articles are by suitably qualified persons, unless this is not practicable when a constable will carry out the search.

Table 2.01 Searches of persons or vehicles under section 1 of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 and other legislation, by police force area and reason for search, 2009/10

| Numbers | England and Wales | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|------------------|
| | Searches made by reason for search | | | | | | | Total |
| Police force area | Stolen property | Drugs | Firearms | Offensive weapons | Going equipped | Criminal damage | Other(1) | |
| Cleveland | 2,836 | 8,037 | 96 | 2,237 | 8,131 | 519 | 2,796 | 24,652 |
| Durham | 1,126 | 1,686 | 95 | 539 | 1,011 | 204 | 1,289 | 5,950 |
| Northumbria | 7,884 | 13,088 | 243 | 4,156 | 6,310 | 2,161 | 5,390 | 39,232 |
| North East Region | 11,846 | 22,811 | 434 | 6,932 | 15,452 | 2,884 | 9,475 | 69,834 |
| Cheshire | 1,338 | 904 | 50 | 668 | 1,585 | 162 | 492 | 5,199 |
| Cumbria | 2,693 | 4,929 | 105 | 726 | 1,073 | 424 | 582 | 10,532 |
| Greater Manchester | 9,569 | 17,195 | 451 | 2,864 | 7,124 | 725 | 2,149 | 40,077 |
| Lancashire | 6,233 | 10,160 | 219 | 2,673 | 2,941 | 797 | 610 | 23,633 |
| Merseyside | 2,952 | 28,054 | 232 | 2,744 | 4,034 | 1,033 | 5,426 | 44,475 |
| North West Region | 22,785 | 61,242 | 1,057 | 9,675 | 16,757 | 3,141 | 9,259 | 123,916 |
| Humberstone | 2,352 | 3,014 | 78 | 980 | 2,409 | 251 | 542 | 9,626 |
| North Yorkshire | 1,833 | 2,850 | 97 | 387 | 692 | 127 | 499 | 6,485 |
| South Yorkshire | 5,281 | 14,684 | 305 | 2,564 | 3,897 | 1,675 | 140 | 28,546 |
| West Yorkshire | 5,957 | 13,313 | 203 | 1,972 | 4,521 | 646 | 10,369 | 36,981 |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 15,423 | 33,861 | 683 | 5,903 | 11,519 | 2,699 | 11,550 | 81,638 |
| Derbyshire | 1,833 | 3,839 | 125 | 596 | 962 | 272 | 923 | 8,550 |
| Leicestershire | 7,820 | 12,794 | 211 | 1,767 | 3,789 | 247 | 417 | 27,045 |
| Lincolnshire | 3,167 | 3,855 | 182 | 798 | 1,877 | - | 647 | 10,526 |
| Northamptonshire | 1,968 | 4,440 | 90 | 1,105 | 3,515 | 705 | 60 | 11,883 |
| Nottinghamshire | 864 | 2,914 | 55 | 311 | 971 | - | 741 | 5,856 |
| East Midlands Region | 15,652 | 27,842 | 663 | 4,577 | 11,114 | 1,224 | 2,788 | 63,860 |
| Staffordshire | 1,358 | 3,896 | 30 | 495 | 1,324 | - | 618 | 7,721 |
| Warwickshire | 2,482 | 3,022 | 66 | 525 | 1,141 | 261 | 206 | 7,703 |
| West Mercia | 2,905 | 5,776 | 170 | 1,073 | 1,351 | 245 | 387 | 11,907 |
| West Midlands | 2,596 | 8,570 | 128 | 1,891 | 6,203 | - | 19 | 19,407 |
| West Midlands Region | 9,341 | 21,264 | 394 | 3,984 | 10,019 | 506 | 1,230 | 46,738 |
| Bedfordshire | 1,373 | 2,501 | 110 | 847 | 1,974 | 162 | 191 | 7,158 |
| Cambridgeshire | 891 | 2,745 | 44 | 391 | 2,046 | 132 | 129 | 6,378 |
| Essex | 1,579 | 4,270 | 39 | 513 | 1,826 | 29 | 1,059 | 9,315 |
| Hertfordshire | 1,687 | 7,941 | 63 | 779 | 2,028 | 121 | 568 | 13,187 |
| Norfolk | 3,132 | 6,443 | 164 | 924 | 1,891 | 650 | 165 | 13,369 |
| Suffolk | 921 | 2,457 | 78 | 318 | 464 | 80 | 212 | 4,530 |
| East of England Region | 9,583 | 26,357 | 498 | 3,772 | 10,229 | 1,174 | 2,324 | 53,937 |
| London, City of | 1,728 | 2,222 | 105 | 186 | 246 | 73 | 18 | 4,578 |
| Metropolitan Police | 87,002 | 256,306 | 4,745 | 74,450 | 51,250 | 5,689 | 11,479 | 490,921 |
| London Region | 88,730 | 258,528 | 4,850 | 74,636 | 51,496 | 5,762 | 11,497 | 495,499 |
| Hampshire | 3,358 | 12,962 | 168 | 1,099 | 2,950 | 344 | 1,088 | 21,969 |
| Kent | 2,958 | 8,336 | 108 | 1,060 | 1,034 | 420 | 1,191 | 15,107 |
| Surrey | 3,309 | 7,299 | 156 | 667 | 1,435 | 461 | 646 | 13,973 |
| Sussex | 4,250 | 7,880 | 208 | 40 | 67 | - | 6,347 | 18,792 |
| Thames Valley | 8,402 | 21,201 | 233 | 3,029 | 8,674 | 710 | 566 | 42,815 |
| South East Region | 22,277 | 57,678 | 873 | 5,895 | 14,160 | 1,935 | 9,838 | 112,656 |
| Avon and Somerset | 4,870 | 8,649 | 90 | 587 | 966 | 156 | 1,198 | 16,516 |
| Devon and Cornwall | 740 | 2,150 | 36 | 274 | 338 | 258 | 20,278 | 24,074 |
| Dorset | 1,466 | 3,661 | 37 | 468 | 771 | 209 | - | 6,612 |
| Gloucestershire | 902 | 3,166 | 65 | 356 | 795 | 184 | 42 | 5,510 |
| Wiltshire | 1,154 | 2,772 | 26 | 383 | 687 | 151 | 651 | 5,824 |
| South West Region | 9,132 | 20,398 | 254 | 2,068 | 3,557 | 958 | 22,169 | 58,536 |
| England Total | 204,769 | 529,981 | 9,706 | 117,442 | 144,303 | 20,283 | 80,130 | 1,106,614 |
| Dyfed-Powys | 554 | 5,808 | 36 | 88 | 22 | 70 | 5,747 | 12,325 |
| Gwent | 2,018 | 3,768 | 46 | 496 | 721 | 278 | 2,094 | 9,421 |
| North Wales | 993 | 3,070 | 57 | 356 | 563 | 156 | 877 | 6,072 |
| South Wales | 2,819 | 7,825 | 64 | 1,244 | 1,542 | 756 | 1,471 | 15,721 |
| Wales Total | 6,384 | 20,471 | 203 | 2,184 | 2,848 | 1,260 | 10,189 | 43,539 |
| England and Wales (excluding BTP) | 211,153 | 550,452 | 9,909 | 119,626 | 147,151 | 21,543 | 90,319 | 1,150,153 |
| British Transport Police | 2,623 | 18,079 | 41 | 1,132 | 2,838 | - | 2,387 | 27,100 |

Table 2.02 Arrests resulting from searches of persons or vehicles under section 1 of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 and other legislation, by police force area and reason for search, 2009/10

| Numbers | England and Wales | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------|
| | Arrests made by reason for arrest | | | | | | | |
| Police force area | Stolen property | Drugs | Firearms | Offensive weapons | Going equipped | Criminal damage | Other | Total |
| Cleveland | 763 | 866 | 14 | 616 | 781 | 123 | 361 | 3,524 |
| Durham | 194 | 179 | 11 | 99 | 70 | 22 | 113 | 688 |
| Northumbria | 1,565 | 2,556 | 45 | 746 | 468 | 275 | 2,524 | 8,179 |
| North East Region | 2,522 | 3,601 | 70 | 1,461 | 1,319 | 420 | 2,998 | 12,391 |
| Cheshire | 259 | 69 | 7 | 154 | 145 | 25 | 140 | 799 |
| Cumbria | 331 | 364 | 4 | 77 | 35 | 34 | 131 | 976 |
| Greater Manchester | 624 | 1,231 | 40 | 241 | 219 | 118 | 1,040 | 3,513 |
| Lancashire | 814 | 893 | 13 | 468 | 185 | 93 | 98 | 2,564 |
| Merseyside | 477 | 2,811 | 30 | 301 | 109 | 14 | 1,576 | 5,318 |
| North West Region | 2,505 | 5,368 | 94 | 1,241 | 693 | 284 | 2,985 | 13,170 |
| Humberside | 339 | 339 | 8 | 110 | 89 | 29 | 211 | 1,125 |
| North Yorkshire | 223 | 268 | 14 | 49 | 48 | 5 | 29 | 636 |
| South Yorkshire | 653 | 958 | 24 | 208 | 168 | 88 | - | 2,099 |
| West Yorkshire | 712 | 961 | 33 | 331 | 379 | 67 | 718 | 3,201 |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 1,927 | 2,526 | 79 | 698 | 684 | 189 | 958 | 7,061 |
| Derbyshire | 175 | 266 | 11 | 65 | 44 | 9 | 201 | 771 |
| Leicestershire | 492 | 353 | 11 | 163 | 179 | 11 | 30 | 1,239 |
| Lincolnshire | 411 | 288 | 10 | 100 | 70 | - | 481 | 1,360 |
| Northamptonshire | 204 | 242 | 9 | 60 | 146 | 7 | - | 668 |
| Nottinghamshire | 98 | 320 | 3 | 42 | 78 | - | 32 | 573 |
| East Midlands Region | 1,380 | 1,469 | 44 | 430 | 517 | 27 | 744 | 4,611 |
| Staffordshire | 200 | 338 | 6 | 64 | 80 | - | 144 | 832 |
| Warwickshire | 281 | 198 | 2 | 36 | 39 | 34 | 238 | 828 |
| West Mercia | 597 | 598 | 27 | 171 | 103 | 21 | 61 | 1,578 |
| West Midlands | 204 | 298 | 7 | 63 | 34 | 11 | 678 | 1,295 |
| West Midlands Region | 1,282 | 1,432 | 42 | 334 | 256 | 66 | 1,121 | 4,533 |
| Bedfordshire | 417 | 700 | 22 | 250 | 458 | 55 | 275 | 2,177 |
| Cambridgeshire | 109 | 247 | 4 | 47 | 141 | 10 | 9 | 567 |
| Essex | 186 | 232 | 2 | 49 | 96 | 2 | 50 | 617 |
| Hertfordshire | 303 | 505 | 10 | 108 | 148 | 7 | 30 | 1,111 |
| Norfolk | 408 | 439 | 17 | 135 | 133 | 36 | 14 | 1,182 |
| Suffolk | 110 | 166 | 13 | 38 | 29 | 1 | 4 | 361 |
| East of England Region | 1,533 | 2,289 | 68 | 627 | 1,005 | 111 | 382 | 6,015 |
| London, City of | 174 | 88 | 4 | 20 | 12 | 11 | 161 | 470 |
| Metropolitan Police | 10,866 | 15,918 | 528 | 6,274 | 3,322 | 606 | 1,744 | 39,258 |
| London Region | 11,040 | 16,006 | 532 | 6,294 | 3,334 | 617 | 1,905 | 39,728 |
| Hampshire | 261 | 693 | 6 | 72 | 49 | 22 | 407 | 1,510 |
| Kent | 436 | 640 | 7 | 91 | 98 | 34 | 65 | 1,371 |
| Surrey | 354 | 447 | 10 | 55 | 76 | 34 | 312 | 1,288 |
| Sussex | 28 | 60 | 3 | 27 | 12 | - | 3,034 | 3,164 |
| Thames Valley | 430 | 1,165 | 24 | 197 | 165 | 23 | 614 | 2,618 |
| South East Region | 1,509 | 3,005 | 50 | 442 | 400 | 113 | 4,432 | 9,951 |
| Avon and Somerset | 532 | 717 | 9 | 81 | 67 | 18 | 82 | 1,506 |
| Devon and Cornwall | 292 | 465 | 5 | 70 | 31 | 105 | 475 | 1,443 |
| Dorset | 224 | 362 | 5 | 74 | 56 | 21 | - | 742 |
| Gloucestershire | 88 | 226 | 4 | 48 | 52 | 12 | 8 | 438 |
| Wiltshire | 116 | 360 | 5 | 42 | 45 | 13 | 173 | 754 |
| South West Region | 1,252 | 2,130 | 28 | 315 | 251 | 169 | 738 | 4,883 |
| England Total | 24,950 | 37,826 | 1,007 | 11,842 | 8,459 | 1,996 | 16,263 | 102,343 |
| Dyfed-Powys | 211 | 612 | 7 | 37 | 13 | 57 | 643 | 1,580 |
| Gwent | 321 | 281 | 1 | 80 | 42 | 29 | 205 | 959 |
| North Wales | 156 | 221 | 5 | 32 | 44 | 11 | 63 | 532 |
| South Wales | 603 | 722 | 8 | 258 | 99 | 78 | 262 | 2,030 |
| Wales Total | 1,291 | 1,836 | 21 | 407 | 198 | 175 | 1,173 | 5,101 |
| England and Wales (excluding BTP) | 26,241 | 39,662 | 1,028 | 12,249 | 8,657 | 2,171 | 17,436 | 107,444 |
| British Transport Police | 356 | 796 | 9 | 96 | 227 | - | 162 | 1,646 |

Table 2.03 Searches of persons or vehicles under section 60 of the Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 and resultant arrests, England and Wales, 2009/10

| Numbers | England and Wales | | | |
|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| | Stops and searches in anticipation of violence | | | |
| Police force area | Searches | Number of persons found to be carrying offensive weapons or dangerous instruments | Arrests for offensive weapons | Arrests for other reasons |
| Cleveland | 51 | 2 | 4 | 9 |
| Durham | 22 | 4 | 4 | - |
| Northumbria | 272 | 36 | 1 | 30 |
| North East Region | 345 | 42 | 9 | 39 |
| Cheshire | 59 | 17 | - | - |
| Cumbria | 314 | 4 | 4 | 5 |
| Greater Manchester | 2,463 | 4 | 4 | 45 |
| Lancashire | 3,639 | 11 | 11 | 98 |
| Merseyside | 15,811 | 136 | 20 | 459 |
| North West Region | 22,286 | 172 | 39 | 607 |
| Humberside | 7 | - | - | - |
| North Yorkshire | 6 | - | - | - |
| South Yorkshire | 668 | 2 | 1 | 11 |
| West Yorkshire | 314 | 32 | 27 | 8 |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 995 | 34 | 28 | 19 |
| Derbyshire | 55 | 52 | 1 | - |
| Leicestershire | 196 | - | 12 | 14 |
| Lincolnshire | 58 | 2 | 2 | 5 |
| Northamptonshire | 76 | 5 | 4 | 4 |
| Nottinghamshire | 366 | 276 | 25 | 1 |
| East Midlands Region | 751 | 335 | 44 | 24 |
| Staffordshire | - | - | - | - |
| Warwickshire | 657 | 9 | 1 | 2 |
| West Mercia | 200 | 6 | 3 | 7 |
| West Midlands | 815 | 1 | 1 | 9 |
| West Midlands Region | 1,672 | 16 | 5 | 18 |
| Bedfordshire | 192 | - | - | 4 |
| Cambridgeshire | 8 | - | - | 1 |
| Essex | 143 | - | - | - |
| Hertfordshire | 11 | - | - | 1 |
| Norfolk | 21 | - | - | - |
| Suffolk | 13 | - | - | - |
| East of England Region | 388 | - | - | 6 |
| London, City of | 123 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Metropolitan Police | 90,869 | 257 | 253 | 1,740 |
| London Region | 90,992 | 258 | 254 | 1,742 |
| Hampshire | 277 | - | 1 | 11 |
| Kent | 102 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| Surrey | 19 | - | - | 1 |
| Sussex | 58 | - | - | 4 |
| Thames Valley | 114 | - | - | 3 |
| South East Region | 570 | 1 | 2 | 23 |
| Avon and Somerset | 150 | 3 | 3 | 2 |
| Devon and Cornwall | - | - | - | - |
| Dorset | - | - | - | - |
| Gloucestershire | - | - | - | - |
| Wiltshire | 13 | 1 | - | 1 |
| South West Region | 163 | 4 | 3 | 3 |
| England Total | 118,162 | 862 | 384 | 2,481 |
| Dyfed-Powys | 2 | - | - | - |
| Gwent | 8 | - | - | 3 |
| North Wales | 211 | 2 | - | 2 |
| South Wales | 63 | - | - | 4 |
| Wales Total | 284 | 2 | - | 9 |
| England and Wales (excluding BTP) | 118,446 | 864 | 384 | 2,490 |
| British Transport Police | 1,527 | 50 | 50 | 43 |

Table 2.04 Searches of vehicles and occupants under section 44(1) and searches of pedestrians under section 44(2) of the Terrorism Act 2000 and resultant arrests, by police force area, 2009/10

| Numbers | England and Wales | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|
| | Stops and searches of vehicles and occupants in order to prevent acts of terrorism under section 44(1) | | | Stops and searches of pedestrians in order to prevent acts of terrorism under section 44(2) | | | All stops and searches in order to prevent acts of terrorism under section 44 | | |
| | Police force area | Arrests in connection with terrorism | | Searches | Arrests in connection with terrorism | | Searches | Arrests in connection with terrorism | |
| Searches | | Arrests for other reasons | Searches | | Arrests for other reasons | Searches | | Arrests for other reasons | |
| North East Region | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Cheshire | 17 | - | - | 4 | - | - | 21 | - | - |
| Cumbria | 65 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 65 | - | 1 |
| Greater Manchester | 63 | - | - | 88 | 1 | 5 | 151 | 1 | 5 |
| Merseyside | 4 | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | - | - |
| North West Region | 149 | - | 1 | 92 | 1 | 5 | 241 | 1 | 6 |
| North Yorkshire | 103 | - | - | 51 | - | - | 154 | - | - |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 103 | - | - | 51 | - | - | 154 | - | - |
| East Midlands Region | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| West Midlands Region | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Essex | 304 | - | - | 90 | - | - | 394 | - | - |
| East of England Region | 304 | - | - | 90 | - | - | 394 | - | - |
| London, City of | 1,033 | - | 5 | 357 | - | 4 | 1,390 | - | 9 |
| Metropolitan Police | 55,195 | 1 | 229 | 32,497 | - | 177 | 87,692 | 1 | 406 |
| London Region | 56,228 | 1 | 234 | 32,854 | - | 181 | 89,082 | 1 | 415 |
| Hampshire | 38 | - | - | 20 | - | 1 | 58 | - | 1 |
| Sussex | 1,198 | - | 6 | 83 | - | 2 | 1,281 | - | 8 |
| Thames Valley | 135 | - | 6 | 10 | - | - | 145 | - | 6 |
| South East Region | 1,371 | - | 12 | 113 | - | 3 | 1,484 | - | 15 |
| South West Region | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| England Total | 58,155 | 1 | 247 | 33,200 | 1 | 189 | 91,355 | 2 | 436 |
| South Wales | 201 | - | - | 12 | - | - | 213 | - | - |
| Wales Total | 201 | - | - | 12 | - | - | 213 | - | - |
| England and Wales (excluding BTP) | 58,356 | 1 | 247 | 33,212 | 1 | 189 | 91,568 | 2 | 436 |
| British Transport Police | 2,808 | - | 3 | 14,310 | - | 76 | 17,118 | - | 79 |

