



Cheshire West & Chester
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Cheshire West & Chester Strategic Assessment of Crime and Disorder (2019 Data)

Introduction

The following Strategic Assessment is based on 2019 data for Cheshire West and Chester. The report provides a picture of overall crime broken down into specific crimes, and goes on to addressing incident data across areas such as domestic violence, Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB), Begging, Hate crime, mental health, and missing people.

For the first time in five years crime is shown to have stabilised after a year on year increase. Actually 2019 when compared to 2018 saw a very slight fall in recorded crimes in Cheshire West and Cheshire whilst the rest of Cheshire has seen a small increase. An area of crime however that is still on the rise is violence against the person which increased again for the fourth year running, now standing at just over 11,000 offences. The majority of these offences (71%) fall in the category of assault without injury and include harassment offences where the greatest increases have been. The offence of violence with injury has actually reduced by 5.1% which is the first reduction for five years.

Many other offences have also seen reductions including sexual offences (11.7%), drug offences (9.6%), alcohol related crime (3%), burglary (16%) and vehicle crime (11.9%). The reductions that have been seen in Cheshire West and Chester have in the main been greater than the rest of Cheshire which is a really positive picture for the locality. Offences that have seen an increase include Cyber Crime (101.7%), Hate Crime (14.2%) and robbery (22.5%). These offences have seen increases across the wider Cheshire footprint as well and are areas that we may wish to consider as key priorities for the Community Safety Partnership as we look forward to the coming year.

Areas that have remained relatively static include criminal damage, arson and domestic abuse. Domestic Abuse has actually seen a small decrease of 0.4% compared to an increase of 6.1% across Cheshire but when you consider reported incidents that are domestic abuse related, we have seen a 23.1% increase in Cheshire West and Chester. This is replicated across the force and may be down to scrutiny within the Force Control Centre to ensure they are flagged appropriately but regardless it has previously been highlighted as a priority and should continue to be so.

When looking at reported incidents rather than crime the overall picture is one of increasing demand, locally we have seen an increase of 1,897 reported incidents to the police compared to last year which is a larger increase (2.5%) than the rest of the force (-1.7%). Those incident types where we have seen increases include hate incidents, missing people, ASB nuisance incidents and domestic abuse and these highlight some of those areas where the CSP might want to focus their attention for the forthcoming year.



Road collisions have continued to be a priority for the CSP and 2019 figures show the lowest number of casualties on roads in Cheshire in the last 5 years. That said 10 people were still fatally injured and 68 people were seriously hurt therefore this is still a significant issue for the Partnership.

CRIME GROUP DEFINITIONS

Victim Based Crime - Victim Based Offences is a category made up of the following Home Office groups; violence against the person / sexual offences / robbery / theft and criminal damage and arson

Violence against the Person - Violence against the person is a category made up of the following Home Office groups; homicide / violence with injury and violence without injury

Violence with Injury - Violence with injury is a category made up of the following Home Office code descriptions; attempted murder / intentional destruction of a viable unborn child / causing death or serious injury by dangerous driving / causing death by careless driving under the influence of drink or drugs / cause or allow death or serious physical harm to child or vulnerable person / causing death by careless or inconsiderate driving / causing death or serious injury by driving unlicensed, disqualified or uninsured drivers / assault with intent to cause serious harm / endangering life / assault with injury / racially or religiously aggravated assault with injury / causing death by aggravated vehicle taking

Violence without Injury - Violence without injury is a category made up of the following Home Office code descriptions; conspiracy to murder / threats to kill / harassment / racially or religiously aggravated harassment / stalking / cruelty to children, young person's / child abduction / procuring illegal abortion / kidnap / assault without injury on a constable / assault without injury / racially or religiously aggravated assault without injury / modern slavery

Harassment - Harassment and Racially Aggravated Harassment

Stalking - Stalking comes under the harassment group of offences

Malicious Communications - Includes offences of online harassment

Sexual Offences - Sexual offences is a category made up of the following Home Office groups; rape and other sexual offence

Rape Offences - Rape is a category made up of the following Home Office code descriptions; rape of a female aged 16 and over / rape of a female child under 16 / rape of a female child under 13 / rape of a male aged 16 and over / rape of a male child under 16 / rape of a male child under 13



Other Sexual Offences - Other sexual offences is a category made up of the following Home Office code descriptions; sexual assault on a male aged 13 and over / sexual assault on a male child under 13 / sexual assault on a female aged 13 and over / sexual assault on a female child under 13 / sexual activity involving a child under 13 / causing sexual activity without consent / sexual activity involving a child under 16 / incest or familial sexual offences / sexual activity etc. with a person with a mental disorder / abuse of children through sexual exploitation / abuse of position of trust of a sexual nature / sexual grooming / other miscellaneous sexual offences / unnatural sexual offences / exposure and voyeurism

Drug Offences - Drug offences include the trafficking in controlled drugs and the possession of drugs

Alcohol Related Crime - Alcohol Related Crime is a flag which is added to an occurrence in Niche by the original crime recorder or subsequently by the officer in the case or their supervisor. The flag is added when alcohol can be established as a contributing factor to the crime being committed.

