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# 1 Introduction

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This bulletin reports on the levels and trends in detections and detection rates recorded by the 43 police forces in England and Wales and the British Transport Police. The bulletin focuses on detections where the offender receives some formal sanction such as being charged or summonsed, cautioned, reprimanded or given a final warning. Sanction detections also include Penalty Notices for Disorder (PNDs), warnings for cannabis possession and offences that are asked to be taken into consideration by a court (TICs).

Detailed figures of crimes recorded by the police are reported separately in *Crime in England and Wales 2010/11*, a copy of which is available at:

<http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/publications/science-research-statistics/research-statistics/crime-research/hosb1011/>

In recent years detections have been the subject of a chapter in the annual crime bulletin. As such these statistics were included in the most recent UK Statistics Authority assessment of compliance with the Code of Practice for Official Statistics for Crime Statistics in England and Wales ([UK Statistics Authority, 2011](#)). That assessment confirmed the designation of these statistics as National Statistics.

Recorded crime statistics provide important context to detections figures, and are quoted where relevant in this bulletin. However, detections are primarily a measure of police activity, and presenting these statistics in a separate bulletin allows for the Crime in England and Wales bulletin to strengthen its focus on crime and victimisation.

In January 2011, the Home Secretary invited the National Statistician to conduct an independent Review of Crime Statistics for England and Wales. The terms of reference for this review were to consider arrangements for the future publication of crime statistics, to advise on actions to address the recommendations made in the UK Statistics Authority's report 'Overcoming Barriers to Trust in Crime Statistics: England and Wales' (May 2010) and to consider gaps, discrepancies and discontinuities in the current statistics. The National Statistician's report was published on 6 June 2011 and can be accessed here:

<http://www.statisticsauthority.gov.uk/national-statistician/ns-reports--reviews-and-guidance/national-statistician-s-reviews/national-statistician-s-review-of-crime-statistics.html>

A response to the National Statistician's Review will be published in due course.





## 2 Detections

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### 2.1 SUMMARY

- There were 4.15 million offences recorded by the police in 2010/11 and 1.15 million crimes detected by means of a sanction detection. The sanction detection rate (i.e. the number of sanctions divided by the number of crimes) was 28 per cent in 2010/11.
- The sanction detection rate in 2010/11 was the same as for the previous year. The number of sanction detections fell by four per cent between 2009/10 and 2010/11. The number of recorded crimes also fell by four per cent in the same period.
- As in previous years, there is a wide variation in sanction detection rates for different types of crime, with a 94 per cent detection rate for drug offences but a rate of just 11 per cent for offences against vehicles.
- Sanction detection rates by offence group remained broadly unchanged between 2009/10 and 2010/11. The exceptions were a one percentage point rise for burglary, a two percentage point fall in other theft offences and a one percentage point fall in fraud and forgery.
- There was a rise of one per cent in the number of offences detected by means of a charge or summons between 2009/10 and 2010/11. There were falls in the number of offences detected by other methods with cautions down 12 per cent, Penalty Notices for Disorder (PNDs) down 16 per cent and Cannabis Warnings down 8 per cent.

### 2.2 INTRODUCTION

Statistics on crimes recorded by the police that appear in the national crime statistics are based on notifiable offences. These offences include all offences that could possibly be tried by jury (these include some less serious offences, such as minor theft that would not normally be dealt with in this way) plus a few closely related offences, such as assault without injury. For a list of all notifiable offences see Appendix 2 of the [User Guide to Home Office Crime Statistics](#).

Detected crime is a term that describes notifiable offences that have been 'cleared up' by the police.

Detections can be divided into two categories: sanction and non-sanction detections. The former occurs where the offender receives some formal sanction and the latter occurs in certain circumstances where the offence was cleared up but no further action is taken against an offender, for example, the alleged offender has died (see Notes and Section 3 of the [User Guide](#) for more information).

The 43 territorial police forces in England and Wales and the British Transport Police provide the Home Office with aggregate returns on the number of notifiable crimes and number of detections they have recorded each year. It is not possible to link individual detections to individual crimes. The detection rates described in this bulletin are the number of offences recorded as detected in a given year as a proportion of the total number of crimes recorded in the same period.

Detection rates are not a direct measure of police investigative performance and need to be interpreted with care. For example, some of the offences with the highest detection rates are the offences most influenced, in terms of their recorded numbers, by proactive policing to apprehend offenders (for example, drug offences and many of the offences in the 'other offences' category). This means that overall detection rates can be influenced by the extent to which police prioritise action against different types of offending. There may also be circumstances in which a crime may be considered 'solved' but in which a detection is not claimed – for example, where the police are

satisfied that they have identified an offender but the victim is unwilling to cooperate further in an investigation or does not wish for formal action to be taken.

From April 2011 the Home Office has been receiving data (supplied on a voluntary basis) on crimes 'cleared up' by the application of a form of Restorative Justice (RJ). RJ includes formal action such as the Youth Restorative Disposal administered by trained practitioners as well as less formal community-based resolutions where the offender has made an admission and the victim is satisfied that such a resolution may be used. This may amount to an apology to the victim or agreement to carry out some activity such as repairing damage caused.

### 2.3 DETECTION NUMBERS AND RATES

In 2010/11, 4.15 million offences were recorded by the police and 1.15 million offences were detected by means of one of the sanction detection methods (see Notes). The sanction detection rate in 2010/11 was 28 per cent, the same as for the previous year. The overall number of offences recorded by the police fell by four per cent between 2009/10 and 2010/11 with a corresponding fall of four per cent in the total number of sanction detections (Table 2a).

The overall sanction detection rate was 28 per cent in 2010/11 with detections by means of a charge or summons accounting for 16 per cent and cautions accounting for a further 6 per cent (Table 2b). Compared with 2009/10, the actual number of offences detected fell for all the detection methods with the exception of charge and summons, reflecting the overall fall in the number of offences recorded. However, there were some differences in trends for the different types of disposal used to detect crimes. The number of offences detected by charge or summons was up by 1 per cent whilst the contribution to the overall detection rate due to this disposal type was actually up by 0.9 percentage points. The number of cautions was down by 12 per cent and its contribution to the detection rate was down by 0.5 percentage points (Table 3).

The disposal method showing the largest percentage fall between 2009/10 and 2010/11 was PNDs (down 16% with a 0.3 percentage point decrease in its contribution to the detection rate). Another notable decline was in offences detected by the issuing of a Cannabis Warning, which fell by eight per cent (0.1 percentage point decrease in its contribution to the detection rate) (Table 3).

There have been considerable changes in the use of Cannabis Warnings since the introduction of police powers to issue PNDs for cannabis possession came into effect on 26 January 2009. There were 1,037 PNDs issued for drug offences in 2008/09 compared with 14,570 in 2010/11. Over the same period, Cannabis Warnings fell from 107,241 in 2008/09 to 80,658 in 2010/11. Possession of cannabis and other drug offences generally only come to light as a result of police activity and the detection rate for drug offences is always high (ranging between 94 and 95 per cent in the last five years)(Table 4).

Less than one per cent of all detections comprised non-sanction detections. However, there has been a marked rise in the number of recorded non-sanction detections since 2008/09, accounted for by special arrangements that allow some forces piloting Youth Restorative Disposals (YRDs) to record them under this category. Non-sanction detections have risen from 2,906 in 2008/09 to 6,934 in 2010/11 (Table 3). The eight pilot forces account for two-thirds of all non-sanction detections recorded in 2010/11 (see Notes and Section 3 of the [User Guide](#)).

### 2.4 DETECTION RATES BY OFFENCE GROUP

The pattern of variation in detection rates by offence group was consistent with previous years. Within the various offence groups, the detection rate remained highest for drug offences. This reflects the fact that in a high proportion of these cases the offence only comes to light when the police apprehend an offender. In addition, it is reasonably simple to clear up a crime of cannabis possession (the largest

category of drug offence) by issuing a Cannabis Warning to the offender, which may be done immediately without requiring a visit to a police station. In contrast, detection rates are lower for crimes such as offences against vehicles, where the offence generally only comes to light some time after it has been committed and the offender/s have left the scene. Such offences are more challenging to investigate and detect and these factors should be kept in mind when comparing differences in rates between offence groups. The sanction detection rates for each of the main offence groups in 2010/11 can be seen in Figure 2.1.

