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Introduction

What Is In This Report ?

This report makes management information about Police Scotland available to the public on a regular basis.

The management information presented here relates mainly to crime recorded by Police Scotland but some information about incidents and some survey data are also included.

An issue has been identified with data relating to (primarily) traffic offences from two Divisions (Edinburgh and Scottish Borders and Lothians). The impact of this is that offences dealt with by direct measures (i.e. conditional offer ticket) are incomplete. In the main, offences which are underreported in this bulletin are seat belts, mobile phones, speeding, and careless driving.

Published alongside this report are a series of complementary reports providing a breakdown of data available at police division or local authority level.

This report is intended to provide answers to questions about current crime levels in the different parts of Scotland. All data used in this report are provisional management information and not official statistics. This is the 2021/22 Q3 management information report covering the period 1st April to 31st December 2021. All data are correct at the published date and were extracted at the start of January 2022. These data are extracted from Police Scotland internal systems which are dynamic and continuously update as investigations progress.

This report contains the most up to date recorded crime data that was available at the start of January 2022 for Q3 of the financial year 2021/22. This is the same management information that is used by Police Scotland to inform operational decision-making on a daily basis and which is reported regularly to local scrutiny boards and the Scottish Police Authority.

What Should This Report Not Be Used For ?

This means that this report is unsuitable for drawing longer term trend comparisons of crime types. If readers of this report are seeking time series analysis or trend information they should refer to the official statistics for recorded crime produced by Scottish Government <http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2015/09/5338> or the official statistics on reported road casualties published by Transport Scotland (<http://www.transportscotland.gov.uk/statistics/statistical-publications>).

How Does This Report Deal With Changes To Data ?

The management information data for crime recorded in 2021/22 are provisional, because these are highly likely to experience re-classification and/or no-criming as investigations proceed. These data are highlighted in purple font on the tables throughout this report.

Readers should note that all data for 2020/21 and 2021/22 were refreshed when they were extracted at the start of January 2022. This means that the data for 2020/21 Q3 published in this report will differ from the data previously published for 2020/21 Q3 last February (2021). It usually takes between one and two quarters for the data to settle and for most of the natural revisions to take place. We have published a separate revisions analysis to demonstrate the extent of these changes.

Recorded Crime Groups 1-5

Table 1.1 below compares 2021/22 Q3 data extracted on January 2022 with 2020/21 Q3 data extracted on the 2nd January 2021 and released as Management Information by Police Scotland in November 2020. The table shows current figures consistent with the official statistics prepared by the Scottish Government. For further time series analysis please refer to the official statistics publication : (<http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2015/09/5338>). Table 1.1 is not comparable with other data tables in this report.

Number reported 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q3)

Crimes recorded by Police Scotland (as at 2nd January 2021 (2020/21):

Number of recorded crimes, crime rate, detected crimes and detection rate by crime group; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q3)

| Crime group | Number recorded | | Rate per 10,000 population | |
|---|-----------------|----------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | 2020/21 | 2021/22 |
| TOTAL CRIMES (Groups 1 to 5) | 174 999 | 169 476 | 320.3 | 310.2 |
| Group 1: non sexual crimes of violence | 6 773 | 7 659 | 12.4 | 14.0 |
| Group 2: sexual crimes | 9 791 | 11 266 | 17.9 | 20.6 |
| Group 3: crimes of dishonesty | 70 393 | 70 126 | 128.8 | 128.4 |
| Group 4: fire-raising, malicious mischief etc | 32 906 | 33 439 | 60.2 | 61.2 |
| Group 5: other crimes | 55 136 | 46 986 | 100.9 | 86.0 |

| Crime group | Number of detections | | Detection rate (%) | |
|---|----------------------|---------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | 2020/21 | 2021/22 |
| TOTAL CRIMES (Groups 1 to 5) | 98 837 | 84 777 | 56.5 | 50.0 |
| Group 1: non sexual crimes of violence | 4 981 | 4 871 | 73.5 | 63.6 |
| Group 2: sexual crimes | 5 888 | 6 016 | 60.1 | 53.4 |
| Group 3: crimes of dishonesty | 27 173 | 21 695 | 38.6 | 30.9 |
| Group 4: fire-raising, malicious mischief etc | 10 410 | 9 578 | 31.6 | 28.6 |
| Group 5: other crimes | 50 385 | 42 617 | 91.4 | 90.7 |

Table 1.2 below shows Police Scotland Management Information for 2021/22 Q3 extracted on January 2022. 2020/21 Q3 data has been refreshed and will differ from that published by Police Scotland in February 2021. The data highlighted in purple font in Table 1.2 below are provisional management information and will be subject to change.

Table 1.2

Crimes recorded by Police Scotland (as October 2021 (2020/21):

Number of recorded crimes, crime rate, detected crimes and detection rate by crime group; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q3)

| Crime group | Number recorded | | Rate per 10,000 population | |
|---|-----------------|----------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | 2020/21 | 2021/22 |
| TOTAL CRIMES (Groups 1 to 5) | 172 162 | 169 476 | 315.1 | 310.2 |
| Group 1: non sexual crimes of violence | 6 841 | 7 659 | 12.5 | 14.0 |
| Group 2: sexual crimes | 9 906 | 11 266 | 18.1 | 20.6 |
| Group 3: crimes of dishonesty | 68 360 | 70 126 | 125.1 | 128.4 |
| Group 4: fire-raising, malicious mischief etc | 32 866 | 33 439 | 60.2 | 61.2 |
| Group 5: other crimes | 54 189 | 46 986 | 99.2 | 86.0 |

| Crime group | Number of detections | | Detection rate (%) | |
|---|----------------------|---------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | 2020/21 | 2021/22 |
| TOTAL CRIMES (Groups 1 to 5) | 98 680 | 84 777 | 57.3 | 50.0 |
| Group 1: non sexual crimes of violence | 5 020 | 4 871 | 73.4 | 63.6 |
| Group 2: sexual crimes | 5 894 | 6 016 | 59.5 | 53.4 |
| Group 3: crimes of dishonesty | 27 016 | 21 695 | 39.5 | 30.9 |
| Group 4: fire-raising, malicious mischief etc | 10 399 | 9 578 | 31.6 | 28.6 |
| Group 5: other crimes | 50 351 | 42 617 | 92.9 | 90.7 |

Group 1 Non Sexual Crimes of Violence

During the period to the end of 2021/22 Q2, there were 7,659 Group 1 Non Sexual Crimes of Violence. The detection rate for Group 1 Non Sexual Crimes of Violence was 63.6% during the period to the end of Q2 2021/22.

Murder

There were 41 murders recorded in Scotland during the period to the end of Q2 2021/22. The detection rate for murder was 104.9%.

Attempted Murder

During the period to the end of 2021/22 Q2 there were 191 attempted murders recorded with a detection rate for attempted murder of 93.7%.

Culpable Homicide (under statue including RTA.sec 1)¹

There were 29 culpable homicides recorded during the period to the end of 2021/22 Q2.

Serious Assault

During the period to the end of 2021/22 Q2 there were 2,693 serious assaults. The detection rate for serious assaults was 74.5%.

Robbery

There were 1,272 robberies recorded in Scotland with a detection rate of 71.5% during the period to the end of Q2 2021/22.

