

## **RECORDED CRIME & ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**

### **Introduction**

1. This report provides an overview on recorded crime, anti-social behaviour incidents and domestic abuse in the Borough of Stockton-on-Tees for the 12-month period of September 2021 to the end of August 2022.
2. The bulk of the statistics utilised for this report have been obtained from Cleveland Police crime statistic databases with the figures correct at the time of data extraction (16/09/2022). The data is extracted from 'live' systems and therefore remains the subject of on-going operational activity, audit and scrutiny, and therefore September result in slight amendments to some of the statistical information in future publications.
3. This report will not provide any detailed analysis unless there are any substantial changes to patterns or trends.
4. A comparison against other similar Community Safety Partnerships utilising iQuanta is noted within a separate report (This report is a RESTRICTED document due to the statistical information only made available as an intelligence tool until released by the Home Office).
5. Any references to rates per 1,000 population are based on the ONS UK Mid-year population estimates for 2020.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### **Crime**

The rate per 1,000 population (all ages)<sup>1</sup> for publicly reported crime in Stockton-on-Tees was 95.5 for September 2021 – August 2022.

Between September 2021 and August 2022, there were 18,846 publicly reported offences, which is an increase of 3,495 crimes (or + 22.8%) on the same period in the previous year. Police generated crime, which includes crimes such as drug offences, public disorder and possession of weapons has increased by 285 crimes in comparison with the previous period, giving a total police generated crime figure of 3,915 offences, up 7.9% on the same period the previous year. Overall, there was a total of 22,761 crimes, equal to 3,778 (19.9%) more crimes compared with the same period last year.

Comparing the number of crimes recorded in the period September 2021 and August 2022 versus September 2020 and August 2021, there were more of the following crime types recorded in the Borough: violence against the person; sexual offences; robbery; theft; criminal damage and arson; public disorder; trafficking of drugs; and possession of weapons.

Comparing the number of crimes recorded in the period September 2021 and August 2022 versus September 2020 and August 2021, there were fewer of the following crime types recorded in the Borough: possession/use of drugs; and misc. crimes against society.

Compared with September 2020 - August 2021, between September 2021 - August 2022, the largest reduction (-18.8%) in Police recorded offences in Stockton-on-Tees was in relation to possession/use of drugs.

Regarding domestic crime, compared with September 2020 - August 2021, between September 2021 - August 2022, overall total domestic crime increased by 1.3% or 49 incidents. Across the same period, the largest percentage improvement (-73.3%) in domestic crime in Stockton-on-Tees was in relation to drug offences.

### **Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)**

As at 16/09/22, reports of ASB to Cleveland Police show that across the Borough in the last 12 months, there was 5,078 ASB incidents, which is -35.0% on the previous 12 months

Between September 2021 - August 2022, 4,761 Service Requests were recorded by Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council Civic Enforcement team as ASB (including noise and alcohol issues). This is equal to an overall increase of 883 incidents (+22.8%) in the last year. In the same comparative period, the number of begging incidents was 1001, equal to +422; and the number of rowdy/nuisance behaviour incidents was 1108, equal to +298.

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<sup>1</sup> SOURCE: [Mid-Year Population Estimates, UK, August 2020](#)

### **Crime: September 2021 and August 2022 versus September 2020 and August 2021**

Table 1 below shows the number of crimes that have been recorded in Stockton-on-Tees between September 2021 and August 2022 and Table 2 provides a one-month snapshot of the same for the last available month (August 2022). Please note, this does not necessarily mean that the crime occurred during that month, but it is the date that the crime was reported to Cleveland Police.

Key to note in Table 1 below, between September 2021 and August 2022:

- There were 18,846 publicly reported offences, which is an increase of 3,495 crimes (or an increase of 22.8%) on the same period in the previous year. The largest reduction is in relation to homicide and the largest increases were in relation to bicycle theft.
- Police generated crime, which includes crimes such as drug offences, public disorder and possession of weapons has increased by a further 285 crimes, giving a total police generated crime figure of 3,915 offences, up 7.9% on the same period the previous year. The largest reduction is in relation to possession/use of drugs and the largest increase was in relation to possession of weapons.
- Overall, there was a total of 22,761 crimes in the current period, equal to 3,778 (+19.9%) more crimes in the same period last year.
- The rate per 1,000 population (all ages)<sup>2</sup> for publicly reported crime in Stockton-on-Tees was 95.5 for September 2021 - August 2022. This has increased from a rate of 77.8 in the same period last year.