**Figure 2.1 Sanction detection rates by offence group, England and Wales, 2010/11**

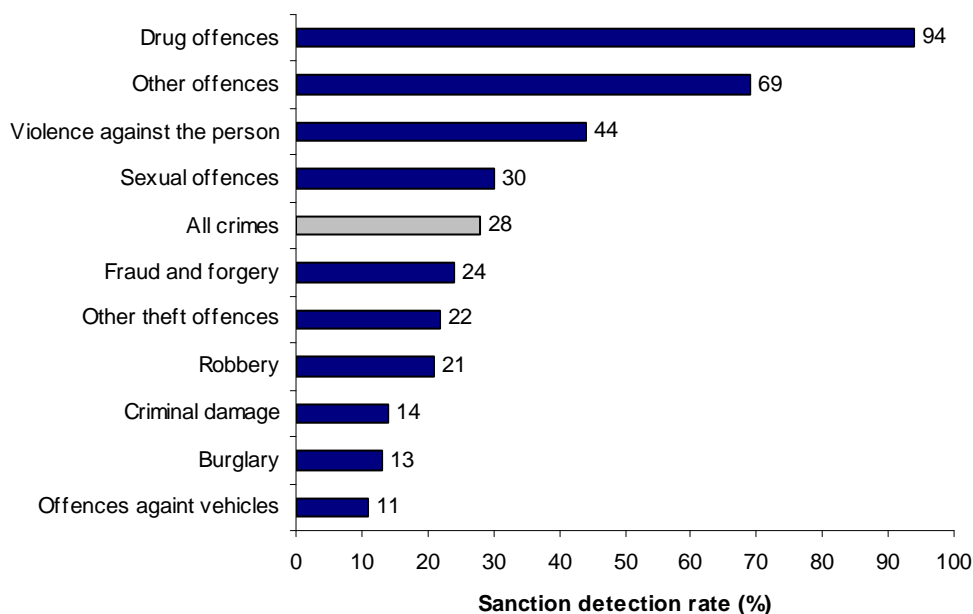


Table 2a summarises the numbers and rates of sanction detections by key offence groups for the last two years (see also Table 1 for a detailed breakdown). The majority of the main offence groups showed little or no change, for example, burglary (up 0.5 of a percentage point) or ‘Other theft offences’ (down 1.8 percentage points).

**Table 2a Number of detections and detection rate by offence group, 2009/10 and 2010/11**

	England and Wales, Recorded crime								
	2009/10	2010/11	% change	2009/10	2010/11	% change	2009/10	2010/11	% point change
	<i>Number of offences</i>			<i>Number of sanction detections</i>			<i>Sanction detection rate (%)</i>		
Violence against the person	871,419	821,957	-5.7	387,348	365,375	-5.7	44.5	44.5	0.0
Sexual offences	54,355	54,982	1.2	16,237	16,465	1.4	29.9	29.9	0.1
Robbery	75,105	76,179	1.4	15,382	15,684	2.0	20.5	20.6	0.1
Burglary	540,660	522,640	-3.3	68,788	69,365	0.8	12.7	13.3	0.5
Offences against vehicles	494,894	449,681	-9.1	52,474	49,757	-5.2	10.6	11.1	0.5
Other theft offences	1,037,325	1,078,727	4.0	251,116	241,971	-3.6	24.2	22.4	-1.8
Fraud and forgery	152,241	145,841	-4.2	37,040	34,596	-6.6	24.3	23.7	-0.6
Criminal damage	806,647	701,003	-13.1	108,474	96,230	-11.3	13.4	13.7	0.3
Drug offences	235,596	232,216	-1.4	221,204	217,270	-1.8	93.9	93.6	-0.3
Other offences	70,130	66,871	-4.6	48,316	46,338	-4.1	68.9	69.3	0.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,338,372</b>	<b>4,150,097</b>	<b>-4.3</b>	<b>1,206,379</b>	<b>1,153,051</b>	<b>-4.4</b>	<b>27.8</b>	<b>27.8</b>	<b>0.0</b>

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In all of the offence groups (except drug offences), the greatest proportion of offences detected was by means of a charge or summons. A large number of drug offences are detected by means of a Cannabis Warning, which can be issued to the offender immediately (although the number detected by this method was only slightly higher than the number of charges and summons). Detections where an offender asks for offences to be taken into consideration are most prominent in burglaries and offences against vehicles. An offence is deemed to be taken into consideration if the offender admits the crime and asks for it to be taken into consideration by a court (TIC) and where there is additional verifiable information linking that offender to the crime. There remains a very low use of non-sanction detections across all crime types (Table 2b).

**Table 2b Offences detected by offence group and method, 2010/11**

Offence group	England and Wales, 2010/11 Recorded crime							
	Total recorded crime	Total sanction detections	Charge/summons	Cautions	TICs <sup>1</sup>	PNDs <sup>2</sup>	Cannabis Warnings	Non-sanction detections <sup>3</sup>
<i>Number of detections</i>								
Violence against the person	821,957	365,375	240,304	97,392	194	27,485	n/a	2,505
Sexual offences	54,982	16,465	14,103	2,264	90	8	n/a	109
Robbery	76,179	15,684	14,647	360	677	0	n/a	13
Burglary	522,640	69,365	38,010	3,437	27,901	17	n/a	59
Offences against vehicles	449,681	49,757	23,248	3,785	22,709	15	n/a	47
Other theft offences	1,078,727	241,971	145,041	44,302	14,985	37,643	n/a	2,603
Fraud and forgery	145,841	34,596	23,708	6,636	4,168	84	n/a	190
Criminal damage	701,003	96,230	57,927	28,813	3,446	6,044	n/a	1,212
Drug offences	232,216	217,270	79,211	42,690	141	14,570	80,658	132
Other offences	66,871	46,338	38,891	7,091	146	210	n/a	64
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,150,097</b>	<b>1,153,051</b>	<b>675,090</b>	<b>236,770</b>	<b>74,457</b>	<b>86,076</b>	<b>80,658</b>	<b>6,934</b>
<i>Detection rate (%)</i>								
Violence against the person		44.5	29.2	11.8	0.0	3.3	n/a	0.3
Sexual offences		29.9	25.7	4.1	0.2	0.0	n/a	0.2
Robbery		20.6	19.2	0.5	0.9	0.0	n/a	0.0
Burglary		13.3	7.3	0.7	5.3	0.0	n/a	0.0
Offences against vehicles		11.1	5.2	0.8	5.1	0.0	n/a	0.0
Other theft offences		22.4	13.4	4.1	1.4	3.5	n/a	0.2
Fraud and forgery		23.7	16.3	4.6	2.9	0.1	n/a	0.1
Criminal damage		13.7	8.3	4.1	0.5	0.9	n/a	0.2
Drug offences		93.6	34.1	18.4	0.1	6.3	34.7	0.1
Other offences		69.3	58.2	10.6	0.2	0.3	n/a	0.1
<b>Total</b>		<b>27.8</b>	<b>16.3</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>0.2</b>

1. Offences asked to be taken into consideration by a court.

2. Penalty Notices for Disorder (PNDs).

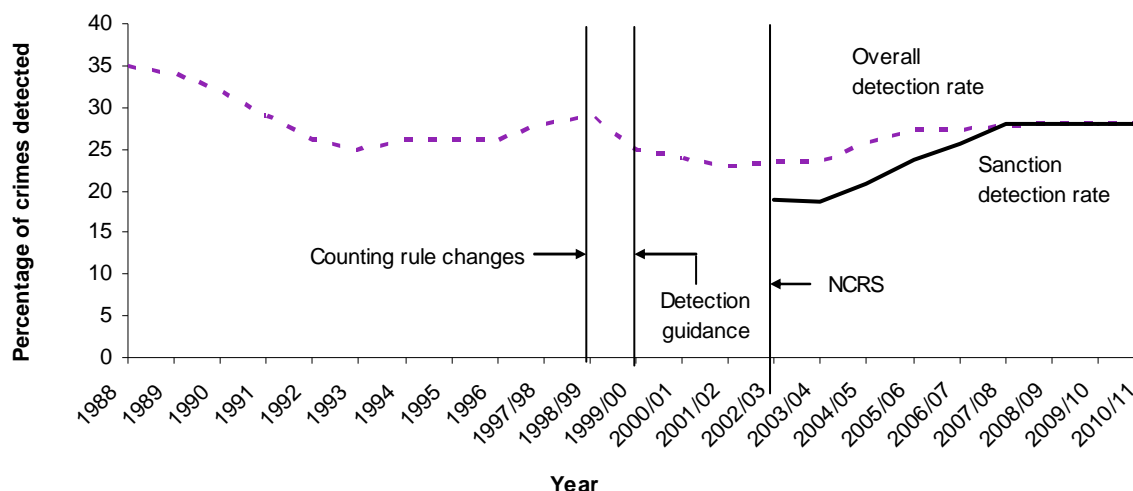
3. Includes data on Youth Restorative Disposals (YRDs) submitted to the Home Office as non-sanction detections from pilots in eight police force areas (Avon and Somerset, Cumbria, Greater Manchester, Lancashire, Metropolitan, Norfolk, North Wales and Nottinghamshire).

n/a Not applicable.