Table 2.05 Number of persons and vehicles searched under stop and search powers and resultant arrests by police force area and population, 2009/10

| Numbers | England and Wales | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
| | s1 searches | s60 searches | s44 searches | All searches | Searches per thousand population | s1 resultant arrests | s60 resultant arrests | s44 resultant arrests | All resultant arrests | Arrest rate across all searches |
| Police force area | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cleveland | 24,652 | 51 | - | 24,703 | 44 | 3,524 | 13 | - | 3,537 | 14% |
| Durham | 5,950 | 22 | - | 5,972 | 10 | 688 | 4 | - | 692 | 12% |
| Northumbria | 39,232 | 272 | - | 39,504 | 28 | 8,179 | 31 | - | 8,210 | 21% |
| North East Region | 69,834 | 345 | - | 70,179 | 27 | 12,391 | 48 | - | 12,439 | 18% |
| Cheshire | 5,199 | 59 | 21 | 5,279 | 5 | 799 | - | - | 799 | 15% |
| Cumbria | 10,532 | 314 | 65 | 10,911 | 22 | 976 | 9 | 1 | 986 | 9% |
| Greater Manchester | 40,077 | 2,463 | 151 | 42,691 | 16 | 3,513 | 49 | 6 | 3,568 | 8% |
| Lancashire | 23,633 | 3,639 | - | 27,272 | 19 | 2,564 | 109 | - | 2,673 | 10% |
| Merseyside | 44,475 | 15,811 | 4 | 60,290 | 45 | 5,318 | 479 | - | 5,797 | 10% |
| North West Region | 123,916 | 22,286 | 241 | 146,443 | 21 | 13,170 | 646 | 7 | 13,823 | 9% |
| Humberside | 9,626 | 7 | - | 9,633 | 10 | 1,125 | - | - | 1,125 | 12% |
| North Yorkshire | 6,485 | 6 | 154 | 6,645 | 8 | 636 | - | - | 636 | 10% |
| South Yorkshire | 28,546 | 668 | - | 29,214 | 22 | 2,099 | 12 | - | 2,111 | 7% |
| West Yorkshire | 36,981 | 314 | - | 37,295 | 17 | 3,201 | 35 | - | 3,236 | 9% |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 81,638 | 995 | 154 | 82,787 | 16 | 7,061 | 47 | - | 7,108 | 9% |
| Derbyshire | 8,550 | 55 | - | 8,605 | 9 | 771 | 1 | - | 772 | 9% |
| Leicestershire | 27,045 | 196 | - | 27,241 | 28 | 1,239 | 26 | - | 1,265 | 5% |
| Lincolnshire | 10,526 | 58 | - | 10,584 | 15 | 1,360 | 7 | - | 1,367 | 13% |
| Northamptonshire | 11,883 | 76 | - | 11,959 | 17 | 668 | 8 | - | 676 | 6% |
| Nottinghamshire | 5,856 | 366 | - | 6,222 | 6 | 573 | 26 | - | 599 | 10% |
| East Midlands Region | 63,860 | 751 | - | 64,611 | 15 | 4,611 | 68 | - | 4,679 | 7% |
| Staffordshire | 7,721 | - | - | 7,721 | 7 | 832 | - | - | 832 | 11% |
| Warwickshire | 7,703 | 657 | - | 8,360 | 16 | 828 | 3 | - | 831 | 10% |
| West Mercia | 11,907 | 200 | - | 12,107 | 10 | 1,578 | 10 | - | 1,588 | 13% |
| West Midlands | 19,407 | 815 | - | 20,222 | 8 | 1,295 | 10 | - | 1,305 | 6% |
| West Midlands Region | 46,738 | 1,672 | - | 48,410 | 9 | 4,533 | 23 | - | 4,556 | 9% |
| Bedfordshire | 7,158 | 192 | - | 7,350 | 12 | 2,177 | 4 | - | 2,181 | 30% |
| Cambridgeshire | 6,378 | 8 | - | 6,386 | 8 | 567 | 1 | - | 568 | 9% |
| Essex | 9,315 | 143 | 394 | 9,852 | 6 | 617 | - | - | 617 | 6% |
| Hertfordshire | 13,187 | 11 | - | 13,198 | 12 | 1,111 | 1 | - | 1,112 | 8% |
| Norfolk | 13,369 | 21 | - | 13,390 | 16 | 1,182 | - | - | 1,182 | 9% |
| Suffolk | 4,530 | 13 | - | 4,543 | 6 | 361 | - | - | 361 | 8% |
| East of England Region | 53,937 | 388 | 394 | 54,719 | 9 | 6,015 | 6 | - | 6,021 | 11% |
| London, City of ¹ | 4,578 | 123 | 1,390 | 6,091 | 530 | 470 | 3 | 9 | 482 | 8% |
| Metropolitan Police | 490,921 | 90,869 | 87,692 | 669,482 | 86 | 39,258 | 1,993 | 407 | 41,658 | 6% |
| London Region | 495,499 | 90,992 | 89,082 | 675,573 | 87 | 39,728 | 1,996 | 415 | 42,139 | 6% |
| Hampshire | 21,969 | 277 | 58 | 22,304 | 12 | 1,510 | 12 | 1 | 1,523 | 7% |
| Kent | 15,107 | 102 | - | 15,209 | 9 | 1,371 | 5 | - | 1,376 | 9% |
| Surrey | 13,973 | 19 | - | 13,992 | 13 | 1,288 | 1 | - | 1,289 | 9% |
| Sussex | 18,792 | 58 | 1,281 | 20,131 | 13 | 3,164 | 4 | 8 | 3,176 | 16% |
| Thames Valley | 42,815 | 114 | 145 | 43,074 | 19 | 2,618 | 3 | 6 | 2,627 | 6% |
| South East Region | 112,656 | 570 | 1,484 | 114,710 | 14 | 9,951 | 25 | 15 | 9,991 | 9% |
| Avon and Somerset | 16,516 | 150 | - | 16,666 | 10 | 1,506 | 5 | - | 1,511 | 9% |
| Devon and Cornwall | 24,074 | - | - | 24,074 | 14 | 1,443 | - | - | 1,443 | 6% |
| Dorset | 6,612 | - | - | 6,612 | 9 | 742 | - | - | 742 | 11% |
| Gloucestershire | 5,510 | - | - | 5,510 | 9 | 438 | - | - | 438 | 8% |
| Wiltshire | 5,824 | 13 | - | 5,837 | 9 | 754 | 1 | - | 755 | 13% |
| South West Region | 58,536 | 163 | - | 58,699 | 11 | 4,883 | 6 | - | 4,889 | 8% |
| England Total | 1,106,614 | 118,162 | 91,355 | 1,316,131 | 25 | 102,343 | 2,865 | 438 | 105,646 | 8% |
| Dyfed-Powys | 12,325 | 2 | - | 12,327 | 24 | 1,580 | - | - | 1,580 | 13% |
| Gwent | 9,421 | 8 | - | 9,429 | 17 | 959 | 3 | - | 962 | 10% |
| North Wales | 6,072 | 211 | - | 6,283 | 9 | 532 | 2 | - | 534 | 8% |
| South Wales | 15,721 | 63 | 213 | 15,997 | 13 | 2,030 | 4 | - | 2,034 | 13% |
| Wales Total | 43,539 | 284 | 213 | 44,036 | 15 | 5,101 | 9 | - | 5,110 | 12% |
| England and Wales (excluding BTP) | 1,150,153 | 118,446 | 91,568 | 1,360,167 | 25 | 107,444 | 2,874 | 438 | 110,756 | 8% |
| British Transport Police | 27,100 | 1,527 | 17,118 | 45,745 | n/a | 1,646 | 93 | 79 | 1,818 | 4% |

¹ Small resident population should be considered when examining City of London figures.

Table 2.06a Number of persons and vehicles searched under section 1 of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 by police force area and self-defined ethnicity, 2009/10

| Numbers | England and Wales | | | | | | | Total |
|------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|------------------|
| | Searches by ethnicity | | | | | | | |
| Police force area | White | Black or Black British | Asian or Asian British | Chinese or Other Ethnic Group | Mixed | Not stated | Vehicle only | Total |
| Cleveland | 23,064 | 167 | 622 | 153 | 142 | 291 | 213 | 24,652 |
| Durham | 5,773 | 11 | 14 | 5 | 10 | 76 | 61 | 5,950 |
| Northumbria | 38,052 | 206 | 710 | 36 | 107 | 121 | - | 39,232 |
| North East Region | 66,889 | 384 | 1,346 | 194 | 259 | 488 | 274 | 69,834 |
| Cheshire | 4,902 | 44 | 94 | 30 | 48 | 81 | - | 5,199 |
| Cumbria | 9,846 | 28 | 86 | 12 | 31 | 221 | 308 | 10,532 |
| Greater Manchester | 30,458 | 2,982 | 3,719 | 366 | 1,524 | 869 | 159 | 40,077 |
| Lancashire | 20,231 | 221 | 2,038 | 44 | 253 | 271 | 575 | 23,633 |
| Merseyside | 42,482 | 607 | 232 | 240 | 422 | 417 | 75 | 44,475 |
| North West Region | 107,919 | 3,882 | 6,169 | 692 | 2,278 | 1,859 | 1,117 | 123,916 |
| Humberside | 8,954 | 108 | 168 | 147 | 101 | 139 | 9 | 9,626 |
| North Yorkshire | 5,795 | 50 | 181 | 26 | 50 | 321 | 62 | 6,485 |
| South Yorkshire | 22,897 | 1,492 | 1,898 | 59 | 624 | 1,003 | 573 | 28,546 |
| West Yorkshire | 27,082 | 1,430 | 6,270 | 244 | 1,123 | 690 | 142 | 36,981 |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 64,728 | 3,080 | 8,517 | 476 | 1,898 | 2,153 | 786 | 81,638 |
| Derbyshire | 7,367 | 246 | 513 | 22 | 209 | 111 | 82 | 8,550 |
| Leicestershire | 16,955 | 1,521 | 3,871 | 54 | 771 | 1,017 | 2,856 | 27,045 |
| Lincolnshire | 10,237 | 89 | 70 | 8 | 62 | 38 | 22 | 10,526 |
| Northamptonshire | 10,112 | 612 | 558 | 54 | 328 | 99 | 120 | 11,883 |
| Nottinghamshire | 4,039 | 453 | 307 | 48 | 279 | 664 | 66 | 5,856 |
| East Midlands Region | 48,710 | 2,921 | 5,319 | 186 | 1,649 | 1,929 | 3,146 | 63,860 |
| Staffordshire | 6,842 | 163 | 451 | 18 | 181 | 56 | 10 | 7,721 |
| Warwickshire | 6,599 | 244 | 329 | 27 | 293 | 116 | 95 | 7,703 |
| West Mercia | 10,515 | 251 | 538 | 10 | 269 | 324 | - | 11,907 |
| West Midlands | 8,895 | 2,445 | 5,417 | 167 | 999 | 1,484 | - | 19,407 |
| West Midlands Region | 32,851 | 3,103 | 6,735 | 222 | 1,742 | 1,980 | 105 | 46,738 |
| Bedfordshire | 4,443 | 778 | 1,105 | 34 | 367 | 378 | 53 | 7,158 |
| Cambridgeshire | 5,392 | 162 | 344 | 45 | 120 | 222 | 93 | 6,378 |
| Essex | 7,768 | 427 | 283 | 63 | 300 | 319 | 155 | 9,315 |
| Hertfordshire | 10,368 | 889 | 905 | 120 | 554 | 295 | 56 | 13,187 |
| Norfolk | 12,276 | 391 | 186 | 43 | 158 | 275 | 40 | 13,369 |
| Suffolk | 3,811 | 177 | 71 | 54 | 137 | 276 | 4 | 4,530 |
| East of England Region | 44,058 | 2,824 | 2,894 | 359 | 1,636 | 1,765 | 401 | 53,937 |
| London, City of | 2,568 | 644 | 577 | 51 | 206 | 531 | 1 | 4,578 |
| Metropolitan Police | 220,586 | 140,936 | 69,827 | 10,731 | 19,594 | 28,032 | 1,215 | 490,921 |
| London Region | 223,154 | 141,580 | 70,404 | 10,782 | 19,800 | 28,563 | 1,216 | 495,499 |
| Hampshire | 18,483 | 991 | 590 | 210 | 506 | 811 | 378 | 21,969 |
| Kent | 13,174 | 666 | 462 | 69 | 297 | 211 | 228 | 15,107 |
| Surrey | 11,911 | 571 | 736 | 109 | 327 | 319 | - | 13,973 |
| Sussex | 15,309 | 592 | 671 | 88 | 363 | 1,618 | 151 | 18,792 |
| Thames Valley | 30,014 | 2,937 | 4,380 | 225 | 1,937 | 3,285 | 37 | 42,815 |
| South East Region | 88,891 | 5,757 | 6,839 | 701 | 3,430 | 6,244 | 794 | 112,656 |
| Avon and Somerset | 11,370 | 908 | 170 | 38 | 408 | 3,580 | 42 | 16,516 |
| Devon and Cornwall | 22,314 | 284 | 116 | 54 | 199 | 1,075 | 32 | 24,074 |
| Dorset | 5,950 | 331 | 131 | 41 | 108 | 10 | 41 | 6,612 |
| Gloucestershire | 4,928 | 222 | 124 | 27 | 163 | 46 | - | 5,510 |
| Wiltshire | 5,207 | 256 | 105 | 32 | 114 | 110 | - | 5,824 |
| South West Region | 49,769 | 2,001 | 646 | 192 | 992 | 4,821 | 115 | 58,536 |
| England Total | 726,969 | 165,532 | 108,869 | 13,804 | 33,684 | 49,802 | 7,954 | 1,106,614 |
| Dyfed-Powys | 11,824 | 76 | 72 | 28 | 47 | 249 | 29 | 12,325 |
| Gwent | 8,077 | 215 | 517 | 57 | 148 | 100 | 307 | 9,421 |
| North Wales | 5,899 | 21 | 37 | 13 | 34 | 61 | 7 | 6,072 |
| South Wales | 14,597 | 405 | 341 | 59 | 174 | 128 | 17 | 15,721 |
| Wales Total | 40,397 | 717 | 967 | 157 | 403 | 538 | 360 | 43,539 |
| England and Wales (excluding BTP) | 767,366 | 166,249 | 109,836 | 13,961 | 34,087 | 50,340 | 8,314 | 1,150,153 |
| British Transport Police | 18,273 | 3,316 | 1,356 | 307 | 1,020 | 2,828 | - | 27,100 |

Table 2.06b Number of arrests resulting from searches under section 1 of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 by police force area and self-defined ethnicity, 2009/10

| Numbers | England and Wales | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| | Arrests by ethnicity | | | | | | | Total |
| Police force area | White | Black or Black British | Asian or Asian British | Chinese or Other Ethnic Group | Mixed | Not stated | Vehicle only | |
| Cleveland | 3,328 | 28 | 73 | 15 | 20 | 43 | 17 | 3,524 |
| Durham | 661 | 3 | 2 | - | 2 | 11 | 9 | 688 |
| Northumbria | 7,840 | 65 | 165 | 17 | 30 | 62 | - | 8,179 |
| North East Region | 11,829 | 96 | 240 | 32 | 52 | 116 | 26 | 12,391 |
| Cheshire | 733 | 8 | 22 | 11 | 8 | 17 | - | 799 |
| Cumbria | 903 | 5 | 21 | 4 | 2 | 20 | 21 | 976 |
| Greater Manchester | 2,759 | 205 | 289 | 36 | 102 | 80 | 42 | 3,513 |
| Lancashire | 2,261 | 31 | 200 | 4 | 26 | 42 | - | 2,564 |
| Merseyside | 5,059 | 86 | 36 | 33 | 49 | 43 | 12 | 5,318 |
| North West Region | 11,715 | 335 | 568 | 88 | 187 | 202 | 75 | 13,170 |
| Humberside | 1,006 | 21 | 25 | 32 | 17 | 24 | - | 1,125 |
| North Yorkshire | 543 | 4 | 20 | 5 | 7 | 36 | 21 | 636 |
| South Yorkshire | 1,779 | 107 | 108 | 12 | 42 | 51 | - | 2,099 |
| West Yorkshire | 2,375 | 135 | 465 | 25 | 108 | 79 | 14 | 3,201 |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 5,703 | 267 | 618 | 74 | 174 | 190 | 35 | 7,061 |
| Derbyshire | 649 | 26 | 49 | 3 | 20 | 17 | 7 | 771 |
| Leicestershire | 823 | 102 | 189 | 1 | 53 | 71 | - | 1,239 |
| Lincolnshire | 1,328 | 11 | 7 | 1 | 5 | 8 | - | 1,360 |
| Northamptonshire | 543 | 56 | 30 | 8 | 20 | 5 | 6 | 668 |
| Nottinghamshire | 370 | 63 | 32 | 9 | 36 | 63 | - | 573 |
| East Midlands Region | 3,713 | 258 | 307 | 22 | 134 | 164 | 13 | 4,611 |
| Staffordshire | 728 | 20 | 44 | 4 | 25 | 10 | 1 | 832 |
| Warwickshire | 704 | 26 | 44 | 4 | 25 | 18 | 7 | 828 |
| West Mercia | 1,362 | 59 | 65 | 2 | 39 | 51 | - | 1,578 |
| West Midlands | 611 | 226 | 282 | 15 | 46 | 115 | - | 1,295 |
| West Midlands Region | 3,405 | 331 | 435 | 25 | 135 | 194 | 8 | 4,533 |
| Bedfordshire | 1,388 | 233 | 308 | 19 | 99 | 115 | 15 | 2,177 |
| Cambridgeshire | 433 | 19 | 19 | 12 | 13 | 20 | 51 | 567 |
| Essex | 501 | 26 | 15 | 4 | 25 | 27 | 19 | 617 |
| Hertfordshire | 855 | 98 | 70 | 14 | 43 | 22 | 9 | 1,111 |
| Norfolk | 1,066 | 50 | 18 | 1 | 8 | 39 | - | 1,182 |
| Suffolk | 288 | 16 | 8 | - | 10 | 38 | 1 | 361 |
| East of England Region | 4,531 | 442 | 438 | 50 | 198 | 261 | 95 | 6,015 |
| London, City of | 233 | 80 | 48 | 5 | 25 | 79 | - | 470 |
| Metropolitan Police | 17,944 | 11,637 | 4,401 | 1,084 | 1,900 | 2,185 | 107 | 39,258 |
| London Region | 18,177 | 11,717 | 4,449 | 1,089 | 1,925 | 2,264 | 107 | 39,728 |
| Hampshire | 1,241 | 72 | 27 | 20 | 38 | 69 | 43 | 1,510 |
| Kent | 1,174 | 80 | 32 | 10 | 33 | 27 | 15 | 1,371 |
| Surrey | 1,100 | 60 | 61 | 16 | 33 | 18 | - | 1,288 |
| Sussex | 2,549 | 140 | 114 | 21 | 65 | 275 | - | 3,164 |
| Thames Valley | 1,851 | 217 | 218 | 10 | 114 | 204 | 4 | 2,618 |
| South East Region | 7,915 | 569 | 452 | 77 | 283 | 593 | 62 | 9,951 |
| Avon and Somerset | 1,025 | 93 | 17 | 5 | 29 | 337 | - | 1,506 |
| Devon and Cornwall | 1,348 | 16 | 8 | 1 | 8 | 62 | - | 1,443 |
| Dorset | 663 | 44 | 11 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 4 | 742 |
| Gloucestershire | 398 | 18 | 8 | - | 7 | 7 | - | 438 |
| Wiltshire | 670 | 44 | 8 | 3 | 12 | 17 | - | 754 |
| South West Region | 4,104 | 215 | 52 | 16 | 68 | 424 | 4 | 4,883 |
| England Total | 71,092 | 14,230 | 7,559 | 1,473 | 3,156 | 4,408 | 425 | 102,343 |
| Dyfed-Powys | 1,540 | 7 | 7 | 3 | 6 | 17 | - | 1,580 |
| Gwent | 884 | 17 | 32 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 13 | 959 |
| North Wales | 509 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 8 | - | 532 |
| South Wales | 1,912 | 51 | 23 | 4 | 25 | 15 | - | 2,030 |
| Wales Total | 4,845 | 80 | 63 | 14 | 41 | 45 | 13 | 5,101 |
| England and Wales (excluding BTP) | 75,937 | 14,310 | 7,622 | 1,487 | 3,197 | 4,453 | 438 | 107,444 |
| British Transport Police | 1,045 | 272 | 70 | 26 | 62 | 171 | - | 1,646 |