Table Description

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Table 2

Group 1 non sexual crimes of violence recorded by Police Scotland:

Number of recorded crimes, crime rate, detected crimes and detection rate by crime group; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q3)

| Selected crime classification | Number recorded | | Rate per 10,000 population | |
|--|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | 2020/21 | 2021/22 |
| TOTAL GROUP 1 | 6 841 | 7 659 | 12.5 | 14.0 |
| Murder (excluding culpable homicide at common law) | 38 | 41 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Culpable homicide (at common law) | 5 | 1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Culpable homicide (under statute including RTA, sec. 1) ¹ | 37 | 29 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Attempted murder | 227 | 191 | 0.4 | 0.3 |
| Serious assault | 2 614 | 2 693 | 4.8 | 4.9 |
| Robbery and assault with intent to rob | 1 284 | 1 272 | 2.4 | 2.3 |
| Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018 (Female) | 1 157 | 1 198 | 2.1 | 2.2 |
| Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018 (Male) | 75 | 97 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018 (Total)² | 1 232 | 1 295 | 2.3 | 2.4 |
| Cruel and unnatural treatment of children | 434 | 404 | 0.8 | 0.7 |
| Threats and extortion | 610 | 1 002 | 1.1 | 1.8 |
| Other group 1 crimes | 360 | 731 | 0.7 | 1.3 |

| Selected crime classification | Number of detections | | Detection rate (%) | |
|--|----------------------|--------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | 2020/21 | 2021/22 ¹ |
| TOTAL GROUP 1 | 5 020 | 4 871 | 73.4 | 63.6 |
| Murder (excluding culpable homicide at common law) | 39 | 43 | 102.6 | 104.9 |
| Culpable homicide (at common law) | 5 | 3 | 100.0 | 300.0 |
| Culpable homicide (under statute including RTA, sec. 1) ¹ | 32 | 28 | 86.5 | 96.6 |
| Attempted murder | 207 | 179 | 91.2 | 93.7 |
| Serious assault | 2 047 | 2 005 | 78.3 | 74.5 |
| Robbery and assault with intent to rob | 1 026 | 910 | 79.9 | 71.5 |
| Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018 (Female) | 838 | 893 | 72.4 | 74.5 |
| Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018 (Male) | 48 | 66 | 64.0 | 68.0 |
| Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018 (Total)² | 886 | 959 | 71.9 | 74.1 |
| Cruel and unnatural treatment of children | 394 | 357 | 90.8 | 88.4 |
| Threats and extortion | 128 | 121 | 21.0 | 12.1 |
| Other group 1 crimes | 256 | 266 | 71.1 | 36.4 |

¹ - Culpable homicide (under statute) includes the following: causing death by dangerous driving; death by careless driving when under influence of drink or drugs; causing death by careless driving (illegal driver, disqualified, unlicensed etc) involved in fatal accident and corporate homicide.

² - The above legislation was introduced in April 2019 under Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018.

Group 2 Sexual Crimes

There were 11,266 Group 2 Sexual Crimes recorded by Police Scotland. The overall detection rate for sexual crimes was 53.4% during the period to the end of Q3 2021/22.

Rape

During the period to the end of 2021/22 Q3 there were 1,811 crimes of rape recorded by Police Scotland. The detection rate for this period was 53.1%.

Sexual Assault

There were 4,042 sexual assaults (including indecent assault and lewd & libidinous practices) end of Q3 2021/22. The detection rate for sexual assaults was 52.5%.

Prostitution Related Crimes

There were 63 prostitution related crimes recorded during the period to the end of Q3 2021/22. The detection rate for prostitution related crimes was 61.9%.

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Table 3

Group 2 sexual crimes recorded by Police Scotland:

Number of recorded crimes, crime rate, detected crimes and detection rate by crime group; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q3)

| Selected crime classification | Number recorded | | Rate per 10,000 population | |
|---|-----------------|---------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | 2020/21 | 2021/22 |
| TOTAL GROUP 2 | 9 906 | 11 266 | 18.1 | 20.6 |
| Rape | 1 641 | 1 811 | 3.0 | 3.3 |
| Assault w/i to rape or ravish | 104 | 104 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Rape and attempted rape - Total | 1 745 | 1 915 | 3.2 | 3.5 |
| Sexual assault (pre-SOSA 2009) ³ | 173 | 140 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| Sexual assault (SOSA 2009) ³ | 2 342 | 3 249 | 4.3 | 5.9 |
| Lewd & libidinous practices ³ | 696 | 653 | 1.3 | 1.2 |
| Indecent/Sexual Assault - Total | 3 211 | 4 042 | 5.9 | 7.4 |
| Prostitution related crime - Total | 35 | 63 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Taking, distribution, possession of indecent photos of children | 578 | 446 | 1.1 | 0.8 |
| Communicating indecently (SOSA 2009) ³ | 1 147 | 1 219 | 2.1 | 2.2 |
| Communications Act 2003 (sexual) ³ | 248 | 218 | 0.5 | 0.4 |
| Sexual exposure (SOSA 2009) ³ | 326 | 300 | 0.6 | 0.5 |
| Public indecency (common law) | 105 | 128 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Other sexual crimes (SOSA 2009) ³ | 1 730 | 1 998 | 3.2 | 3.7 |
| Other sexual crimes (non-SOSA 2009) ³ | 210 | 283 | 0.4 | 0.5 |
| Threatening / Disclosure of intimate image | 571 | 654 | 1.0 | 1.2 |
| Miscellaneous Group 2 crimes | - | - | - | - |
| Other Group 2 crimes - Total | 4 915 | 5 246 | 9.0 | 9.6 |

| Selected crime classification | Number of detections | | Detection rate (%) | |
|---|----------------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | 2020/21 | 2021/22 |
| TOTAL GROUP 2 | 5 894 | 6 016 | 59.5 | 53.4 |
| Rape | 995 | 962 | 60.6 | 53.1 |
| Assault w/i to rape or ravish | 68 | 65 | 65.4 | 62.5 |
| Rape and attempted rape - Total | 1 063 | 1 027 | 60.9 | 53.6 |
| Sexual assault (pre-SOSA 2009) ³ | 126 | 93 | 72.8 | 66.4 |
| Sexual assault (SOSA 2009) ³ | 1 364 | 1 633 | 58.2 | 50.3 |
| Lewd & libidinous practices ³ | 424 | 396 | 60.9 | 60.6 |
| Indecent/Sexual Assault - Total | 1 914 | 2 122 | 59.6 | 52.5 |
| Prostitution related crime - Total | 24 | 39 | 68.6 | 61.9 |
| Taking, distribution, possession of indecent photos of children | 518 | 392 | 89.6 | 87.9 |
| Communicating indecently (SOSA 2009) ³ | 654 | 679 | 57.0 | 55.7 |
| Communications Act 2003 (sexual) ³ | 132 | 109 | 53.2 | 50.0 |
| Sexual exposure (SOSA 2009) ³ | 214 | 186 | 65.6 | 62.0 |
| Public indecency (common law) | 87 | 83 | 82.9 | 64.8 |
| Other sexual crimes (SOSA 2009) ³ | 865 | 925 | 50.0 | 46.3 |
| Other sexual crimes (non-SOSA 2009) ³ | 167 | 206 | 79.5 | 72.8 |
| Threatening / Disclosure of intimate image | 256 | 248 | 0.0 | 37.9 |
| Miscellaneous Group 2 crimes | - | - | - | - |
| Other Group 2 crimes - Total | 2 893 | 2 828 | 58.9 | 53.9 |

³New Group 2 Crimes, distinct from common law crimes which preceded the SOSA 2009 legislation (i.e. crimes committed before 01/12/2010).

Group 3 Crimes of Dishonesty

During the period to the end of 2021/22 Q3, there were 70,126 recorded crimes of dishonesty. The detection rate for crimes of dishonesty was 30.9% .

Theft (not elsewhere classified)

There were 18,904 crimes of common theft recorded during the period to the end of Q3 2021/22. The detection rate for common theft is 21.2%.

Theft by Housebreakings

There were 6,444 housebreakings (including attempts) recorded in Q3 2021/22. The detection rate for housebreaking (including attempts) was 26.2%.