## 2.5 TRENDS OVER TIME

Figure 2.2 shows the overall detection rate since 1988 and the sanction detection rate since 2002/03. Detection rates fell in the period between 1988 and 1993. In 1998/99, the recorded crime series was extended and the Home Office Counting Rules amended. In addition, in 1999/00, further guidance was issued which tightened the circumstances in which a detection could be recorded. All of these changes led to a decline in detection rates.

Figure 2.2 Detection rates in England and Wales, 1988 to 2010/11



Sanction detections are now the preferred measure of detection, with these disposals being limited to circumstances in which some form of sanction is taken against an offender.

Following the introduction of National Crime Recording Standard (NCRS) in April 2002, sanction detection rates remained stable between 2002/03 and 2003/04. The rates then rose in successive years between 2004/05 and 2007/08 with an increase of two to three percentage points per year and have remained stable since (Figure 2.2). This rise coincided with the introduction of Cannabis Warnings and PNDs nationally in 2004/05 and the greater emphasis by central government on raising the proportion of crimes detected and the setting of national targets. In 2010/11, 4 per cent of offences were detected by PNDs and Cannabis Warnings combined, a fall from a peak of 4.7 per cent in 2007/08 (Table 3).

Table 2 presents trend information by offence group. Key findings include the following:

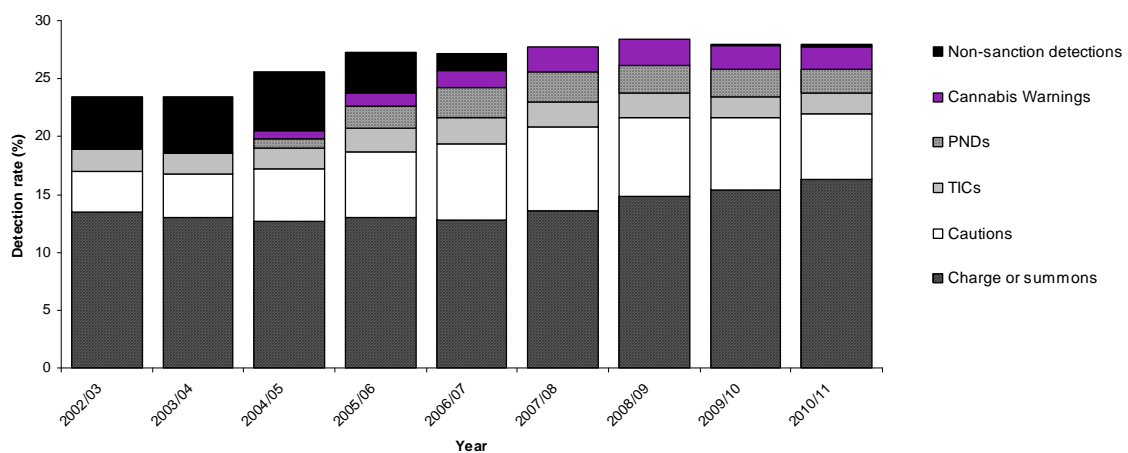
- Comparing 2002/03 with 2010/11, the overall sanction detection rate has risen from 19 per cent to 28 per cent. The rate rose between 2002/03 and 2007/08 and has been broadly steady since then.
- The biggest difference in sanction detection rates between 2002/03 and 2010/11 was for violence against the person. The rate in 2002/03 was 36 per cent and peaked at 49 per cent in 2007/08 before falling back to 44 per cent in 2010/11. The rise can partly be accounted for by the national introduction of PNDs in 2004/05. At the time of peak usage of PNDs in 2006/07 and 2007/08, these disposals made a seven percentage point contribution to the overall detection rate for violence against the person (Table 4).
- Detection rates for drugs and ‘Other offences’ have remained relatively high since 2002/03. This reflects the fact that many of these offences come to light as a result of an offender being apprehended.

Compared with 2002/03, sanction detection rates were higher in 2010/11 for all the main offence groups with the exception of sexual offences (down by two percentage points) and ‘Other offences’ (down by one percentage point). The Sexual Offences Act 2003, introduced in May 2004, altered the definitions of sexual offences and may have influenced the detection rate. Within sexual offences, sanction detection rates for the rape of a female were down six percentage points when comparing 2002/03 with 2010/11. Rape offences are known to be under-reported and steps are being taken to encourage more victims to report offences. Additionally, over the past two years forces have reported taking some additional steps to improve their recording of rape and other sexual offences.

## 2.6 TRENDS IN METHODS OF DETECTION

Figure 2.3 shows the shift away from non-sanction detections as a result of the new rules in 2007/08, which significantly limited the occasions for which such disposals could be applied. Several forces had already made the decision to move away from non-sanction detection even prior to the formal change in rules. The largest proportion of disposal method by sanction detection is accounted for by a charge or summons followed by cautions. The chart also illustrates the increase in the issuing of PNDs and Cannabis Warnings since their introduction nationally in 2004/05, although both of these methods have showed decreases since 2007/08 (see Table 3 for further detail).

Figure 2.3 Detection rates by method, England and Wales, 2002/03 to 2010/11



The proportion of offences detected by charge or summons in 2010/11 was 16 per cent compared with 13 per cent in 2002/03, while the detection rate by cautions was 6 per cent in 2010/11 compared with 4 per cent in 2002/03. The shift in the use of non-sanction detection is also illustrated (from a 5% detection rate in 2002/03 to 0.2% in 2009/10) (Table 3).

Table 4 shows the number of detections and the detection rate by offence group and method of detection between 2005/06 and 2010/11. The proportion of offences detected by charge or summons remained stable for the majority of the main offence groups. Notable exceptions were the charge or summons detection rates for violence against the person offences, which increased from 25 per cent in 2005/06 to 29 per cent in 2010/11 and robbery, which rose from 16 per cent in 2005/06 to 19 per cent in 2010/11.

While the overall sanction detection rate for drug offences was 94 per cent in 2010/11, there have been considerable changes in the method of detection in recent years, in part reflecting changes to police powers over time.

- The proportion of drug offences dealt with by the issue of a caution fell from 23 per cent in 2005/06 to 18 per cent in 2010/11.
- The use of Cannabis Warnings increased from their introduction in 2004/05 to a peak in 2007/08 when 45 per cent of all drug offences were detected by this method. Since then the use of Cannabis Warnings has fallen to 35 per cent in 2010/11.
- PNDs for cannabis possession have been available since January 2009 and in 2009/10, 13,490 were issued. This figure has risen to 14,750 in 2010/11 and is thought to have contributed to the fall in Cannabis Warnings issued.