Table 2.06c Number of persons and vehicles searched under section 60 of the Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, by police force area and self-defined ethnicity, 2009/10

| Numbers | England and Wales | | | | | | | Vehicle only | Total |
|------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------|----------------|-------|
| | Searches by ethnicity | | | | | | | | |
| Police force area | White | Black or Black British | Asian or Asian British | Chinese or Other Ethnic Group | Mixed | Not stated | | | |
| Cleveland | 48 | - | 1 | - | - | 1 | 1 | 51 | |
| Durham | 22 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 22 | |
| Northumbria | 271 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 272 | |
| North East Region | 341 | 1 | 1 | - | - | 1 | 1 | 345 | |
| Cheshire | 58 | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | 59 | |
| Cumbria | 294 | 2 | - | - | 1 | 17 | - | 314 | |
| Greater Manchester | 954 | 901 | 240 | 19 | 249 | 95 | 5 | 2,463 | |
| Lancashire | 3,098 | 131 | 230 | 9 | 129 | 32 | 10 | 3,639 | |
| Merseyside | 15,152 | 200 | 55 | 100 | 165 | 106 | 33 | 15,811 | |
| North West Region | 19,556 | 1,234 | 526 | 128 | 544 | 250 | 48 | 22,286 | |
| Humberside | 6 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | 7 | |
| North Yorkshire | 6 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6 | |
| South Yorkshire | 330 | 121 | 85 | 9 | 40 | 80 | 3 | 668 | |
| West Yorkshire | 161 | 47 | 61 | 2 | 19 | 23 | 1 | 314 | |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 503 | 168 | 146 | 11 | 60 | 103 | 4 | 995 | |
| Derbyshire | 37 | 7 | 4 | - | 6 | 1 | - | 55 | |
| Leicestershire | 108 | 25 | 33 | - | 11 | 18 | 1 | 196 | |
| Lincolnshire | 54 | - | - | - | 1 | 3 | - | 58 | |
| Northamptonshire | 67 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | - | 76 | |
| Nottinghamshire | 158 | 47 | 27 | 3 | 24 | 41 | 66 | 366 | |
| East Midlands Region | 424 | 81 | 65 | 4 | 44 | 66 | 67 | 751 | |
| Staffordshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Warwickshire | 475 | 5 | 2 | - | - | 24 | 151 | 657 | |
| West Mercia | 71 | 11 | 98 | 1 | 11 | 8 | - | 200 | |
| West Midlands | 135 | 185 | 375 | 10 | 46 | 64 | - | 815 | |
| West Midlands Region | 681 | 201 | 475 | 11 | 57 | 96 | 151 | 1,672 | |
| Bedfordshire | 108 | 27 | 35 | 1 | 10 | 9 | 2 | 192 | |
| Cambridgeshire | 4 | - | 2 | - | 1 | 1 | - | 8 | |
| Essex | 121 | 9 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 3 | - | 143 | |
| Hertfordshire | 7 | 2 | 2 | - | - | - | - | 11 | |
| Norfolk | 21 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 21 | |
| Suffolk | 12 | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 13 | |
| East of England Region | 273 | 38 | 44 | 4 | 13 | 14 | 2 | 388 | |
| London, City of | 46 | 20 | 10 | 2 | 6 | 39 | - | 123 | |
| Metropolitan Police | 24,687 | 37,115 | 17,710 | 1,255 | 4,380 | 5,662 | 60 | 90,869 | |
| London Region | 24,733 | 37,135 | 17,720 | 1,257 | 4,386 | 5,701 | 60 | 90,992 | |
| Hampshire | 253 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 11 | 1 | 277 | |
| Kent | 67 | 9 | 13 | 2 | 5 | 6 | - | 102 | |
| Surrey | 17 | - | 1 | - | - | 1 | - | 19 | |
| Sussex | 39 | 1 | - | - | 1 | 17 | - | 58 | |
| Thames Valley | 72 | 18 | 11 | - | 3 | 10 | - | 114 | |
| South East Region | 448 | 32 | 27 | 3 | 14 | 45 | 1 | 570 | |
| Avon and Somerset | 83 | 6 | - | - | - | 61 | - | 150 | |
| Devon and Cornwall | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Dorset | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Gloucestershire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Wiltshire | 10 | 1 | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | 13 | |
| South West Region | 93 | 7 | - | - | 1 | 62 | - | 163 | |
| England Total | 47,052 | 38,897 | 19,004 | 1,418 | 5,119 | 6,338 | 334 | 118,162 | |
| Dyfed-Powys | 1 | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 2 | |
| Gwent | 8 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 8 | |
| North Wales | 208 | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | 211 | |
| South Wales | 51 | 5 | 4 | - | 3 | - | - | 63 | |
| Wales Total | 268 | 5 | 4 | - | 3 | 4 | - | 284 | |
| England and Wales (excluding BTP) | 47,320 | 38,902 | 19,008 | 1,418 | 5,122 | 6,342 | 334 | 118,446 | |
| British Transport Police | 559 | 462 | 129 | 8 | 106 | 263 | - | 1,527 | |

Table 2.06d Number of arrests resulting from searches under section 60 of the Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, by police force area and self-defined ethnicity, 2009/10

| Numbers | England and Wales | | | | | | | Total |
|------------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|------------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| | Arrests by ethnicity | | | | | | | |
| Police force area | White | Black or Black British | Asian or Asian British | Chinese or Other Ethnic Group | Mixed | Not stated | Vehicle only | |
| Cleveland | 12 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 13 |
| Durham | 4 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4 |
| Northumbria | 30 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 31 |
| North East Region | 46 | 1 | - | - | - | - | 1 | 48 |
| Cheshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Cumbria | 9 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 9 |
| Greater Manchester | 24 | 14 | 5 | - | 3 | 3 | - | 49 |
| Lancashire | 91 | 3 | 7 | - | 7 | 1 | - | 109 |
| Merseyside | 453 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 3 | 1 | 479 |
| North West Region | 577 | 25 | 16 | 2 | 18 | 7 | 1 | 646 |
| Humberside | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| North Yorkshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| South Yorkshire | 2 | 3 | 4 | - | 1 | 2 | - | 12 |
| West Yorkshire | 17 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 4 | - | 35 |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 19 | 6 | 13 | 1 | 2 | 6 | - | 47 |
| Derbyshire | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 |
| Leicestershire | 15 | 3 | 4 | - | 2 | 2 | - | 26 |
| Lincolnshire | 7 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 7 |
| Northamptonshire | 8 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 8 |
| Nottinghamshire | 18 | 3 | - | 1 | - | 4 | - | 26 |
| East Midlands Region | 48 | 7 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 6 | - | 68 |
| Staffordshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Warwickshire | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3 |
| West Mercia | 4 | - | 4 | - | - | 2 | - | 10 |
| West Midlands | 2 | 3 | 5 | - | - | - | - | 10 |
| West Midlands Region | 9 | 3 | 9 | - | - | 2 | - | 23 |
| Bedfordshire | 3 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 4 |
| Cambridgeshire | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 |
| Essex | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Hertfordshire | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 |
| Norfolk | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Suffolk | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| East of England Region | 5 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 6 |
| London, City of | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | 3 |
| Metropolitan Police | 553 | 938 | 228 | 45 | 116 | 111 | 2 | 1,993 |
| London Region | 554 | 939 | 228 | 45 | 116 | 112 | 2 | 1,996 |
| Hampshire | 9 | 1 | - | - | - | 2 | - | 12 |
| Kent | 5 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5 |
| Surrey | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 1 |
| Sussex | 4 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4 |
| Thames Valley | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3 |
| South East Region | 21 | 1 | - | - | - | 3 | - | 25 |
| Avon and Somerset | 4 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 5 |
| Devon and Cornwall | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Dorset | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Gloucestershire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Wiltshire | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 |
| South West Region | 5 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 6 |
| England Total | 1,284 | 984 | 270 | 49 | 138 | 136 | 4 | 2,865 |
| Dyfed-Powys | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Gwent | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3 |
| North Wales | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 |
| South Wales | 4 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4 |
| Wales Total | 9 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 9 |
| England and Wales (excluding BTP) | 1,293 | 984 | 270 | 49 | 138 | 136 | 4 | 2,874 |
| British Transport Police | 44 | 19 | 4 | 1 | 7 | 18 | - | 93 |

Table 2.06e Searches and resultant arrests of persons and vehicles under section 44 of the Terrorism Act, by police force area and self-defined ethnicity, 2009/10

| Police force area | Searches by ethnicity | | | | | | Arrests in connection with terrorism by ethnicity | | | | | | Arrests for other reasons by ethnicity | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|----------|--------------|----------------------------------------|------------|-----------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|------------|--------------|------------|---|
| | White | Black or Black British | Asian or Asian British | Chinese or Other Ethnic Group | Mixed | Not stated | White | Black or Black British | Asian or Asian British | Chinese or Other Ethnic Group | Mixed | Not stated | Vehicle only | Total | White | Black or Black British | Asian or Asian British | Chinese or Other Ethnic Group | Mixed | Not stated | Vehicle only | Total | |
| North East Region | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Cheshire | 11 | - | 5 | - | - | 5 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Cumbria | 2 | 1 | 59 | 3 | - | - | 65 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 |
| Greater Manchester | 74 | 15 | 50 | 4 | 7 | 1 | 151 | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | 1 | 2 | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 5 |
| Merseyside | 4 | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| North West Region | 91 | 16 | 114 | 7 | 7 | 6 | 241 | - | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | 1 | 2 | 2 | - | - | 1 | - | - | 6 | |
| North Yorkshire | 125 | - | 23 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 154 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 125 | - | 23 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 154 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| East Midlands Region | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| West Midlands Region | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Essex | 333 | 10 | 24 | 6 | 5 | 11 | 394 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| East of England Region | 333 | 10 | 24 | 6 | 5 | 11 | 394 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| London, City of | 897 | 121 | 197 | 30 | 45 | 96 | 1,390 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | - | - | 9 |
| Metropolitan Police | 48,337 | 9,053 | 14,348 | 3,649 | 1,801 | 4,286 | 6,218 | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | 1,159 | 99 | 83 | 27 | 9 | 21 | 9 | 21 | 8 | 406 | |
| London Region | 49,234 | 9,174 | 14,545 | 3,679 | 1,846 | 4,382 | 6,222 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1,161 | 100 | 85 | 28 | 11 | 22 | 11 | 22 | 8 | 415 | | |
| Hampshire | 49 | - | 1 | 1 | - | 2 | 58 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 |
| Sussex | 1,027 | 52 | 123 | 9 | 14 | 35 | 1,281 | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | 2 | - | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | 8 |
| Thames Valley | 114 | 2 | 16 | 4 | - | 8 | 145 | - | - | - | - | - | 5 | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6 |
| South East Region | 1,190 | 54 | 140 | 14 | 14 | 45 | 1,484 | - | - | - | - | - | 10 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 15 | |
| South West Region | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| England Total | 50,973 | 9,254 | 14,846 | 3,709 | 1,873 | 4,446 | 6,254 | 91,355 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 172 | 104 | 88 | 28 | 13 | 23 | 23 | 8 | 8 | 436 | |
| South Wales | 192 | 7 | 7 | - | 1 | 3 | 213 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Wales Total | 192 | 7 | 7 | - | 1 | 3 | 213 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| England and Wales (excluding BTP) | 51,165 | 9,261 | 14,853 | 3,709 | 1,874 | 4,449 | 6,257 | 91,568 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 172 | 104 | 88 | 28 | 13 | 23 | 23 | 8 | 8 | 436 | |
| British Transport Police | 9,444 | 903 | 2,442 | 726 | 433 | 3,170 | - | 17,118 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |

Table 2.07 Road checks under section 4 of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984, by police force area, reason for road check and result, 2009/10

| Numbers | England and Wales | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| | Police force area | Number of road checks | | | | | Number of vehicles stopped ¹ | Number of roads obstructed | Number of arrests resulting | |
| | | Total road checks | To ascertain whether a vehicle was carrying a person who : | | | | | | Related to the reason for the road check | Not related to the reason for the road check |
| | | | Had committed an indictable offence | Had witnessed an indictable offence | Intending to commit an indictable offence | Was unlawfully at large | | | | |
| Cleveland | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Durham | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Northumbria | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| North East Region | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Cheshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Cumbria | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Greater Manchester | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Lancashire | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | 223 | 1 | - | - | |
| Merseyside | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| North West Region | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | 223 | 1 | - | - | |
| Humberside | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| North Yorkshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| South Yorkshire | 3 | - | 3 | - | - | 327 | 4 | - | - | |
| West Yorkshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 3 | - | 3 | - | - | 327 | 4 | - | - | |
| Derbyshire | 4 | 1 | 3 | - | - | 2,113 | 8 | - | - | |
| Leicestershire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Lincolnshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Northamptonshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Nottinghamshire | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | |
| East Midlands Region | 4 | 1 | 3 | - | - | 2,113 | 8 | - | - | |
| Staffordshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Warwickshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| West Mercia | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| West Midlands | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | 147 | 2 | - | - | |
| West Midlands Region | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | 147 | 2 | - | - | |
| Bedfordshire | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | 18 | 3 | - | - | |
| Cambridgeshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Essex | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | 81 | 2 | - | - | |
| Hertfordshire | 3 | - | 3 | - | - | 77 | - | - | 3 | |
| Norfolk | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Suffolk | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | 260 | 1 | - | - | |
| East of England Region | 6 | 1 | 5 | - | - | 436 | 6 | - | 3 | |
| London, City of | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Metropolitan Police | 4 | - | 4 | - | - | 2,694 | 5 | - | - | |
| London Region | 4 | - | 4 | - | - | 2,694 | 5 | - | - | |
| Hampshire | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | |
| Kent | 2 | - | 2 | - | - | - | 2 | - | - | |
| Surrey | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Sussex | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Thames Valley | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| South East Region | 2 | - | 2 | - | - | - | 2 | - | - | |
| Avon and Somerset | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Devon and Cornwall | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Dorset | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | |
| Gloucestershire | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | |
| Wiltshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| South West Region | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| England Total | 21 | 3 | 18 | - | - | 5,940 | 28 | - | 3 | |
| Dyfed-Powys | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Gwent | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| North Wales | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| South Wales | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Wales Total | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| England and Wales | 21 | 3 | 18 | - | - | 5,940 | 28 | - | 3 | |

1. Figures estimated for certain forces.

.. Data not available

Table 2.08 Intimate searches made under section 55 of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984, by police force area, person conducting the search, reason for search and outcome, 2009/10

| Number | England and Wales | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|------------------------|----|
| | Total persons searched | Search conducted | | | | Reasons for searches ² | | | |
| | | by suitably qualified person | in presence of suitably qualified person | by police officer | by designated civilian detention officer | Drugs | | Other harmful articles | |
| Police force area | | | | | Searches made | Class A drugs found | Searches made | Harmful articles found | |
| Cleveland | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| Durham | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Northumbria | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| North East Region | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| Cheshire | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| Cumbria | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Greater Manchester | 2 | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | - |
| Lancashire | 2 | 1 | - | 1 | - | 2 | - | - | - |
| Merseyside | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| North West Region | 5 | 4 | - | 1 | - | 3 | 1 | 2 | - |
| Humberside | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| North Yorkshire | 2 | 2 | - | - | - | 2 | - | - | - |
| South Yorkshire | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| West Yorkshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 3 | 3 | - | - | - | 3 | - | - | - |
| Derbyshire | 2 | 2 | - | - | - | 2 | - | - | - |
| Leicestershire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Lincolnshire | 1 | - | - | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| Northamptonshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Nottinghamshire | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| East Midlands Region | 3 | 2 | - | 1 | - | 3 | 1 | - | - |
| Staffordshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Warwickshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| West Mercia | 3 | 3 | - | - | - | 2 | - | 1 | - |
| West Midlands | 4 | 3 | - | 1 | - | 3 | - | 1 | - |
| West Midlands Region | 7 | 6 | - | 1 | - | 5 | - | 2 | - |
| Bedfordshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Cambridgeshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Essex | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| Hertfordshire | 5 | 5 | - | - | - | 4 | - | 1 | - |
| Norfolk | 8 | 8 | - | - | - | 8 | 1 | - | - |
| Suffolk | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - |
| East of England Region | 15 | 15 | - | - | - | 13 | 1 | 2 | - |
| London, City of | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Metropolitan Police | 5 | 3 | - | 2 | - | 3 | - | 2 | - |
| London Region | 5 | 3 | - | 2 | - | 3 | - | 2 | - |
| Hampshire | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Kent | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Surrey | 2 | 2 | - | - | - | 2 | - | - | - |
| Sussex | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Thames Valley | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| South East Region | 3 | 3 | - | - | - | 3 | 1 | - | - |
| Avon and Somerset | 7 | 7 | - | - | - | 7 | 1 | - | - |
| Devon and Cornwall | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Dorset | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Gloucestershire | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Wiltshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| South West Region | 7 | 7 | - | - | - | 7 | 1 | - | - |
| England Total | 49 | 44 | - | 5 | - | 41 | 5 | 8 | - |
| Dyfed-Powys | 6 | 6 | - | - | - | 6 | - | - | - |
| Gwent | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| North Wales | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| South Wales | 29 | 29 | - | - | - | 27 | 5 | 2 | - |
| Wales Total | 36 | 36 | - | - | - | 34 | 5 | 2 | - |
| England and Wales | 85 | 80 | - | 5 | - | 75 | 10 | 10 | - |

1. Data on the reason for search not available in 2 cases.

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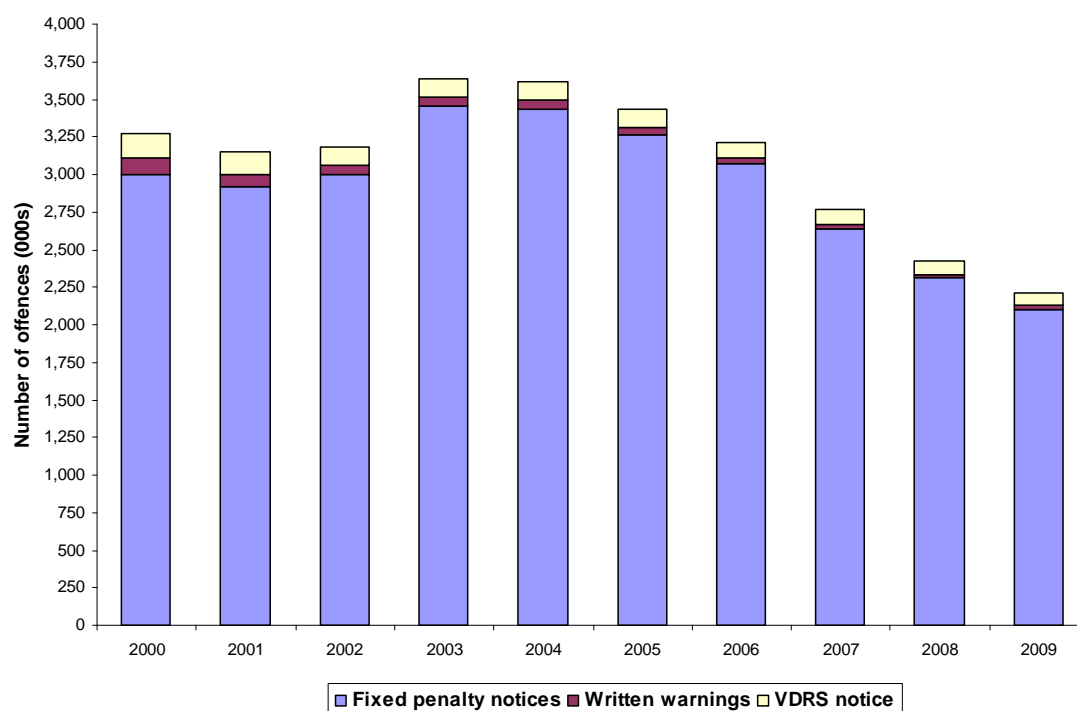
3 Fixed Penalty Notices

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3.1 SUMMARY*

- The number of fixed penalty notices (FPNs) for motoring offences issued by the police (including traffic wardens) in 2009 was 2.1 million, down nine per cent on 2008.
- Speed limit offences comprised just over 1.1 million of these fixed penalty notices, or 54 per cent of all fixed penalty notices issued in 2009.
- From 27 February 2007, the offence of using a handheld mobile phone while driving became an endorsable fixed penalty notice offence, meaning that a person caught is given penalty points on their licence as well as a higher penalty. In 2009, 126,000 fixed penalty notices were issued for this offence, a rise of eight per cent (around 10,000) on 2008.
- Cameras provided evidence for 85 per cent of the 1.1 million fixed penalty notices issued for speeding offences in 2009.
- As well as fixed penalty notices, the police issued 27,000 written warnings for motoring offences and 78,000 Vehicle Defect Rectification Scheme (VDRS) notices in 2009.