Domestic Violence - Domestic Violence is a flag which is added to an occurrence in Niche by the original crime recorder or subsequently by the officer in the case or their supervisor. The flag is added if there is any incident or pattern of incidents of controlling, coercive or threatening behaviour, violence or abuse between those aged 16 or over who are or have been intimate partners or family members regardless of gender or sexuality. This can encompass but is not limited to the following types of abuse: psychological, physical, sexual, financial or emotional.

Cyber Crime - Cyber-dependent crimes fall broadly into two main categories, illicit intrusions into computer networks, such as hacking; and the disruption or downgrading of computer functionality and network space, such as malware attacks. Cyber-dependent crimes are committed for many different reasons by individuals, groups and even sovereign states.

Hate Crime - Hate Crime is a flag which is added to an occurrence in Niche by the original crime recorder or subsequently by the officer in the case or their supervisor. The flag is added where either a victim or witness has stated that a crime was motivated by hostility or prejudice towards a person's disability, transgender, racial, religion / beliefs or sexual orientation.

Robbery - Robbery is a category made up of the following Home Office groups; robbery of personal property and robbery of a business property

Robbery of Personal Property - Robbery of personal is a category made up of the following Home Office code description; robbery of personal property

Robbery of a Business Property - Robbery of a business is a category made up of the following Home Office code description; robbery of a business property



Burglary - Burglary is a category made up of the following Home Office code descriptions; burglary in a dwelling / attempted burglary in a dwelling / distraction burglary in a dwelling / attempted distraction burglary in a dwelling / aggravated burglary in a dwelling / burglary in a building other than a dwelling / attempted burglary in a building other than a dwelling / aggravated burglary in a building other than a dwelling

Burglary Residential - Burglary is a category made up of the following Home Office code descriptions; burglary in a dwelling / attempted burglary in a dwelling / distraction burglary in a dwelling / attempted distraction burglary in a dwelling / aggravated burglary in a dwelling

Burglary Business and Community - Burglary is a category made up of the following Home Office code descriptions; burglary in a building other than a dwelling / attempted burglary in a building other than a dwelling / aggravated burglary in a building other than a dwelling

Vehicle Offences - Vehicle offences is a category made up of the following Home Office code descriptions; aggravated vehicle taking / theft of a motor vehicle / theft or unauthorised taking of a motor vehicle / interfering with a motor vehicle

Shoplifting - Shoplifting is a category made up of the following Home Office code descriptions; shoplifting

Theft from the Person - Theft from the person is a category made up of the following Home Office code descriptions; theft from the person

Bicycle Theft - Bicycle theft is a category made up of the following Home Office code descriptions; theft or unauthorised taking of a pedal cycle

All Other Theft Offences - All other theft offences is a category made up of the following Home Office code descriptions; blackmail / theft in a dwelling other than from an automatic machine or meter / theft by an employee / theft of mail / dishonest use of electricity / theft from an automatic machine or meter / other theft / theft - making off without payment

Criminal Damage and Arson - Criminal damage is a category made up of the following Home Office code descriptions; criminal damage to a dwelling / criminal damage to a building other than a dwelling / criminal damage to a vehicle / other criminal damage / racially or religiously aggravated criminal damage / arson endangering life and arson not endangering life



Crime and Incident Data

The crimes in Cheshire are recorded on a system called Niche. The crimes detailed in this appendix were extracted from Niche using a reporting software tool called Business Objects. In order to extract the data in Business Objects there have been various parameters applied to a report to ensure that the finished data is as accurate as possible, these are; that the date is taken from the date that the crime was entered onto Niche and that the offence type is taken from the final classification applied to the crime. There are a few caveats to consider when perusing the data, these are; that after the initial investigation of a crime has commenced occasionally, if it doesn't follow Home Office guidelines, it is deemed no longer a crime, at this stage it needs to be flagged as a "no crime" on Niche, this report doesn't contain any "no crimes". There are occasionally specific crimes which are restricted, due to the sensitive nature of the crime, the standard practice in Force is to not include restricted crimes in external reports, and therefore this report doesn't contain any restricted crimes. During 2016 there were several boundary changes made within the Force and since these changes issues have been identified with the process of recording the location of a crime in Niche, there are currently 0.7% crimes recorded in Niche which don't have a specific location attributed to them, but work is continuously being carried out to rectify the accuracy of this data.

Since March 2014 onwards, total police recorded crime has increased. It is thought this is principally owing to the renewed focus on the quality of crime recording and is the result of improved recording practices and process improvements, rather than an actual increase in crime coming to their attention".

In November 2015, HMIC also commenced a programme of rolling inspections of crime recording. This led to improved compliance with the National Crime Recording Standard (NCRS), leading to a greater proportion of reported crimes being recorded by the police. Early findings from Inspections across the country suggested that there was generally a failure to make the right crime-recording decision at the first point of contact, be it by attending police officers or call handlers.

In 2017, HMIC visited Cheshire Constabulary and conducted an audit on how their crimes are recorded. They made several recommendations, which resulted in changes to several processes which have impacted upon and increased volume in recorded crime. The Constabulary has introduced an Occurrence Management Unit responsible for the recording of crime in Cheshire. This has provided increased rigor to practices and processes associated to crime recording.

Therefore it is not possible to make true comparisons with previous years crime figures.