Table 1 Sanction detection rates by individual offence, 2009/10 and 2010/11<sup>1,2,3</sup>

Numbers and percentages		England and Wales, Recorded crime							
		2009/10			2010/11			% point change in sanction detection rate between 2009/10 and 2010/11 <sup>6</sup>	
Offence		Number of offences <sup>4</sup>	Number of sanction detections	Sanction detection rate % <sup>5</sup>	Number of offences <sup>4</sup>	Number of sanction detections	Sanction detection rate % <sup>5</sup>		
1	Murder								
4.1	Manslaughter	} Homicide	618	533	86	642	530	83	-4
4.2	Infanticide								
2	Attempted murder		591	432	73	525	415	79	6
4.3	Intentional destruction of viable unborn child		3	0	-	3	2	-	-
4.4	Causing death by dangerous driving		296	268	91	209	202	97	6
4.6	Causing death by careless driving when under the influence of drink or drugs		36	32	-	25	29	-	-
4.8	Causing death by careless or inconsiderate driving		188	169	90	170	182	107	17
5A	Inflicting grievous bodily harm (GBH) with intent		22,792	10,908	48	19,474	9,897	51	3
5B	Use of substance or object to endanger life		416	158	38	372	143	38	0
5C	Possession of items to endanger life		331	133	40	328	121	37	-3
8F	Inflicting grievous bodily harm (GBH) without intent		16,483	6,521	40	15,117	6,190	41	1
8H	Racially or religiously aggravated inflicting GBH without intent		224	85	38	188	92	49	11
37.1	Causing death by aggravated vehicle taking		5	2	-	14	10	-	-
4.7	Causing or allowing death of a child or vulnerable person		3	1	-	6	3	-	-
4.9	Causing death by driving: unlicensed drivers, etc.		15	19	-	6	6	-	-
4.10	Corporate manslaughter		1	1	-	2	0	-	-
8G	Actual bodily harm (ABH) and other injury		355,968	139,942	39	328,474	130,264	40	0
8J	Racially or religiously aggravated ABH and other injury		3,521	1,529	43	2,982	1,362	46	2
8K	Poisoning or female genital mutilation		138	25	18	110	18	16	-2
<b>Violence against the person – with injury</b>			<b>401,629</b>	<b>160,758</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>368,647</b>	<b>149,466</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>-1</b>
3A	Conspiracy to murder		45	28	-	36	21	-	-
3B	Threats to kill		9,525	3,119	33	9,497	3,333	35	2
6	Endangering railway passengers		231	29	13	257	39	15	3
7	Endangering life at sea		6	4	-	4	2	-	-
10A	Possession of firearms with intent		1,586	791	50	1,381	735	53	3
10C	Possession of other weapons		11,953	10,834	91	10,536	9,344	89	-2
10D	Possession of article with blade or point		10,888	10,019	92	10,450	9,668	93	0
8L	Harassment		52,962	13,605	26	51,200	15,769	31	5
9A	Public fear, alarm or distress		126,604	88,544	70	114,753	78,164	68	-2
8M	Racially or religiously aggravated harassment		2,370	912	38	1,968	729	37	-1
9B	Racially or religiously aggravated public fear, alarm or distress		23,227	10,752	46	20,958	9,944	47	1
11	Cruelty to and neglect of children		6,611	3,562	54	6,084	3,392	56	2
12	Abandoning a child under the age of two years		9	9	-	6	3	-	-
13	Child abduction		559	203	36	552	213	39	2
14	Procuring illegal abortion		3	1	-	5	3	-	-
104	Assault without injury on a constable		15,781	14,375	91	15,513	14,265	92	1
105A	Assault without injury		203,102	67,982	33	206,052	68,457	33	0
105B	Racially or religiously aggravated assault without injury		4,328	1,821	42	4,058	1,828	45	3
<b>Violence against the person – without injury</b>			<b>469,790</b>	<b>226,590</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>453,310</b>	<b>215,909</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>-1</b>
<b>TOTAL VIOLENCE AGAINST THE PERSON OFFENCES</b>			<b>871,419</b>	<b>387,348</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>821,957</b>	<b>365,375</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>0</b>

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Numbers and percentages			England and Wales, Recorded crime					
			2009/10			2010/11		
Offence	Number of offences <sup>4</sup>	Number of sanction detections	Sanction detection rate % <sup>5</sup>	Number of offences <sup>4</sup>	Number of sanction detections	Sanction detection rate % <sup>5</sup>		
17A	Sexual assault on a male aged 13 and over	1,208	314	26	1,287	359	28	2
17B	Sexual assault on a male child under 13	1,054	347	33	1,125	356	32	-1
19C	Rape of a female aged 16 and over	9,038	1,781	20	9,509	1,720	18	-2
19D	Rape of a female child under 16	2,909	843	29	2,880	833	29	0
19E	Rape of a female child under 13	1,964	801	41	2,235	915	41	0
	<b>Rape of a female</b>	<b>13,911</b>	<b>3,425</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>14,624</b>	<b>3,468</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>-1</b>
19F	Rape of a male aged 16 and over	368	71	19	392	51	13	-6
19G	Rape of a male child under 16	241	95	39	247	93	38	-2
19H	Rape of a male child under 13	564	206	37	671	257	38	2
	<b>Rape of a male</b>	<b>1,173</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>1,310</b>	<b>401</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>-1</b>
20A	Sexual assault on a female aged 13 and over	15,694	4,218	27	16,358	4,475	27	0
20B	Sexual assault on a female child under 13	4,149	1,451	35	4,301	1,609	37	2
21	Sexual activity involving a child under 13	1,819	613	34	1,773	648	37	3
22B	Sexual activity involving a child under 16	3,986	1,348	34	4,033	1,409	35	1
22A	Causing sexual activity without consent	129	31	24	167	46	28	4
70	Sexual activity, etc. with a person with a mental disorder	124	42	34	129	48	37	3
71	Abuse of children through prostitution and pornography	134	58	43	152	69	45	2
72	Trafficking for sexual exploitation	58	35	60	67	18	27	-33
	<b>Most serious sexual crime</b>	<b>43,439</b>	<b>12,254</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>45,326</b>	<b>12,906</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>0</b>
23	Incest or familial sexual offences	1,111	422	38	808	320	40	2
24	Exploitation of prostitution	148	101	68	153	102	67	-2
27	Soliciting for the purposes of prostitution	1,190	1,077	91	826	824	100	9
73	Abuse of position of trust of a sexual nature	185	91	49	146	92	63	14
88A	Sexual grooming	397	152	38	310	124	40	2
88C	Other miscellaneous sexual offences	354	97	27	199	62	31	4
88D	Unnatural sexual offences	15	10	-	12	10	-	-
88E	Exposure and voyeurism	7,516	2,033	27	7,202	2,025	28	1
	<b>Other sexual offences</b>	<b>10,916</b>	<b>3,983</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>9,656</b>	<b>3,559</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>TOTAL SEXUAL OFFENCES</b>	<b>54,355</b>	<b>16,237</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>54,982</b>	<b>16,465</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>0</b>
34A	Robbery of business property	8,182	2,363	29	7,727	2,233	29	0
34B	Robbery of personal property	66,923	13,019	19	68,452	13,451	20	0
	<b>TOTAL ROBBERY OFFENCES</b>	<b>75,105</b>	<b>15,382</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>76,179</b>	<b>15,684</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0</b>



