

West Mercia Police

Quarterly Performance Monitoring Report

January – March 2023



Purpose

The purpose of this product is to provide a quarterly update to current and emerging performance issues relating to West Mercia.

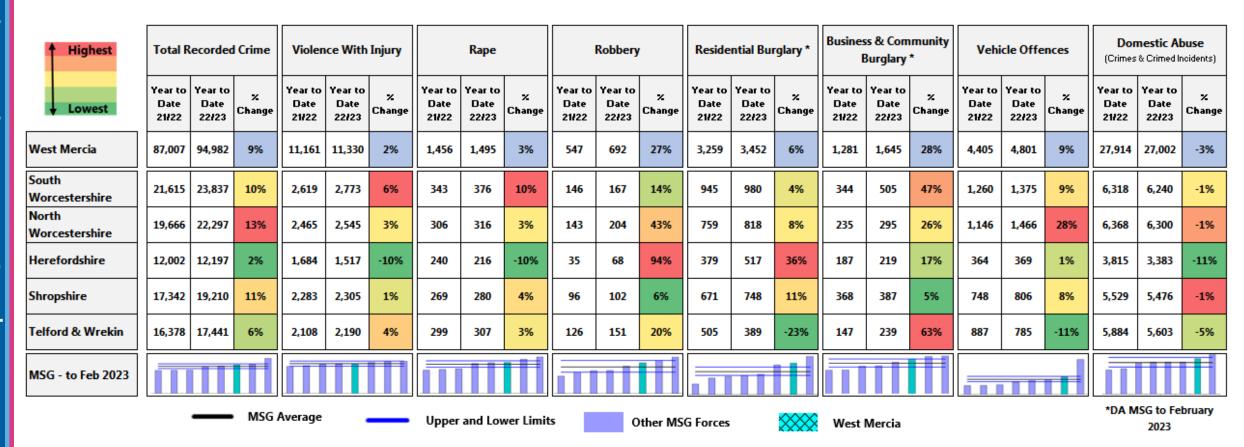
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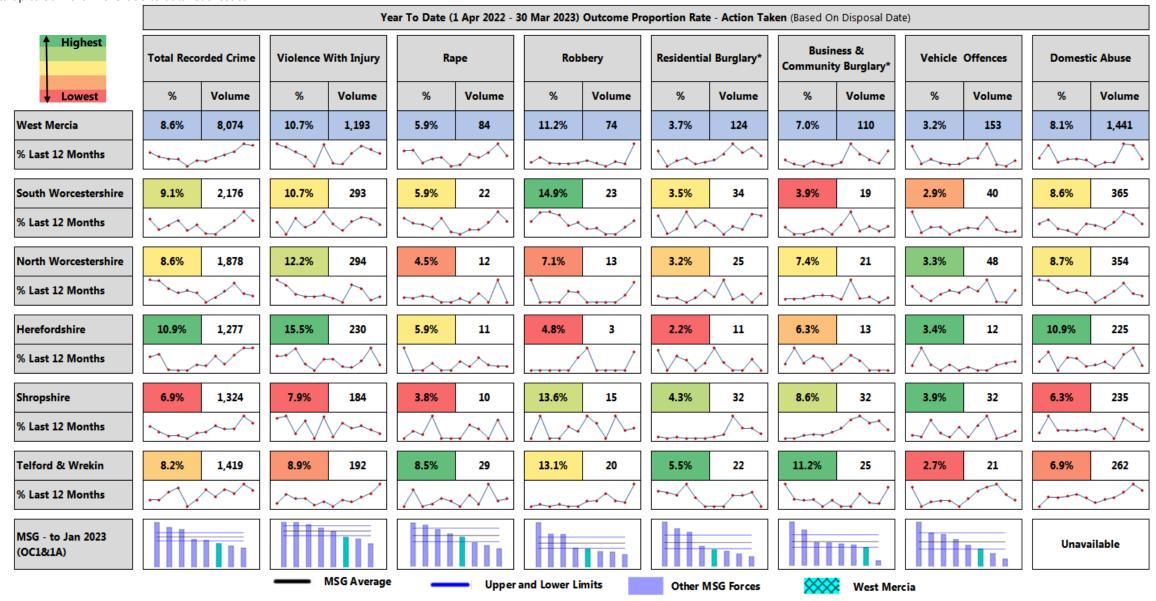




- Year To Date normally runs to last day of the previous month however, data up to 30 March 2023 due to data load issues.
- * National methodology used. This incorporates burglary of a shed or other out building not connected to the main property in to Residential Burglary instead of Business & Community Burglary. This is inline with national reporting practises.
- Local Policing Area total's may not add up to the West Mercia total. This is due to some offences being recorded without a Local Policing Area offence location on Athena.