Total Crime

Total - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
17,049		19,575	25,973	28,835	28,735
-4.1%		14.8%	32.7%	11.0%	-0.3%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 0.3% in total crime in Cheshire West and Chester; this shows a reversal of the trend seen over the 3 previous years.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 2.2% in total crime compared to the 11.4% increase seen last year.
- When comparing total crime by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the second largest percentage decrease, when compared to 2018.

Total - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
33%		30%	22%	17%	14%
0pp		-3pp	-8pp	-4pp	-3pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 3 percentage points in the total solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester; over the date period reviewed it is a smaller decrease than seen over the previous 2 years.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 3 percentage points in the total solved rate, which is the same as Cheshire West and Chester.
- When comparing the total solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester continues to have the joint highest percentage point decrease, when compared to 2018.



Victim Based Crime

Victim Based - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
14,823		16,084	19,453	21,549	22,032
-5.1%		8.5%	20.9%	10.8%	2.2%

- In the last twelve months there has been an increase of 2.2% in victim based crime in Cheshire West and Chester; this is a much smaller increase than seen over the previous 3 years (2016 to 2018).
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 4.6% in victim based crime, which means Cheshire West and Chester has experienced a smaller percentage increase.
- When comparing victim based crime by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the second smallest percentage increase, when compared to 2017.

Victim Based - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
27%		27%	22%	16%	13%
0pp		0pp	-5pp	-6pp	-3pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 3 percentage points bringing the solved rate for Victim Based Crime in Cheshire West and Chester to 13%.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 3 percentage points in the victim based solved rate, which means Cheshire West and Chester have the same percentage point decrease.
- When comparing the victim based solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the joint highest percentage point increase, when compared to 2018.



Violence against the Person

Violence against the Person - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
4,190		5,510	7,794	9,895	11,049
15.7%		31.5%	41.5%	27.0%	11.7%

- In the last twelve months there has been an increase of 11.7% in violence against the person in Cheshire West and Chester; over the date period reviewed this is a notably smaller increase than seen in previous years.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 14.4% in violence against the person, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a smaller percentage increase.
- When comparing violence against the person by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the second largest percentage increase, when compared to 2018.

+ Violence against the Person - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
40%		36%	24%	15%	11%
+1pp		-4pp	-12pp	-9pp	-4pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 4 percentage points in the violence against the person solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester; over the date period reviewed it is a smaller decrease than seen in the previous two years.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 4 percentage points in the violence against the person solved rate, which means Cheshire West and Chester has the same percentage point decrease.
- When comparing the violence against the person solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the joint highest percentage point decrease, when compared to 2018.



Violence with Injury

Violence with Injury - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
2,176		2,667	3,093	3,342	3,172
14.1%		22.6%	16.0%	8.1%	-5.1%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 5.1% in violence with injury in Cheshire West and Chester; this is a reversal of the increasing trend observed over the previous 4 years.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 2.8% in violence with injury, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a larger percentage decrease.
- When comparing violence with injury by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the second largest percentage decrease, when compared to 2018.

Violence with Injury - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
41%		41%	30%	21%	19%
+2pp		0pp	-11pp	-8pp	-2pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 2 percentage points in the violence with injury solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester; over the date period reviewed it is a smaller decrease than last year.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 3 percentage points in the violence with injury solved rate, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a smaller percentage point increase.
- When comparing the violence with injury solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the joint smallest percentage point decrease, when compared to 2018.



Violence without Injury

Violence without Injury - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
1,644		1,822	2,829	3,786	3,984
13.7%		10.8%	55.3%	33.8%	5.2%

- In the last twelve months there has been an increase of 5.2% in violence without injury in Cheshire West and Chester; over the date period reviewed it is a much smaller increase than seen in the previous 4 years.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 8.2% in violence without injury, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a smaller percentage increase.
- When comparing violence without injury by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the second smallest percentage increase, when compared to 2018.

Violence without Injury - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
35%		32%	22%	13%	10%
-1pp		-3pp	-10pp	-9pp	-3pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 3 percentage points in the violence without injury solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester; over the date period reviewed it is a smaller decrease than last year.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 3 percentage points in the violence without injury solved rate, which means Cheshire West and Chester matches the percentage point decrease.
- When comparing the violence without injury solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the joint highest percentage point decrease, when compared to 2018.



Harassment

Harassment - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
295		512	841	1,314	2,114
19.2%		73.6%	64.3%	56.2%	60.9%

- In the last twelve months there has been an increase of 60.9% in harassment in Cheshire West and Chester; over the date period reviewed it is a larger increase than last year.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 67.8% in harassment, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a smaller percentage increase.
- When comparing harassment by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the second smallest percentage increase, when compared to 2018.

Harassment - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
58%		39%	21%	12%	7%
+3pp		-19pp	-18pp	-9pp	-5pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 5 percentage points in harassment solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester; this is a smaller percentage point decrease than seen over the previous 3 years.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 6 percentage points in harassment solved rate, 1 percentage point higher than seen in Cheshire West and Chester.
- When comparing the harassment solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the joint smallest percentage point decrease, when compared to 2018.



Stalking

Stalking - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
10		12	34	74	173
-9.1%		20.0%	183.3%	117.6%	133.8%

- In the last twelve months there has been another substantial increase of 133.8% stalking offences recorded in Cheshire West and Chester when compared to 2018.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 92.7% in stalking, which means Cheshire West and Chester has seen a larger percentage increase.
- When comparing stalking by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the largest percentage increase, when compared to 2018.