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Numbers and percentages			England and Wales, Recorded crime					% point change in sanction detection rate between 2009/10 and 2010/11 <sup>6</sup>
			2009/10			2010/11		
Offence	Number of offences <sup>4</sup>	Number of sanction detections	Sanction detection rate % <sup>5</sup>	Number of offences <sup>4</sup>	Number of sanction detections	Sanction detection rate % <sup>5</sup>		
28A Burglary in a dwelling	214,892	37,019	17	208,469	38,154	18	1	
28B Attempted burglary in a dwelling	44,707	3,850	9	42,292	4,135	10	1	
28C Distraction burglary in a dwelling	6,936	931	13	5,480	1,017	19	5	
28D Attempted distraction burglary in a dwelling	722	133	18	544	115	21	3	
29 Aggravated burglary in a dwelling	1,353	490	36	1,363	487	36	0	
<b>Total burglary in a dwelling</b>	<b>268,610</b>	<b>42,423</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>258,148</b>	<b>43,908</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1</b>	
30A Burglary in a building other than a dwelling	236,028	24,336	10	230,839	23,514	10	0	
30B Attempted burglary in a building other than a dwelling	35,870	1,982	6	33,518	1,893	6	0	
31 Aggravated burglary in a building other than a dwelling	152	47	31	135	50	37	6	
<b>Total burglary in a building other than a dwelling</b>	<b>272,050</b>	<b>26,365</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>264,492</b>	<b>25,457</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	
<b>TOTAL BURGLARY OFFENCES</b>	<b>540,660</b>	<b>68,788</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>522,640</b>	<b>69,365</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>1</b>	
37.2 Aggravated vehicle taking	8,000	4,577	57	6,951	3,934	57	-1	
45 Theft from a vehicle	339,188	29,341	9	313,474	29,610	9	1	
48 Theft or unauthorised taking of motor vehicle	109,687	15,165	14	99,277	13,388	13	0	
126 Interfering with a motor vehicle	38,019	3,391	9	29,979	2,825	9	1	
<b>TOTAL OFFENCES AGAINST VEHICLES</b>	<b>494,894</b>	<b>52,474</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>449,681</b>	<b>49,757</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	
38 Profiting from or concealing knowledge of the proceeds of crime	2,609	1,853	71	2,312	1,850	80	9	
39 Theft from the person	92,247	3,285	4	92,924	3,420	4	0	
40 Theft in a dwelling other than from automatic machine or meter	53,339	7,876	15	54,825	8,011	15	0	
41 Theft by an employee	13,170	7,056	54	12,137	6,387	53	-1	
42 Theft of mail	3,099	181	6	2,793	155	6	0	
43 Dishonest use of electricity	1,736	1,219	70	1,858	1,321	71	1	
44 Theft or unauthorised taking of a pedal cycle	109,846	5,656	5	108,969	5,821	5	0	
46 Shoplifting	307,824	189,181	61	305,905	178,055	58	-3	
47 Theft from automatic machine or meter	7,753	1,359	18	6,216	983	16	-2	
49 Other theft or unauthorised taking	436,248	24,553	6	481,659	27,466	6	0	
54 Handling stolen goods	9,454	8,897	94	9,129	8,502	93	-1	
<b>TOTAL OTHER THEFT OFFENCES</b>	<b>1,037,325</b>	<b>251,116</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1,078,727</b>	<b>241,971</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>-2</b>	
51 Fraud by company director	85	39	46	208	191	92	46	
52 False accounting	155	58	37	108	93	86	49	
53B Preserved other fraud and repealed fraud offences (pre-Fraud Act 2006)	74,064	8,627	12	69,752	7,709	11		
53C Fraud by false representation: cheque, plastic card and online accounts	27,122	8,166	30	24,909	7,132	29	-1	
53D Fraud by false representation: other frauds	39,619	12,869	32	42,561	14,200	33	1	
53E Fraud by failing to disclose information	365	269	74	338	255	75	2	
53F Fraud by abuse of position	1,160	883	76	1,032	679	66	-10	
53G Obtaining services dishonestly	1,042	477	46	..	..	..	..	
53H Making or supplying articles for use in fraud	862	184	21	973	136	14	-7	
53J Possession of articles for use in fraud	1,564	1,077	69	1,546	1,100	71	2	

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		2009/10			2010/11			
Offence		Number of offences <sup>4</sup>	Number of sanction detections	Sanction detection rate % <sup>5</sup>	Number of offences <sup>4</sup>	Number of sanction detections	Sanction detection rate % <sup>5</sup>	
55	Bankruptcy and insolvency offences	13	9	-	9	6	-	-
60	Forgery or use of false drug prescription	343	222	65	298	176	59	-6
61	Other forgery	2,526	1,213	48	1,620	783	48	0
61A	Possession of false documents	2,263	2,059	91	1,758	1,508	86	-5
814	Vehicle/driver document fraud	1,058	888	84	729	628	86	2
<b>TOTAL FRAUD AND FORGERY OFFENCES</b>		<b>152,241</b>	<b>37,040</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>145,841</b>	<b>34,596</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>-1</b>
56A	Arson endangering life	3,623	1,027	28	3,324	1,028	31	3
56B	Arson not endangering life	28,957	1,898	7	25,789	1,824	7	1
58A	Criminal damage to a dwelling	198,623	30,399	15	172,922	27,134	16	0
58B	Criminal damage to a building other than a dwelling	88,687	17,012	19	75,686	14,949	20	1
58C	Criminal damage to a vehicle	336,924	32,169	10	289,048	27,243	9	0
58D	Other criminal damage	140,584	23,509	17	125,743	21,532	17	0
58E	Racially or religiously aggravated criminal damage to a dwelling	849	130	15	640	105	16	1
58F	Racially or religiously aggravated criminal damage to a building other than a dwelling	663	173	26	535	172	32	6
58G	Racially or religiously aggravated criminal damage to a vehicle	1,135	309	27	866	241	28	1
58H	Racially or religiously aggravated other criminal damage	606	135	22	537	137	26	3
59	Threat etc. to commit criminal damage	5,996	1,713	29	5,913	1,865	32	3
<b>TOTAL CRIMINAL DAMAGE OFFENCES</b>		<b>806,647</b>	<b>108,474</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>701,003</b>	<b>96,230</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>TOTAL PROPERTY CRIME</b>		<b>3,031,767</b>	<b>517,892</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>2,897,892</b>	<b>491,919</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0</b>
92A	Trafficking in controlled drugs	33,234	28,724	86	32,069	28,727	90	3
92C	Other drug offences	1,122	1,023	91	1,135	1,073	95	3
92D	Possession of controlled drugs (excluding cannabis)	38,442	37,003	96	38,473	37,161	97	0
92E	Possession of controlled drugs (cannabis)	162,798	154,454	95	160,539	150,309	94	-1
<b>TOTAL DRUG OFFENCES</b>		<b>235,596</b>	<b>221,204</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>232,216</b>	<b>217,270</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>0</b>
10B	Possession of firearms offences	4,072	3,495	86	3,610	3,305	92	6
81	Other firearms offences	252	212	84	251	210	84	0
15	Concealing an infant death close to birth	6	3	-	9	6	-	-
26	Bigamy	60	39	65	44	33	75	10
33	Going equipped for stealing, etc.	3,655	2,908	80	4,113	3,304	80	1
35	Blackmail	1,452	330	23	1,494	356	24	1
36	Kidnapping	1,860	764	41	1,720	746	43	2
62	Treason	0	0	-	0	0	-	-
63	Treason felony	0	0	-	0	0	-	-
64	Riot	0	0	-	1	1	-	-
65	Violent disorder	859	539	63	702	425	61	-2
66	Other offences against the State or public order	37,574	26,124	70	36,583	25,241	69	-1
67	Perjury	184	136	74	338	279	83	9
68	Libel	0	0	-	4	0	-	-

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	Number of offences <sup>4</sup>	Number of sanction detections	Sanction detection rate % <sup>5</sup>	Number of offences <sup>4</sup>	Number of sanction detections	Sanction detection rate % <sup>5</sup>	
69 Offender Management Act offences	533	331	62	516	384	74	12
75 Betting, gaming and lotteries	21	20	-	13	6	-	-
76 Aiding suicide	17	1	-	7	0	-	-
78 Immigration offences	411	353	86	444	350	79	-7
79 Perverting the course of justice	7,997	4,282	54	6,895	3,709	54	0
80 Absconding from lawful custody	557	450	81	498	420	84	4
82 Customs and revenue offences	10	8	-	3	4	-	-
83 Bail offences	4	2	-	6	5	-	-
84 Trade descriptions, etc.	809	727	90	481	428	89	-1
85 Health and safety offences	6	2	-	2	1	-	-
86 Obscene publications etc.	3,211	2,446	76	3,291	2,660	81	5
87 Protection from eviction	81	10	12	73	9	12	0
89 Adulteration of food	4	4	-	8	4	-	-
90 Other knives offences	13	11	-	0	1	-	-
91 Public health offences	488	36	7	397	33	8	1
94 Planning laws	0	1	-	1	1	-	-
95 Disclosure, obstruction, false or misleading statements, etc.	426	382	90	341	300	88	-2
99 Other notifiable or triable-either-way offences	1,629	1,059	65	1,561	912	58	-7
802 Dangerous driving	3,939	3,641	92	3,465	3,205	92	0
<b>TOTAL OTHER MISCELLANEOUS OFFENCES</b>	<b>70,130</b>	<b>48,316</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>66,871</b>	<b>46,338</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>TOTAL RECORDED CRIME – ALL OFFENCES</b>	<b>4,338,372</b>	<b>1,206,379</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>4,150,097</b>	<b>1,153,051</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>0</b>

1. Offences detected in the current year may have been initially recorded in an earlier year and for this reason some percentages may exceed 100.

