

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 May 2023 to the end of April 2024.
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 (06/06/2024). The data is extracted from 'live' systems and therefore remains the subject of on-going operational activity, audit and scrutiny.
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 2021.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Crime

The rate per 1,000 population (all ages)¹ for publicly reported crime in Stockton-on-Tees was 112.9 for May 2023 to the end of April 2024.

Between May 2023 – April 2024, there were 18,762 publicly reported offences, which is a reduction of -2093 crimes (or -10.0%) 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 reduced by -751 crimes in comparison with the previous period, giving total police generated crime figure of 3477 offences, down -17.8% on the same period the previous year. Overall, there was a total of 22,239 crimes, equal to -2844 (11.3%) less crimes compared with the same period last year.

Comparing the number of crimes recorded in the period May 2023 – April 2024 versus May 2022 – April 2023, there were more of the following crime types recorded in the Borough:

- Death or injury due to driving
- Homicide
- Misc. crimes against society
- Other Theft
- Vehicle Crime

Comparing the number of crimes recorded in the period May 2023 – April 2024 versus May 2022 to April 2023, there were fewer of the following crime types recorded in the Borough:

- Arson
- Bicycle Theft
- Burglary - Business & Com.
- Burglary - Residential
- Criminal damage
- Other Sexual offences
- Possession of Weapons
- Possession/Use of drugs
- Public Disorder
- Rape
- Robbery
- Shoplifting
- Stalking and Harassment
- Theft from the person
- Trafficking of drugs
- Violence with injury
- Violence without injury

Compared with May 2023 – April 2024 versus May 2022 to April 2023, the largest reduction (-19.7%) in Police recorded offences in Stockton-on-Tees was in relation to Stalking and Harassment.

¹ SOURCE: [Mid-Year Population Estimates, UK, 2021](#)

Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)

As at 30/04/2024, reports of ASB to Cleveland Police show that across the Borough in the last 12 months, there was 4,711 ASB incidents, which is +4.1% on the previous 12 months.

Between May 2023 – April 2024, 4,552 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 decrease of 443 incidents (-8.9%) in the last year. In the same comparative period, the number of begging incidents was 450, equal to -522; and the number of rowdy/nuisance behaviour incidents was 949, equal to -183.

Crime: May 2023 – April 2024 versus May 2022 to April 2023

Table 1 below shows the number of crimes that have been recorded in Stockton-on-Tees between May 2023 – April 2024 and Table 2 provides a one-month snapshot of the same for the last available month (April 2023). 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 May 2023 – April 2024:

- There were 18,762 publicly reported offences, which is a decrease of -2093 crimes (or a decrease of 10%) on the same period in the previous year. The largest reduction was in relation to *Stalking and Harassment* and 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 has decreased by -751 crimes, giving a total police generated crime figure of 3,477 offences, down -17.8% on the same period the previous year.
- Overall, there was a total of 22,239 crimes in the current period, equal to -2,844 (-11.3%) less 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 112.9 for May 2023 – April 2024. This has decreased from a rate of 127.3 in the same period last year.

² SOURCE: [Mid-Year Population Estimates, UK, October 2021](#)

Table 1. Cleveland Police Crime Statistics for Stockton-on-Tees: May 2023 – April 2024 versus May 2022 to April 2023³

Crime Type	Apr-24	Apr-23	Difference No.	% Difference
Violence against the person	8168	9207	-1039	-11.3%
<i>Homicide</i>	4	3	1	33.3%
<i>Death or injury due to driving</i>	17	5	12	240.0%
<i>Violence with injury</i>	2059	2136	-77	-3.6%
<i>Violence without injury</i>	2992	3208	-216	-6.7%
<i>Stalking and Harassment</i>	3096	3855	-759	-19.7%
Sexual offences	736	853	-117	-13.7%
<i>Rape</i>	244	345	-101	-29.3%
<i>Other Sexual offences</i>	492	508	-16	-3.1%
Robbery	218	281	-63	-22.4%
Theft	7067	7457	-390	-5.2%
<i>Burglary - Residential</i>	1103	1141	-38	-3.3%
<i>Burglary - Business & Com.</i>	282	349	-67	-19.2%
<i>Bicycle Theft</i>	199	253	-54	-21.3%
<i>Theft from the person</i>	76	162	-86	-53.1%
<i>Vehicle Crime (Inc Inter.)</i>	1456	1312	144	11.0%
<i>Shoplifting</i>	2205	2498	-293	-11.7%
<i>Other Theft</i>	1746	1742	4	0.2%
Criminal damage and Arson	2573	3057	-484	-15.8%
<i>Criminal damage</i>	2436	2900	-464	-16.0%
<i>Arson</i>	137	157	-20	-12.7%
Publicly Reported Crime	18762	20855	-2093	-10.0%
Public Disorder	1977	2728	-751	-27.5%
Drug offences	647	680	-33	-4.9%
<i>Trafficking of drugs</i>	184	204	-20	-9.8%
<i>Possession/Use of drugs</i>	463	476	-13	-2.7%
Possession of Weapons	233	241	-8	-3.3%
Misc. crimes against society	620	579	41	7.1%
Police Generated Crime	3477	4228	-751	-17.8%
Total Crime	22239	25083	-2844	-11.3%