Figure 3a Number of fixed penalty notices, written warnings and Vehicle Defect Rectification Scheme (VDRS) notices issued by the police, England and Wales, 2000 to 2009



* Due to the high numbers of FPNs issued, numbers have been rounded to the nearest thousand or million in the text of this chapter

3.2 INTRODUCTION

This chapter covers the use of police powers to issue fixed penalty notices, written warnings and cautions for various motoring offences as well as powers to issue Vehicle Defect Rectification Scheme notices. The data presented in this chapter are drawn from returns from police forces in England and Wales.

Table 3a Offences relating to motor vehicles: summary of action taken, 2000 to 2009

| | | England and Wales | | | | | | |
|------|----------------------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|--------|-------------------------------|
| | | Numbers (thousands) and percentage changes | | | | | | |
| | | Type of action | | | | | | |
| Year | Fixed penalty notice | | Written warning | | VDRS notice ¹ | | Total | |
| | Number | change from previous year (%) | Number | change from previous year (%) | Number | change from previous year (%) | Number | change from previous year (%) |
| 2000 | 2,998 | - | 108 | - | 170 | - | 3,276 | - |
| 2001 | 2,918 | -3 | 87 | -20 | 142 | -16 | 3,147 | -4 |
| 2002 | 2,997 | 3 | 59 | -32 | 128 | -10 | 3,184 | 1 |
| 2003 | 3,457 | 15 | 57 | -2 | 123 | -4 | 3,637 | 14 |
| 2004 | 3,435 | -1 | 59 | 3 | 126 | 3 | 3,619 | 0 |
| 2005 | 3,264 | -5 | 47 | -20 | 118 | -6 | 3,429 | -5 |
| 2006 | 3,074 | -6 | 39 | -18 | 103 | -13 | 3,216 | -6 |
| 2007 | 2,637 | -14 | 33 | -14 | 95 | -8 | 2,765 | -14 |
| 2008 | 2,310 | -12 | 27 | -19 | 87 | -8 | 2,424 | -12 |
| 2009 | 2,103 | -9 | 27 | -2 | 78 | -10 | 2,208 | -9 |

1. Vehicle Defect Rectification Scheme.

The number of fixed penalty notices for motoring offences issued by the police (including traffic wardens) in 2009 was 2.1 million, down nine per cent on 2008.

The remaining offences were dealt with by written warnings or Vehicle Defect Rectification Scheme (VDRS) notices. In 2009, there were 27,000 written warnings issued, down two per cent on 2008, and 78,000 VDRS notices, a decrease of ten per cent since 2008. The use of VDRS notices has shown a steady decline since 2004.

Box 3a Coverage of chapter

The coverage of data has changed since the release of the Ministry of Justice publication 'Offences Relating to Motor Vehicles – England and Wales 2006'. Information on court proceedings for motoring offences are still dealt with by the Ministry of Justice and published as a part of their publication 'Criminal Statistics – England and Wales'.

Information on Penalty Charge Notices (see 3.3) issued by local authorities is now dealt with by the Department for Transport.

This is the last year statistics on written warnings and VDRS notices are being published by the Home Office. Please see box 3c for more information.

3.3 FIXED PENALTY NOTICES

The number of fixed penalty notices for motoring offences issued by the police (including traffic wardens) in 2009 was 2.1 million, down nine per cent on 2008. Over the last ten years, the number of fixed penalty notices issued has fluctuated: from 2.1 million in 2001, before rising to 3.5 million in 2003. Since then, the number issued has declined by nearly 1.4 million over six years.

- Over the last year, there were falls in five of the 11 offence groups.
- The largest fall in numerical terms was 'speed limit offences', falling by 111,000 in 2009. This coincides with the extension of the rollout of speed awareness courses to police forces.
- The largest fall in percentage terms was recorded in 'obstruction, waiting and parking offences'. There were 264,000 fixed penalty notices issued by the police for this offence in 2009, a fall of 20 per cent (68,000 offences) since 2008. The fall in this category can be attributed mainly to more local authorities taking on civil enforcement powers, such as penalty charge notices. The issue of a penalty charge notice is a civil procedure, not a criminal procedure enforced by the police. Figures published by the Department for Transport show the estimated number of penalty charge notices issued for 2009/10 was 7.14 million for on-street offences and 1.80 million for off-street offences, compared to 7.42 million and 1.67 million respectively in 2008/09.
- There was a rise in the issue of FPNs for the 'use of handheld mobile phone while driving' offence group in 2009, increasing by eight per cent from 116,000 to 126,000.
- There were increases in six of the 11 offence groups in 2009. The largest increase in percentage terms was 'miscellaneous motoring offences (excluding seat belt offences)' increasing by 41 per cent (1,509 offences). The largest increase in numerical terms was 'vehicle test and condition offences', rising by 22 per cent (13,000 offences) to 69,000 (following a rise of 59 per cent from 2007 to 2008), but accounting for less than four per cent of all FPNs.

Table 3b Fixed penalty notices issued by offence type, 2000 to 2009

| Numbers (thousands) | | England and Wales | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Offence group | Offence type | 2000 ¹ | 2001 ¹ | 2002 ¹ | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
| 4(pt) | Careless driving offences (excluding use of handheld mobile phone while driving) | 32.2 | 34.7 | 32.7 | 34.9 | 16.7 | 12.6 | 8.9 | 7.0 | 2.8 | 3.4 |
| 4(pt) | Use of handheld mobile phone while driving ¹ | .. | .. | .. | 1.9 | 74.0 | 126.6 | 166.8 | 122.1 | 115.9 | 125.5 |
| 7,9,10 | Licence, insurance ² and record-keeping offences | 49.5 | 50.3 | 49.6 | 67.6 | 70.0 | 80.3 | 88.7 | 100.8 | 99.7 | 86.1 |
| 13,15 | Vehicle test and condition offences | 10.5 | 9.3 | 7.9 | 10.2 | 12.7 | 16.5 | 21.8 | 35.6 | 56.8 | 69.3 |
| 16 | Speed limit offences | 941.7 | 1,151.1 | 1,407.3 | 1,894.8 | 1,924.4 | 1,979.9 | 1,828.5 | 1,473.8 | 1,247.0 | 1,136.0 |
| 17-19 | Neglect of traffic signs and directions and of pedestrian rights | 183.4 | 175.1 | 176.9 | 227.0 | 219.6 | 208.6 | 208.5 | 203.8 | 200.1 | 183.0 |
| 20 | Obstruction, waiting and parking offences | 1,595.4 | 1,325.0 | 1,165.0 | 1,044.3 | 882.5 | 573.4 | 496.3 | 446.8 | 331.8 | 264.1 |
| 21,22 | Lighting and noise offences | 23.0 | 19.9 | 20.7 | 20.1 | 23.2 | 19.4 | 18.9 | 19.0 | 20.4 | 20.9 |
| 23,24 | Other offences ³ | 3.9 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 3.7 | 4.9 | 5.2 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 4.7 | 5.8 |
| 25(pt) | Miscellaneous motoring offences (excluding seat belt offences) | 3.5 | 5.1 | 7.9 | 6.8 | 4.9 | 6.7 | 5.4 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 5.2 |
| 25(pt) | Seat belt offences | 155.3 | 144.4 | 126.4 | 145.6 | 201.8 | 234.6 | 226.2 | 220.1 | 227.0 | 203.4 |
| Total | | 2,998.2 | 2,918.0 | 2,997.4 | 3,456.7 | 3,434.7 | 3,263.9 | 3,073.8 | 2,636.6 | 2,310.0 | 2,102.7 |

1. Introduced as a specific offence as from 1 December 2003.

2. As from June 2003, the offence of having no insurance was added to the road traffic fixed penalty offence system.

3. Includes load offences and offences peculiar to motor cycles.

Figures show that 89 per cent of the fixed penalty notices issued by the police in 2009 were paid while a fine was automatically registered at court in a further eight per cent of cases. There was a small but steady increase in the proportion of fixed penalties paid between 2000 and 2005. Figures have remained relatively stable since 2005.

Table 3c Fixed penalty notices by result, 2000 to 2009

| Percentages | | England and Wales | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--|
| Result | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | |
| Penalty paid | 80 | 82 | 84 | 87 | 88 | 90 | 89 | 90 | 89 | 89 | |
| No further action | 7 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | |
| Fine registered | 12 | 13 | 11 | 10 | 9 | 7 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | |
| Referred for court proceedings | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.3 | |
| Total notices dealt with (thousands) | 2,984 | 2,980 | 2,866 | 3,506 | 3,377 | 3,357 | 3,115 | 2,649 | 2,319 | 2,091 | |

Fixed penalties are more likely to be paid if the offence is endorsable. In 2009, 97 per cent of fixed penalty notices issued for endorsable offences were paid without further enforcement, compared with 73 per cent (non-endorsable, driver present) and 74 per cent (non-endorsable, driver absent).

Table 3d Percentage of fixed penalty notices paid, by force area and type of notice, 2000 to 2009

| Percentages | | England and Wales | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------------------------|-------------------|------------|----------------------|--------------|------------|----------------------------|--------------|------------|----------------------|--------------|------------|
| Year | Endorsable ¹ | | | Non-endorsable | | | | | | All notices | | |
| | Metro-politan Police | Other forces | All forces | Driver present | | | Driver absent ² | | | Metro-politan Police | Other forces | All forces |
| | | | | Metro-politan Police | Other forces | All forces | Metro-politan Police | Other forces | All forces | Metro-politan Police | Other forces | All forces |
| 2000 | 96.5 | 97.0 | 97.0 | 72.8 | 73.1 | 73.1 | 62.5 | 71.8 | 70.7 | 71.7 | 81.0 | 80.1 |
| 2001 | 97.8 | 98.3 | 98.3 | 71.4 | 72.5 | 72.5 | 59.1 | 70.4 | 69.1 | 71.6 | 82.9 | 81.9 |
| 2002 | 98.3 | 98.7 | 98.7 | 71.3 | 73.7 | 73.4 | 59.4 | 70.2 | 68.8 | 72.9 | 85.4 | 84.3 |
| 2003 | 98.5 | 99.1 | 99.1 | 73.6 | 71.0 | 71.3 | 60.5 | 70.0 | 68.2 | 74.2 | 88.5 | 87.0 |
| 2004 | 98.8 | 98.2 | 98.2 | 73.9 | 73.9 | 73.9 | 63.8 | 72.2 | 70.6 | 79.1 | 89.0 | 87.9 |
| 2005 | 99.2 | 98.5 | 98.6 | 74.0 | 76.5 | 76.3 | 63.7 | 72.4 | 72.1 | 91.2 | 90.2 | 90.3 |
| 2006 | 99.0 | 97.2 | 97.4 | 74.6 | 76.6 | 76.4 | 62.6 | 72.6 | 72.3 | 89.6 | 89.2 | 89.2 |
| 2007 | 97.4 | 98.1 | 98.0 | 71.3 | 74.7 | 74.4 | 67.1 | 73.1 | 72.8 | 88.1 | 89.9 | 89.8 |
| 2008 | 97.8 | 97.2 | 97.2 | 73.3 | 74.0 | 74.0 | 73.7 | 73.9 | 73.9 | 90.9 | 89.3 | 89.4 |
| 2009 | 96.8 | 96.9 | 96.9 | 73.6 | 73.1 | 73.1 | 76.8 | 73.9 | 74.0 | 88.1 | 89.3 | 89.3 |

1. Includes offences detected by automatic cameras for which a conditional offer of a fixed penalty was made and which can only be counted if made substantive, i.e. if paid.

2. For driver absent offences, a notice to owner is issued in the event of non-payment which can act as a reminder.

3.4 TRAFFIC CAMERAS

There were one million fixed penalty notices for traffic light and speeding offences detected by cameras in 2009, falling by 120,000 (11%) from 2008 figures. Speeding offences account for 91 per cent of this figure. Cameras are also used to provide evidence for other offences, such as unauthorised use of a bus lane, but those involving cameras are not separately collected by the Home Office.

Table 3e Fixed penalties¹ for offences detected by cameras, 2000 to 2009

| Numbers (thousands) | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
|------------------------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Speeding offences | 599 | 878 | 1,135 | 1,670 | 1,787 | 1,824 | 1,689 | 1,296 | 1,048 | 935 |
| Traffic light offences | 52 | 46 | 71 | 115 | 113 | 124 | 120 | 109 | 100 | 92 |
| All offences | 651 | 924 | 1,206 | 1,785 | 1,900 | 1,948 | 1,808 | 1,406 | 1,147 | 1,027 |

1. Paid i.e. no further action.

Box 3b National Safety Camera Programme

The National Safety Camera Programme was launched nationally in August 2001. This funding scheme, allowed fixed penalty income from speeding and red traffic light offences detected by cameras within the scheme to be used to meet the costs of operating the cameras.

On 15 December 2005 the then Secretary of State for Transport announced the ending of the National Safety Camera Programme and netting-off funding arrangement for cameras in England and Wales, with effect from March 2007. Camera funding, activities and partnerships were integrated into the wider road safety delivery process from 1 April 2007. In 2010 and April 2011 further changes to funding arrangements to increase flexibility were introduced.

These initiatives should be borne in mind when interpreting data relating to the use of cameras. For guidance and best practice advice on the deployment of speed cameras from 1 April 2007 please see the Department for Transport's Circular 1/07 – Use of Speed and Red-Light Cameras for Traffic Enforcement: Guidance on Deployment, Visibility And Signing.

3.5 WRITTEN WARNINGS

As well as fixed penalty notices, police officers have the option of issuing written warnings for motoring offences. The use of written warnings for motoring offences reached a peak in 1981, when 326,000 were issued. There has been a steady decline since then.

The number of offences for which written warnings were issued in 2009 was 27,000. After four consecutive years of rapid declines, the number of offences for the last two years has been stable. In 2009, 34 out of the 43 police forces used written warnings for motoring offences. Table 3f shows the numbers of written warnings (including formal cautions) issued.

- In 2009, the largest numbers of written warnings were issued for 'speed limit offences' (5,476 or 21% of written warnings), 'dangerous, careless or drunken driving etc.' (4,338 or 16%), 'unauthorised taking or theft of a motor vehicle' (3,416 or 13%) and 'licence, insurance and record-keeping offences' (3,038 or 11%).

Table 3f Written warnings and cautions by offence group, 2000 to 2009

| Numbers (thousands) | | England and Wales | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--|
| Offence group | Offence type | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | |
| 1-4 | Dangerous, careless or drunken driving etc. ¹ | 11.2 | 9.7 | 7.5 | 7.6 | 6.4 | 6.3 | 5.5 | 4.7 | 4.6 | 4.3 | |
| 5 | Accident offences | 2.3 | 2.3 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 0.9 | |
| 6 | Unauthorised taking or theft of a motor vehicle ¹ | 6.6 | 6.7 | 5.9 | 5.7 | 5.6 | 5.3 | 5.4 | 5.1 | 4.3 | 3.4 | |
| 7,9-12,14 | Licence, insurance and record-keeping offences | 22.7 | 19.0 | 14.3 | 13.4 | 13.4 | 8.7 | 7.0 | 5.5 | 4.1 | 3.0 | |
| 13,15 | Vehicle test and condition offences | 16.1 | 13.5 | 9.3 | 9.2 | 8.1 | 5.3 | 4.4 | 4.0 | 3.4 | 2.6 | |
| 16 | Speed limit offences | 24.1 | 17.5 | 6.5 | 6.1 | 8.1 | 7.1 | 5.4 | 5.0 | 4.0 | 5.5 | |
| 17-19 | Neglect of traffic signs and directions and of pedestrian rights | 6.7 | 3.8 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 2.8 | 2.2 | 2.1 | 1.1 | 1.4 | |
| 20 | Obstruction, waiting and parking offences | 2.2 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 0.8 | 2.8 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 2.1 | 1.3 | 1.4 | |
| 21,22 | Lighting and noise offences | 7.1 | 5.1 | 3.7 | 4.0 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 2.0 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.4 | |
| 23 | Load offences | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | |
| 24 | Offences peculiar to motor cycles | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | |
| 25 | Miscellaneous motoring offences | 8.2 | 6.1 | 4.2 | 5.1 | 5.9 | 4.8 | 2.9 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 2.2 | |
| | Total | 108.4 | 86.7 | 58.7 | 57.3 | 58.7 | 47.4 | 38.9 | 33.4 | 27.2 | 26.5 | |
| | Number of persons (thousands) | 92.0 | 75.4 | 51.8 | 50.4 | 48.2 | 41.0 | 31.8 | 27.0 | 23.6 | 23.6 | |

Box 3c Withdrawal of written warnings and Vehicle Defect Rectification Notices data

Statistics on Vehicle Defect Rectification Scheme (VDRS) Notices and written warnings for motoring offences were withdrawn as National Statistics from 2009. This withdrawal was approved by the National Statistician following a public consultation under National Statistics procedures. A link to the text of the review can be viewed below.

<http://tna.europarchive.org/20100419081706/http://police.homeoffice.gov.uk/publications/police-reform/data-burdens-review6acf.html?view=Standard&pubID=611232>

This withdrawal implements a recommendation of the review by David Normington, former Home Office Permanent Secretary, on Reducing the Data Burdens on Police Forces in England and Wales.

(see <http://police.homeoffice.gov.uk/publications/police-reform/data-burdens-review2835.pdf>)

3.6 VEHICLE DEFECT RECTIFICATION SCHEME

The police, in the interests of road safety, can prosecute drivers for using a defective vehicle on the road. To avoid unnecessary prosecutions, the Vehicle Defect Rectification Scheme (VDRS) was introduced in 1986 to ensure that faults on vehicles are rectified and suitable for use on public roads.