Motor Vehicle Crime

During the period to the end of 2021/22 Q3, there were 7,900 motor vehicle crimes recorded. The detection rate for motor vehicle crime was 29.4%.

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Table 4
Group 3 crimes of dishonesty recorded by Police Scotland:
Number of recorded crimes, crime rate, detected crimes and detection rate by crime group; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q3)

| Selected crime classification | Number recorded | | Rate per 10,000 population | |
|---|-----------------|---------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | 2020/21 | 2021/22 |
| TOTAL GROUP 3 | 68 360 | 70 126 | 125.1 | 128.4 |
| Housebreaking (domestic dwelling, incl. attempts) | 3 473 | 3 460 | 6.4 | 6.3 |
| Housebreaking (non-domestic dwelling, incl. attempts) | 2 010 | 1 247 | 3.7 | 2.3 |
| Housebreaking (other, incl attempts) | 2 221 | 1 737 | 4.1 | 3.2 |
| Total housebreaking (incl. attempts) | 7 704 | 6 444 | 14.1 | 11.8 |
| Motor vehicle crime ⁴ | 8 419 | 7 900 | 15.4 | 14.5 |
| Theft by OLP ⁵ (exc. motor vehicle) incl. attempts | 930 | 908 | 1.7 | 1.7 |
| Theft (not elsewhere classified) ⁶ | 17 012 | 18 904 | 31.1 | 34.6 |
| Theft by shoplifting | 16 070 | 16 816 | 29.4 | 30.8 |
| Fraud | 9 927 | 12 518 | 18.2 | 22.9 |
| Other Group 3 crimes | 8 298 | 6 636 | 15.2 | 12.1 |

| Selected crime classification | Number of detections | | Detection rate (%) | |
|---|----------------------|---------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | 2020/21 | 2021/22 |
| TOTAL GROUP 3 | 27 016 | 21 695 | 39.5 | 30.9 |
| Housebreaking (domestic dwelling, incl. attempts) | 988 | 790 | 28.4 | 22.8 |
| Housebreaking (non-domestic dwelling, incl. attempts) | 392 | 243 | 19.5 | 19.5 |
| Housebreaking (other, incl attempts) | 992 | 658 | 44.7 | 37.9 |
| Total housebreaking (incl. attempts) | 2 372 | 1 691 | 30.8 | 26.2 |
| Motor vehicle crime ⁴ | 3 195 | 2 326 | 37.9 | 29.4 |
| Theft by OLP ⁵ (exc. motor vehicle) incl. attempts | 220 | 143 | 23.7 | 15.7 |
| Theft (not elsewhere classified) ⁶ | 4 643 | 4 002 | 27.3 | 21.2 |
| Theft by shoplifting | 10 859 | 9 375 | 67.6 | 55.8 |
| Fraud | 2 697 | 1 991 | 27.2 | 15.9 |
| Other Group 3 crimes | 3 030 | 2 167 | 36.5 | 32.7 |

⁴ - Motor vehicle crime includes: theft by OLP (motor vehicle); OLP with intent to steal; attempted OLP with intent to steal; theft of motor vehicle; attempted theft of a motor vehicle; theft from a motor vehicle (not elsewhere classified).

⁵ - OLP (opening lock-fast place).

⁶ - Theft not elsewhere classified includes: theft at common law, the Gas Act 1986 and Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (S67(1)&(6)).

Group 4 Crimes of Fire-raising, Malicious Mischief etc

There were 33,439 Group 4 crimes recorded during the period to the end of Q3 2021/22. The detection rate for Group 4 crimes was 28.6%.

Vandalism/Malicious Mischief

During the period to the end of 2021/22 Q3, there were 28,925 recorded crimes of vandalism or malicious mischief with a detection rate of 27.0%.

Fireraising

The volume of crimes of fireraising recorded was 2,023 during the period to the end of Q3 2021/22. The detection rate for fireraising is 27.0%.

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Table 5
Group 4 crimes of fire-raising, malicious mischief etc recorded by Police Scotland:
Number of recorded crimes, crime rate, detected crimes and detection rate by crime group; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q3)

| Selected crime classification | Number recorded | | Rate per 10,000 population | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | 2020/21 | 2021/22 |
| TOTAL GROUP 4 | 32 866 | 33 439 | 60.2 | 61.2 |
| Fireraising | 2 005 | 2 023 | 3.7 | 3.7 |
| Vandalism/malicious mischief | 28 659 | 28 925 | 52.5 | 52.9 |
| Reckless conduct with a firearm | 35 | 36 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Reckless conduct (not firearm) | 2 093 | 2 380 | 3.8 | 4.4 |
| Other Group 4 crimes | 74 | 75 | 0.1 | 0.1 |

| Selected crime classification | Number of detections | | Detection rate (%) | |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | 2020/21 | 2021/22 ¹ |
| TOTAL GROUP 4 | 10 399 | 9 578 | 31.6 | 28.6 |
| Fireraising | 535 | 547 | 26.7 | 27.0 |
| Vandalism/malicious mischief | 8 493 | 7 809 | 29.6 | 27.0 |
| Reckless conduct with a firearm | 16 | 24 | 45.7 | 66.7 |
| Reckless conduct (not firearm) | 1 343 | 1 186 | 64.2 | 49.8 |
| Other Group 4 crimes | 12 | 12 | 16.2 | 16.0 |

Group 5 Other Crimes

During the period to the end of 2021/22 Q3, there were 46,986 Group 5 crimes recorded with an overall detection rate of 90.7%.

Carrying Offensive Weapons (incl.restriction)

There were 1,124 crimes of carrying offensive weapons (incl.restriction) recorded in Q3 2021/22. The detection rate for carrying offensive weapons (incl.restriction) was 88.0%.

Handling Bladed/Pointed Instrument

The number of handling bladed/pointed instrument offences recorded was 2,103 in Q3 2021/22. The detection rate was 89.8%.

Drugs Supply and Production

During the period to the end of 2021/22 Q3, there were 2,993 offences for drugs supply and production. The detection rate for drugs supply and production was 87.7%.

Possession of Drugs

The number of possession of drugs crimes recorded was 18,553 for the period to the end of Q3 2021/22. The detection rate was 92.9%.

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Table 6
Group 5 other crimes recorded by Police Scotland:
Number of recorded crimes, crime rate, detected crimes and detection rate by crime group; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q3)

| Selected crime classification | Number recorded | | Rate per 10,000 population | |
|--|-----------------|---------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | 2020/21 | 2021/22 |
| TOTAL GROUP 5 | 54 189 | 46 986 | 99.2 | 86.0 |
| Carrying offensive weapons (incl. restriction) | 1 400 | 1 124 | 2.6 | 2.1 |
| Handling bladed/pointed instrument | 2 213 | 2 103 | 4.1 | 3.8 |
| Offensive weapon (used in other criminal activity)* | 3 104 | 3 009 | 5.7 | 5.5 |
| Bladed/pointed instrument (used in other criminal activity)* | 1 529 | 1 561 | 2.8 | 2.9 |
| Total offensive/bladed weapons⁷ | 8 246 | 7 797 | 15.1 | 14.3 |
| Production, manufacture or cultivation of drugs | 531 | 439 | 1.0 | 0.8 |
| Supply of drugs (incl. possession with intent) | 2 911 | 2 441 | 5.3 | 4.5 |
| Bringing drugs into prison | 124 | 113 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Supply of drugs - Total | 3 566 | 2 993 | 6.5 | 5.5 |
| Possession of drugs | 23 122 | 18 553 | 42.3 | 34.0 |
| Other drugs offences (incl. importation) | 146 | 95 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| Total drugs crimes | 26 834 | 21 641 | 49.1 | 39.6 |
| Offences relating to serious and organised crime | 33 | 52 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Bail offences (other than absconding) | 8 641 | 8 394 | 15.8 | 15.4 |
| Other Group 5 crimes | 10 435 | 9 102 | 19.1 | 16.7 |