³ SOURCE: Cleveland Police monthly crime statistics database

Key to note in Table 2 below:

- In April 2024, 1,585 publicly reported offences were recorded in the Borough, which is a decrease of -193 (or -10.9%) on April 2023. The largest increase was in relation to Violence without injury.
- Police generated crime, which includes crimes such as drug offences, public disorder and possession of weapons was 231 in April 2024, down by -99 (-30.0%) versus April 2023. The largest increase was in relation to trafficking of drugs.
- Overall, there was a total of 1,816 crimes in the current period, equal to -292 (-13.9%) less crimes in April 2024 versus April 2023.

Table 2. Cleveland Police Crime Statistics for Stockton-on-Tees: Current Period vs Previous Period

Crime Type	Current Period	Previous Period	Difference No.	% Difference
Violence against the person	666	716	-50	-7.0%
<i>Homicide</i>	0	0	0	-
<i>Death or injury due to driving</i>	5	0	5	-
<i>Violence with injury</i>	157	157	0	0.0%
<i>Violence without injury</i>	274	248	26	10.5%
<i>Stalking and Harassment</i>	230	311	-81	-26.0%
Sexual offences	62	67	-5	-7.5%
+ <i>Rape</i>	25	24	1	4.2%
<i>Other Sexual offences</i>	37	43	-6	-14.0%
Robbery	22	25	-3	-12.0%
Theft	621	685	-64	-9.3%
<i>Burglary - Residential</i>	95	135	-40	-29.6%
<i>Burglary - Business & Com.</i>	14	32	-18	-56.3%
<i>Bicycle Theft</i>	19	15	4	26.7%
<i>Theft from the person</i>	5	9	-4	-44.4%
<i>Vehicle Crime (Inc Inter.)</i>	142	134	8	6.0%
<i>Shoplifting</i>	221	218	3	1.4%
<i>Other Theft</i>	125	142	-17	-12.0%
Criminal damage and Arson	214	285	-71	-24.9%
<i>Criminal damage</i>	195	273	-78	-28.6%
<i>Arson</i>	19	12	7	58.3%
Publicly Reported Crime	1585	1778	-193	-10.9%
Public Disorder	118	226	-108	-47.8%
Drug offences	54	49	5	10.2%
<i>Trafficking of drugs</i>	20	14	6	42.9%
<i>Possession/Use of drugs</i>	34	35	-1	-2.9%
Possession of Weapons	14	13	1	7.7%
Misc. crimes against society	45	42	3	7.1%
Police Generated Crime	231	330	-99	-30.0%
Total Crime	1816	2108	-292	-13.9%

Performance Highlights: May 2023 – April 2024 versus May 2022 to April 2023

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: May 2023 – April 2024 versus May 2022 to April 2023

Offence Type	Numeric Reduction	Percentage Reduction
Arson	-20	-12.7%
Bicycle Theft	-54	-21.3%
Burglary - Business & Com.	-67	-19.2%
Burglary - Residential	-38	-3.3%
Criminal damage	-464	-16.0%
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Rape	-101	-29.3%
Robbery	-63	-22.4%
Shoplifting	-293	-11.7%
Stalking and Harassment	-759	-19.7%
Theft from the person	-86	-53.1%
Trafficking of drugs	-20	-9.8%
Violence with injury	-77	-3.6%
Violence without injury	-216	-6.7%

Key to note in Table 3:

- Compared with May 2022 and April 2023, between May 2023 and April 2024 overall the largest percentage reduction (-53.1%) in recorded offences in Stockton-on-Tees was in relation to Theft from the person.

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