2. Numbers of recorded crimes and percentages will be affected by changes in reporting and recording.

3. Some forces have revised their 2008/09 data and totals may not agree with those previously published.

4. Total recorded crime whether detected or not.

5. The number of crimes that are cleared up by a sanction detection divided by the total number of recorded offences.

6. Percentage point change based on unrounded figures.

- Indicates that data are not reported because the base number of offences is less than 50.

**Table 2 Sanction detection rates by offence group and selected offence types, 2002/03 to 2010/11 and percentage point change between 2009/10 and 2010/11**

Percentages Offence	England and Wales, Recorded crime									
	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	% point change 2009/10 to 2010/11 <sup>1</sup>
Violence against the person – with injury	34	32	32	38	39	41	41	40	41	1
Violence against the person – without injury	37	34	40	47	53	55	53	48	48	-1
<b>Total violence against the person</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>0</b>
Most serious sexual crime <i>of which:</i>	31	29	27	29	28	28	30	28	28	0
Sexual assault on a female	30	28	27	29	28	28	30	29	29	1
Rape of a female	30	26	25	25	25	25	26	25	24	-1
Other sexual offences	34	33	32	35	35	38	38	36	37	0
<b>Total sexual offences</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total robbery</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0</b>
Burglary in a dwelling	13	14	14	16	17	16	16	16	17	1
Burglary in a building other than a dwelling	10	10	10	10	11	11	11	10	10	0
<b>Total burglary</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>1</b>
Theft of a motor vehicle	13	13	14	14	15	16	17	17	16	0
Theft from a vehicle	6	6	7	8	9	9	10	9	9	1
Interfering with a motor vehicle	6	6	7	8	9	9	9	9	9	1
<b>Total offences against vehicles</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Other theft offences</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>-2</b>
<b>Fraud and forgery</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>-1</b>
<b>Criminal damage</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Drug offences</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Other offences</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>0</b>

1. Percentage point change based on unrounded figures.

**Table 3 Number of detections and detection rates by method of detection, 2002/03 to 2010/11**

<b>England and Wales, Recorded crime</b>										
Method of detection	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	
<i>Number of detections</i>										
Charge/summons	802,469	783,056	717,691	725,375	693,808	674,307	698,464	666,946	675,090	1.2
Cautions	213,020	225,405	249,390	310,934	357,898	358,295	319,161	269,732	236,770	-12.2
TICs <sup>1</sup>	111,541	105,648	106,346	117,579	121,417	107,174	102,046	79,597	74,457	-6.5
PNDs <sup>2,3</sup>	..	3,045	43,526	105,695	139,735	129,018	108,305	102,771	86,076	-16.2
Cannabis Warnings <sup>3</sup>	..	..	40,138	62,586	80,653	103,804	107,241	87,333	80,658	-7.6
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>1,127,030</b>	<b>1,117,154</b>	<b>1,157,091</b>	<b>1,322,169</b>	<b>1,393,511</b>	<b>1,372,598</b>	<b>1,335,217</b>	<b>1,206,379</b>	<b>1,153,051</b>	<b>-4.4</b>
Non-sanction detections <sup>4,5</sup>	273,735	289,311	284,321	193,809	81,904	865	2,906	6,834	6,934	1.5
<b>All detections</b>	<b>1,400,765</b>	<b>1,406,465</b>	<b>1,441,412</b>	<b>1,515,978</b>	<b>1,475,415</b>	<b>1,373,463</b>	<b>1,338,123</b>	<b>1,213,213</b>	<b>1,159,985</b>	<b>-4.4</b>
<b>Total number of offences<sup>6</sup></b>	<b>5,974,960</b>	<b>6,013,759</b>	<b>5,637,511</b>	<b>5,555,172</b>	<b>5,427,558</b>	<b>4,952,276</b>	<b>4,702,698</b>	<b>4,338,372</b>	<b>4,150,097</b>	<b>-4.3</b>
<i>Detection rates<sup>7</sup></i>										
Charge/summons	13.4	13.0	12.7	13.1	12.8	13.6	14.9	15.4	16.3	0.9
Cautions	3.6	3.7	4.4	5.6	6.6	7.2	6.8	6.2	5.7	-0.5
TICs <sup>1</sup>	1.9	1.8	1.9	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.2	1.8	1.8	0.0
PNDs <sup>2,3</sup>	..	0.1	0.8	1.9	2.6	2.6	2.3	2.4	2.1	-0.3
Cannabis Warnings <sup>3</sup>	..	..	0.7	1.1	1.5	2.1	2.3	2.0	1.9	-0.1
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>18.9</b>	<b>18.6</b>	<b>20.5</b>	<b>23.8</b>	<b>25.7</b>	<b>27.7</b>	<b>28.4</b>	<b>27.8</b>	<b>27.8</b>	<b>0.0</b>
Non-sanction detections <sup>4,5</sup>	4.6	4.8	5.0	3.5	1.5	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.0
<b>All detections</b>	<b>23.4</b>	<b>23.4</b>	<b>25.6</b>	<b>27.3</b>	<b>27.2</b>	<b>27.7</b>	<b>28.5</b>	<b>28.0</b>	<b>28.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

1. Offences asked to be taken into consideration by a court.

2. Penalty Notices for Disorder (formerly known as fixed penalty notices) were introduced in several forces in 2003/04 and nationally in 2004/05.

3. Cannabis Warnings for possession of cannabis were introduced in 2004/05. Since 26 January 2009, Penalty Notices for Disorder (PNDs) can also be given for an offence of cannabis possession. Up to the end of March 2009 such PNDs were counted in the same category as Cannabis Warnings.

4. Includes data on Youth Restorative Disposals (YRDs) submitted to the Home Office as non-sanction detections in 2010/11 from pilots in eight police force areas (Avon & Somerset, Cumbria, Greater Manchester, Lancashire, Metropolitan, Norfolk, North Wales, Nottinghamshire). The pilot was introduced in 2008/09.

5. From 1 April 2007, new rules governing non-sanction detections significantly limited the occasions for which such administrative disposals can be applied.

6. Total recorded crime whether detected or not.

7. The number of crimes that are cleared up by a detection divided by the total number of recorded offences.

.. Not available.

**Table 4 Detections by offence group and method of detection, 2005/06 to 2010/11**

**Violence against the person**

Method of detection	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11
<i>Number of detections</i>						
Charge/summons	259,956	254,443	245,298	247,172	240,807	240,304
Cautions	125,382	155,887	154,732	131,074	110,647	97,392
TICs <sup>1</sup>	528	603	546	311	241	194
PNDs <sup>2</sup>	63,065	74,948	66,276	47,973	35,653	27,485
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>448,931</b>	<b>485,881</b>	<b>466,852</b>	<b>426,530</b>	<b>387,348</b>	<b>365,375</b>
Non-sanction detections	119,587	45,562	282	928	2,384	2,505
<b>All detections</b>	<b>568,518</b>	<b>531,443</b>	<b>467,134</b>	<b>427,458</b>	<b>389,732</b>	<b>367,880</b>
<b>Total recorded offences</b>	<b>1,059,583</b>	<b>1,046,167</b>	<b>961,431</b>	<b>903,477</b>	<b>871,419</b>	<b>821,957</b>
<i>Detection rate (%)</i>						
Charge/summons	25	24	26	27	28	29
Cautions	12	15	16	15	13	12
TICs <sup>1</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0
PNDs <sup>2</sup>	6	7	7	5	4	3
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>44</b>
Non-sanction detections	11	4	0	0	0	0
<b>All detections</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>45</b>

