

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 November 2021 to the end of October 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 (09/11/2022). 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)¹ for publicly reported crime in Stockton-on-Tees was 98.1 for November 2021 – October 2022.

Between November 2021 and October 2022, there were 19,370 publicly reported offences, which is an increase of 3,568 crimes (or + 22.6%) 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 189 crimes in comparison with the previous period, giving a total police generated crime figure of 3,942 offences, up 5.0% on the same period the previous year. Overall, there was a total of 23,312 crimes, equal to 3,757 (19.2%) more crimes compared with the same period last year.

Comparing the number of crimes recorded in the period November 2021 and October 2022 versus November 2020 and October 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 November 2021 and October 2022 versus November 2020 and October 2021, there were fewer of the following crime types recorded in the Borough: homicide, death or injury due to driving, possession/use of drugs; and misc. crimes against society.

Compared with November 2020 - October 2021, between November 2021 - October 2022, the largest reduction (-13.8%) in Police recorded offences in Stockton-on-Tees was in relation to possession/use of drugs.

Regarding domestic crime, compared with November 2020 - October 2021, between November 2021 - October 2022, overall total domestic crime increased by 21.6% or 7,142 incidents. Across the same period, the largest percentage improvement (-4.7%) in domestic crime in Stockton-on-Tees was in relation to drug offences.

Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)

As at 09/11/22, reports of ASB to Cleveland Police show that across the Borough in the last 12 months, there was 4,740 ASB incidents, which is -32.0% on the previous 12 months.

Between November 2021 - October 2022, 4,716 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 672 incidents (+16.6%) in the last year. In the same comparative period, the number of begging incidents was 952, equal to +246; and the number of rowdy/nuisance behaviour incidents was 1,090, equal to +264.

¹ SOURCE: [Mid-Year Population Estimates, UK, October 2020](#)

Crime: November 2021 and October 2022 versus November 2020 and October 2021

Table 1 below shows the number of crimes that have been recorded in Stockton-on-Tees between November 2021 and October 2022 and Table 2 provides a one-month snapshot of the same for the last available month (October 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 November 2021 and October 2022:

- There were 19,370 publicly reported offences, which is an increase of 3,568 crimes (or an increase of 22.6%) 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 189 crimes, giving a total police generated crime figure of 3,942 offences, up 5.0% 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 23,312 crimes in the current period, equal to 3,757 (+19.2%) more crimes in the same period last year.
- The rate per 1,000 population (all ages)² for publicly reported crime in Stockton-on-Tees was 98.1 for November 2021 - October 2022. This has increased from a rate of 80.0 in the same period last year.

Key to note in Table 2 below:

- In October 2022, 1,878 publicly reported offences were recorded in the Borough, which is an increase of 377 (or +25.1%) on October 2021. The largest increase was in relation to vehicle crime.
- Police generated crime, which includes crimes such as drug offences, public disorder and possession of weapons was 403 in October 2022, up by 54 (15.5%) versus October 2021. The largest increase was in relation to trafficking of drugs.
- Overall, there was a total of 2,281 crimes in the current period, equal to 431 (+23.3%) more crimes in October 2022 versus October 2021.

² SOURCE: [Mid-Year Population Estimates, UK, October 2020](#)

Table 1. Cleveland Police Crime Statistics for Stockton-on-Tees: November 2021 and October 2022 versus November 2020 and October 2021³

Crime Type	Oct-22	Oct-21	Difference (No. and %)	
Violence against the person	8846	7972	874	11.0%
<i>Homicide</i>	1	3	-2	-66.7%
<i>Death or injury due to driving</i>	5	7	-2	-28.6%
<i>Violence with injury</i>	2042	1725	317	18.4%
<i>Violence without injury</i>	3228	2899	329	11.3%
<i>Stalking and Harassment</i>	3570	3338	232	7.0%
Sexual offences	896	728	168	23.1%
<i>Rape</i>	340	251	89	35.5%
<i>Other Sexual offences</i>	556	477	79	16.6%
Robbery	254	158	96	60.8%
Theft	6562	4485	2077	46.3%
<i>Burglary - Residential</i>	903	686	217	31.6%
<i>Burglary - Business & Com.</i>	342	251	91	36.3%
<i>Bicycle Theft</i>	245	146	99	67.8%
<i>Theft from the person</i>	135	81	54	66.7%
<i>Vehicle Crime (Inc Inter.)</i>	1017	634	383	60.4%
<i>Shoplifting</i>	2237	1420	817	57.5%
<i>Other Theft</i>	1683	1267	416	32.8%
Criminal damage and Arson	2812	2459	353	14.4%
Publicly Reported Crime	19370	15802	3568	22.6%
Public Disorder	2547	2364	183	7.7%
Drug offences	589	618	-29	-4.7%
<i>Trafficking of drugs</i>	195	161	34	21.1%
<i>Possession/Use of drugs</i>	394	457	-63	-13.8%
Possession of Weapons	247	194	53	27.3%
Misc. crimes against society	559	577	-18	-3.1%
Police Generated Crime	3942	3753	189	5.0%
Total Crime	23312	19555	3757	19.2%