| Selected crime classification | Number of detections | | Detection rate (%) | |
|--|----------------------|---------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | 2020/21 | 2021/22 |
| TOTAL GROUP 5 | 50 351 | 42 617 | 92.9 | 90.7 |
| Carrying offensive weapons (incl. restriction) | 1 286 | 989 | 91.9 | 88.0 |
| Handling bladed/pointed instrument | 2 045 | 1 889 | 92.4 | 89.8 |
| Offensive weapon (used in other criminal activity)* | 2 169 | 2 007 | 69.9 | 66.7 |
| Bladed/pointed instrument (used in other criminal activity)* | 1 068 | 1 117 | 69.8 | 71.6 |
| Total offensive/bladed weapons⁷ | 6 568 | 6 002 | 79.7 | 77.0 |
| Production, manufacture or cultivation of drugs | 517 | 379 | 97.4 | 86.3 |
| Supply of drugs (incl. possession with intent) | 2 543 | 2 218 | 87.4 | 90.9 |
| Bringing drugs into prison | 26 | 28 | 21.0 | 24.8 |
| Supply of drugs - Total | 3 086 | 2 625 | 86.5 | 87.7 |
| Possession of drugs | 22 150 | 17 244 | 95.8 | 92.9 |
| Other drugs offences (incl. importation) | 98 | 49 | 67.1 | 51.6 |
| Total drugs crimes | 25 334 | 19 918 | 94.4 | 92.0 |
| Offences relating to serious and organised crime | 31 | 32 | 93.9 | 61.5 |
| Bail offences (other than absconding) | 8 338 | 7 872 | 96.5 | 93.8 |
| Other Group 5 crimes | 10 080 | 8 793 | 96.6 | 96.6 |

⁷ This includes carrying offensive weapons (incl. restriction), handling bladed/pointed instrument and offensive weapon (used in other criminal activity).

Group 5 Other Crimes continued

From the 1st of April 2017, a set of new codes was introduced to record cases of using an offensive weapon in a public setting to commit other criminal activity. The number of crimes recorded for these new codes is shown in Table 6a below. This change was introduced by the Scottish Crime Recording Board to better reflect how criminal law operates in this area. Prior to the 1st of April 2017, these crimes of offensive weapons used in another criminal activity or offence committed (for example a serious assault) were subsumed into that main crime or offence. The minutes of the Scottish Crime Recording Board meetings can be accessed here : - <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/PubRecordedCrime/SCRB/SCRBmeet>.

The Scottish Crime Board has carried out a quality assurance exercise to confirm that the new information being produced from the recent introduction of these codes is accurate and in-line with the definitions set out in the Scottish Crime Recording Standard (SCRS). The results of this exercise can be accessed here:

<https://beta.gov.scot/publications/recorded-crime-scotland-handling-offensive-weapons/>.

The SCRS guidance manual can be accessed here :- <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/PubRecordedCrime/SCRB/SCRSmanual>.

Police recording practice remains unchanged for crimes of possessing an offensive weapon in a public setting without further criminality. As in previous years this information is presented in Table 6 Group 5 'Other Crimes' recorded by Police Scotland and included in the total for Group 5 Crimes.

Table 6a
Detailed weapon & blade/point offences recorded by Police Scotland:
Number of recorded crimes, crime rate, detected crimes and detection rate by crime group; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q3)

| Selected crime classification | Number recorded | | Rate per 10,000 population | |
|---|----------------------|--------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | 2020/21 | 2021/22 |
| Total pre-April 2017 weapon / knife classifications | 8 246 | 7 797 | 15.3 | 14.4 |
| Total new weapon / knife classifications ⁸ | 4 633 | 4 570 | 8.6 | 8.5 |
| Carrying offensive weapons (incl. restriction) | 1 400 | 1 124 | 2.6 | 2.1 |
| Possession of an offensive weapon | 1 341 | 1 051 | 2.5 | 1.9 |
| Restriction of offensive weapons | 14 | 2 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Possession of a firearm in a prison | | | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Possession of an offensive weapon (not elsewhere classified) in a prison | 29 | 49 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Possession of an offensive weapon (not elsewhere specified) in a school ⁹ | 16 | 22 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Handling bladed/pointed instrument | 2 213 | 2 103 | 4.1 | 3.9 |
| Carrying of Knives etc S Act 1993 | 2 090 | 1 957 | 3.9 | 3.6 |
| Having in a prison an article with a blade or point | 73 | 68 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Having in a school an article with a blade or point ¹⁰ | 50 | 78 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| | | | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Offensive weapon (used in other criminal activity)¹¹ | 3 104 | 3 009 | 5.7 | 5.6 |
| Possession of offensive weapon used in other criminal activity | 3 031 | 2 926 | 5.6 | 5.4 |
| Possession of offensive weapon in a prison used in other criminal activity | 52 | 40 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Possession of offensive weapon in a school used in other criminal activity | 21 | 43 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| | | | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Bladed/pointed instrument (used in other criminal activity)¹¹ | 1 529 | 1 561 | 2.8 | 2.9 |
| Having in a public place an article with a blade or point used in other criminal activity | 1 510 | 1 514 | 2.8 | 2.8 |
| Having in a prison an article with a blade or point used in other criminal activity | 11 | 22 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Having in a school an article with a blade or point used in other criminal activity | 8 | 25 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Number of detections | Number of detections | | Detection rate (%) | |
| | 2017/18 | 2018/19 | 2017/18 | 2018/19 |
| Total offensive/bladed weapons | 6 568 | 6 002 | 79.7 | 77.0 |
| Total pre-April 2017 weapon / knife classifications | 3 331 | 2 878 | 92.2 | 89.2 |
| Total new weapon / knife classifications ⁸ | 3 237 | 3 124 | 69.9 | 68.4 |
| Carrying offensive weapons (incl. restriction) | 1 286 | 989 | 91.9 | 88.0 |
| Possession of an offensive weapon | 1 228 | 922 | 91.6 | 87.7 |
| Restriction of offensive weapons | 15 | 4 | 107.1 | 200.0 |
| Possession of a firearm in a prison | - | - | - | - |
| Possession of an offensive weapon (not elsewhere classified) in a prison | 29 | 45 | 100.0 | 91.8 |
| Possession of an offensive weapon (not elsewhere specified) in a school ⁹ | 14 | 18 | 87.5 | 81.8 |
| Handling bladed/pointed instrument | 2 045 | 1 889 | 92.4 | 89.8 |
| Carrying of Knives etc S Act 1993 | 1 935 | 1 744 | 92.6 | 89.1 |
| Having in a prison an article with a blade or point | 63 | 66 | 86.3 | 97.1 |
| Having in a school an article with a blade or point ¹⁰ | 47 | 79 | 94.0 | 101.3 |
| Offensive weapon (used in other criminal activity)¹¹ | 2 169 | 2 007 | 69.9 | 66.7 |
| Possession of offensive weapon used in other criminal activity | 2 101 | 1 942 | 69.3 | 66.4 |
| Possession of offensive weapon in a prison used in other criminal activity | 47 | 31 | 90.4 | 77.5 |
| Possession of offensive weapon in a school used in other criminal activity | 21 | 34 | 100.0 | 79.1 |
| Bladed/pointed instrument (used in other criminal activity)¹¹ | 1 068 | 1 117 | 69.8 | 71.6 |
| Having in a public place an article with a blade or point used in other criminal activity | 1 048 | 1 076 | 69.4 | 71.1 |
| Having in a prison an article with a blade or point used in other criminal activity | 12 | 18 | 109.1 | 81.8 |
| Having in a school an article with a blade or point used in other criminal activity | 8 | 23 | 100.0 | 92.0 |

⁸ This is the total of crimes recorded under the new classifications to identify knives and weapons used in the commission of another crime.