**Sexual offences**

Method of detection	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11
<i>Number of detections</i>						
Charge/summons	15,453	13,863	13,136	13,254	13,689	14,103
Cautions	2,872	2,985	2,972	2,743	2,455	2,264
TICs <sup>1</sup>	740	172	163	146	82	90
PNDs <sup>2</sup>	66	47	19	16	11	8
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>19,131</b>	<b>17,067</b>	<b>16,290</b>	<b>16,159</b>	<b>16,237</b>	<b>16,465</b>
Non-sanction detections	2,411	1,299	110	86	107	109
<b>All detections</b>	<b>21,542</b>	<b>18,366</b>	<b>16,400</b>	<b>16,245</b>	<b>16,344</b>	<b>16,574</b>
<b>Total recorded offences</b>	<b>62,080</b>	<b>57,522</b>	<b>53,566</b>	<b>51,429</b>	<b>54,355</b>	<b>54,982</b>
<i>Detection rate (%)</i>						
Charge/summons	25	24	25	26	25	26
Cautions	5	5	6	5	5	4
TICs <sup>1</sup>	1	0	0	0	0	0
PNDs <sup>2</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>
Non-sanction detections	4	2	0	0	0	0
<b>All detections</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>

**Table 4 (contd) Detections by offence group and method of detection, 2005/06 to 2010/11**

**Robbery**

Method of detection	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11
<i>Number of detections</i>						
Charge/summons	15,452	16,809	15,536	15,459	14,367	14,647
Cautions	715	807	657	555	393	360
TICs <sup>1</sup>	921	936	865	802	622	677
PNDs <sup>2</sup>	13	1	2	0	0	0
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>17,101</b>	<b>18,553</b>	<b>17,060</b>	<b>16,816</b>	<b>15,382</b>	<b>15,684</b>
Non-sanction detections	914	400	51	21	22	13
<b>All detections</b>	<b>18,015</b>	<b>18,953</b>	<b>17,111</b>	<b>16,837</b>	<b>15,404</b>	<b>15,697</b>
<b>Total recorded offences</b>	<b>98,198</b>	<b>101,376</b>	<b>84,773</b>	<b>80,130</b>	<b>75,105</b>	<b>76,179</b>
<i>Detection rate (%)</i>						
Charge/summons	16	17	18	19	19	19
Cautions	1	1	1	1	1	0
TICs <sup>1</sup>	1	1	1	1	1	1
PNDs <sup>2</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
Non-sanction detections	1	0	0	0	0	0
<b>All detections</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>

**Burglary**

Method of detection	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11
<i>Number of detections</i>						
Charge/summons	42,797	40,931	38,480	38,794	36,030	38,010
Cautions	5,731	6,697	5,755	4,881	3,877	3,437
TICs <sup>1</sup>	35,220	37,005	32,689	34,153	28,855	27,901
PNDs <sup>2</sup>	102	76	45	20	26	17
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>83,850</b>	<b>84,709</b>	<b>76,969</b>	<b>77,848</b>	<b>68,788</b>	<b>69,365</b>
Non-sanction detections	4,242	2,347	62	35	63	59
<b>All detections</b>	<b>88,092</b>	<b>87,056</b>	<b>77,031</b>	<b>77,883</b>	<b>68,851</b>	<b>69,424</b>
<b>Total recorded offences</b>	<b>645,068</b>	<b>622,012</b>	<b>583,710</b>	<b>581,584</b>	<b>540,660</b>	<b>522,640</b>
<i>Detection rate (%)</i>						
Charge/summons	7	7	7	7	7	7
Cautions	1	1	1	1	1	1
TICs <sup>1</sup>	5	6	6	6	5	5
PNDs <sup>2</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>
Non-sanction detections	1	0	0	0	0	0
<b>All detections</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>

**Table 4 (contd) Detections by offence group and method of detection, 2005/06 to 2010/11**

**Offences against vehicles**

Method of detection	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11
<i>Number of detections</i>						
Charge/summons	34,216	32,931	29,639	28,974	23,821	23,248
Cautions	7,002	7,710	6,962	6,180	4,774	3,785
TICs <sup>1</sup>	36,196	39,087	34,606	31,876	23,861	22,709
PNDs <sup>2</sup>	72	68	35	29	18	15
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>77,486</b>	<b>79,796</b>	<b>71,242</b>	<b>67,059</b>	<b>52,474</b>	<b>49,757</b>
Non-sanction detections	4,231	2,490	15	24	75	47
<b>All detections</b>	<b>81,717</b>	<b>82,286</b>	<b>71,257</b>	<b>67,083</b>	<b>52,549</b>	<b>49,804</b>
<b>Total recorded offences</b>	<b>792,821</b>	<b>765,015</b>	<b>656,453</b>	<b>591,853</b>	<b>494,894</b>	<b>449,681</b>
<i>Detection rate (%)</i>						
Charge/summons	4	4	5	5	5	5
Cautions	1	1	1	1	1	1
TICs <sup>1</sup>	5	5	5	5	5	5
PNDs <sup>2</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>
Non-sanction detections	1	0	0	0	0	0
<b>All detections</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>

**Other theft offences**

Method of detection	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11
<i>Number of detections</i>						
Charge/summons	142,583	132,620	134,374	147,202	137,791	145,041
Cautions	63,077	66,936	64,810	60,277	53,302	44,302
TICs <sup>1</sup>	19,275	20,782	19,238	19,390	15,785	14,985
PNDs <sup>2</sup>	26,062	40,593	43,098	45,796	44,238	37,643
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>250,997</b>	<b>260,931</b>	<b>261,520</b>	<b>272,665</b>	<b>251,116</b>	<b>241,971</b>
Non-sanction detections	21,438	10,018	111	1,086	2,511	2,603
<b>All detections</b>	<b>272,435</b>	<b>270,949</b>	<b>261,631</b>	<b>273,751</b>	<b>253,627</b>	<b>244,574</b>
<b>Total recorded offences</b>	<b>1,226,192</b>	<b>1,180,802</b>	<b>1,121,186</b>	<b>1,080,003</b>	<b>1,037,325</b>	<b>1,078,727</b>
<i>Detection rate (%)</i>						
Charge/summons	12	11	12	14	13	13
Cautions	5	6	6	6	5	4
TICs <sup>1</sup>	2	2	2	2	2	1
PNDs <sup>2</sup>	2	3	4	4	4	3
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>22</b>
Non-sanction detections	2	1	0	0	0	0
<b>All detections</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>23</b>



**Table 4 (contd) Detections by offence group and method of detection, 2005/06 to 2010/11**

**Fraud and forgery**

Method of detection	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11
<i>Number of detections</i>						
Charge/summons	36,952	29,972	26,314	27,429	23,724	23,708
Cautions	9,727	10,405	10,639	9,173	7,622	6,636
TICs <sup>1</sup>	17,087	13,523	10,784	8,531	5,563	4,168
PNDs <sup>2</sup>	172	166	75	108	131	84
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>63,938</b>	<b>54,066</b>	<b>47,812</b>	<b>45,241</b>	<b>37,040</b>	<b>34,596</b>
Non-sanction detections	3,775	1,836	27	77	126	190
<b>All detections</b>	<b>67,713</b>	<b>55,902</b>	<b>47,839</b>	<b>45,318</b>	<b>37,166</b>	<b>34,786</b>
<b>Total recorded offences</b>	<b>232,774</b>	<b>199,652</b>	<b>155,439</b>	<b>163,159</b>	<b>152,241</b>	<b>145,841</b>
<i>Detection rate (%)</i>						
Charge/summons	16	15	17	17	16	16
Cautions	4	5	7	6	5	5
TICs <sup>1</sup>	7	7	7	5	4	3
PNDs <sup>2</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>24</b>
Non-sanction detections	2	1	0	0	0	0
<b>All detections</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>24</b>

**Criminal damage**

Method of detection	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11
<i>Number of detections</i>						
Charge/summons	75,544	72,189	66,687	65,404	59,533	57,927
Cautions	47,782	55,850	54,889	46,509	35,663	28,813
TICs <sup>1</sup>	6,961	8,693	7,671	6,374	4,251	3,446
PNDs <sup>2</sup>	14,618	22,485	18,814	13,097	9,027	6,044
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>144,905</b>	<b>159,217</b>	<b>148,061</b>	<b>131,384</b>	<b>108,474</b>	<b>96,230</b>
Non-sanction detections	28,717	13,157	92	576	1,304	1,212
<b>All detections</b>	<b>173,622</b>	<b>172,374</b>	<b>148,153</b>	<b>131,960</b>	<b>109,778</b>	<b>97,442</b>
<b>Total recorded offences</b>	<b>1,184,349</b>	<b>1,185,040</b>	<b>1,036,356</b>	<b>936,361</b>	<b>806,647</b>	<b>701,003</b>
<i>Detection rate (%)</i>						
Charge/summons	6	6	6	7	7	8
Cautions	4	5	5	5	4	4
TICs <sup>1</sup>	1	1	1	1	1	0
PNDs <sup>2</sup>	1	2	2	1	1	1
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
Non-sanction detections	2	1	0	0	0	0
<b>All detections</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>

