

RECORDED CRIME & DISORDER UPDATE

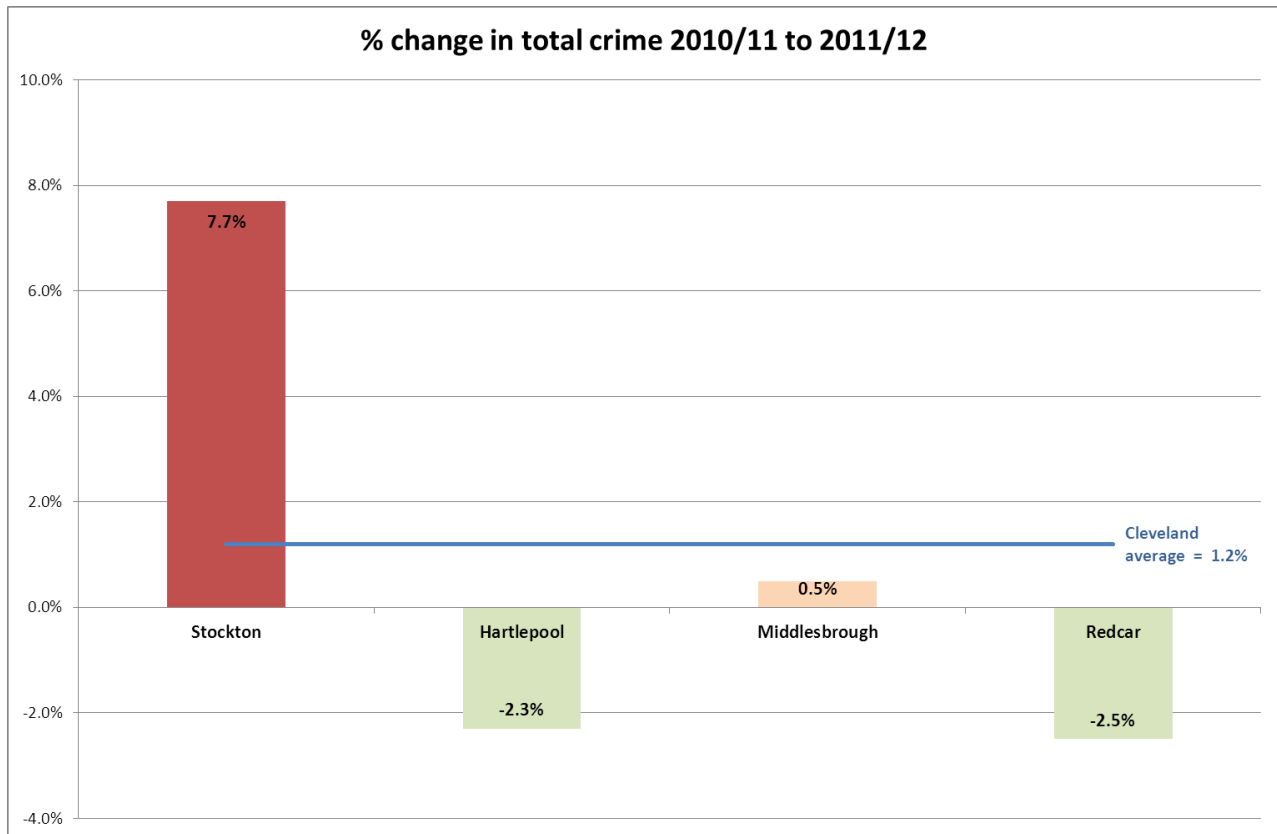
This report sets out the recorded crime figures for the full financial year 2011/12 compared to the same period in 2010/11.