⁹ Previously possession of an offensive weapon (not elsewhere specified) in a school would have been counted within the general possession of an offensive weapon category. In some areas, when a crime report is re-opened for auditing or amendment, the crime will automatically be re-classified to the new crime classification. This is why there are small numbers of these crimes recorded in the previous year.

¹⁰ Previously having in a school an article with a blade or point would have been counted within the general Carrying of Knives etc S Act 1993 category. In some areas when a crime report is re-opened for auditing or amendment the crime will automatically be re-classified to the new crime classification. This is why there are small numbers of these crimes recorded in the previous year.

¹¹ These are new classifications introduced in April 2017 to capture knives and weapons where they have been used in commission of another crime.

Group 6 Miscellaneous Offences

There were 97,045 Group 6 crimes recorded during the period to the end of Q3 2021/22. The overall detection rate for Group 6 crimes was 73.2%.

Common Assault

The total number of common assaults recorded was 43,591 in Q3 2021/22. Common assault of emergency workers was 6,062 which accounted for 13.9% of all common assaults reported during the period of Q3 2021/22. The detection rate was 66.8%.

Racially Aggravated Harassment/Conduct

The number of racially aggravated harassment/conduct crimes was 1,344 in Q3 2021/22. The detection rate was 86.2%.

Consume Alcohol in Designated Place Local Bye-Law

The number of consume alcohol in designated place local bye-law crimes was 3,663.

Table Description

Table 5 below shows Police Scotland Management Information for 2021/22 Q3 extracted on January 2022. 2020/21 Q3 data has been refreshed and will differ from that published by Police Scotland in February 2021. The data highlighted in purple font in Table 1.2 below are provisional management information and will be subject to change.

Recorded crime and offences may be subject to change due to ongoing investigations, new information coming to light, audit and review of crime and general housekeeping. A separate revisions analysis describing these changes is available at <http://www.scotland.police.uk/assets/pdf/138327/232757/management-information-revisions-analysis-Q32018>.

The data highlighted in purple font in Table 7 below are provisional management information and will be subject to change.

Table 7

Group 6 miscellaneous offences recorded by Police Scotland:

Number of recorded offences, offence rate, detected and detection rate by selected offence classification; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q3)

| Selected offence classification | Number recorded | | Rate per 10,000 population | |
|---|-----------------|---------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | 2020/21 | 2021/22 |
| TOTAL GROUP 6 | 97 677 | 97 045 | 178.8 | 177.6 |
| Common assault (excl. assault of emergency worker) | 34 518 | 37 529 | 63.2 | 68.7 |
| Common assault of emergency worker | 6 291 | 6 062 | 11.5 | 11.1 |
| Total common assaults | 40 809 | 43 591 | 74.7 | 79.8 |
| Breach of the peace | 2 630 | 2 732 | 4.8 | 5.0 |
| Threatening and abusive behaviour | 35 888 | 33 701 | 65.7 | 61.7 |
| Stalking | 670 | 649 | 1.2 | 1.2 |
| Breach of the peace (incl. threats and stalking) | 39 188 | 37 082 | 71.7 | 67.9 |
| Racially aggravated harassment/conduct | 1 445 | 1 344 | 2.6 | 2.5 |
| Drunk and incapable | 136 | 117 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Consume alcohol in designated place local bye-law | 4 829 | 3 663 | 8.8 | 6.7 |
| Other alcohol related offences | 166 | 337 | 0.3 | 0.6 |
| Drunkenness and other disorderly conduct | 5 131 | 4 117 | 9.4 | 7.5 |
| Wildlife Offences | 263 | 198 | 0.5 | 0.4 |
| Other Group 6 offences | 10 841 | 10 713 | 19.8 | 19.6 |

| Selected offence classification | Number of detections | | Detection rate (%) | |
|---|----------------------|---------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | 2020/21 | 2021/22 |
| TOTAL GROUP 6 | 75 619 | 71 041 | 77.4 | 73.2 |
| Common assault (excl. assault of emergency worker) | 23 090 | 23 204 | 66.9 | 61.8 |
| Common assault of emergency worker | 6 193 | 5 927 | 98.4 | 97.8 |
| Total common assaults | 29 283 | 29 131 | 71.8 | 66.8 |
| Breach of the peace | 2 595 | 2 669 | 98.7 | 97.7 |
| Threatening and abusive behaviour | 29 250 | 26 378 | 81.5 | 78.3 |
| Stalking | 560 | 507 | 83.6 | 78.1 |
| Breach of the peace (incl. threats and stalking) | 32 405 | 29 554 | 82.7 | 79.7 |
| Racially aggravated harassment/conduct | 1 328 | 1 159 | 91.9 | 86.2 |
| Drunk and incapable | 134 | 117 | 98.5 | 100.0 |
| Consume alcohol in designated place local bye-law | 4 818 | 3 659 | 99.8 | 99.9 |
| Other alcohol related offences | 169 | 316 | 101.8 | 93.8 |
| Drunkenness and other disorderly conduct | 5 121 | 4 092 | 99.8 | 99.4 |
| Wildlife Offences | 145 | 105 | 55.1 | 53.0 |
| Other Group 6 offences | 7 337 | 7 000 | 67.7 | 65.3 |

Group 7 Offences Relating to Motor Vehicles

During period to the end of Q3 2021/22 there were 85,515 Group 7 offences recorded.

Speeding Offences

The number of speeding offences recorded was 17,547 during the period to Q3 2021/22.

Drink, Drug Driving Offences (incl. fail to provide a specimen)

The number of drink, drug driving offences (incl. fail to provide a specimen) recorded was 5,969 during the period to the end Q3 2021/22.

Seatbelt and Mobile Phone Offences

There were 1,373 seatbelt offences and 1,148 mobile phone offences recorded during the period to the end of Q3

Table Description

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The data highlighted in purple font in Table 8 below are provisional management information and will be subject to change.

Table 8
Group 7 offences relating to motor vehicles recorded by Police Scotland:
Number of recorded crimes, crime rate, detected crimes and detection rate by crime group; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q3)

| Selected offence classification | Number recorded | | Rate per 10,000 population | |
|--|-----------------|---------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | 2020/21 | 2021/22 |
| TOTAL GROUP 7 | 88 362 | 85 515 | 161.7 | 156.5 |
| Dangerous driving offences | 2 756 | 2 791 | 5.0 | 5.1 |
| Drink, drug driving offences (incl. fail to provide a specimen) | 5 728 | 5 969 | 10.5 | 10.9 |
| Speeding offences | 17 887 | 17 547 | 32.7 | 32.1 |
| Driving while disqualified | 1 104 | 955 | 2.0 | 1.7 |
| Driving without a licence | 5 795 | 4 969 | 10.6 | 9.1 |
| Failure to insure against third party risks | 15 532 | 11 538 | 28.4 | 21.1 |
| Seat belt offences | 1 374 | 1 373 | 2.5 | 2.5 |
| Mobile phone offences | 1 401 | 1 148 | 2.6 | 2.1 |
| Driving carelessly | 6 420 | 7 118 | 11.8 | 13.0 |
| Drivers neglect of traffic directions (not pedestrian crossings) | 2 634 | 2 069 | 4.8 | 3.8 |
| Using a motor vehicle without test certificate | 7 997 | 9 448 | 14.6 | 17.3 |
| Other Group 7 offences | 19 734 | 20 590 | 36.1 | 37.7 |