Stalking - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
50%		67%	29%	19%	10%
-5pp		+17pp	-38pp	-9pp	-9pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 9 percentage points in stalking solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester; over the date period reviewed it is the same decrease as seen last year.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 8 percentage points in stalking solved rate, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a higher percentage point decrease.
- When comparing the stalking solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the second smallest percentage point decrease, when compared to 2018.



Malicious Communications

Malicious Communications - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
61		489	993	1,375	1,605
No Data		701.6%	103.1%	38.5%	16.7%

- In the last twelve months there has been an increase of 16.7% in malicious communications in Cheshire West and Chester; over the date period reviewed this shows a much smaller increase than seen in previous years.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 17.6% in malicious communications, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a smaller percentage increase.
- When comparing malicious communications by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the second smallest percentage increase, when compared to 2018.

Malicious Communications - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
33%		23%	11%	7%	4%
No Data		-10pp	-12pp	-4pp	-3pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 3 percentage points in malicious communications solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester; over the date period reviewed it is a smaller decrease than last year.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 2 percentage points in malicious communications solved rate, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a higher percentage point decrease.
- When comparing the malicious communications solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the second highest percentage point decrease, when compared to 2018.



Sexual Offences

Sexual Offences - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
421		623	769	900	795
27.6%		48.0%	23.4%	17.0%	-11.7%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 11.7% in sexual offences in Cheshire West and Chester; this is the first decrease in recorded Sexual offences over the past 5 years.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 7% in sexual offences, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a larger percentage decrease.
- When comparing sexual offences by local authorities two have seen larger percentage decreases than Cheshire West and Chester and one has recorded an increase.

Sexual Offences - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
33%		30%	22%	15%	12%
+6pp		-3pp	-8pp	+6pp	-3pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 3 percentage points in the sexual offences solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 2 percentage points in sexual offences solved rate, which means Cheshire West and Chester have higher percentage point decrease.
- When comparing the sexual offences solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester has seen the highest percentage point decrease, when compared to 2018.



Rape Offences

Rape Offences - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
149		176	260	325	287
43.7%		18.1%	47.7%	25.0%	-11.7%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 11.7% in rape offences across Cheshire West and Chester, this is the first recorded decrease in the past 5 years.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 0.7% in rape offences, which means Cheshire West and Chester, have seen a much larger percentage decrease.
- When comparing rape offences by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester has the second smallest percentage decrease, when compared to 2018.

Rape Offences - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
21%		24%	7%	6%	9%
0pp		+3pp	-17pp	0pp	+3pp

- In the last twelve months the solved rate has increased by 3 percentage points in Cheshire West and Chester.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been no change in the rape offences solved rate, which means Cheshire West and Chester has seen a positive increase in the solved rate when compared to 2018.
- When comparing the rape offences solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have seen the largest percentage point increase when compared to 2018.



Other Sexual Offences

Other Sexual Offences - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
272		447	508	575	503
20.3%		64.3%	13.6%	13.2%	-12.5%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 12.5% in other sexual offences in Cheshire West and Chester; this is the first time a reduction in offences has been recorded in Cheshire West and Chester over the date period.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 11.7% in other sexual offences, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a larger percentage decrease than the Force as a whole.
- When comparing other sexual offences by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester has seen the smallest percentage decrease, when compared to 2018. It is worth noting that one local authority has seen an increase in recorded Other Sexual Offences.

Other Sexual Offences - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
40%		32%	29%	21%	14%
+11pp		-8pp	-3pp	-8pp	-7pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 7 percentage point in the other sexual offences solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester; over the date period reviewed it is a smaller percentage point decrease than in 2018.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 3 percentage points in the other sexual offences solved rate, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a larger percentage point decrease.
- When comparing the other sexual offences solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the largest percentage point decrease, when compared to 2018.



Drug Offences

Drugs Offences - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
794		705	851	811	733
-8.6%		-11.2%	20.7%	-4.7%	-9.6%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 9.6% in drug offences in Cheshire West and Chester; this is a larger decrease than seen last year.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 7.1% in drug offences, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a larger percentage decrease.
- When comparing drug offences by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the second smallest percentage decrease, when compared to 2018.

Drugs Offences - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
19%		90%	86%	85%	90%
-2pp		-1pp	-4pp	-2pp	-2pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 2 percentage points in the drug offences solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester; this decrease is the same as seen in 2018.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there been an increase of 2 percentage points in the drug offences solved rate, which means Cheshire West and Chester have the larger percentage point decrease.
- When comparing the drug offences solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have recorded the second largest percentage point decrease, when compared to 2018.



Alcohol Related Crime

Alcohol Related Crime - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
2,081		1,908	2,365	2,837	2,753
10.6%		-8.3%	24.0%	20.0%	-3.0%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 3% in alcohol related crime in Cheshire West and Chester, this is the first annual decrease since 2016.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 1.2% in alcohol related crime.
- When comparing alcohol related crime by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the largest percentage decrease, when compared to 2018.