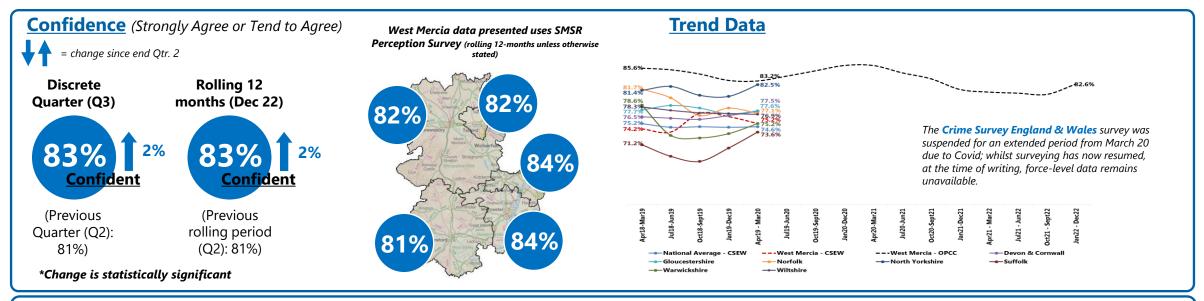
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Key crimes - OC1-8 (minus 5) – Action Taken



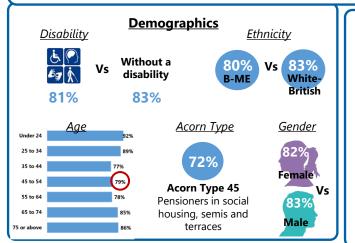
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- MSG analysis for Action Taken is currently under development therefore OC1&1A is shown above. Forces are ordered best to worse left to right.
- Outcome rates have been calculated using LPA Geography **not** OIC Command.
- Action Taken = Charge/Summons, Caution, Taken Into Consideration, Penalty Notice for Disorder, Cannabis Warning, Community Resolution.

1. Public Confidence



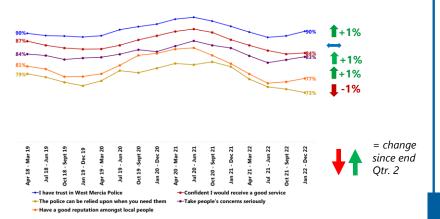
Public Confidence Headlines

- As at end December 22, with a figure of **83%**, the force remains **significantly below the target of 88%**. However, confidence has increased slightly since last quarter (from 81%) (this increase is not statistically significant).
- From the period ending March 2021, despite the uplift seen this quarter, there remains a **statistically significant decline in public confidence** decreasing from 86%.



Public Confidence: Drivers

- From the **period ending June 2021**, there has been a **statistically significant decline in all drivers**.
- The **decline is most marked with the drivers**: 'police can be relied upon to be there when you need them' and 'police have a good reputation amongst local people' **both falling by 8%**.



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2. Public Contact and Call Handling - Emergency Response Times by Grade



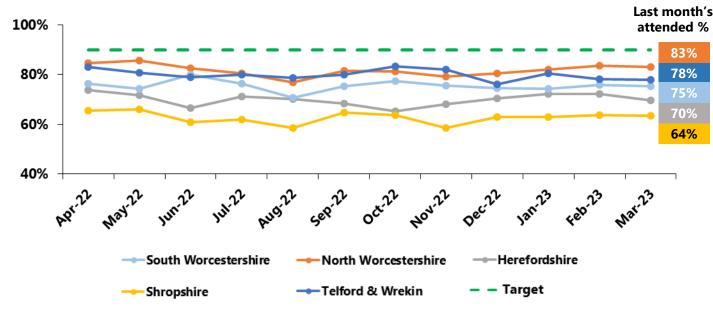


Key Points

- Overall, **75%** within the target last month.
- This is the **same** as the **previous month.**
- The target is currently under review in line with the grading changes made on 03 April 2023.

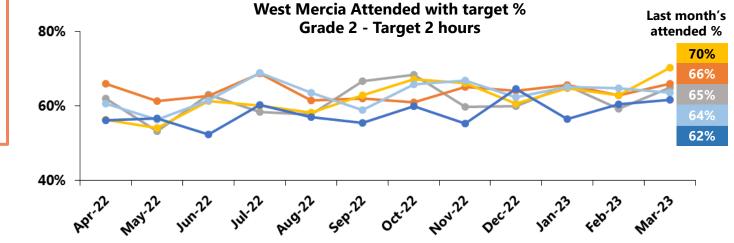
What does this mean?

• Encouragingly Grade 2 median dispatch time .