Crime Statistics	End of year - 2011/12			
	2011/12	2010/11	Change	% Change
Violence	2076	2058	18	0.9%
Robbery	71	73	-2	-2.7%
Sexual	214	156	58	37.2%
House Burglary	584	497	87	17.5%
Other Burglary	791	683	108	15.8%
Theft of MV /TWOC	264	217	47	21.7%
Theft from MV	601	445	156	35.1%
Vehicle Interference	69	107	-38	-35.5%
Other Theft	3568	3348	220	6.6%
Criminal Damage	2472	2323	149	6.4%
Forgery & Fraud	278	200	78	39.0%
Drugs	553	547	6	1.1%
Other Crime	127	178	-51	-28.7%
TOTAL	11668	10832	836	7.7%
Violent Crime	2361	2287	74	3.2%
Serious Violence	100	78	22	28.2%
AWI	1029	1018	11	1.1%
AWOI	529	507	22	4.3%
Vehicle crime	865	662	203	30.7%
Acquisitive crime	1520	1232	288	23.4%

A full comparison of anti-social behaviour incidents by code is not possible this financial year due to a change in recording practices as of 01/04/11. Total ASB incidents have reduced by 7.2% this year from 16,121 to 14,965 (-1,156 incidents).

NB: Comparisons by Local Area Partnership Board have not been possible within this report and will be included in the next partnership update

The following graph shows the % change in total crime between 2010/11 and 2011/12 (for each of the sub-districts of Cleveland, compared to the average. It shows that Stockton has the highest % increase in total crime of the four districts; more than three times the Cleveland average.



Despite the increase in crime this year to date, Stockton still has by far the lowest crime rate within the Cleveland district. The table below shows the rate of crime per 1,000 population (households for dwelling burglary) for each category of crime for each district as well as the Cleveland average. The lowest crime rate within each category has been shaded green and the highest red, with the exception of drug offences where the opposite shading system has been applied indicating that an increase is favourable. All rates below the Cleveland average have been highlighted bold italic.

The table shows that Stockton has the lowest crime rate within seven of the 13 categories of crime as well as for total crime, and is below the Cleveland average for 10 categories. Of note Stockton also has the lowest rate of drug offences and is therefore shaded red.

Crime rate 1,000 population (household) April 2011 - March 2012					
Crime Type	Stockton	Hartlepool	Middlesbrough	Redcar	Cleveland
Violence	10.79	17.00	21.35	12.10	14.78
Robbery	0.37	0.36	0.95	0.25	0.48
Sexual	1.11	1.07	1.14	0.80	1.04
House Burglary	7.30	8.89	17.52	8.01	10.24
Other Burglary	4.11	3.50	5.98	5.18	4.74
Theft of MV / TWOC	1.37	1.38	1.93	1.39	1.52
Theft from MV	3.12	3.59	6.62	3.13	4.09
Vehicle Interference	0.36	0.45	1.09	0.60	0.62
Other Theft	18.55	22.87	32.00	18.33	22.59
Criminal Damage	12.85	17.44	20.41	17.24	16.57
Forgery & Fraud	1.45	1.10	1.69	1.31	1.42
Drugs	2.87	4.97	5.76	3.08	3.99
Other Crime	0.66	1.03	1.82	0.97	1.09
TOTAL	60.65	78.74	107.89	67.81	77.27
Violent Crime	12.27	18.43	23.44	13.15	16.31
Serious Violence	0.52	0.60	1.02	0.41	0.63
AWI	5.35	8.40	10.03	5.84	7.15
AWOI	2.75	3.94	5.05	3.28	3.65
Vehicle crime	4.50	4.97	8.56	4.52	5.60
Acquisitive crime	7.90	9.31	16.65	8.22	10.42

Initiatives underway which are intended to contribute to reductions in crime in 2012/13 include

- (a) the expansion of the successful 'Integrated Offender Management' (IOM) approach into 'IOM 2', which will involve an increase from the baseline of targeted work with the 120 most prolific offenders across the Borough to engaging with approximately 200 offenders, on a similar basis
- (b) a change in provider for the specialist GP service for people with substance misuse problems at the Lawson Street Health Centre in Central Stockton, to the new provider, a registered charity called 'Counted 4', proposing a range of new approaches and to provide greater challenges to offending by their patients
- (c) some targeted increases in resource availability against the overall trend for prevention work, under the Government's 'Troubled Families' programme, and the complementary Government 'Work Programme', with up to 455 families across the Borough who present the biggest problems in terms of offending and Anti Social Behaviour (ASB), low attendance at and exclusions from school, and worklessness/reliance on benefits, over the three year period April 2012 to March 2015
- (d) more effective Domestic Violence Services, as a result of additional flexibility in the use of funding agreed via the Domestic Violence Strategy Group
- (e) more efficient use of resources in the ASB Team resulting in an increase in proactive patrolling of 'hotspots'.