Alcohol Related Crime Offences - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
60%		0%	6%	15%	14%
-4pp		-5pp	-11pp	-11pp	-1pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 1 percentage point in the alcohol related crime solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester; over the date period reviewed this is a smaller percentage point decrease than seen last year.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there been a decrease of 1 percentage points in the alcohol related crime solved rate, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a comparable percentage point decrease.
- When comparing the alcohol related crime solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the smallest percentage point decrease, when compared to 2018.



Domestic Violence

Domestic Abuse - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
2,104		2,430	2,949	4,823	4,804
16.3%		15.5%	21.4%	63.5%	-0.4%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 0.4% in domestic violence offences in Cheshire West and Chester; this is the first decrease observed over the 5 year review period.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 6.1% in domestic violence offences.
- When comparing domestic violence offences by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester is the only local authority to have recorded a reduction when compared to 2018.

Domestic Abuse Offences - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
48%		43%	30%	15%	11%
+4pp		-5pp	-13pp	-14pp	-4pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 4 percentage points in the domestic violence solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester; over the date period reviewed it is a smaller decrease than last year.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there been a decrease of 5 percentage points in the domestic violence solved rate, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a smaller percentage point decrease.
- When comparing the domestic violence solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the joint smallest percentage point decrease, when compared to 2018.



Cyber Crime

Cyber Crime - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
No Data			212	474	652
		No Data	123.6%	37.6%	101.7%

- In the last twelve months there has been a significant increase in cyber-crime offences across Cheshire West and Chester (101.7%); over the date period reviewed it is a larger increase than last year.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 83.5% in cyber-crime offences, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a larger percentage increase.
- When comparing cyber-crime offences by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the largest percentage increase, when compared to 2018.

Cyber Crime Offences - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
No Data			47%	19%	12%
		No Data	+2pp	+20pp	-8pp

- In the last twelve months there has been an decrease of 8 percentage points in the cyber-crime solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester; over the date period reviewed this is the first decrease in the solved rate.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there been a decrease of 5 percentage points in the cyber-crime solved rate, which is the smaller than that recorded in Cheshire West and Chester.
- When comparing the cyber-crime solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester has the largest percentage point decrease, when compared to 2018.



Hate Crime

Hate Crime - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
246		356	439	492	562
32.8%		44.7%	23.3%	12.1%	14.2%

- In the last twelve months there has been an increase of 14.2% in hate crime offences in Cheshire West and Chester; over the date period reviewed it is a larger increase than last year.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 16% in hate crime offences, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a smaller percentage increase.
- When comparing hate crime offences by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the second smallest percentage increase, when compared to 2018.

Hate Crime Offences - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
38%		45%	27%	25%	17%
-8pp		+7pp	-18pp	-1pp	-8pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 8 percentage point in the hate crime solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester; over the date period reviewed it is a larger decrease than last year.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there been a decrease of 7 percentage points in the hate crime solved rate, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a larger percentage point decrease.
- When comparing the hate crime solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the joint second highest percentage point decrease, when compared to 2018.



Robbery

Robbery - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
70		75	99	111	136
-10.3%		7.1%	32.0%	12.1%	22.5%

- In the last twelve months there has been an increase of 22.5% in robbery in Cheshire West and Chester; over the date period reviewed it is a larger increase than last year.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 31% in robbery, which means Cheshire West and Chester has seen a smaller percentage increase.
- When comparing robbery by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester has the smallest percentage increase when compared to 2017, of note one local authority has seen a reduction in recorded Robberies.

Robbery - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
36%		21%	27%	19%	13%
+1pp		-15pp	+6pp	-8pp	-6pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 6 percentage points in the robbery solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester; this is a smaller decrease than observed last year.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 3 percentage points in the robbery solved rate, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a higher percentage point decrease.
- When comparing the robbery solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the second largest percentage point decrease, when compared to 2018.



Robbery of Personal Property

Robbery of Personal Property - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
60		62	82	85	118
-4.8%		3.3%	32.3%	3.7%	38.8%

- In the last twelve months there has been a significant increase in robbery of personal property offences (38.8%) across Cheshire West and Chester; over the date period reviewed this is the largest increase seen. However, caution should be applied when looking at percentage changes in relation to low volume crimes.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 33.6% in robbery of personal property, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a larger percentage increase.
- When comparing robbery of personal property by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the smallest percentage increase when compared to 2018, of note one local authority has recorded a reduction.

Robbery of Personal Property - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
27%		16%	24%	14%	11%
-22pp		-11pp	+8pp	-10pp	-3pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 3 percentage points in the robbery of personal property solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester; this represents a smaller decrease than last year.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been no change in the solved rate for robbery of personal property, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a higher percentage point decrease.
- When comparing the robbery of personal property solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the largest percentage point decrease, when compared to 2018.



Robbery of a Business Property

Robbery of Business Property - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
11		13	17	26	18
-26.7%		18.2%	30.8%	52.9%	-30.8%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 30.8% in robbery of business property in Cheshire West and Chester.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 16.9% in robbery of business property, which means Cheshire West and Chester seen a different trend to that seen across the Force.
- Of note Cheshire West and Chester is the only local authority to have seen a reduction in robbery of a business property offences when compared to 2018.