**Table 4 (contd) Detections by offence group and method of detection, 2005/06 to 2010/11**

**Drug offences**

Method of detection	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11
<i>Number of detections</i>						
Charge/summons	59,506	58,832	65,153	72,967	76,637	79,211
Cautions	41,550	41,647	48,013	49,418	43,534	42,690
TICs <sup>1</sup>	336	399	429	262	210	141
PNDs <sup>2</sup>	446	396	358	1,037	13,490	14,570
Cannabis Warnings	62,586	80,653	103,804	107,241	87,333	80,658
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>164,424</b>	<b>181,927</b>	<b>217,757</b>	<b>230,925</b>	<b>221,204</b>	<b>217,270</b>
Non-sanction detections	5,938	3,180	50	41	182	132
<b>All detections</b>	<b>170,362</b>	<b>185,107</b>	<b>217,807</b>	<b>230,966</b>	<b>221,386</b>	<b>217,402</b>
<b>Total recorded offences</b>	<b>178,479</b>	<b>194,233</b>	<b>229,913</b>	<b>243,536</b>	<b>235,596</b>	<b>232,216</b>
<i>Detection rate (%)</i>						
Charge/summons	33	30	28	30	33	34
Cautions	23	21	21	20	18	18
TICs <sup>1</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0
PNDs <sup>2</sup>	0	0	0	0	6	6
Cannabis Warnings <sup>3</sup>	35	42	45	44	37	35
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>94</b>
Non-sanction detections	3	2	0	0	0	0
<b>All detections</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>94</b>

**Other offences**

Method of detection	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11
<i>Number of detections</i>						
Charge/summons	42,916	41,218	39,690	41,809	40,547	38,891
Cautions	7,096	8,974	8,866	8,351	7,465	7,091
TICs <sup>1</sup>	315	217	183	201	127	146
PNDs <sup>2</sup>	1,079	955	296	229	177	210
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>51,406</b>	<b>51,364</b>	<b>49,035</b>	<b>50,590</b>	<b>48,316</b>	<b>46,338</b>
Non-sanction detections	2,556	1,615	65	32	60	64
<b>All detections</b>	<b>53,962</b>	<b>52,979</b>	<b>49,100</b>	<b>50,622</b>	<b>48,376</b>	<b>46,402</b>
<b>Total recorded offences</b>	<b>75,628</b>	<b>75,739</b>	<b>69,449</b>	<b>71,166</b>	<b>70,130</b>	<b>66,871</b>
<i>Detection rate (%)</i>						
Charge/summons	57	54	57	59	58	58
Cautions	9	12	13	12	11	11
TICs <sup>1</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0
PNDs <sup>2</sup>	1	1	0	0	0	0
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>69</b>
Non-sanction detections	3	2	0	0	0	0
<b>All detections</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>69</b>

**Table 4 (contd) Detections by offence group and method of detection, 2005/06 to 2010/11**

**Total offences**

Method of detection	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11
<i>Number of detections</i>						
Charge/summons	725,375	693,808	674,307	698,464	666,946	675,090
Cautions	310,934	357,898	358,295	319,161	269,732	236,770
TICs <sup>1</sup>	117,579	121,417	107,174	102,046	79,597	74,457
PNDs <sup>2</sup>	105,695	139,735	129,018	108,305	102,771	86,076
Cannabis Warnings	62,586	80,653	103,804	107,241	87,333	80,658
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>1,322,169</b>	<b>1,393,511</b>	<b>1,372,598</b>	<b>1,335,217</b>	<b>1,206,379</b>	<b>1,153,051</b>
Non-sanction detections	193,809	81,904	865	2,906	6,834	6,934
<b>All detections</b>	<b>1,515,978</b>	<b>1,475,415</b>	<b>1,373,463</b>	<b>1,338,123</b>	<b>1,213,213</b>	<b>1,159,985</b>
<b>Total recorded offences</b>	<b>5,555,172</b>	<b>5,427,558</b>	<b>4,952,276</b>	<b>4,702,698</b>	<b>4,338,372</b>	<b>4,150,097</b>
<i>Detection rate (%)</i>						
Charge/summons	13.1	12.8	13.6	14.9	15.4	16.3
Cautions	5.6	6.6	7.2	6.8	6.2	5.7
TICs <sup>1</sup>	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.2	1.8	1.8
PNDs <sup>2</sup>	1.9	2.6	2.6	2.3	2.4	2.1
Cannabis Warnings <sup>3</sup>	1.1	1.5	2.1	2.3	2.0	1.9
<b>Total sanction detections</b>	<b>23.8</b>	<b>25.7</b>	<b>27.7</b>	<b>28.4</b>	<b>27.8</b>	<b>27.8</b>
Non-sanction detections	3.5	1.5	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.2
<b>All detections</b>	<b>27.3</b>	<b>27.2</b>	<b>27.7</b>	<b>28.5</b>	<b>28.0</b>	<b>28.0</b>

1. Offences asked to be taken into consideration by a court.

2. Penalty Notices for Disorder (formerly known as fixed penalty notices) were introduced in several forces in 2003/04 and nationally in 2004/05.

3. Cannabis Warnings for possession of cannabis were introduced in 2004/05. Since 26 January 2009, Penalty Notices for Disorder (PNDs) can also be given for an offence of cannabis possession. Up to the end of March 2009 such PNDs were counted in the same category as Cannabis Warnings.

## Notes

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Detected crimes are those that have been 'cleared up' by the police. Not every case where the police know, or think they know, who committed a crime can be counted as a detection and some crimes are counted as detected although the victim might not be satisfied with the outcome.

The police may use one of several methods to count a crime as detected and they fall into two categories.

'**Sanction detections**' include offences that are cleared up through a formal sanction, i.e. when an offender has:

- been charged or summonsed;
- been cautioned, reprimanded or given a final warning;
- had an offence taken into consideration;
- received a Penalty Notice for Disorder; or
- received a warning for cannabis possession (those aged 18 and over who are caught in simple possession of cannabis can be eligible for such a warning).

Not all sanction detections will necessarily result in a subsequent conviction. In cases detected by 'charge/summons', the Crown Prosecution Service may not take forward proceedings or the offender might be found not guilty at court.

'**Non-sanction detections**' comprise those where the offence was counted as cleared up but no further action was taken. From 1 April 2007 non-sanction detections can only be claimed for 'indictable-only' offences (those offences that must be tried in a Crown Court) where a Crown Prosecutor is satisfied there is enough evidence to provide a realistic prospect of conviction but has decided not to proceed with the case, or where the case cannot proceed because the offender has died.

The figures for non-sanction detections from 2008/09 also include figures for Youth Restorative Disposals (YRDs) that were piloted across eight police forces. YRDs allow officers to deal with low-level crime and neighbourhood disorder where it is not considered in the public interest to prosecute. The disposal may be offered to young people aged 10 to 17 years inclusive. The process involves a meeting between the offender and the victim, an apology, and may also include additional action to right the wrong caused (for example, a form of community payback).

With effect from 1 April 2011, police forces may submit to the Home Office the number of offences resolved by means of Restorative Justice. This is currently on a voluntary basis but these figures will feature as non-sanction detections in future bulletins.

Detection rates can be affected by a number of factors (see Section 3 of the [User Guide](#) for more information). Care must also be taken when comparing detection data with convictions data published by the Ministry of Justice. The former counts crime while the latter counts individual offenders and there are differences in offence classifications and the criteria used to determine an offence between the two sets of statistics (see Section 3 of the [User Guide](#)).

Further information on counting detections can be found in Section H of the General Counting Rules, which can be accessed at:

<http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/publications/science-research-statistics/research-statistics/crime-research/counting-rules/count-general>

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