| Selected offence classification | Number of detections | | Detection rate (%) | |
|--|----------------------|---------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | 2020/21 | 2021/22 |
| TOTAL GROUP 7 | 81 176 | 74 930 | 91.9 | 87.6 |
| Dangerous driving offences | 2 379 | 2 292 | 86.3 | 82.1 |
| Drink, drug driving offences (incl. fail to provide a specimen) | 4 929 | 5 154 | 86.1 | 86.3 |
| Speeding offences | 17 979 | 17 444 | 100.5 | 99.4 |
| Driving while disqualified | 1 092 | 954 | 98.9 | 99.9 |
| Driving without a licence | 5 741 | 4 968 | 99.1 | 100.0 |
| Failure to insure against third party risks | 15 457 | 11 459 | 99.5 | 99.3 |
| Seat belt offences | 1 383 | 1 351 | 100.7 | 98.4 |
| Mobile phone offences | 1 410 | 1 117 | 100.6 | 97.3 |
| Driving carelessly | 5 877 | 6 314 | 91.5 | 88.7 |
| Drivers neglect of traffic directions (not pedestrian crossings) | 2 624 | 2 018 | 99.6 | 97.5 |
| Using a motor vehicle without test certificate | 7 986 | 9 420 | 99.9 | 99.7 |
| Other Group 7 offences | 14 319 | 12 439 | 72.6 | 60.4 |

Number of Road Traffic Collision Casualties

During the period to the end of Q3 2021/22, 121 people were killed on the roads. Over the same period there were 1,239 people seriously injured and 2,426 slight injuries were also recorded.

Table 9
Number of road traffic collision casualties¹² - Police Scotland:
By casualty severity; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q2)

| Casualty severity | Financial year | |
|--|----------------|--------------|
| | 2020/21 | 2021/22 |
| TOTAL CASUALTIES | 3 584 | 3 786 |
| Fatal | 89 | 121 |
| Serious | 1 125 | 1 239 |
| Slight | 2 370 | 2 426 |
| Number of people killed / seriously injured (KSI) | 1 214 | 1 360 |
| Number of children (aged <16) killed / seriously injured (KSI) | 103 | 117 |

Serious and Organised Crime

As at the end of 2021/22 Q3 there were 96 Serious Organised Crime Groups (SOCG) under investigation by Police Scotland. A further 16 SOCG are subject to HM Revenue And Customs (HMRC), Home Office Immigration and Enforcement (HOIE), and Trading Standards Scotland (TSS) investigation.

The Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (POCA)

As at the end of 2021/22 Q3, £22,821,210 was identified under POCA legislation. Cash and assets identified for restraint represented 91.00% of the total.

Restraint orders issued under POCA 2002, Section 120 empower the investigation and restraint of a person's assets and income where it is suspected that they are derived from criminal conduct. The total value of assets identified for restraint at the end of 2021/22 Q3 £17,542,217(76.87%) of the total.

POCA legislation provides for the recovery of cash through civil proceedings in Sheriff Courts. The Act creates procedures for the seizure, retention, and forfeiture of cash which is either recoverable or intended by any person for use in unlawful conduct. Cash seizures at the end of 2021/22 Q3 totalled £3,224,556 (14.13% of the total).

Expedited and direct referrals allow assets to be seized from a person through civil procedures. Any assets that can be inferred to have come from a criminal lifestyle can be scrutinised and seized. Expedited and direct referral seizures at the end of 2021/22 Q3 totalled £1,450,000 (6.35% of the total).

POCA legislation provides for the seizure and forfeiture of items of personal property ('listed assets'), including precious metals and stones, which are suspected to be recoverable property or intended for use in unlawful conduct. Listed asset seizures at the end of 2021/22 Q3 totalled £187,525 (0.82% of the total).

Section 303 of POCA 2002 allows the police to apply to the Sheriff Court for an account freezing order. This application can be made for a balance of £1,000 or more if it is believed that the funds are recoverable property or intended for use in unlawful conduct. If granted it allows the balance in the bank account to be 'frozen' for a certified period of time to then allow further enquiries with a view to forfeiture of the funds. Account freezing order at the end of 2021/22 Q2 totalled £416,912 (1.83% of the total).

Table 10
Proceeds of Crime Act seizures - Police Scotland:
By type of seizure; 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q3)

| | Q3 2021/22 | % of Total |
|------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| TOTAL POCA RECOVERIES | £22,821,210 | 100.0 |
| Cash Seizures | £3,224,556 | 14.13 |
| Restraints | £17,542,217 | 76.87 |
| Expedited Referrals | £1,450,000 | 6.35 |
| Direct Referrals | £0 | 0.00 |
| Listed Assets | £187,525 | 0.82 |
| Account Freezing Orders | £416,912 | 1.83 |
| | | 100.00 |

Incident Analysis

Incidents

Members of the public contact the police for a variety of reasons which generally result in an incident being created on the command and control incident management system. Where that incident infers a crime has been committed the police are required to raise a crime report, unless criminality can be disproved. Many other incidents are created, such as assisting the public or responding to requests for prevention activities, which do not result in a crime report being raised and which are managed solely on the incident management system.

There were 1,128,460 incidents reported to Police Scotland during the period to the end of 2021/22 Q3.

- There were 254,772 anti-social behaviour incidents (Public Reported).
- There were 273 reports of anti-social behaviour where alcohol is reported.
- Members of the public reported 28,974 assault related incidents.
- There were 46,940 reports of incidents relating to thefts and 9,502 reports relating to housebreakings.
- There were 144,020 transport related incidents reported to Police Scotland during the period to the end of 2021/22 Q3. 9,817 of these incidents related to road traffic offences.

Table 11
Incidents reported to Police Scotland:
Number of incidents by initial incident type; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q3)

| Initial incident type | Incidents (Number) | | Incidents (per 10,000 population) | |
|--|--------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | 2020/21 | 2021/22 |
| TOTAL INCIDENTS | 1 157 019 | 1 128 460 | 2 127.6 | 2 075.1 |
| Anti-social behaviour (ASB) (public reported) | 325 508 | 254 772 | 598.6 | 468.5 |
| Complaint | 123 930 | 71 840 | 227.9 | 132.1 |
| Disturbance | 69 387 | 65 468 | 127.6 | 120.4 |
| Noise | 51 258 | 40 334 | 94.3 | 74.2 |
| ASB (where alcohol is reported) | 439 | 273 | 0.8 | 0.5 |
| Neighbour dispute | 22 922 | 19 963 | 42.2 | 36.7 |
| Vandalism | 23 408 | 25 043 | 43.0 | 46.1 |
| Communications | 34 164 | 31 851 | 62.8 | 58.6 |
| Other ASB | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Transport related incidents | 128 537 | 144 020 | 236.4 | 264.8 |
| Road traffic matter | 77 640 | 86 797 | 142.8 | 159.6 |
| Road traffic collision | 37 323 | 46 578 | 68.6 | 85.7 |
| Road traffic offence | 12 728 | 9 817 | 23.4 | 18.1 |
| Other transport incidents | 846 | 828 | 1.6 | 1.5 |
| Crime related incidents ¹³ | 104 754 | 106 794 | 192.6 | 196.4 |
| Theft | 45 449 | 46 940 | 83.6 | 86.3 |
| Assault | 25 742 | 28 974 | 47.3 | 53.3 |
| Housebreaking | 11 473 | 9 502 | 21.1 | 17.5 |
| Other crime related incidents ¹³ | 22 090 | 21 378 | 40.6 | 39.3 |
| Other incident types | 598 220 | 622 874 | 1 100.1 | 1 145.4 |

¹² - Excludes incidents relating to vandalism (which is included within anti-social behaviour).