- Most forces introduced Vehicle Defect Rectification Scheme notices during 1986, and up to 1997 approximately 270,000 were issued each year.
- Since 1997, the use of this scheme has declined substantially with 123,000 notices being issued in 2003 before rising to 126,000 in 2004 and then falling to 78,000 in 2009.
- In 2009, 77 per cent (60,000) of VDRS notices were complied with, the same percentage complied with in 2008.

As mentioned in box 3c, this is the last year that the Home Office will be publishing data on VDRS notices.

Table 3g Vehicle Defect Rectification Scheme (VDRS) notices issued¹ and complied with², 2000 to 2009

| Numbers (thousands) and percentages | | England and Wales | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Year | VDRS notices issued | Notices complied with | % complied with |
| 2000 | 170 | 127 | 75 |
| 2001 | 142 | 102 | 72 |
| 2002 | 128 | 91 | 71 |
| 2003 | 123 | 90 | 73 |
| 2004 | 126 | 96 | 76 |
| 2005 | 118 | 89 | 75 |
| 2006 | 103 | 78 | 75 |
| 2007 ³ | 95 | 72 | 76 |
| 2008 ³ | 87 | 67 | 77 |
| 2009 ⁴ | 78 | 60 | 77 |

1. A notice may relate to several defects.

2. Vehicle repaired or scrapped within specified period.

3. 2007 and 2008 data are based on estimates where particular forces are unavailable to provide data.

4. Includes all police forces apart from Merseyside who were unable to provide data.

3.7 OTHER FIXED PENALTY NOTICES

In addition to fixed penalty notices for motoring offences, police officers can also issue fixed penalty notices for minor disorder offences under the Penalty Notice for Disorder (PND) scheme.

Examples of offences covered under the scheme are:

- causing harassment, alarm or distress;
- alcohol consumption offences including 'drunk and disorderly' and consumption of alcohol in a designated public place or highway;
- licensing offences involving the illegal sale and purchase of alcohol to persons under 18;
- criminal damage (value under £500);
- retail theft or shoplifting (value under £200);
- possession of cannabis; and
- fireworks offences.

The most recent information on the number of PNDs issued is published in the Ministry of Justice publication, *Criminal Statistics: England and Wales 2009*. A link to the publication is below.

<http://www.justice.gov.uk/publications/criminalannual.htm>

Table 3.04 Number of endorsable and non-endorsable fixed penalty notices issued by result and police force area, 2009

| Police force area | Total endorsable and non-endorsable | | | | | | | Outcome not finalised | Total |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|-------|
| | Paid within 28 days | Payment accepted after 28 days | Subtotal paid | Process issued | No further action taken | Fine Registration Certificate issued | | | |
| Cleveland | 11,463 | 2,812 | 14,275 | 50 | 42 | 1,696 | - | 16,063 | |
| Durham | 7,025 | 1,624 | 8,649 | 32 | 192 | 1,159 | - | 10,032 | |
| Northumbria | 23,771 | 9,900 | 33,671 | 1 | 1,618 | 1,761 | 4 | 37,055 | |
| North East Region | 42,259 | 14,336 | 56,595 | 83 | 1,852 | 4,616 | 4 | 63,150 | |
| Cheshire | 28,007 | 9,655 | 37,662 | 41 | 196 | 3,672 | 58 | 41,629 | |
| Cumbria | 20,564 | 4,824 | 25,388 | 36 | 142 | 652 | 1 | 26,219 | |
| Greater Manchester | 65,197 | 20,542 | 85,739 | 334 | 326 | 6,611 | 7 | 93,017 | |
| Lancashire | 37,863 | 14,160 | 52,023 | 162 | 260 | 4,574 | 17 | 57,036 | |
| Merseyside | 60,691 | 23,644 | 84,335 | 823 | 1,444 | 15,210 | 1,730 | 103,542 | |
| North West Region | 212,322 | 72,825 | 285,147 | 1,396 | 2,368 | 30,719 | 1,813 | 321,443 | |
| Humberside | 32,218 | 8,029 | 40,247 | 130 | 722 | 4,415 | 25 | 45,539 | |
| North Yorkshire | 17,836 | 2,076 | 19,912 | 103 | 173 | 3,207 | 2 | 23,397 | |
| South Yorkshire | 24,788 | 4,454 | 29,242 | 169 | 243 | 4,666 | 3 | 34,323 | |
| West Yorkshire | 44,449 | 12,151 | 56,600 | 2 | 1,027 | 7,492 | 39 | 65,160 | |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 119,291 | 26,710 | 146,001 | 404 | 2,165 | 19,780 | 69 | 168,419 | |
| Derbyshire | 13,673 | 2,740 | 16,413 | 1 | 148 | 1,201 | 19 | 17,782 | |
| Leicestershire | 15,915 | 8,290 | 24,205 | 96 | 141 | 1,729 | - | 26,171 | |
| Lincolnshire | 24,573 | 10,162 | 34,735 | 175 | 503 | 3,844 | 8 | 39,265 | |
| Northamptonshire | 13,062 | 6,226 | 19,288 | 270 | 122 | 1,409 | 2 | 21,091 | |
| Nottinghamshire | 38,137 | 8,449 | 46,586 | 42 | 66 | 1,954 | 1 | 48,649 | |
| East Midlands Region | 105,360 | 35,867 | 141,227 | 584 | 980 | 10,137 | 30 | 152,958 | |
| Staffordshire | 23,592 | 5,295 | 28,887 | 70 | 260 | 1,482 | 8 | 30,707 | |
| Warwickshire | 18,608 | 21,155 | 39,763 | 38 | 203 | 1,497 | 24 | 41,525 | |
| West Mercia | 38,510 | 12,548 | 51,058 | 87 | 223 | 2,583 | 8 | 53,959 | |
| West Midlands | 60,137 | 16,860 | 76,997 | 252 | 763 | 5,500 | 235 | 83,747 | |
| West Midlands Region | 140,847 | 55,858 | 196,705 | 447 | 1,449 | 11,062 | 275 | 209,938 | |
| Bedfordshire | 14,209 | 4,687 | 18,896 | 40 | 77 | 935 | - | 19,948 | |
| Cambridgeshire | 20,863 | 4,234 | 25,097 | 114 | 342 | 2,924 | 69 | 28,546 | |
| Essex | 46,136 | 18,606 | 64,742 | 12 | 706 | 8,185 | 188 | 73,833 | |
| Hertfordshire | 34,098 | 10,803 | 44,901 | 66 | 205 | 3,440 | 2 | 48,614 | |
| Norfolk | 34,150 | 7,528 | 41,678 | 103 | 654 | 2,264 | 1 | 44,700 | |
| Suffolk | 38,558 | 10,321 | 48,879 | 234 | 168 | 3,198 | 27 | 52,506 | |
| East of England Region | 188,014 | 56,179 | 244,193 | 569 | 2,152 | 20,946 | 287 | 268,147 | |
| London, City of | 4,288 | 2,293 | 6,581 | 38 | 561 | 1,174 | 36 | 8,390 | |
| Metropolitan Police | 74,158 | 29,664 | 103,822 | 1,178 | 455 | 11,908 | 515 | 117,878 | |
| London Region | 78,446 | 31,957 | 110,403 | 1,216 | 1,016 | 13,082 | 551 | 126,268 | |
| Hampshire | 35,624 | 8,110 | 43,734 | 118 | 1,031 | 3,573 | 8 | 48,464 | |
| Kent | 33,451 | 6,796 | 40,247 | 190 | 309 | 3,622 | 28 | 44,396 | |
| Surrey | 31,446 | 8,144 | 39,590 | 113 | 294 | 2,094 | - | 42,091 | |
| Sussex | 47,797 | 12,401 | 60,198 | 261 | 1,519 | 6,318 | 1,258 | 69,554 | |
| Thames Valley | 55,456 | 19,517 | 74,973 | 6 | 11,431 | 5,114 | 500 | 92,024 | |
| South East Region | 203,774 | 54,968 | 258,742 | 688 | 14,584 | 20,721 | 1,794 | 296,529 | |
| Avon and Somerset | 53,871 | 23,756 | 77,627 | 79 | 2,076 | 5,344 | 286 | 85,412 | |
| Devon and Cornwall | 48,793 | 9,906 | 58,699 | 129 | 1,754 | 4,025 | 27 | 64,634 | |
| Dorset | 25,601 | 5,782 | 31,383 | 93 | 150 | 1,944 | 80 | 33,650 | |
| Gloucestershire | 6,882 | 1,469 | 8,351 | - | 125 | 791 | 32 | 9,299 | |
| Wiltshire | 43,004 | 16,975 | 59,979 | 4 | 79 | 1,450 | 52 | 61,564 | |
| South West Region | 178,151 | 57,888 | 236,039 | 305 | 4,184 | 13,554 | 477 | 254,559 | |
| England Total | 1,268,464 | 406,588 | 1,675,052 | 5,692 | 30,750 | 144,617 | 5,300 | 1,861,411 | |
| Dyfed-Powys | 11,527 | 10,128 | 21,655 | 55 | 809 | 2,758 | 182 | 25,459 | |
| Gwent | 11,979 | 17,465 | 29,444 | 20 | 1,298 | 4,417 | 588 | 35,767 | |
| North Wales | 33,536 | 6,768 | 40,304 | 107 | 241 | 4,386 | 38 | 45,076 | |
| South Wales | 39,732 | 60,787 | 100,519 | 481 | 7,437 | 14,950 | 143 | 123,530 | |
| Wales Total | 96,774 | 95,148 | 191,922 | 663 | 9,785 | 26,511 | 951 | 229,832 | |
| England and Wales | 1,365,238 | 501,736 | 1,866,974 | 6,355 | 40,535 | 171,128 | 6,251 | 2,091,243 | |

Table 3.05 Endorsable fixed penalty notices issued by result and police force area, 2009

| Police force area | Paid (payment) | | Total paid | Process issued | No further action taken | Fine | | Total |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| | Paid (within 28 days) | accepted after 28 days) | | | | Registration Certificate issued | Outcome not finalised | |
| Cleveland | 8,304 | 2,134 | 10,438 | 15 | 3 | 479 | - | 10,935 |
| Durham | 3,725 | 732 | 4,457 | 6 | 2 | 228 | - | 4,693 |
| Northumbria | 19,062 | 6,866 | 25,928 | - | 42 | 557 | 2 | 26,529 |
| North East Region | 31,091 | 9,732 | 40,823 | 21 | 47 | 1,264 | 2 | 42,157 |
| Cheshire | 19,989 | 8,112 | 28,101 | 6 | 13 | 1,152 | 12 | 29,284 |
| Cumbria | 17,954 | 4,171 | 22,125 | 8 | 5 | 139 | 1 | 22,278 |
| Greater Manchester | 46,355 | 16,441 | 62,796 | 30 | 10 | 1,045 | - | 63,881 |
| Lancashire | 28,507 | 12,109 | 40,616 | 38 | 29 | 1,384 | 1 | 42,068 |
| Merseyside | 29,219 | 15,042 | 44,261 | 230 | 54 | 2,498 | 21 | 47,064 |
| North West Region | 142,024 | 55,875 | 197,899 | 312 | 111 | 6,218 | 35 | 204,575 |
| Humberside | 22,687 | 5,710 | 28,397 | 29 | 27 | 699 | 2 | 29,154 |
| North Yorkshire | 10,018 | 1,097 | 11,115 | 27 | 5 | 935 | - | 12,082 |
| South Yorkshire | 15,096 | 2,531 | 17,627 | 34 | 14 | 870 | 2 | 18,547 |
| West Yorkshire | 26,382 | 7,387 | 33,769 | - | 86 | 1,638 | 3 | 35,496 |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 74,183 | 16,725 | 90,908 | 90 | 132 | 4,142 | 7 | 95,279 |
| Derbyshire | 10,496 | 2,103 | 12,599 | - | 19 | 345 | 1 | 12,964 |
| Leicestershire | 11,852 | 7,253 | 19,105 | 57 | 9 | 497 | - | 19,668 |
| Lincolnshire | 14,447 | 5,988 | 20,435 | 17 | 2 | 419 | - | 20,873 |
| Northamptonshire | 9,927 | 5,324 | 15,251 | 129 | 10 | 369 | - | 15,759 |
| Nottinghamshire | 33,801 | 7,625 | 41,426 | 12 | 1 | 415 | 1 | 41,865 |
| East Midlands Region | 80,523 | 28,293 | 108,816 | 215 | 41 | 2,045 | 2 | 111,119 |
| Staffordshire | 19,426 | 4,204 | 23,630 | 22 | 40 | 363 | 3 | 24,058 |
| Warwickshire | 16,483 | 19,428 | 35,911 | 11 | 33 | 433 | 12 | 36,400 |
| West Mercia | 33,693 | 11,338 | 45,031 | 33 | 24 | 818 | - | 45,906 |
| West Midlands | 44,036 | 11,515 | 55,551 | 22 | 4 | 1,602 | 2 | 57,181 |
| West Midlands Region | 113,638 | 46,485 | 160,123 | 88 | 101 | 3,216 | 17 | 163,545 |
| Bedfordshire | 11,734 | 4,325 | 16,059 | 13 | 2 | 213 | - | 16,287 |
| Cambridgeshire | 14,231 | 2,850 | 17,081 | 18 | 9 | 596 | 3 | 17,707 |
| Essex | 31,478 | 12,882 | 44,360 | 8 | 149 | 1,992 | 9 | 46,518 |
| Hertfordshire | 27,921 | 9,735 | 37,656 | 1 | 44 | 871 | - | 38,572 |
| Norfolk | 25,978 | 5,463 | 31,441 | 33 | 15 | 534 | - | 32,023 |
| Suffolk | 29,290 | 8,383 | 37,673 | 137 | 25 | 735 | 3 | 38,573 |
| East of England Region | 140,632 | 43,638 | 184,270 | 210 | 244 | 4,941 | 15 | 189,680 |
| London, City of | 2,274 | 1,376 | 3,650 | 6 | 1 | 131 | - | 3,788 |
| Metropolitan Police | 49,857 | 20,096 | 69,953 | 360 | 64 | 1,869 | 3 | 72,249 |
| London Region | 52,131 | 21,472 | 73,603 | 366 | 65 | 2,000 | 3 | 76,037 |
| Hampshire | 29,440 | 6,450 | 35,890 | 62 | 66 | 1,186 | - | 37,204 |
| Kent | 25,463 | 5,693 | 31,156 | 45 | 37 | 1,173 | - | 32,411 |
| Surrey | 26,531 | 6,998 | 33,529 | 18 | 10 | 436 | - | 33,993 |
| Sussex | 30,423 | 7,117 | 37,540 | 75 | 28 | 1,163 | 38 | 38,844 |
| Thames Valley | 42,803 | 15,916 | 58,719 | 6 | 6,684 | 996 | 70 | 66,475 |
| South East Region | 154,660 | 42,174 | 196,834 | 206 | 6,825 | 4,954 | 108 | 208,927 |
| Avon and Somerset | 42,086 | 20,034 | 62,120 | 7 | 8 | 508 | 9 | 62,652 |
| Devon and Cornwall | 40,754 | 8,247 | 49,001 | 31 | 11 | 886 | 2 | 49,931 |
| Dorset | 20,851 | 4,767 | 25,618 | 29 | 13 | 415 | 5 | 26,080 |
| Gloucestershire | 5,014 | 983 | 5,997 | - | 18 | 247 | 1 | 6,263 |
| Wiltshire | 39,884 | 16,473 | 56,357 | 2 | 15 | 451 | 20 | 56,845 |
| South West Region | 148,589 | 50,504 | 199,093 | 69 | 65 | 2,507 | 37 | 201,771 |
| England Total | 937,471 | 314,898 | 1,252,369 | 1,577 | 7,631 | 31,287 | 226 | 1,293,090 |
| Dyfed-Powys | 4,536 | 7,722 | 12,258 | 12 | 1 | 568 | 4 | 12,843 |
| Gwent | 3,901 | 12,982 | 16,883 | 9 | 7 | 373 | 12 | 17,284 |
| North Wales | 25,319 | 5,232 | 30,551 | 43 | 8 | 968 | 17 | 31,587 |
| South Wales | 12,711 | 42,518 | 55,229 | 15 | 5 | 871 | - | 56,120 |
| Wales Total | 46,467 | 68,454 | 114,921 | 79 | 21 | 2,780 | 33 | 117,834 |
| England and Wales | 983,938 | 383,352 | 1,367,290 | 1,656 | 7,652 | 34,067 | 259 | 1,410,924 |

Table 3.07 Written warnings for motoring offences by offence group and police force area, 2009