Robbery of Business Property - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
82%		46%	41%	35%	28%
+42pp		-36pp	-5pp	-3pp	-7pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 7 percentage points in the robbery of business property solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 22 percentage points in the robbery of business property solved rate, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a smaller percentage point decrease.
- When comparing the robbery of business property solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the smallest percentage point decrease, when compared to 2018.



Burglary

Burglary - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
1,799		1,499	1,396	1,426	1,198
-11.6%		-16.7%	-6.9%	2.1%	-16.0%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 16% in burglary in Cheshire West and Chester.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 3% in burglary, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a larger percentage decrease.
- When comparing burglary by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester has the largest percentage decrease, compared to 2018.

Burglary - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
12%		15%	13%	12%	11%
-5pp		+3pp	-2pp	-1pp	-1pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 1 percentage point in the burglary solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester; thus matching the percentage point decrease seen in 2018.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 1 percentage point in the burglary solved rate.
- When comparing the burglary solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the second largest percentage point decrease, compared to 2018.



Burglary Residential

Burglary Residential - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
633		592	852	1,039	830
-18.1%		-6.5%	43.9%	21.9%	-20.1%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 20.1% in burglary residential in Cheshire West and Chester; this has resulted in offence levels returning to those seen in 2017.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 5.5% in burglary residential, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a higher percentage decrease.
- When comparing burglary residential by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester has the largest percentage decrease, compared to 2018.

Burglary Residential - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
18%		19%	12%	12%	10%
-12pp		+1pp	-7pp	0pp	-2pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 2 percentage points in burglary residential offences solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been no change in the burglary residential solved rate, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a larger percentage point decrease.
- When comparing the burglary residential solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the second largest percentage point decrease, compared to 2018.



Burglary Business and Community

Burglary Business and Community - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
1,166		907	544	387	368
-7.6%		-22.2%	-40.0%	-28.9%	-4.9%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 4.9% in burglary business and community in Cheshire West and Chester; this is the smallest percentage decrease seen over the review period.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 3.7% in burglary business and community whereas Cheshire West and Chester has recorded a decrease.
- When comparing burglary business and community by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester has the largest percentage decrease, compared to 2018.

Burglary Business and Community - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
8%		12%	15%	11%	13%
-1pp		+4pp	+3pp	-4pp	+2pp

- In the last twelve months there has been an increase of 2 percentage points in the burglary business and community solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 2 percentage points in the burglary business and community solved rate, which is the same as that seen in Cheshire West and Cheshire.
- When comparing the burglary business and community solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the joint second highest percentage point increase, compared to 2018.



Vehicle Offences

Vehicle Offences - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
1,160		947	1,014	968	853
-18.7%		-18.4%	7.1%	-4.5%	-11.9%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 11.9% in vehicle offences in Cheshire West and Chester.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 5.6% in vehicle offences, whereas Cheshire West and Chester has seen a decrease.
- When comparing vehicle offences by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester has the largest percentage decrease, compared to 2018.

Vehicle Offences - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
8%		10%	8%	11%	9%
-1pp		+2pp	-2pp	+3pp	-2pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 2 percentage points in the vehicle offences solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 2 percentage points in the vehicle offences solved rate, which means Cheshire West and Chester has seen the same decrease as seen across the Force.
- When comparing the vehicle offences solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester has the joint largest percentage point decrease, when compared to 2018.



Shoplifting

Shoplifting - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
1,871		2,101	2,535	2,226	2,083
-14.6%		12.3%	20.7%	-12.2%	-6.4%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 6.4% in shoplifting in Cheshire West and Chester thus continuing the reductions seen in 2018.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 6.3% in shoplifting, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a larger percentage decrease.
- When comparing shoplifting by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester has the second smallest percentage decrease, when compared to 2018.

Shoplifting - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
59%		56%	50%	43%	38%
-11pp		-3pp	-6pp	-6pp	-5pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 5 percentage points in the shoplifting solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 5 percentage points in the shoplifting solved rate, which means Cheshire West and Chester have the same percentage point decrease.
- When comparing the shoplifting solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the joint highest percentage point decrease, compared to 2018.



Theft from the Person

Theft from the Person - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
295		188	171	192	223
-19.2%		-36.3%	-9.0%	12.3%	16.1%

- In the last twelve months there has been an increase of 16.1% in theft from the person in Cheshire West and Chester; over the date period reviewed it is the highest increase for five years.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 18.4% in theft from the person, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a smaller percentage increase.
- When comparing theft from the person by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester has the second smallest percentage increase, when compared to 2018.

Theft from the Person - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
12%		11%	4%	5%	7%
+2pp		-1pp	-7pp	+1pp	+2pp

- In the last twelve months there has been an increase of 2 percentage point in the theft from the person solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 2 percentage point in the theft from the person solved rate, which means Cheshire West and Chester have seen the same percentage point increase.
- When comparing the theft from the person solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the second lowest percentage point increase, when compared to 2018.



Bicycle Theft

Bicycle Theft - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
453		421	454	436	314
-15.1%		-7.1%	7.8%	-4.0%	-28.0%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease in bicycle theft across Cheshire West and Chester (-28%), this is the largest decrease seen across the review period taking recorded crime levels to the lowest seen in 5 years.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 13.3% in bicycle theft, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a larger percentage decrease.
- When comparing bicycle theft by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the highest percentage decrease, compared to 2018.