Key to note in Table 2 below:

- In August 2022, 1,666 publicly reported offences were recorded in the Borough, which is an increase of 294 (or +21.4%) on August 2021. The largest increase was in relation to theft from the person.
- Police generated crime, which includes crimes such as drug offences, public disorder and possession of weapons was 364 in August 2022, up by 24 (7.1%) versus August 2021. The largest increase was in relation to trafficking of drugs.
- Overall, there was a total of 2,030 crimes in the current period, equal to 318 (+18.6%) more crimes in August 2022 versus August 2021.

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<sup>2</sup> SOURCE: [Mid-Year Population Estimates, UK, August 2020](#)

**Table 1. Cleveland Police Crime Statistics for Stockton-on-Tees: September 2021 and August 2022 versus September 2020 and August 2021<sup>3</sup>**

Crime Type	September 2021 - August 2022	September 2020 - August 2021	Difference (No. and %)	
			No.	%
<b>Violence against the person</b>	<b>8680</b>	<b>7840</b>	<b>840</b>	<b>10.7%</b>
<i>Homicide</i>	1	3	-2	-66.7%
<i>Death or injury due to driving</i>	6	5	1	20.0%
<i>Violence with injury</i>	1954	1659	295	17.8%
<i>Violence without injury</i>	3213	2875	338	11.8%
<i>Stalking and Harassment</i>	3506	3298	208	6.3%
<b>Sexual offences</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>703</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>25.5%</b>
<i>Rape</i>	322	244	78	32.0%
<i>Other Sexual offences</i>	560	459	101	22.0%
<b>Robbery</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>52.6%</b>
<b>Theft</b>	<b>6309</b>	<b>4176</b>	<b>2133</b>	<b>51.1%</b>
<i>Burglary - Residential</i>	870	682	188	27.6%
<i>Burglary - Business &amp; Com.</i>	344	209	135	64.6%
<i>Bicycle Theft</i>	249	133	116	87.2%
<i>Theft from the person</i>	117	87	30	34.5%
<i>Vehicle Crime (Inc Inter.)</i>	963	589	374	63.5%
<i>Shoplifting</i>	2156	1234	922	74.7%
<i>Other Theft</i>	1610	1242	368	29.6%
<b>Criminal damage and Arson</b>	<b>2737</b>	<b>2476</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>10.5%</b>
<b>Publicly Reported Crime</b>	<b>18846</b>	<b>15351</b>	<b>3495</b>	<b>22.8%</b>
<b>Public Disorder</b>	<b>2531</b>	<b>2204</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>14.8%</b>
<b>Drug offences</b>	<b>574</b>	<b>643</b>	<b>-69</b>	<b>-10.7%</b>
<i>Trafficking of drugs</i>	194	175	19	10.9%
<i>Possession/Use of drugs</i>	380	468	-88	-18.8%
<b>Possession of Weapons</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>41.2%</b>
<b>Misc. crimes against society</b>	<b>553</b>	<b>601</b>	<b>-48</b>	<b>-8.0%</b>
<b>Police Generated Crime</b>	<b>3915</b>	<b>3630</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>7.9%</b>
<b>Total Crime</b>	<b>22761</b>	<b>18983</b>	<b>3778</b>	<b>19.9%</b>

<sup>3</sup> SOURCE: Cleveland Police monthly crime statistics database

Table 2. Cleveland Police Crime Statistics for Stockton-on-Tees: August 2022 versus August 2021<sup>4</sup>