| Police force area | England and Wales | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 (pt) | 5 | 6 | 7 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | |
| | Causing death or bodily harm | Dangerous driving | Diving etc. after consuming alcohol or taking drugs | Careless driving | Use of handheld mobile phone while driving | Accident offences | Unauthorised taking of motor vehicle | Driving licence related offences | Vehicle insurance offences | Vehicle registration and excise licence offences | Work record and employment offences | Operator's licence offences | Vehicle test offences | Fraud, forgery etc. associated with vehicle or driver records | Vehicle or part in dangerous or defective condition |
| Cleveland | - | - | - | - | - | 106 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Durham | - | - | - | - | 3 | 42 | - | 11 | 17 | 4 | - | - | 14 | 1 | 3 |
| Northumbria | - | 1 | 1 | 299 | 318 | 318 | 260 | 213 | 260 | 91 | 3 | 2 | 232 | 11 | 113 |
| North East Region | - | 1 | 1 | 299 | 631 | 216 | 312 | 271 | 226 | 95 | 3 | 2 | 246 | 12 | 116 |
| Cheshire | - | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | 43 | 4 | 6 | 1 | - | - | 2 | 6 | - |
| Cumbria | 2 | - | - | 1 | 57 | 25 | 18 | 53 | 52 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 247 | 1 | 5 |
| Greater Manchester | 1 | - | - | 7 | 36 | 12 | 131 | 58 | 36 | 12 | 2 | 2 | 37 | 1 | 1 |
| Lancashire | - | - | - | - | 4 | 1 | 107 | 14 | 14 | - | - | - | 1 | 5 | - |
| Merseyside | 1 | - | - | - | 29 | 10 | 68 | 24 | 29 | - | - | - | 2 | 3 | - |
| North West Region | 4 | - | - | 8 | 96 | 49 | 367 | 153 | 135 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 289 | 15 | 6 |
| Humberide | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 58 | 17 | 12 | - | - | - | - | 4 | - |
| North Yorkshire | 1 | - | - | - | 8 | - | 30 | 4 | - | - | - | 7 | 19 | 3 | 1 |
| South Yorkshire | - | - | - | - | 6 | 26 | 99 | 26 | 31 | - | - | - | 19 | 2 | 1 |
| West Yorkshire | - | - | - | 1 | 4 | - | 184 | - | 4 | 5 | - | - | 1 | - | - |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 1 | - | - | 1 | 15 | 26 | 371 | 47 | 66 | 5 | - | 7 | 39 | 9 | 2 |
| Derbyshire | - | - | 1 | - | 5 | 7 | 38 | 13 | 7 | 4 | 6 | - | 36 | 3 | 9 |
| Leicestershire | - | - | - | - | 3 | 1 | 60 | 15 | 18 | 18 | - | - | 2 | - | - |
| Lincolnshire | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | 36 | 3 | 1 | - | - | - | 25 | - | 4 |
| Northamptonshire¹ | - | - | - | - | - | - | 49 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Northamptonshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | 58 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Nottinghamshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | 8 | 31 | 8 | 22 | 6 | - | 63 | 3 | 13 |
| East Midlands Region | - | - | 1 | - | 11 | 8 | 263 | 110 | 66 | 44 | 7 | - | 139 | 9 | 75 |
| Staffordshire | - | - | - | - | 160 | 259 | 16 | 60 | 54 | 2 | - | - | 89 | 5 | 30 |
| Warwickshire | - | 1 | - | 5 | 482 | 34 | 30 | 50 | 12 | 42 | 7 | - | 50 | 4 | 45 |
| West Mercia¹ | - | - | - | 254 | - | - | 70 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| West Midlands¹ | - | - | - | - | - | - | 374 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| West Midlands Region | 1 | - | - | 259 | 642 | 293 | 490 | 110 | 66 | 44 | 7 | - | 139 | 9 | 75 |
| Bedfordshire | - | - | 1 | 149 | 8 | - | 37 | 18 | 20 | 35 | - | - | 14 | 1 | 338 |
| Cambridgeshire | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | 36 | 4 | 6 | 6 | - | - | 12 | 4 | - |
| Essex | 1 | - | - | 2 | 2 | 2 | 93 | 5 | 9 | - | - | - | - | 4 | - |
| Hertfordshire | 5 | - | - | 2 | 17 | 15 | 106 | 8 | 13 | 3 | - | - | 22 | - | 15 |
| Norfolk¹ | - | - | - | - | 5 | - | 26 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Norfolk | - | - | - | - | 5 | 2 | 27 | 20 | 17 | - | - | - | 59 | - | 2 |
| Suffolk | - | - | - | - | 5 | 2 | 27 | 20 | 17 | - | - | - | 59 | - | 2 |
| East of England Region | 6 | - | 1 | 151 | 33 | 19 | 325 | 55 | 65 | 38 | - | - | 107 | 5 | 355 |
| London, City of | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | 1 | - | 1 | 32 | - | - | 1 | - | - |
| Metropolitan Police¹ | - | - | - | - | - | - | 350 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Metropolitan Police | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | 351 | - | 1 | 32 | - | - | 1 | - | - |
| London Region | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | 351 | - | 1 | 32 | - | - | 1 | - | - |
| Hampshire¹ | - | - | - | - | - | - | 64 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Hampshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | 64 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Kent | 1 | - | - | 3 | 11 | 2 | 157 | 46 | 41 | 4 | 1 | - | 50 | 1 | 15 |
| Surrey | - | - | - | 17 | 2 | 43 | 49 | 39 | 89 | 1 | - | - | 93 | - | 10 |
| Sussex | 6 | - | - | 6 | 490 | 19 | 109 | 39 | 66 | 7 | - | - | 8 | 12 | - |
| Thames Valley | - | - | - | - | 22 | 5 | 103 | 108 | 108 | 5 | - | - | 54 | 16 | 14 |
| South East Region | 7 | - | - | 10 | 540 | 28 | 476 | 229 | 304 | 11 | 2 | - | 205 | 29 | 39 |
| Avon and Somerset | - | 3 | - | - | - | - | 69 | 3 | 5 | - | - | - | 2 | 5 | - |
| Devon and Cornwall¹ | - | - | - | - | - | - | 72 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Devon and Cornwall | - | - | - | - | - | - | 72 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Dorset | - | - | - | 37 | 3 | 3 | 39 | 14 | 37 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Gloucestershire | 1 | - | - | - | 83 | 16 | 29 | 14 | 16 | - | - | - | 8 | - | - |
| Wiltshire | - | - | - | 3 | 3 | 1 | 21 | 32 | 34 | 21 | 1 | - | 30 | 2 | 32 |
| South West Region | 1 | 3 | - | - | 88 | 15 | 224 | 88 | 92 | 24 | 1 | 1 | 43 | 9 | 33 |
| England Total | 1 | 23 | 3 | 729 | 2,056 | 654 | 3,179 | 984 | 963 | 275 | 23 | 13 | 1,132 | 91 | 639 |
| Dyfed-Powys | - | 2 | 1 | 1 | 343 | 68 | 42 | 106 | 114 | 2 | - | - | 229 | 1 | 19 |
| Galena | 1 | - | - | 7 | 7 | 7 | 69 | 15 | 27 | - | - | - | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| North Wales | - | 1 | - | - | 816 | 194 | 52 | 10 | 10 | 1 | - | - | 4 | 3 | 1 |
| South Wales | - | 2 | - | 1,196 | 451 | 11 | 74 | 37 | 38 | 259 | 53 | 7 | 372 | 3 | 208 |
| Wales Total | - | 5 | 2 | 1,197 | 1,617 | 280 | 237 | 168 | 189 | 262 | 53 | 7 | 607 | 10 | 229 |
| England and Wales | 1 | 28 | 5 | 1,926 | 3,673 | 934 | 3,416 | 1,152 | 1,152 | 537 | 76 | 20 | 1,739 | 101 | 868 |

1. Cleveland, Devon and Cornwall, Hampshire, Metropolitan Police, Norfolk, Northamptonshire, Nottinghamshire, West Mercia and West Midlands do not issue written warnings.

Table 3.07(continued) Written warnings for motoring offences by offence group and police force area, 2009

| Police force area | England and Wales | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 (pt) | 25 (pt) | Total all offences | No of persons |
| | Speed limit offences | Motway offences (other than speeding) | Neglect of traffic directions | Neglect of pedestrian rights | Obstruction, waling and parking offences | Lighting offences | Noise offences | Load offences | Offences peculiar to motor cycles | Offences motoring offences (excluding seat belt offences) | Seat belt offences | | |
| Cleveland | - | - | - | - | - | 9 | - | - | - | - | - | 106 | 103 |
| Durham | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 418 | 114 |
| Northumbria | 174 | 3 | 277 | 56 | 104 | 136 | 10 | 11 | 27 | 149 | 20 | 2,884 | 2,867 |
| North East Region | 174 | 3 | 277 | 56 | 104 | 145 | 10 | 11 | 28 | 149 | 20 | 3,408 | 2,784 |
| Cheshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 64 | 57 |
| Cumbria | 11 | - | 5 | 3 | 1 | 11 | - | 2 | 7 | 1 | - | 510 | 440 |
| Greater Manchester | 4 | 10 | 3 | - | 4 | 7 | 1 | - | 3 | 18 | - | 342 | 275 |
| Lancashire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 147 | 132 |
| Merseyside | - | - | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | - | 169 | 131 |
| North West Region | 15 | 10 | 10 | 3 | 5 | 18 | 1 | 3 | 10 | 5 | 19 | 1,232 | 1,035 |
| Humberside | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 93 | 76 |
| North Yorkshire | - | - | - | - | 1 | 2 | - | - | 2 | - | - | 99 | 87 |
| South Yorkshire | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | 1 | 2 | 6 | 222 | 183 |
| West Yorkshire | 48 | - | 8 | - | 260 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | 503 | 482 |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 48 | - | 10 | 1 | 251 | 3 | - | - | 3 | 5 | 7 | 917 | 838 |
| Derbyshire | 2 | - | 3 | - | 2 | 44 | - | 1 | 2 | - | - | 183 | 166 |
| Leicestershire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | - | 122 | 95 |
| Lincolnshire | 2 | - | - | - | 1 | 4 | - | - | 2 | 1 | - | 84 | 36 |
| Northamptonshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 49 | 44 |
| Nottinghamshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 58 | 56 |
| East Midlands Region | 4 | - | 3 | - | 3 | 48 | - | 1 | 7 | - | 1 | 496 | 397 |
| Staffordshire | 2 | - | 2 | - | 2 | 35 | - | 18 | - | - | - | 749 | 590 |
| Warwickshire | 1,203 | 22 | 57 | 3 | 7 | 271 | - | 16 | 3 | 51 | 11 | 2,655 | 2,576 |
| West Mercia | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 70 | 66 |
| West Midlands | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 374 | 343 |
| West Midlands Region | 1,205 | 22 | 59 | 3 | 9 | 306 | - | 34 | 3 | 51 | 21 | 3,848 | 3,575 |
| Bedfordshire | 397 | 8 | 23 | - | 8 | 13 | 2 | 18 | 5 | 87 | 155 | 1,337 | 1,293 |
| Cambridgeshire | 5 | - | 2 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 6 | 11 | - | 84 | 72 |
| Essex | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 116 | 112 |
| Hertfordshire | 1 | 1 | 5 | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 3 | - | 222 | 197 |
| Northfolk | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 26 | 24 |
| Suffolk | - | - | 4 | - | 4 | 5 | - | - | 2 | - | 4 | 151 | 125 |
| East of England Region | 403 | 9 | 34 | - | 13 | 18 | 2 | 19 | 7 | 98 | 173 | 1,936 | 1,823 |
| London, City of | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | 39 | 1 |
| Metropolitan Police | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 350 | 346 |
| London Region | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | 389 | 349 |
| Hampshire | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 64 | 63 |
| Kent | 16 | 3 | 8 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 431 | 368 |
| Surrey | 11 | 1 | 7 | 3 | 1 | 11 | 1 | 19 | - | 17 | 1 | 346 | 318 |
| Sussex | 235 | - | 97 | - | 982 | 5 | - | 1 | 4 | 8 | - | 2,099 | 2,063 |
| Thames valley | 11 | - | 7 | 2 | 3 | 5 | - | - | 9 | 24 | 3 | 489 | 377 |
| South East Region | 273 | 4 | 119 | 9 | 996 | 50 | 2 | 20 | 13 | 50 | 13 | 3,429 | 3,189 |
| Avon and Somerset | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 4 | 92 | 65 |
| Devon and Cornwall | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 72 | 64 |
| Dorset | 2 | - | 1 | - | - | 3 | - | - | 1 | - | - | 137 | 92 |
| Gloucestershire | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | - | 161 | 148 |
| Wiltshire | 2 | 1 | 292 | 1 | 66 | 2 | - | - | 2 | 1 | - | 542 | 486 |
| South West Region | 4 | 1 | 293 | 1 | - | 70 | - | - | 3 | 2 | 8 | 1,004 | 855 |
| England Total | 2,126 | 49 | 805 | 73 | 1,382 | 658 | 15 | 88 | 74 | 362 | 262 | 16,659 | 14,845 |
| Dyfed Powys | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | 18 | - | 1 | - | - | 23 | 672 | 42 |
| Gwent | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | - | 2 | 136 | 112 |
| North Wales | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | 1,089 | 919 |
| South Wales | 3,349 | 14 | 414 | 33 | 61 | 720 | 9 | 39 | 5 | 270 | 24 | 7,649 | 7,640 |
| Wales Total | 3,350 | 14 | 415 | 34 | 62 | 738 | 9 | 46 | 6 | 270 | 49 | 9,856 | 8,713 |
| England and Wales | 5,476 | 63 | 1,220 | 107 | 1,444 | 1,396 | 24 | 134 | 80 | 632 | 311 | 26,515 | 23,558 |

1. Cleveland, Devon and Cornwall, Hampshire, Metropolitan Police, Norfolk, Northamptonshire, Nottinghamshire, West Mercia and West Midlands do not issue written warnings.

Table 3.08 Vehicle Defect Rectification Scheme notices issued and complied with by police force area, 2009

| Numbers | England and Wales | | |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------------------------------|
| | Police force area | Notices issued | Notices complied with % complied with |
| Cleveland | 1,728 | 1,483 | 86 |
| Durham | 1,305 | 1,146 | 88 |
| Northumbria | 4,343 | 3,403 | 78 |
| North East Region | 7,376 | 6,032 | 82 |
| Cheshire ¹ | 164 | - | 0 |
| Cumbria | 2,198 | 1,884 | 86 |
| Greater Manchester | 2,134 | 1,712 | 80 |
| Lancashire | 2,765 | 2,230 | 81 |
| Merseyside ² | - | - | - |
| North West Region | 7,261 | 5,826 | 80 |
| Humberside | 3,719 | 3,494 | 94 |
| North Yorkshire | 974 | 668 | 69 |
| South Yorkshire | 3,103 | 2,641 | 85 |
| West Yorkshire | 3,431 | 2,833 | 83 |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 11,227 | 9,636 | 86 |
| Derbyshire | 2,218 | 1,943 | 88 |
| Leicestershire | 2,070 | 1,758 | 85 |
| Lincolnshire | 1,235 | 1,017 | 82 |
| Northamptonshire | 875 | 702 | 80 |
| Nottinghamshire | 1,485 | 882 | 59 |
| East Midlands Region | 7,883 | 6,302 | 80 |
| Staffordshire | 865 | 686 | 79 |
| Warwickshire | 1,280 | 1,047 | 82 |
| West Mercia | 1,156 | 1,035 | 90 |
| West Midlands | 2,312 | 1,749 | 76 |
| West Midlands Region | 5,613 | 4,517 | 80 |
| Bedfordshire | 630 | 510 | 81 |
| Cambridgeshire | 1,346 | 1,183 | 88 |
| Essex | 2,240 | 1,946 | 87 |
| Hertfordshire | 2,328 | 1,915 | 82 |
| Norfolk | 2,381 | 2,097 | 88 |
| Suffolk | 287 | 249 | 87 |
| East of England Region | 9,212 | 7,900 | 86 |
| London, City of | 293 | 219 | 75 |
| Metropolitan Police | 445 | 306 | 69 |
| London Region | 738 | 525 | 71 |
| Hampshire | 1,342 | - | 0 |
| Kent | 4,374 | 3,746 | 86 |
| Surrey | 1,534 | 1,163 | 76 |
| Sussex | 1,270 | 1,026 | 81 |
| Thames Valley | 585 | 462 | 79 |
| South East Region | 9,105 | 6,397 | 70 |
| Avon and Somerset ² | - | - | - |
| Devon and Cornwall | 2,591 | 2,206 | 85 |
| Dorset | 1,495 | 1,175 | 79 |
| Gloucestershire | 972 | 763 | 78 |
| Wiltshire | 1,779 | 1,540 | 87 |
| South West Region | 6,837 | 5,684 | 83 |
| England Total | 65,252 | 52,819 | 81 |
| Dyfed-Powys | 5,835 | 2,057 | 35 |
| Gwent | 1,041 | 764 | 73 |
| North Wales | 1,158 | 944 | 82 |
| South Wales | 5,125 | 3,698 | 72 |
| Wales Total | 13,159 | 7,463 | 57 |
| England and Wales | 78,411 | 60,282 | 77 |

1. Cheshire were unable to separately identify VDRS notices that were complied with.

2. Merseyside and Avon and Somerset were unable to provide a VDRS return.

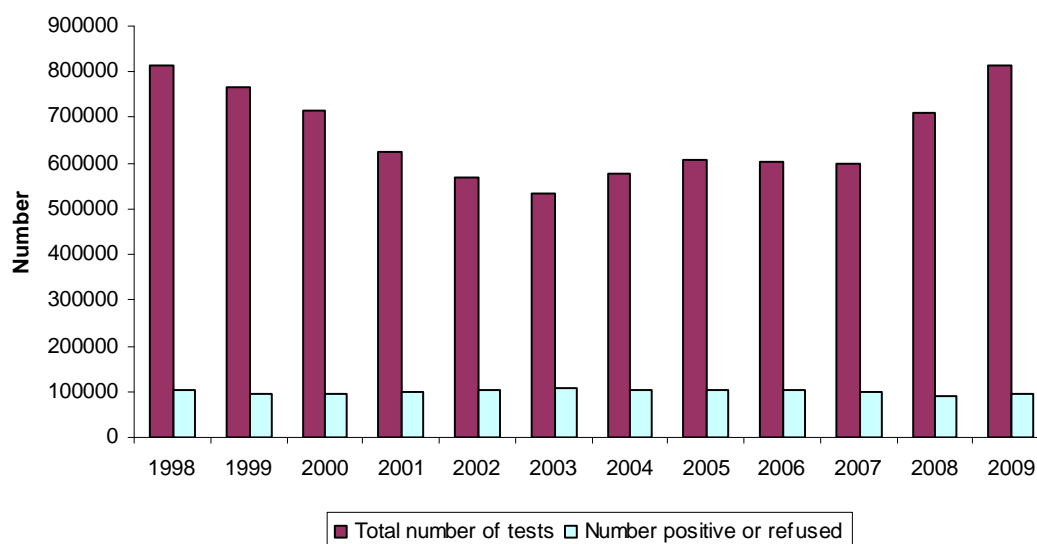
4 Breath tests

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4.1 SUMMARY

- During 2009, there were 813,288 screening breath tests carried out. This is a 14 per cent increase from 711,658 in 2008. This increase coincides with the introduction of new digital recording equipment, which may have streamlined breath test procedures for many forces. Details of this new system can be found in Box 4b.
- The number of positive or refused tests in 2009 increased by three per cent from 91,666 in 2008 to 93,973 in 2009 after a three year decline.
- The proportion of tests that were positive or refused in 2009 was 12 per cent, one percentage point lower than in 2008.

Figure 4a Trend in screening breath tests, England and Wales, 1998 to 2009



Box 4a Screening breath tests: legislation

Under the Road Traffic Act 1988, the police can require a person to take a screening breath test if they have a reasonable cause to suspect that:

- *the person is or has been driving or attempting to drive or is in charge of a motor vehicle on a road or other public place with alcohol in their body (section 6(2) and 6(3));*
- *has committed a moving traffic offence (section 6(4)); or*
- *has been involved in an accident (section 6(5)).*

The subsequent evidential test carried out at the police station can be submitted as evidence in court. The prescribed alcohol limit is 35 micrograms of alcohol per 100ml of breath, which equates with 80 milligrams of alcohol in 100ml of blood.

It is an offence to refuse to take a breath test when required to do so by a police officer unless there is a reasonable excuse. Court penalties for refusing an evidential test are the same as being above the prescribed limit.

Box 4b Introduction of new digital recording equipment

From April 2008, new digital recording equipment started to be gradually implemented by forces to automatically record every breath test carried out. In the past, officers would need to make a manual record of each test carried out.

These devices record the exact breath alcohol readings and result of each test. The results are downloaded to data systems on a monthly basis. The results provide information to inform future policy options.

The introduction of the new system is likely to result in improved data recording by many forces. Negative breath tests may previously have been under-reported and as a result the total number of breath tests reported to the Home Office from 2008 may have increased disproportionately to the numbers of positive/refused tests.

4.2 INTRODUCTION

This chapter covers the use of police powers to conduct roadside breath tests to determine whether motorists are driving with alcohol in their body, beyond the prescribed limit. It examines the regional and seasonal use of such powers, as well as the number of motorists who either fail or refuse breath tests. The data presented in this chapter are drawn from returns from police forces in England and Wales.

4.3 EXTENT AND TRENDS

The number of breath tests carried out this year rose for a second consecutive year, following slight falls in the previous two years.

- During 2009, 813,288 screening breath tests were carried out by police officers. This is an increase of 14 per cent on the total of 711,658 recorded during 2008 (see Box 4b).

The *proportion* of positive or refused tests decreased from 13 per cent in 2008 to 12 per cent in 2009 and is the lowest recorded since 1999 when 94,384 positive or refused tests were made. Furthermore, it is the lowest record of positive or refused tests made over the past 11-year period.

- In 2009, there were 93,973 positive or refused tests, an increase of three per cent from 2008 (91,666).
- The proportion of tests positive or refused in 2009 was, at 12 per cent, one percentage point lower than in 2008 (13%) (See Tables 4a, 4.01, 4.04).

Alcohol-related casualties

Figures for alcohol-related casualties in road accidents are collected and published annually by the Department for Transport. Latest figures for 2009 (Department for Transport, 2010*) show that:

- In 2009, it was estimated that 11,990 reported casualties (5% of all road casualties) occurred when someone was driving whilst over the legal alcohol limit.
- The provisional number of people estimated to have been killed in drink drive accidents was 380 in 2009 (17% of all road fatalities), a decrease of 20 fatalities compared to the final 2008 estimate.
- The provisional number of killed or seriously injured (KSI) casualties in 2009 was 1,860, eight per cent below the final 2008 estimate.
- Provisional figures for the number of slight casualties in 2009 fell eight per cent since 2008, from 10,960 to 10,130.