Domestic Abuse

The number of domestic incidents reported during the period to the end of Q3 2021/22 decreased by 2,062 (-2.9%) to 47 945.

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One or more crimes were recorded in 42.8% of all domestic incidents, a decrease of 3.1 percentage points. The detection rate for domestic crime for the period to the end of Q3 2021/22 was 66.9%.

Table 12

Domestic abuse reported to Police Scotland:

Number reported and percentage which result in a crime report; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q3)

| Domestic abuse incidents | Number | | Change from 2020/21 | |
|--|---------|---------|---------------------|------------------------|
| | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | No. | % |
| | 49 402 | 47 945 | - 1 457 | -2.9 |
| <i>Proportion (%) of domestic abuse incidents which result in a crime repor.</i> | 43.6 | 42.8 | x | % Point Change -0.8 |

Table 13

Number of missing person incidents - Police Scotland:

Number of incidents ; 20120/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q3)

| Missing Person Incidents | Financial year | | No. | % |
|--------------------------|----------------|---------|-------|------|
| | 2020/21 | 2021/22 | | |
| Number of Incidents | 27 750 | 31 503 | 3 753 | 13.5 |

User Experience Survey (April 2021 to December 2021)

The User Experience Survey (UES) measures the level of satisfaction with how Police Scotland have dealt with members of the public who have contacted the Force to report crimes or incidents and, consequently, their level of satisfaction in the Force.

In January 2020, a redesigned and refreshed approach to understanding public experience was launched. The revised survey aims to evaluate our performance and effectiveness and is being conducted by an external agency to ensure the validity and robustness of research and insight.

Previously conducted by telephone interviews, this survey is currently administered via SMS and completed voluntarily online by respondents. This allows continued engagement with people who have contacted Police

TABLE 14

User Experience survey:

Period: 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q3)

Question

| | |
|---|---------------------|
| Q1: You contacted the police using [CONTACT METHOD FROM SAMPLE]. How easy was it to contact them? (% Easy and Very Easy) | 72% (n = 8,574) |
| Q2: During the initial contact, how satisfied are you with the way you were treated by a staff member on the [CONTACT METHOD FROM SAMPLE]? (% Satisfied & Very satisfied) | 84% (n = 9,988) |
| Q3: Did you feel staff properly understood what you needed? (% Yes) | 86% (n = 10,255) |
| Q4: Do you feel that the police provided the appropriate response to the incident you reported? (% yes) | 64% (n = 7,665) |
| Q5: Do you feel you were adequately informed about the progress made with what you reported? (% Yes) | 54% (n = 5,727) |
| Q6: How satisfied are you with the way you were treated by the officers who attended the incident? (% Satisfied & Very Satisfied) | 79% (n = 6,215) |
| Q7: Based on your overall experience, how satisfied are you with Police Scotland? (% Satisfied & Very Satisfied) | 67% (n = 7,950) |

Covid-19 Offences

Table 15
Recorded Covid-19 Offences - Police Scotland : ¹³
Number reported 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q2)

| | 2021/22 |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| Number of Coronavirus offences | 3 993 |

¹³ Police Scotland have used an interim and bespoke data collection to capture information on the number of new crimes recorded under the coronavirus legislation. This is why figures for this legislation are currently presented separately to the overall totals provided for the recorded crime in this report.

APPENDIX 1

Explanatory Notes on Management Information

Crimes and incidents recording for 2021/22 Q3 covers the period 1 April 2020 to December 2021 (unless otherwise stated).

Each separate crime/offence is categorised under the national classifications and grouped together for ease of reference. Road traffic collisions recorded are determined by the severity of the injury sustained by the most seriously injured casualty.

Several crimes and offences may be recorded at an incident, e.g., a house may be broken into and property stolen, the premises vandalised and the householder assaulted. Three separate crimes would be recorded in this case. The system is based on the number of actual crimes/offences rather than on the number of incidents.

This management information does not reflect the total incidence of crimes/offences or road traffic collisions, as not all incidents are reported to the police.

Unless otherwise stated, the population data used in the calculation of crime and incident rates is the mid-year 2019 population estimate published by the National Records of Scotland.

Further information

If you require further information about any of the data published in this document please contact the Analysis and Performance Unit at AnalysisandPerformance@scotland.pnn.police.uk.

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APPENDIX 1 - Continued

Crime Group Definitions

Number reported 2020/21 (year-to-date to end of Q3)

- 100100 Murder
- 100301 Culpable Homicide - common law
- 100200 Attempted Murder
- 100400 Serious Assault (common law)
- 100401 Culpable and reckless, causing injury (from Apr 2011)
- 100402 Illegal driver, disqualified/unlicensed etc. causing serious injury
- 100600 Robbery
- 604701 Common Assault
- 604706 Common assault of an emergency worker
- ¹³ Police Scotland have used an interim and bespoke data collection to capture int

Sexual assault (pre-SOSA 2009)

- 201600 Sexual assault (common law, pre SOSA 2009)
- 201802 Defilement of girl under 13

Sexual assault (SOSA 2009)

- 201601 Sex. Assault by Penetration – M (16+)
- 201602 Sex. Assault by Penetration – F (16+)
- 201603 Sex. Assault by Penetration – M (13-15)
- 201604 Sex. Assault by Penetration – F (13-15)
- 201605 Sexual Assault – M (16+)
- 201606 Sexual Assault – F (16+)
- 201607 Sexual Assault – M (13-15)
- 201608 Sexual Assault – F (13-15)
- 201609 Sexual Coercion – M (16+)
- 201610 Sexual Coercion – F (16+)
- 201611 Sexual Coercion – M (13-15)
- 201612 Sexual Coercion – F (13-15)
- 201615 Sex. Assault by Penetration – M (< 13)
- 201616 Sex. Assault by Penetration – F (< 13)
- 201617 Sexual Assault – M (< 13)
- 201618 Sexual Assault – F (< 13)
- 201619 Cause to Participate Sexual Activity – M (< 13)
- 201620 Cause to Participate Sexual Activity – F (< 13)

Lewd & libidinous practices

- 201701 Lewd and libidinous practices (pre Apr 2011, common law)
- 201822 Lewd and Libidinous (from Apr 2011, SOSA 2009)

Prostitution related crime

- 201801 Procurement - excluding homosexual acts
- 201807 Brothel keeping
- 201809 Immoral traffic
- 201810 Offences related to prostitution
- 201812 Procurement of Homosexual Acts
- 201817 Soliciting services of a person engaged in prostitution

Other sexual crimes (non-SOSA)

- 201200 Incest
- 201301 Illegal homosexual acts
- 201303 Assault to commit unnatural crimes
- 201803 Defilement of girl under 16
- 201804 Carnal knowledge of mentally defective or lunatic person
- 201805 Householder permitting carnal knowledge of mentally defective
- 201806 Abducting girl under 18 woman mental defective or lunatic
- 201808 Person with custody & care of girl or other causing her seduction
- 201813 Conspiracy to commit sexual acts outside the UK
- 201814 Grooming of children for the purposes of sexual offences
- 201815 Procurement of sexual services from children under 18
- 201816 Procurement of child under 18 for pornography
- 201821 Bestiality (from Apr 2011)
- 201824 Possession of extreme pornography

Threatening / Disclosure of intimate image

- 201639 Threatening to disclose an intimate image
- 201640 Disclosure of an intimate image

Carrying offensive weapons (incl. restriction)

- 504301 Possession of an offensive weapon
- 504302 Restriction of offensive weapons
- 504305 Possession of a firearm in a prison
- 504306 Possession of an offensive weapon (not elsewhere classified) in a prison
- 504307 Possession of an offensive weapon (not elsewhere specified) in a school

Handling bladed/pointed instrument

- 504303 Carrying of Knives etc S Act 1993
- 504304 Having in a prison an article with a blade or point
- 504308 Having in a school an article with a blade or point

Offensive weapon (used in other criminal activity)

- 504309 Possession of offensive weapon used in other criminal activity
- 504311 Possession of offensive weapon in a prison used in other criminal activity
- 504313 Possession of offensive weapon in a school used in other criminal activity

Bladed/pointed instrument (used in other criminal activity)

- 504310 Having in a public place an article with a blade or point used in other criminal activity
- 504312 Having in a prison an article with a blade or point used in other criminal activity
- 504314 Having in a school an article with a blade or point used in other criminal activity

Racially aggravated harassment/conduct

- 604704 Racially aggravated harassment
- 604705 Racially aggravated conduct

For further detail on crime group descriptors please refer to Scottish Government recorded crime publication (<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2013/06/9697/0>).