Crime Type	Aug-22	Aug-21	Difference (No. and %)	
<b>Violence against the person</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>10.3%</b>
<i>Homicide</i>	0	0	0	-
<i>Death or injury due to driving</i>	1	0	1	-
<i>Violence with injury</i>	168	162	6	3.7%
<i>Violence without injury</i>	280	236	44	18.6%
<i>Stalking and Harassment</i>	301	282	19	6.7%
<b>Sexual offences</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7.4%</b>
<i>Rape</i>	23	19	4	21.1%
<i>Other Sexual offences</i>	35	35	0	0.0%
<b>Robbery</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>108.3%</b>
<b>Theft</b>	<b>588</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>44.1%</b>
<i>Burglary - Residential</i>	85	63	22	34.9%
<i>Burglary - Business &amp; Com.</i>	35	31	4	12.9%
<i>Bicycle Theft</i>	19	9	10	111.1%
<i>Theft from the person</i>	15	6	9	150.0%
<i>Vehicle Crime (Inc Inter.)</i>	86	36	50	138.9%
<i>Shoplifting</i>	181	141	40	28.4%
<i>Other Theft</i>	167	122	45	36.9%
<b>Criminal damage and Arson</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>12.4%</b>
<b>Publicly Reported Crime</b>	<b>1666</b>	<b>1372</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>21.4%</b>
<b>Public Disorder</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5.2%</b>
<b>Drug offences</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>13.0%</b>
<i>Trafficking of drugs</i>	19	11	8	72.7%
<i>Possession/Use of drugs</i>	42	43	-1	-2.3%
<b>Possession of Weapons</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>64.7%</b>
<b>Misc. crimes against society</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>-5</b>	<b>-8.5%</b>
<b>Police Generated Crime</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>7.1%</b>
<b>Total Crime</b>	<b>2030</b>	<b>1712</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>18.6%</b>

<sup>4</sup> SOURCE: Cleveland Police Monthly Crime Statistics Database

**Performance Highlights: September 2021 - August 2022 versus September 2020 - August 2021**

Table 3 below highlights all areas where crime has reduced and has been ranked by the percentage reduction against the previous year, numeric reductions have also been provided for additional context, offence types in bold are combined offence types, whilst all others are individual offences.

**Table 3. All recorded offences which REDUCED against the previous year in Stockton-on-Tees: September 2021 - August 2022 versus September 2020 - August 2021<sup>5</sup>**

<b>Offence Type</b>	<b>Numeric Reduction</b>	<b>Percentage Reduction</b>
Homicide	-2	-66.7%
Possession/Use of drugs	-88	-18.8%
<b>Drug offences</b>	<b>-69</b>	<b>-10.7%</b>
<b>Misc. crimes against society</b>	<b>-48</b>	<b>-8.0%</b>

Key to note in Table 3:

- Compared with September 2020 and August 2021, between September 2021 and August 2022 overall the largest percentage reduction (-66.7%) in recorded offences in Stockton-on-Tees was in relation to homicide and the largest numeric reduction was in relation to possession/use of drugs (-88).

Key to note in Table 4 below:

- Compared with September 2020 - August 2021, between September 2021 and August 2022 overall total domestic crime increased by 1.3% or 49 incidents.
- Across the same period, the largest percentage improvement (-73.3%) in domestic crime in Stockton-on-Tees was in relation to drug offences and the largest numeric improvement was in violence against the person (-30).
- Also, across the same period, the largest percentage increase (+300.0%) in domestic crime in Stockton-on-Tees was in relation to possession of weapons and the largest numeric increase was in relation to sexual offences (+40).

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<sup>5</sup> SOURCE: Cleveland Police monthly crime statistics database

**Table 4. All Cleveland Police recorded Domestic Crimes in Stockton-on-Tees: September 2021 - August 2022 versus September 2020 - August 2021<sup>6</sup>**

Domestic Crime Type	Last 12 Months Ending August 2022			
	Current Period	Previous Period	Difference (No.)	Difference (%)
Violence against the person	2862	2892	-30	-1.0%
Criminal Damage & Arson	303	290	13	4.5%
Theft Offences	213	185	28	15.1%
Sexual Offences	154	114	40	35.1%
Robbery	20	6	14	233.3%
Public Order Offences	236	239	-3	-1.3%
Misc. Crimes Against Society	74	85	-11	-12.9%
Drug Offences	4	15	-11	-73.3%
Possession of Weapons	12	3	9	300.0%
<b>Total Crime</b>	<b>3878</b>	<b>3829</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>1.3%</b>

**Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB): September 2021 - August 2022 versus September 2020 - August 2021**

As at 16/09/22, reports of ASB to Cleveland Police shows that across the Borough:

- In August, there was 360 ASB incidents which is equal to -32.0% on the same month last year
- In the last 12 months, there was 5,078 ASB incidents which is equal to -35.0% on the previous 12 months

Between September 2021 - August 2022 versus September 2020 - August 2021:

- 4,761 Service Requests were recorded by Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council Civic Enforcement team as ASB (including noise and alcohol issues). This is equal to an overall increase of 883 incidents (+22.8%) in the last year.
- The number of begging incidents was 1001, equal to +422 on 2020-2021
- The number of rowdy/nuisance behaviour incidents was 1,108, equal to +298 on 2020-2021

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