* Department for Transport (2009): Road Casualties Great Britain: 2009 - Annual Report. Link: <http://www.dft.gov.uk/pgr/statistics/datatablespublications/accidents/casualtiesqbar/rrcgb2009>

4.4 SEASONAL AND GEOGRAPHIC PATTERNS

Seasonal variations

In 2009, 23 per cent of all screening tests were conducted during December, which coincides with the regular Christmas campaign against drinking and driving. The number of screening tests carried out during December was over three times more than the average number carried out in other months. However, the proportion of screening breath tests which were positive or refused during December stood at five per cent, around a third of the proportion of tests which were positive or refused in the other months.

There was also a large number of screening tests conducted in June compared to other months (13% of total tests). This is due to a rise in summertime campaigns against drinking and driving during this month. Although the number of tests carried out in June was nearly double the amount from the month before, the number of positive or refused tests was almost the same for the two months. This halved the percentage of positive/refused tests in June (8%) from the month before. Table 4.03 includes monthly data on Breath tests conducted in 2009.

Police force areas

Police force areas varied widely in the number of tests carried out in 2009 per 1,000 of the population, from two in West Midlands to 60 in North Wales. Figure 4b illustrates the distribution across England and Wales.

- The four forces with the highest number of tests per population were North Wales, Dyfed-Powys, Gwent, and South Yorkshire.

The rates of tests which were positive or refused per 1,000 of the population were not as varied by force. The number of positive or refused tests carried out ranged from 1.1 in Wiltshire to 2.6 in Staffordshire and North Wales.

- Forces with the highest rates of positive or refused tests per 1,000 of the population were Staffordshire, North Wales, Norfolk and Dyfed-Powys.

Figure 4c shows police force areas by the number of positive or refused tests per 1,000 of the population in 2009.

Box 4c Further analysis by Department for Transport

The Department for Transport (DfT) has started a collection of breath screening tests which includes only those which were undertaken using the new digital testing devices (see box 4b). This collection builds on the Home Office collection by specifically adding information on breath alcohol content, as well as reason for test, time of day, day of week and age and gender profiles of those tested.

The collection is voluntary and not all forces have yet submitted results. The Home Office is discussing with DfT ways of combining the results for future rounds.

Results for 2009 have been published as experimental statistics. They show that:

- The most common reason for a test was a moving traffic offence (36% of all tests), followed by a road traffic collision (29%), suspicion of alcohol (23%) and other, (12%) The other category includes instances such as training exercises.
- A higher proportion of tests conducted at the weekend were positive, at 13 per cent, than in the week (7%).
- Nearly a third (32%) of tests conducted at the weekend occurred between midnight and 05.59, compared with 18 per cent in the week.
- Of drivers tested following a road traffic collision, those in their twenties showed the highest proportion of positive results. Thereafter, the proportion gradually decreased with age.

The full report, 'Provisional Statistics on Breath Alcohol Screening Tests in England and Wales 2009', can be accessed on-line at: www.dft.gov.uk/pgr/statistics/datatablespublications/accidents/

Figure 4b Screening breath tests: rates per 1,000 population at police force area level, 2009

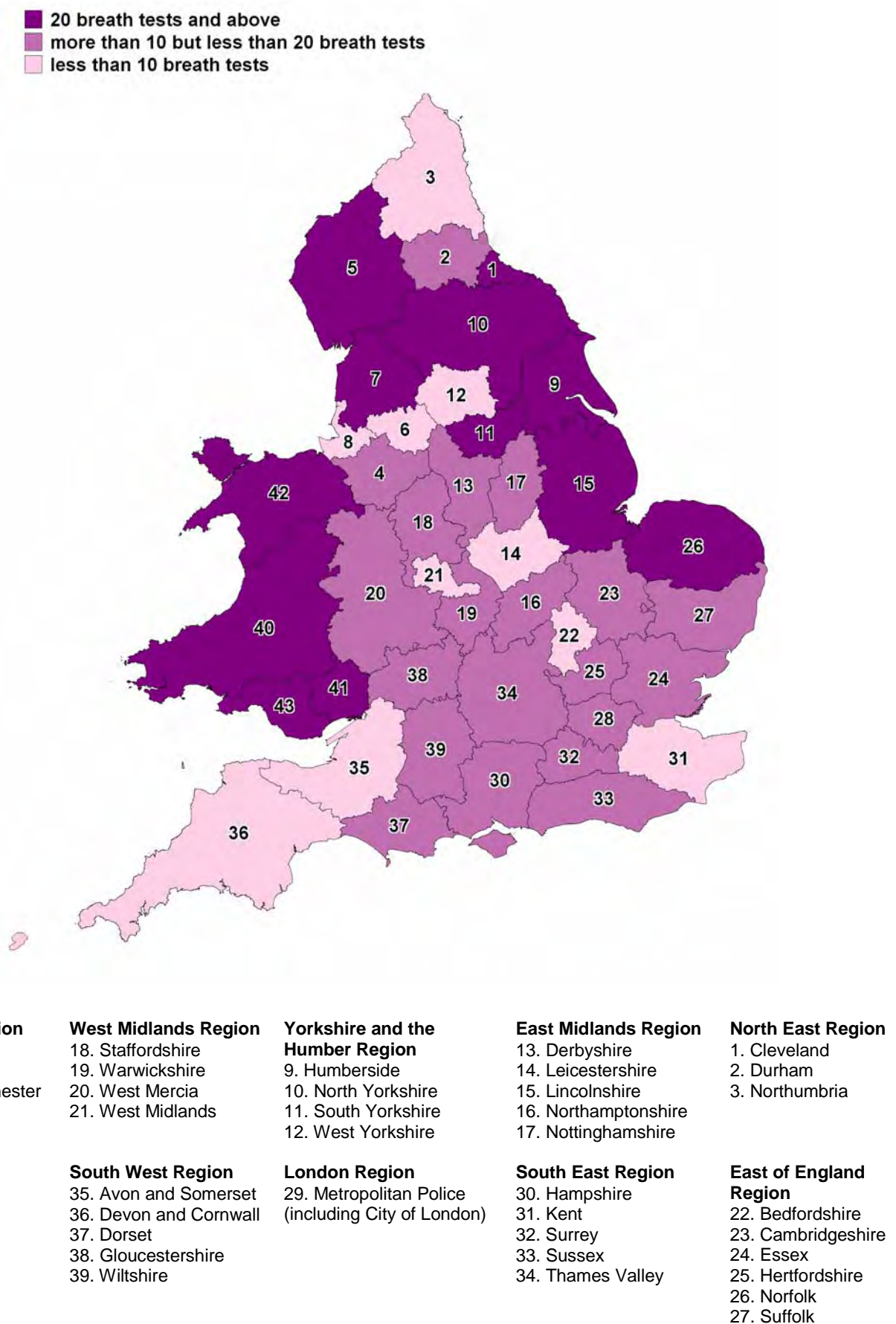
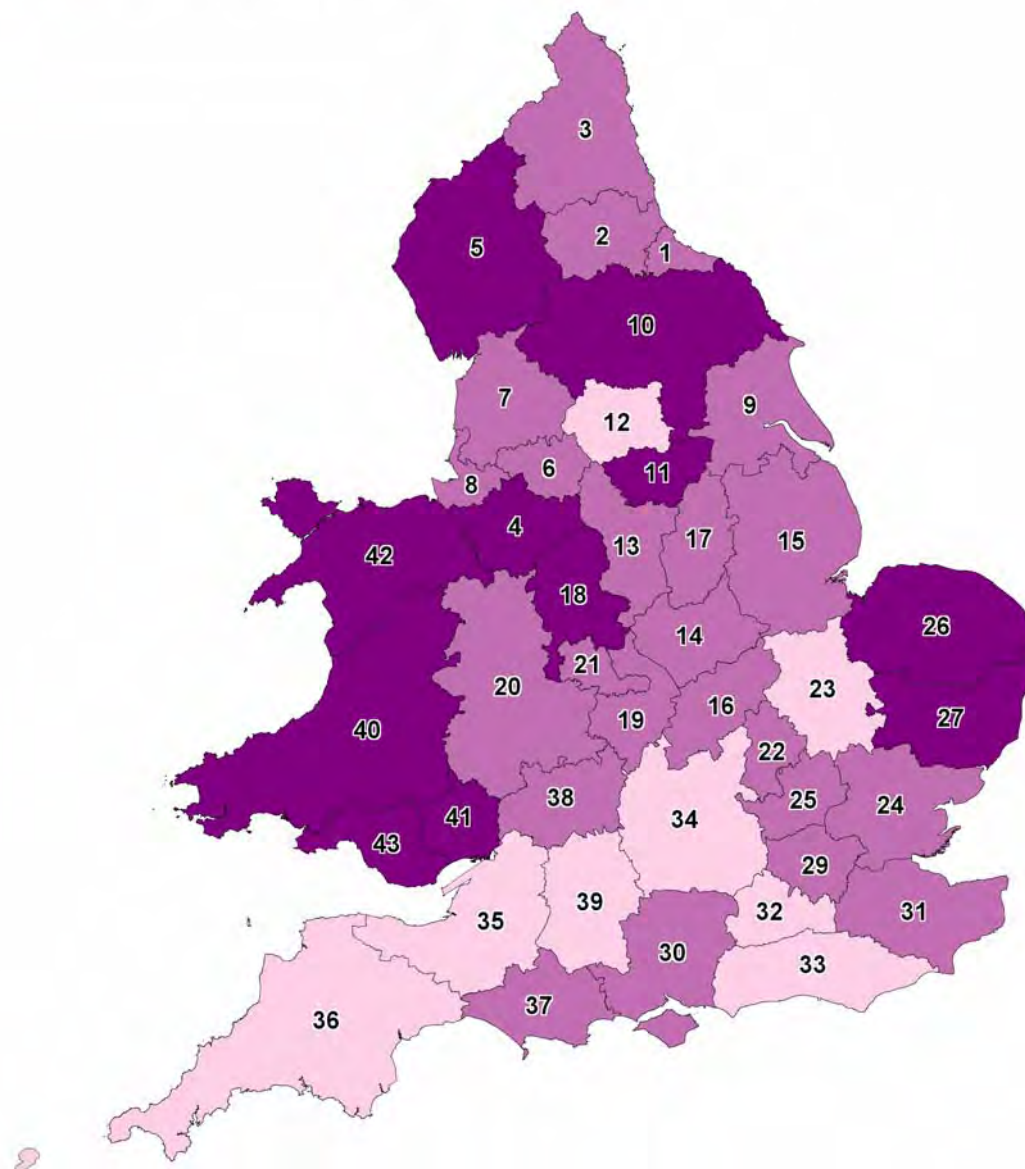


Figure 4c Positive/refused tests: rates per 1,000 population at police force area level, 2009

- 2.0 positive/ refused and above
- more than 1.5 but less than 2.0 positive/ refused
- less than 1.5 positive/ refused



North West Region

- 4. Cheshire
- 5. Cumbria
- 6. Greater Manchester
- 7. Lancashire
- 8. Merseyside

West Midlands Region

- 18. Staffordshire
- 19. Warwickshire
- 20. West Mercia
- 21. West Midlands

Yorkshire and the Humber Region

- 9. Humberside
- 10. North Yorkshire
- 11. South Yorkshire
- 12. West Yorkshire

East Midlands Region

- 13. Derbyshire
- 14. Leicestershire
- 15. Lincolnshire
- 16. Northamptonshire
- 17. Nottinghamshire

North East Region

- 1. Cleveland
- 2. Durham
- 3. Northumbria

Wales

- 40. Dyfed-Powys
- 41. Gwent
- 42. North Wales
- 43. South Wales

South West Region

- 35. Avon and Somerset
- 36. Devon and Cornwall
- 37. Dorset
- 38. Gloucestershire
- 39. Wiltshire

London Region

- 29. Metropolitan Police (including City of London)

South East Region

- 30. Hampshire
- 31. Kent
- 32. Surrey
- 33. Sussex
- 34. Thames Valley

East of England Region

- 22. Bedfordshire
- 23. Cambridgeshire
- 24. Essex
- 25. Hertfordshire
- 26. Norfolk
- 27. Suffolk

Table 4.01 Number of screening breath tests by outcome, 2000 to 2009

| Numbers (thousands) and percentages | | England and Wales | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------------|-------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Outcome | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
| Total number of tests ¹ | 714.8 | 623.9 | 570.2 | 534.3 | 578.0 | 607.4 | 601.7 | 599.8 | 711.7 | 813.3 |
| Number positive or refused ² | 94.6 | 99.5 | 103.5 | 106.3 | 103.0 | 104.3 | 103.7 | 97.6 | 91.7 | 94.0 |
| % Positive or refused | 13 | 16 | 18 | 20 | 18 | 17 | 17 | 16 | 13 | 12 |

1. Figures for 'total tests' show a large increase from 2007 onwards due to a new digital breath test system being implemented by many forces. Previously with paper reporting, negative breath tests tended to be under-reported by forces and since the introduction of the new digital equipment, the total number of breath tests reported to the Home Office has increased disproportionately from 2007 onwards.

2. Figures for 'positive/refused' from 2000 to 2008 contain some data on prosecutions for failing a breath test where shortfalls were found in the data supplied to the Home Office. The police forces affected are: Dyfed-Powys, Gwent, Essex, Norfolk, Northumbria, South Wales and Staffordshire. As a result of the new digital equipment, only Northumbria replaced their data in 2009 with prosecutions data.

Table 4.02 Screening breath tests by outcome and quarter, 2007, 2008 and 2009

| Numbers (thousands) and percentages | | England and Wales | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------------|-------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--|
| | 2007 | | | | 2008 | | | | 2009 | | | | |
| | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | |
| Total number of tests | 128.6 | 124.9 | 140.9 | 205.4 | 138.5 | 161.5 | 143.8 | 267.9 | 150.8 | 203.6 | 157.2 | 301.7 | |
| Number positive or refused ¹ | 24.4 | 24.9 | 24.7 | 23.5 | 22.3 | 22.4 | 22.5 | 24.6 | 22.2 | 24.6 | 22.9 | 24.3 | |
| % Positive or refused | 19 | 20 | 18 | 11 | 16 | 14 | 16 | 9 | 15 | 12 | 15 | 8 | |

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Table 4.03 Screening breath tests by outcome and by month, 2009

| Numbers and percentages | | England and Wales | |
|-------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| Month | Total tests | Positive/refused ¹ | % Positive/refused |
| January | 59,780 | 7,899 | 13 |
| February | 44,330 | 6,545 | 15 |
| March | 46,724 | 7,752 | 17 |
| April | 46,524 | 7,641 | 16 |
| May | 53,463 | 8,633 | 16 |
| June | 103,596 | 8,370 | 8 |
| July | 56,083 | 7,800 | 14 |
| August | 53,415 | 7,975 | 15 |
| September | 47,657 | 7,088 | 15 |
| October | 54,087 | 7,898 | 15 |
| November | 57,694 | 7,696 | 13 |
| December | 189,935 | 8,676 | 5 |
| Total 2009 | 813,288 | 93,973 | 12 |

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Table 4.04 Screening breath tests by outcome, police force area and 1,000 population, 2008 and 2009

| Numbers and percentages | | England and Wales | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| Police force area | 2008 | | | | | 2009 | | | | |
| | Total tests | Total tests per 1,000 pop. | Positive / refused ⁽¹⁾ | Positive / refused per 1000 pop. | % Positive / refused | Total tests | Total tests per 1,000 pop. | Positive/ refused ⁽¹⁾ | Positive/ refused per 1000 pop. | % Positive/ refused |
| Cleveland | 12,395 | 22 | 942 | 1.7 | 8 | 12,796 | 23 | 1,088 | 1.9 | 9 |
| Durham | 7,042 | 12 | 863 | 1.4 | 12 | 6,108 | 10 | 927 | 1.5 | 15 |
| Northumbria ¹ | 7,222 | 5 | 2,253 | 1.6 | 31 | 8,090 | 6 | 2,066 | 1.5 | 26 |
| North East Region | 26,659 | 10 | 4,058 | 1.6 | 15 | 26,994 | 10 | 4,081 | 1.6 | 15 |
| Cheshire | 16,179 | 16 | 2,544 | 2.5 | 16 | 16,443 | 16 | 2,034 | 2.0 | 12 |
| Cumbria | 13,310 | 27 | 697 | 1.4 | 5 | 13,495 | 27 | 971 | 2.0 | 7 |
| Greater Manchester ² | 18,350 | 7 | 5,300 | 2.1 | 29 | 14,950 | 6 | 4,440 | 1.7 | 30 |
| Lancashire | 32,484 | 22 | 2,353 | 1.6 | 7 | 39,921 | 28 | 2,736 | 1.9 | 7 |
| Merseyside | 12,423 | 9 | 2,308 | 1.7 | 19 | 12,562 | 9 | 2,169 | 1.6 | 17 |
| North West Region | 92,746 | 13 | 13,202 | 1.9 | 14 | 97,371 | 14 | 12,350 | 1.8 | 13 |
| Humberside | 14,856 | 16 | 806 | 0.9 | 5 | 26,894 | 29 | 1,342 | 1.5 | 5 |
| North Yorkshire | 6,762 | 9 | 964 | 1.2 | 14 | 18,282 | 23 | 1,664 | 2.1 | 9 |
| South Yorkshire | 17,209 | 13 | 3,241 | 2.5 | 19 | 42,232 | 32 | 2,828 | 2.1 | 7 |
| West Yorkshire | 19,979 | 9 | 4,481 | 2.0 | 22 | 18,579 | 8 | 3,191 | 1.4 | 17 |
| Yorkshire and the Humber Region | 58,806 | 11 | 9,492 | 1.8 | 16 | 105,987 | 20 | 9,025 | 1.7 | 9 |
| Derbyshire | 20,045 | 20 | 1,490 | 1.5 | 7 | 12,024 | 12 | 1,945 | 1.9 | 16 |
| Leicestershire | 7,535 | 8 | 1,558 | 1.6 | 21 | 9,294 | 9 | 1,511 | 1.5 | 16 |
| Lincolnshire | 17,710 | 25 | 1,320 | 1.9 | 7 | 20,697 | 30 | 1,320 | 1.9 | 6 |
| Northamptonshire | 4,342 | 6 | 1,291 | 1.9 | 30 | 8,444 | 12 | 1,237 | 1.8 | 15 |
| Nottinghamshire | 7,243 | 7 | 1,815 | 1.7 | 25 | 13,452 | 12 | 1,795 | 1.7 | 13 |
| East Midlands Region | 56,875 | 13 | 7,474 | 1.7 | 13 | 63,911 | 14 | 7,808 | 1.8 | 12 |
| Staffordshire | 10,703 | 10 | 1,587 | 1.5 | 15 | 14,589 | 14 | 2,813 | 2.6 | 19 |
| Warwickshire | 4,069 | 8 | 336 | 0.6 | 8 | 7,501 | 14 | 1,036 | 1.9 | 14 |
| West Mercia | 14,188 | 12 | 1,624 | 1.4 | 11 | 15,607 | 13 | 2,087 | 1.8 | 13 |
| West Midlands | 6,009 | 2 | 4,491 | 1.7 | 75 | 4,812 | 2 | 4,087 | 1.5 | 85 |
| West Midlands Region | 34,969 | 6 | 8,038 | 1.5 | 23 | 42,509 | 8 | 10,023 | 1.8 | 24 |
| Bedfordshire | 3,320 | 6 | 961 | 1.6 | 29 | 5,447 | 9 | 1,094 | 1.8 | 20 |
| Cambridgeshire | 12,900 | 17 | 1,072 | 1.4 | 8 | 10,680 | 14 | 953 | 1.2 | 9 |
| Essex | 33,119 | 19 | 2,329 | 1.4 | 7 | 31,825 | 18 | 2,730 | 1.6 | 9 |
| Hertfordshire | 12,291 | 11 | 1,783 | 1.6 | 15 | 11,963 | 11 | 1,866 | 1.7 | 16 |
| Norfolk | 8,763 | 10 | 1,038 | 1.2 | 12 | 19,510 | 23 | 2,103 | 2.5 | 11 |
| Suffolk | 13,684 | 19 | 1,271 | 1.8 | 9 | 13,957 | 20 | 1,496 | 2.1 | 11 |
| East of England Region | 84,077 | 15 | 8,454 | 1.5 | 10 | 93,382 | 16 | 10,242 | 1.8 | 11 |
| London, City of ³ | 1,153 | 102 | 196 | 17.3 | 17 | 3,141 | 273 | 304 | 26.5 | 10 |
| Metropolitan Police | 80,702 | 11 | 15,780 | 2.1 | 20 | 83,135 | 11 | 13,456 | 1.7 | 16 |
| London Region | 81,855 | 11 | 15,976 | 2.1 | 20 | 86,276 | 11 | 13,760 | 1.8 | 16 |
| Hampshire | 44,044 | 24 | 3,964 | 2.1 | 9 | 31,794 | 17 | 3,171 | 1.7 | 10 |
| Kent | 27,991 | 17 | 2,322 | 1.4 | 8 | 15,983 | 10 | 2,855 | 1.7 | 18 |
| Surrey | 11,404 | 10 | 1,308 | 1.2 | 11 | 12,134 | 11 | 1,571 | 1.4 | 13 |
| Sussex | 30,625 | 20 | 1,786 | 1.1 | 6 | 28,665 | 18 | 1,922 | 1.2 | 7 |
| Thames Valley | 28,009 | 13 | 2,846 | 1.3 | 10 | 32,931 | 15 | 3,013 | 1.4 | 9 |
| South East Region | 142,073 | 17 | 12,226 | 1.5 | 9 | 121,507 | 14 | 12,532 | 1.5 | 10 |
| Avon and Somerset | 14,163 | 9 | 2,234 | 1.4 | 16 | 13,822 | 9 | 1,974 | 1.2 | 14 |
| Devon and Cornwall | 11,223 | 7 | 2,155 | 1.3 | 19 | 13,462 | 8 | 2,329 | 1.4 | 17 |
| Dorset | 6,263 | 9 | 1,405 | 2.0 | 22 | 9,626 | 14 | 1,327 | 1.9 | 14 |
| Gloucestershire | 7,982 | 14 | 1,088 | 1.9 | 14 | 8,033 | 14 | 1,062 | 1.8 | 13 |
| Wiltshire | 5,740 | 9 | 681 | 1.0 | 12 | 7,389 | 11 | 720 | 1.1 | 10 |
| South West Region | 45,371 | 9 | 7,563 | 1.5 | 17 | 52,332 | 10 | 7,412 | 1.4 | 14 |
| England Total | 623,431 | 12 | 86,483 | 1.7 | 14 | 690,269 | 13 | 87,233 | 1.7 | 13 |
| Dyfed-Powys | 10,791 | 21 | 803 | 1.6 | 7 | 25,684 | 51 | 1,221 | 2.4 | 5 |
| Gwent | 17,944 | 32 | 980 | 1.8 | 5 | 26,123 | 47 | 1,247 | 2.2 | 5 |
| North Wales | 29,990 | 44 | 1,555 | 2.3 | 5 | 40,823 | 60 | 1,785 | 2.6 | 4 |
| South Wales | 29,502 | 24 | 1,845 | 1.5 | 6 | 30,389 | 24 | 2,487 | 2.0 | 8 |
| Wales Total | 88,227 | 30 | 5,183 | 1.7 | 6 | 123,019 | 41 | 6,740 | 2.2 | 5 |
| England and Wales | 711,658 | 13 | 91,666 | 1.7 | 13 | 813,288 | 15 | 93,973 | 1.7 | 12 |