APPENDIX 1 - Continued

Crime Group Definitions

Number reported 2020/21 (year-to-date to end of Q3)

- 201614 Communicating indecently (SOSA)
- 201622 Communicate Indecently/Cause see/hear Indec Comm -M&F (< 13)
- 201636 Commun Indecently/Cause see/hear Indec Comm-M&F(13-15)(Cons)

Selected "other" sexual crimes

- 201641 Communications Act 2003 (sexual)
- 201818 Taking, distribution, possession etc. of indecent photos of children (from Apr 2011)
- 201702 Public indecency

¹³ Police Scotland have used an interim and bespoke data collection to capture information on the nu

- 201703 Sexual exposure (SOSA)
- 201623 Sexual exposure to a young child (under 13)
- 201637 Sexual exposure older child (13-15)

Other sexual crimes (SOSA)

- 201613 Coercing a person into being present/ looking at sexual activity
- 201621 Cause to be Present Sex Act/To Look at Sex Image -M&F (< 13)
- 201624 Voyeurism - M&F (below 13)
- 201625 Intercourse wi Child - M (13-15)(Consensual)
- 201626 Intercourse wi Child - F (13-15)(Consensual)
- 201627 Penetrative Sex Activity - M (13-15)(Consensual)
- 201628 Penetrative Sex Activity - F (13-15)(Consensual)
- 201629 Sexual Activity - M (13-15)(Consensual)
- 201630 Sexual Activity - F (13-15)(Consensual)
- 201631 Cause to Participate Sex Activity - M (13-15)(Consensual)
- 201632 Cause to Participate Sex Activity - F (13-15)(Consensual)
- 201633 Engage while Older Child in Sex Conduct/Consens Sex Cond - M
- 201634 Engage while Older Child in Sex Conduct/Consens Sex Cond - F
- 201635 Cause to be Pres Sex Act/Look at Sex Image-M&F(13-15)(Cons)
- 201638 Voyeurism - M&F (13-15)
- 201704 Voyeurism
- 201819 Sex. Abuse of Trust (Children)
- 201820 Sex. Abuse of Trust of a Mentally Disordered Person
- 201823 Administering a substance for sexual Purposes

Racially aggravated harassment/conduct

- 604704 Racially aggravated harassment
- 604705 Racially aggravated conduct

Other alcohol related offences

- 606003 Drunk in charge of a child
- 606004 Drunk and attempting to enter licensed premises
- 606005 Drunk or dinking in unlicensed premises
- 606006 Disorderly on licensed premises (and refusing to quit pre 2009/10)
- 606007 Drunk in or attempting to enter designated sports ground
- 606008 Refusing to quit a licensed premise (previously 606006 pre 2009/10)

Wildlife offences

- 605104 Birds, offences involving
- 605113 Hunting with dogs
- 605114 Cruelty to wild animals
- 605115 Offences involving badgers
- 605116 Other wildlife offences
- 605601 Salmon and freshwater fisheries offences
- 605603 Possession of salmon or trout unlawfully obtained
- 605701 Poaching and game laws
- 605702 Deer - S - offences
- 607322 Other conservation offences

Drink, Drug driving offences incl. Failure to provide a specimen

- 730101 Driving motor vehicle while unfit through drink or drugs
- 730102 In charge of motor vehicle while unfit through drink or drugs
- 730103 Driving motor vehicle with blood alcohol content above prescribed limit
- 730104 In charge of motor vehicle with blood alcohol content above prescribed limit
- 730105 Failure to provide breath specimen at the roadside
- 730106 Failure to provide breath, blood or urine specimen at police station

For further detail on crime group descriptors please refer to Scottish Government recorded crime publication (<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2013/06/9697/0>).

APPENDIX 2 Population Data ^{2 3}

| | | Mid-year (June) | |
|---|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number reported 2020/21 (year-to-date to end of Q3) | | 2019/20 | 2020/21 |
| Local Council Area | PS Division | 2018 | 2019 |
| SCOTLAND | TOTAL | 5,438,100 | 5,463,300 |
| Aberdeen City | North East | 227 560 | 228 670 |
| Aberdeenshire | North East | 261 470 | 261 210 |
| Angus | Tayside | 116 040 | 116 200 |
| Argyll & Bute | Argyll and West Dunbartonshire | 86 260 | 85 870 |
| ¹³ Police Scotland have used an ir | Forth Valley | 51 400 | 51 540 |
| Dumfries & Galloway | Dumfries & Galloway | 148 790 | 148 860 |
| User Experience Survey | Tayside | 148 750 | 149 320 |
| East Ayrshire | Ayrshire | 121 840 | 122 010 |
| East Dunbartonshire | 19 | 108 330 | 108 640 |
| East Lothian | Lothian & Scottish Borders | 105 790 | 107 090 |
| East Renfrewshire | Greater Glasgow | 95 170 | 95 530 |
| Edinburgh, City of | Edinburgh | 518 500 | 524 930 |
| Na h-Eileanan Siar | Highland and Islands | 26 830 | 26 720 |
| Falkirk | Forth Valley | 160 340 | 160 890 |
| Fife | Fife | 371 910 | 373 550 |
| Glasgow City | Greater Glasgow | 626 410 | 633 120 |
| Highland | Highland and Islands | 235 540 | 235 830 |
| Inverclyde | Renfrewshire and Inverclyde | 78 150 | 77 800 |
| Midlothian | Lothian & Scottish Borders | 91 340 | 92 460 |
| Moray | North East | 95 520 | 95 820 |
| North Ayrshire | Ayrshire | 135 280 | 134 740 |
| North Lanarkshire | Lanarkshire | 340 180 | 341 370 |
| Orkney Islands | Highland and Islands | 22 190 | 22 270 |
| Perth & Kinross | Tayside | 151 290 | 151 950 |
| Renfrewshire | Renfrewshire and Inverclyde | 177 790 | 179 100 |
| Scottish Borders | Lothian & Scottish Borders | 115 270 | 115 510 |
| Shetland Islands | Highland and Islands | 22 990 | 22 920 |
| South Ayrshire | Ayrshire | 112 550 | 112 610 |
| South Lanarkshire | Lanarkshire | 319 020 | 320 530 |
| Stirling | Forth Valley | 94 330 | 94 210 |
| West Dunbartonshire | Argyll and West Dunbartonshire | 89 130 | 88 930 |
| West Lothian | Lothian & Scottish Borders | 182 140 | 183 100 |

² - Mid-year population data based on extracts from National Records for Scotland (<http://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/>), as at April 2019.

³ - Due to when population data are published it is necessary to use earlier mid-year estimates in some calculations. As soon as more current population data are available, the above table will be updated.