Bicycle Theft - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
12%		7%	7%	6%	4%
+5pp		-5pp	0pp	-1pp	-2pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 2 percentage point in bicycle theft solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a 1 percentage point decrease in the bicycle theft solved rate, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a larger percentage point decrease.
- When comparing the bicycle theft solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the joint highest percentage point decrease, when compared to 2018.



All Other Theft Offences

All Other Theft Offences - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
1,911		1,932	2,258	2,459	2,453
-13.0%		1.1%	16.9%	8.9%	-0.2%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 0.2% in all other theft offences in Cheshire West and Chester thus reversing the upward trend seen since 2016.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 8.4% in all other theft offences, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a smaller percentage decrease.
- When comparing all other theft offences by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the smallest percentage decrease, compared to 2018.

All Other Theft Offences - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
10%		10%	7%	7%	6%
0pp		0pp	-3pp	+1pp	-1pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 1 percentage point in the all other theft offences solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 1 percentage point in the all other theft offences solved rate, which means Cheshire West and Chester has seen the same percentage decrease.
- When comparing the all other theft offences solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the joint smallest percentage point decrease, when compared to 2018.



Criminal Damage and Arson

Criminal Damage and Arson - Recorded Crime					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
2,653		2,788	2,963	2,936	2,928
-6.8%		5.1%	6.3%	-0.9%	-0.3%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 0.3% in criminal damage and arson crime in Cheshire West and Chester thus continuing the reductions observed in 2018.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 1.7% in criminal damage and arson, Cheshire West and Chester have seen a smaller decrease in recorded crime.
- When comparing criminal damage and arson by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the joint smallest percentage decrease, when compared to 2018.

Criminal Damage and Arson - Solved Rate					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
19%		18%	14%	12%	10%
+3pp		-1pp	-4pp	-2pp	-2pp

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 2 percentage points in the criminal damage and arson solved rate in Cheshire West and Chester thus continuing the reductions seen since 2016.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there been a decrease of 2 percentage point in the criminal damage and arson solved rate, which means Cheshire West and Chester have seen the same percentage point decrease.
- When comparing the criminal damage and arson solved rate by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the joint largest percentage point decrease, when compared to 2018.



Incident Data

Up until February 2018 the incidents in Cheshire were recorded on a system called Command and Control. However in March 2018 the recording of incidents changed they are now entered onto a system called Saab. The incidents detailed in this appendix were extracted from Saab using a report designed in Power BI by analysts in the Planning and Performance department.

It should be acknowledged that the relationship between incident and crime is not one to one, due to crime recording standards it can be one incident to many crimes or several incidents to one crime.

Incident definitions

Alcohol is a qualifier (AQL) that can be applied to any type of incident

Drugs is a qualifier (QDR) that can be applied to any type of incident

Domestic is a category made up of the following incident types; domestic incidents – between adults

Anti-social behaviour is a category made up of the following incident types; ASB environmental / ASB nuisance and ASB personal:

- Anti-social behaviour Environment is a sub category of ASB – an example of this type of incident would be fly-tipping
- Anti-social behaviour Nuisance is a sub category of ASB – an example of this type of incident would be a group youths causing a disturbance outside
- Anti-social behaviour Personal is a sub category of ASB – an example of this type of incident would be someone receiving unwanted communication

Begging is a category made up of the following incident type; in a street in public or vagrancy anywhere

Hate Incidents is a category made up of the following Incident Type Code; H or QH and/or one of the following Closure Code Sub Codes; QHA, QHD, QHF, QHG, QHH, QHR, QHT, QHO which relate to the following types of Hate; age related, disability related, mental health related, gender related, transgender related, sexual orientation related or race related or other.

Mental Health is a category made up of all recorded incidents which have the following incident closure sub-codes; QSG or QMH, indicating a mental health related issue.

Missing Person is a category made up of the following incident types; an absconder from HM prison or truancy unauthorised staying away from school



Total

Total - Incidents					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
73,669		74,713	81,991	75,995	77,892
-2.6%		1.4%	9.7%	-7.3%	2.5%

- In the last twelve months there has been a substantial increase of 2.5% in total incidents in Cheshire West and Chester.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 1.7% in total incidents, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a larger percentage increase.
- When comparing total incidents by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester has seen the smallest percentage increase, compared to 2018.

Alcohol Incidents

Alcohol - Incidents					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
5,708		4,843	4,507	3,026	2,610
-12.5%		-15.2%	-6.9%	-32.9%	-13.7%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 13.7% in alcohol incidents in Cheshire West and Chester thus continuing the notable reductions observed in 2018.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 5.1% in alcohol incidents, which means Cheshire West and Chester, have a larger percentage decrease.
- When comparing alcohol incidents by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the largest percentage reductions when compared to 2018.



Drugs

Drug - Incidents					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
2,815		2,655	2,699	2,105	1,919
-6.3%		-5.7%	1.7%	-22.0%	-8.8%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 8.8% in drugs incidents in Cheshire West and Chester thus continuing the reductions seen in 2018.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 3.4% in drugs incidents, which means Cheshire West and Chester, have a larger percentage increase.
- In comparison to the other local authorities Cheshire West and Chester has seen the largest percentage decrease in drug incidents when compared to 2018.