1. Figures for 'positive/refused' from 2000 to 2008 contain some data on prosecutions for failing a breath test where shortfalls were found in the data supplied to the Home Office. The police forces affected are: Dyfed-Powys, Gwent, Essex, Norfolk, Northumbria, South Wales and Staffordshire. As a result of the new digital equipment, only Northumbria replaced their data in 2009 with prosecutions data.

2. Figures for Greater Manchester Police are estimated.

3. A small resident population should be considered when examining population rates for City of London.

5 Other police powers and procedures

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5.1 INTRODUCTION

This chapter reports on statistics published elsewhere by the Home Office and Ministry of Justice on a selection of police powers and procedures. For each series, a brief description is given, together with some key findings, and a link to the web page containing the link to the on-line publication.

5.2 CAUTIONS

Offenders cautioned

The Ministry of Justice collects figures on numbers of offenders cautioned as part of its cautions and convictions series. The statistics cover all criminal offences, not just those included in the recorded crime statistics.

Statistics are published annually in the National Statistics publication *Criminal Statistics, England and Wales*. The report contains breakdowns by offence group, age and sex of offender and police force area. The cautions figures include simple and conditional cautions, and reprimands/final warnings (used for offenders aged 10–17). Separate figures for reprimands/ final warnings are also available.

The most recent National Statistics publication, *Criminal Statistics England and Wales 2009*, can be accessed on-line at: <http://www.justice.gov.uk/publications/criminalannual.htm> . Among its main findings are:

- In 2009 there were 290,600 offenders cautioned for all offences – 11 per cent fewer than in 2008.
- Of the cautions issued, 78,700 (27%) were given to juveniles as a reprimand or final warning. This was a three percentage point decrease compared to 2008.

Offences detected by means of a caution

The Home Office's main statistical collection on recorded crime includes offences detected by method of detection. Unlike the offenders cautioned statistics which cover all offences, this collection covers notifiable offences only, which means that most summary offences are excluded. Results focus on sanction detections, where the offender receives some formal sanction. Cautions form one of these methods, and they include simple and conditional cautions, and reprimands/ final warnings for 10- to 17-year-olds.

In recent years the annual National Statistics publication, *Crime in England and Wales* has contained a chapter on detections. This has included statistics on detections and detection rates by offence type, method (including cautions) and police force area.

The latest annual bulletin covers 2009/10 and shows that:

- Of the 1,204,967 offences detected by the police using sanction detections in 2009/10, 269,562 were by means of a caution.
- Cautions accounted for 22 per cent of all sanction detections in 2009/10. Of the other methods, charge/summons accounted for the largest proportion, at 55 per cent.

Crime in England and Wales 2009/10 can be accessed on-line at:

<http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/publications/science-research-statistics/research-statistics/crime-research/hosb1210/>

5.3 POLICE USE OF WEAPONS

Police use of firearms

The Home Office publishes annual figures for each police force in England and Wales on numbers of police operations in which firearms were authorised; the numbers of authorised firearms officers (AFOs); the numbers of operations involving armed response vehicles; and the numbers of incidents where conventional firearms were used by the police.

Latest figures are for 2008/09 and they show that:

- There were 19,951 police operations in 2008/09 in which a firearm was authorised, an increase of 0.3 per cent on 2007/08.
- There were 6,868 authorised firearms officers in 2008/09, up one per cent on 2007/08.
- The number of operations involving armed response vehicles rose seven per cent to 16,564 in 2008/09.
- The police discharged a conventional firearm in four incidents in 2008/09, down from seven in 2007/08.

These statistics are not National Statistics. They are released each year in the form of a Ministerial statement. The 2008/09 statistics can be accessed on-line at:

<http://tna.europarchive.org/20100419081706/http://www.police.homeoffice.gov.uk/documents/Police-firearms-2008-09.html>

Police use of TASER

The Home Office's Centre for Applied Science and Technology (CAST, and formerly the Scientific Development Branch, HOSDB) continues to monitor the use of TASER by all police forces, both by specially trained units and firearm officers.

Latest figures provide statistics on TASER use up to and including 31 March 2010. They show that:

- There were 8,599 uses of TASER, including 2,185 discharges, by authorised firearms officers in England and Wales between 22 April 2004 (the introduction date, excluding the 2003 pilot) and 31 March 2010.
- There were 2,957 uses of TASER, including 511 discharges, in England and Wales by specially trained police units who are not firearms officers, between 1 September 2007 (the date trialling started in ten forces) and 31 March 2010. Following the success of the trial, usage was extended to all forces from 1 December 2008.

These statistics are not National Statistics. They can be accessed on-line at:

<http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/publications/science/cast/taser-figures-march-2010>

5.4 FOOTBALL-RELATED ARRESTS

Each autumn the Home Office publishes figures on the numbers of arrests and banning orders issued by the police over the course of the previous football season. Latest figures show that:

- Of the 37 million people attending games in 2009/10, the police arrested 3,391 persons for disorder connected to matches, a decrease of ten per cent on 2008/09. Those relating to notifiable offences are included within the arrest totals in Chapter 1.

Statistics on football-related arrests, as well as numbers of banning orders issued by the courts, are available on-line at: www.homeoffice.gov.uk/publications/crime/football-arrests-banning-orders/ . These statistics are not National Statistics.

5.5 STOP AND ACCOUNT

Figures on stop and account are collected by the Ministry of Justice for the purposes of ethnic monitoring. The provision to collect figures on 'stop and account' and 'stop and search' was a recommendation of the Stephen Lawrence Enquiry, in which the police are required to record details of the reason for the stop, the outcome and the self-defined ethnicity.

Provisional figures for 2008/09 were published in Chapter 3 of *Race and the Criminal Justice System 2008/09*, available on-line at: www.justice.gov.uk/publications/raceandcjs.htm . These are the last figures to be published. From 2011/12, figures for stop and account will not be collected, as the police are no longer required to record the stops that they make.

5.6 FIREARM CERTIFICATES

The Home Office publishes an annual National Statistics bulletin on the issue of firearm and shotgun certificates by the police, as well as the number of firearms dealers registered by the police.

The latest figures show that there were 141,775 firearm certificates on issue on 31 March 2010, an increase of two per cent on the previous year. The corresponding figure for shotgun certificates was 580,653 on issue, up one per cent.

Firearm Certificates England and Wales 2009/10 can be accessed on-line at:

<http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/publications/science-research-statistics/research-statistics/police-research/hosb0511/>

Glossary

Arrest – This refers to the power of police officers to deprive a person of his or her liberty in relation to the investigation and prevention of crime. Police officers have the power to arrest anyone who has committed an offence, is about to commit an offence, or is in the act of committing an offence. They also have the power of arrest when a person is suspected of involvement in an offence.

Breath test – Test conducted by the police to determine whether motorists are driving with alcohol in their body, beyond the prescribed limit.

Detention under PACE – Police officers have the power under **PACE** to detain suspected offenders for up to 36 hours. Police officers also have the power to detain persons for up to 96 hours if they apply to magistrates for a warrant of further detention.

Burglary – When a person enters any building as a trespasser and with intent to commit an offence of theft, grievous bodily harm or unlawful damage. Burglary does not necessarily involve forced entry; it may be through an open window, or by entering the property under false pretences (e.g. impersonating an official). Burglary does not cover theft by a person who is entitled to be in the dwelling at the time of the offence. The dwelling is a house, flat or any connected outhouse or garage. Common areas (e.g. hallways) are not included.

Caution – A caution may be given by the police when there is sufficient evidence for a **conviction** and it is not considered to be in the public interest to instigate criminal proceedings. **Offenders** must admit guilt and consent to a caution in order for one to be given.

Charge – A formal accusation by the police that a person has committed a criminal offence.

Conviction – When a person is found guilty of an offence in a court.

Counting rules – Instructions issued to the police by the Home Office on how the police should count and classify crime. Figures on **arrests** in this publication are based on the counting rules that came into force on 1 April 1998. These rules were updated following the introduction on 1 April 2002 of the Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) National Crime Recording Standard devised by ACPO in collaboration with Home Office statisticians. A copy of the latest counting rules is available on the Home Office website at <http://homeoffice.gov.uk/science-research/research-statistics/crime/counting-rules/>.

Criminal damage – Criminal damage results from any person who without lawful excuse destroys or damages any property belonging to another, intending to destroy or damage any such property or being reckless as to whether any such property would be destroyed or damaged.

Crown court – The courts at which indictable offences are heard.

Endorsable FPNs – See **fixed penalty notices (FPNs)**

Fixed penalty notices (FPNs) – On the spot fines issued to motorists for various motoring offences; for example parking offences, neglect of traffic directions and using a mobile phone while driving. FPNs can be **endorsable** (accompanied by points on a driving licence) or **non-endorable** (with no points added).

Fraud – For offences prior to 15 January 2007, fraud is defined as dishonestly deceiving to obtain either property or a pecuniary advantage. For **offences** after 15 January 2007, fraud is defined as dishonestly making a false representation to obtain property or money for themselves or another.

Government Office Region (GOR) – Government Offices for the Regions were established across England in 1994. The Government Office Regions are the primary classification for the presentation of regional statistics. There are nine GORs in England: North East; North West; Yorkshire and the Humber; East Midlands; West Midlands; East of England; London; South East; South West. In this report analysis by region also includes separate analysis for Wales.

Indictable offence – These **offences** are the most serious breaches of criminal law, and must be tried at the Crown Court.

Intimate search – Searches by police under **PACE** of a person's body cavities when suspected of hiding drugs or offensive weapons upon their person. They may only be carried out if there are reasonable grounds for believing that a person who has been arrested and is detained may have concealed anything which could be used to cause physical injury. Also, in the case of suspected couriers or dealers only, a Class A drug (as defined in the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971). In the case of searches for drugs, a registered doctor or nurse can carry out the search. Searches for harmful articles are conducted by suitably qualified people. If this is not practicable, a constable will carry out the search.

Magistrates – Judicial officers at **magistrates' courts** with limited law enforcement and administration authority.

Magistrates' court – The lowest level of court in England and Wales which deals with **summary offences**. A magistrates' court is presided over by a tribunal consisting of two or more (most commonly three) justices of the peace or by a district judge (formerly known as a stipendiary magistrate), and dispenses summary justice, under powers usually limited by statute. The maximum prison sentence that can be imposed at a magistrates' court is six months.

Motor vehicle – The term motor vehicle in this bulletin means a mechanically propelled vehicle intended or adapted for use on roads and includes motorcycles, motor scooters, mechanically propelled invalid carriages, road rollers and tractors.

Non-endorsable FPNs – See **fixed penalty notices (FPNs)**

Notifiable offences – Crimes which are recorded by the police are notified to the Home Office. Also known as **recorded crime**.

Offender – A person found guilty or **cautioned** for breaking the law.

Other offences (offence group for arrests statistics) – Includes **recorded crime** offences not covered by the other arrests categories. Examples of offences included in the category are public order offences, immigration offences, public health offences and perverting the course of justice. For a full list of offences included in the category see **counting rules**.

PACE – Refers to the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984, which instituted a legislative framework for the powers of police officers in England and Wales to combat crime, as well as providing codes of practice for the exercise of those powers.

Penalty Notice for Disorder (PND) – On the spot fines issued by the police for minor disorder **offences** such as being drunk and disorderly, wasting police time and littering. Accepting a PND for an offence is not an admission of guilt and does not appear on a person's criminal record.

Population figures – Some of the tables and graphs in this volume use population figures to calculate the number of arrests, searches and breath tests per 1,000 population. The population figures used are mid-2006 population estimates provided by ONS.

Recorded crime – Police recorded crime covers crimes which are recorded by the police and which are notified to the Home Office. All **indictable** and **triable-either-way offences** are included together with certain closely associated **summary offences**. Attempts are also included. See Appendix 3 of the Home Office Bulletin, 'Crime in England and Wales, 2007/08' for a full list of recorded crimes at :

<http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20110218135832/rds.homeoffice.gov.uk/rds/pdfs08/hosb0708.pdf>

Road check – The police power under **PACE** to block roads and search vehicles for persons suspected of intending to commit, committing or witnessing an **indictable offence**, or who are unlawfully at large.

Robbery – An incident or **offence** in which force or the threat of force is used either during or immediately prior to a theft or attempted theft.

Sexual offences – Prior to May 2004 there were 15 separate offences included in the recorded crime sexual offences group including the offences of rape and indecent assault. The Sexual Offences Act 2003, which came into force in May 2004, introduced several new offences and repealed some of those which were previously in the series.

Stops and searches – Statutory powers exist under the Police and Criminal Evidence Act (PACE), Code A for a police officer to search a person or vehicle without first making an arrest. Other police powers not under PACE include stops and searches in anticipation of violence (under section 60 of Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994) and searches of pedestrians, vehicles and occupants (under sections 44(1) and 44(2) of the Terrorism Act 2000). Searches for drugs are still permitted by the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 and those for firearms under the Firearms Act 1968.

Summary offence – These offences can be heard at magistrates' courts only and have a maximum penalty of six month's imprisonment.

TASER – A single shot weapon designed to temporarily incapacitate a subject through the use of an electrical current, which temporarily interferes with the body's neuromuscular system. It is laser-sighted and uses cartridges attached to the end of the cartridge bay. The cartridges project a pair of barbs or darts attached to insulated wires. The device delivers a sequence of very high voltage pulses of very short duration through the wires. The normal reaction of a person exposed to the discharge of the Taser is the loss of some voluntary muscle control resulting in the subject falling to the ground or 'freezing' on the spot.

Triable-either-way offence – These offences may be tried either at the Crown Court or a magistrates' court.

Vehicle Defect Rectification Scheme (VDRS) – Refers to the voluntary scheme introduced by police forces between 1982 and 1987, whereby police officers issue VDRS notices to motorists where a vehicle is found in a defective condition. Once the form is issued, the motorist must rectify the defect and submit the vehicle for inspection by an approved garage to avoid prosecution. The result of the inspection is endorsed on the form, which must be returned to the police within 14 days otherwise the motorist will be prosecuted. Alternatively, the driver must scrap the vehicle and produce evidence of this to the police to avoid prosecution.

Vehicle only searches – Searches of unattended vehicles conducted by the police.

Violence against the person – Includes serious violent **offences** where the injury inflicted or intended is life threatening, and offences resulting in death, regardless of intent. The offence group also includes offences involving less serious injury. It also includes certain offences that involve no physical injury, and some involving serious intent.

Warrant of further detention – Where the police need to detain a person beyond 36 hours an application must be made at a magistrates' court, which can issue a warrant of further detention up to 36 hours. Further extensions can be applied for, but any extension granted cannot exceed 36 hours or permit the total period of detention to exceed 96 hours.

ERRATA

Page 18 – The following sentence has been deleted ‘ The pie chart below shows the breakdown of persons arrested in 2009/10 by self-defined ethnicity.’

Page 50 – In table 2.05, last column ‘Arrest rate across all searches’, the following revisions were made.

| Police force area | Old percentage | New percentage |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Cheshire | 16% | 15% |
| Cumbria | 10% | 9% |
| Greater Manchester | 9% | 8% |
| North West Region | 10% | 9% |
| North Yorkshire | 12% | 10% |
| Essex | 10% | 6% |
| East of England | 12% | 11% |
| London, City of | 31% | 8% |
| Metropolitan Police | 19% | 6% |
| London Region | 19% | 6% |
| Sussex | 22% | 16% |
| South East Region | 10% | 9% |
| England Total | 15% | 8% |
| South Wales | 14% | 13% |
| England and Wales (excluding BTP) | 15% | 8% |
| British Transport Police | 41% | 4% |