³ SOURCE: Cleveland Police monthly crime statistics database

Table 2. Cleveland Police Crime Statistics for Stockton-on-Tees: October 2022 versus October 2021⁴

Crime Type	Current Period	Previous Period	Difference	% Difference
Violence against the person	826	673	153	22.7%
<i>Homicide</i>	0	0	0	-
<i>Death or injury due to driving</i>	1	0	1	-
<i>Violence with injury</i>	197	158	39	24.7%
<i>Violence without injury</i>	306	239	67	28.0%
<i>Stalking and Harassment</i>	322	276	46	16.7%
Sexual offences	97	75	22	29.3%
<i>Rape</i>	50	29	21	72.4%
<i>Other Sexual offences</i>	47	46	1	2.2%
Robbery	24	15	9	60.0%
Theft	646	484	162	33.5%
<i>Burglary - Residential</i>	102	73	29	39.7%
<i>Burglary - Business & Com.</i>	42	34	8	23.5%
<i>Bicycle Theft</i>	15	15	0	0.0%
<i>Theft from the person</i>	17	12	5	41.7%
<i>Vehicle Crime (Inc Inter.)</i>	127	68	59	86.8%
<i>Shoplifting</i>	198	163	35	21.5%
<i>Other Theft</i>	145	119	26	21.8%
Criminal damage and Arson	285	254	31	12.2%
Publicly Reported Crime	1878	1501	377	25.1%
Public Disorder	266	247	19	7.7%
Drug offences	74	49	25	51.0%
<i>Trafficking of drugs</i>	18	7	11	157.1%
<i>Possession/Use of drugs</i>	56	42	14	33.3%
Possession of Weapons	21	21	0	0.0%
Misc. crimes against society	42	32	10	31.3%
Police Generated Crime	403	349	54	15.5%
Total Crime	2281	1850	431	23.3%

⁴ SOURCE: Cleveland Police Monthly Crime Statistics Database

Performance Highlights: November 2021 – October 2022 versus November 2020 - October 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: November 2021 – October 2022 versus November 2020 - October 2021⁵

Offence Type	Numeric Reduction	Percentage Reduction
Homicide	-2	-66.7%
Death or injury due to driving	-2	-28.6%
Possession/Use of drugs	-63	-13.8%
Drug offences	-29	-4.7%
Misc. crimes against society	-18	-3.1%

Key to note in Table 3:

- Compared with November 2020 and October 2021, between November 2021 and October 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 (-63).

Key to note in Table 4 below:

- Compared with November 2020 – October 2021, between November 2021 and October 2022 overall total domestic crime increased by 21.6% or 7,142 incidents.
- Across the same period, the largest percentage improvement (-4.7%) in domestic crime in Stockton-on-Tees was in relation to drug offences and the largest numeric improvement was in drug offences again (-29).
- Also, across the same period, the largest percentage increase (+60.8%) in domestic crime in Stockton-on-Tees was in relation robbery and the largest numeric increase was in relation to public order offences (+3,568).

⁵ SOURCE: Cleveland Police monthly crime statistics database

Table 4. All Cleveland Police recorded Domestic Crimes in Stockton-on-Tees: November 2021 – October 2022 versus November 2020 – October 2021⁶

Domestic Crime Type	Last 12 months ending October 2022			
	Current period	Previous period	Difference	% Difference
Violence against the person	8,846	7,972	874	11.0%
Criminal Damage & Arson	2,812	2,459	353	14.4%
Theft Offences	6,562	4,485	2,077	46.3%
Sexual Offences	896	728	168	23.1%
Robbery	254	158	96	60.8%
Public Order Offences	19,370	15,802	3,568	22.6%
Misc. Crimes Against Society	559	577	-18	-3.1%
Drug Offences	589	618	-29	-4.7%
Possession of Weapons	247	194	53	27.3%
Total Crime	40,135	32,993	7,142	21.6%

Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB): November 2021 - October 2022 versus November 2020 - October 2021

As at 09/11/22, reports of ASB to Cleveland Police shows that across the Borough:

- In October, there was 454 ASB incidents which is equal to –22.7% on the same month last year
- In the last 12 months, there was 3,558 ASB incidents which is an increase of 28.4% on the previous 12 months.

Between November 2021 – October 2022 versus November 2020 - October 2021:

- 4,716 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 672 incidents (+16.6%) in the last year.
- The number of begging incidents was 952, equal to +246 on 2020-2021
- The number of rowdy/nuisance behaviour incidents was 1,090, equal to +264 on 2020-2021

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⁶ SOURCE: Cleveland Police Monthly Crime Statistics Database