Domestic

Domestic - Incidents					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
4,659		3,796	3,858	4,485	5,252
-5.4%		-18.5%	1.6%	16.3%	17.1%

- In the last twelve months there has been an increase of 17.1% in domestic incidents in Cheshire West and Chester; over the date period reviewed which is slightly higher than the 2018 increase.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 14.7% in domestic incidents, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a higher percentage increase.
- Across the local authorities Cheshire West and Chester has seen the second largest percentage increase when compared to 2018.



Anti-social Behaviour

Anti-social Behaviour - Incidents					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
10,756		10,431	10,149	7,585	6,554
-8.4%		-3.0%	-2.7%	-25.3%	-13.6%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 13.6% in anti-social behaviour incidents in Cheshire West and Chester.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 12.3% in anti-social behaviour incidents, which means Cheshire West and Chester, have a slightly higher percentage decrease.
- When comparing anti-social behaviour incidents by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the second largest percentage decrease, compared to 2018.

ASB Environmental

ASB Environmental - Incidents					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
733		742	653	413	318
-18.7%		1.2%	-12.0%	-36.8%	-23.0%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 23% in ASB environment incidents in Cheshire West and Chester thus continuing the reductions seen over the past 3 years.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 24.6% in ASB environment incidents, which means Cheshire West and Chester, have a smaller percentage decrease.
- When comparing environmental anti-social behaviour incidents by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the second largest percentage decrease compared to 2018.



ASB Nuisance

ASB Nuisance - Incidents					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
4,934		4,166	4,559	3,920	4,103
-9.8%		-15.6%	9.4%	-14.0%	4.7%

- In the last twelve months there has been an increase of 4.7% in ASB nuisance incidents in Cheshire West and Chester; over the period reviewed this is the second increase observed.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 8.3% in ASB nuisance incidents, which means Cheshire West and Chester, have a smaller percentage increase.
- When comparing ASB nuisance incidents by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester has the lowest percentage increase compared to 2018.

ASB Personal

ASB Personal - Incidents					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
6,172		5,456	4,854	3,241	2,133
-6.4%		-11.6%	-11.0%	-33.2%	-34.2%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 34.2% in ASB personal incidents in Cheshire West and Chester; over the period reviewed it is the largest decrease for five years.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 33.5% in ASB personal incidents, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a slightly larger percentage decrease.
- When comparing ASB personal incidents by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the largest percentage decrease compared to 2018.



Begging

Begging - Incidents					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
423		368	518	263	158
-20.2%		-13.0%	40.8%	-49.2%	-39.9%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 39.9 in begging incidents in Cheshire West and Chester thus continuing the reductions seen in 2018.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 24.9% in begging incidents, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a larger percentage decrease.
- When comparing begging incidents by local authorities in Cheshire, Cheshire West and Chester have the second largest percentage decrease when compared to 2018, of note two local authorities have seen increases. It should be noted that 53% of all Begging incidents reported across Cheshire occurred in Cheshire West and Chester.

Hate

Hate - Incidents					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
213		275	330	276	317
-0.9%		29.1%	20.0%	-16.4%	14.9%

- In the last twelve months there has been a small increase of 14.9% in hate incidents in Cheshire West and Chester.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 21.7% in hate incidents, which means Cheshire West and Chester, have a smaller percentage increase.
- When comparing hate incidents by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the smallest percentage increase, compared to 2018.



Mental Health

Mental Health - Incidents					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
2,286		2,387	2,364	1,928	1,736
4.0%		4.4%	-1.0%	-18.4%	-10.0%

- In the last twelve months there has been a decrease of 10% in mental health incidents in Cheshire West and Chester which is slightly lower than the 2018 decrease.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 2% in mental health incidents, which means Cheshire West and Chester, have a higher percentage decrease.
- When comparing mental health incidents by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester is the only local authority to have seen a decrease compared to 2018.

Missing Person

Missing Person - Incidents					
2015	Change in Crime Recording Practice	2016	2017	2018	2019
1,409		1,603	2,054	1,866	2,187
4.0%		13.8%	28.1%	-9.2%	17.2%

- In the last twelve months there has been an increase of 17.2% in missing person incidents in Cheshire West and Chester.
- Across the Force, over the last twelve months there has been an increase of 19.2% in missing person incidents, which means Cheshire West and Chester have a smaller percentage increase.
- When comparing missing person incidents by local authorities, Cheshire West and Chester have the smallest percentage increase, compared to 2018.



Road Traffic Collisions

COLLISION SEVERITY	ROAD TRAFFIC COLLISIONS				
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
FATAL	12	13	5	10	10
SERIOUS	132	105	84	108	68
TOTAL KSI	144	118	89	118	78
% CHANGE	-13%	-18%	-25%	33%	-34%

The above figures exclude collisions on motorways

Road Traffic Casualties

CASUALTY SEVERITY	ROAD TRAFFIC CASUALTIES				
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
FATAL	12	13	5	12	10
SERIOUS	145	115	96	121	78
TOTAL KSI	157	128	101	133	88
% CHANGE	-12%	-18%	-21%	32%	-34%

The above figures exclude casualties on the motorways.