West Mercia Attended within target %

Grade 1 - Target 20 minutes



999 Performance Target Answering 90% of calls in 10 secs 95% 93% 94% 94% 94% 90% 91% 93% 93% 94% 90% 99% 99% 99% 93% 93% 93% 91% 85% 88% 90% 88% 90% 81%

Key points

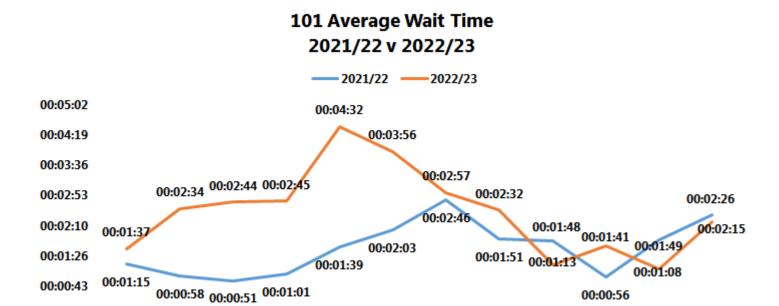
- In March 2023 the OCC observed a 17.0% increase in 999 call demand compared to February 2023 and a 5.2% increase compared to March last year. The increase in demand proportionately follows 999 demand in February to March in 2022.
- 91% of 999 calls were answered within 10 seconds a decrease of 3 percentage points against performance in the previous month, through still within target despite the significant increase in volume. This is **likely driven** by resilience provided by **new Contact Resolution Centre (CRC) police officers** beginning post in March.
- **Performance dipped under 90%** on **five occasions** last month closely mirroring some challenging staffing volumes with average Preferred Staffing Levels falling on average to 79 versus a target of 95.
- 34 calls passed onto buddy forces 27 more than the previous month. Note that Buddy call data has a one month lag.



2. Public Contact and Call Handling 101 Average Wait Time

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Data relates to answered and abandoned calls.

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Key points

- March 2023 wait time was 2 minute 15 seconds, a 1 minute 7 second increase on the previous month; following a trend of decreasing wait times since last summer.
- It is highly probable that this is driven by the increased demand for 999 and 101 calls and the decrease in Switchboard resource.

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Wait time has been gradually decreasing since summer and is mirroring fluctuations recorded in 2022.

3. Road Safety - Killed and Seriously Injured

KSI reporting a month behind going forward due to delay between collisions and data being available.

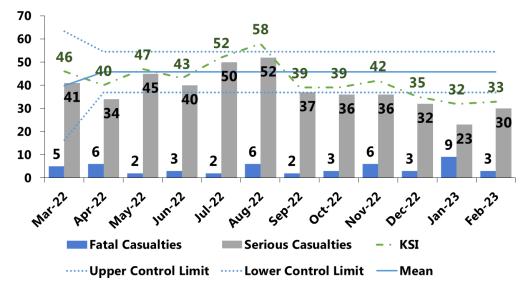
Key Points

- KSI casualties have increased 3% (1) from last month but have been below the lower control limit for the last 3 months.
- KSI collisions have decreased 3% (1) from last month and have been below the lower control limit for the last 2 months.
- YTM 2022/23 Fatal Casualties have decreased by 10% (1) compared to YTM 2021/22.
- YTM 2022/23 Serious Casualties have decreased by 8% (38) compared to YTM 2021/22.
- YTM 2022/23 31% (14) of fatalities are motorcyclists.

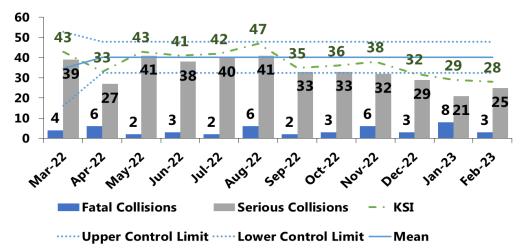
What does this mean?

- 18% (5) of collisions involved a motorcyclist, of which 2 occurred in North **Worcestershire** and **2** in **Herefordshire** in the previous month.
 - There were no repeat locations.
 - There were no repeat days of the week.
- 2 fatal casualties are possible medical episodes at the wheel and 1 is a possible suicide in January 2023. Once this is confirmed they will not be classed as road fatalities.
- The **Department for Transport's** latest report in March 2023 on **road usage** shows that, generally, national road usage is in line with pre Covid-19 levels.
- Therefore it is probable that the increase in fuel costs are not impacting road usage.

KSI Casualties



KSI Collisions



Casualties	YTM 2021/22	YTM 2022/23	% Change
Fatal Casualties	50	45	-10%
Serious Casualties	453	415	-8%

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Collisions	YTM 2021/22	YTM 2022/23	% Change	
Fatal Collisions	46	44	-4%	
Serious Collisions	393	360	-8%	

5. Crime and Detections - Total Recorded Crime - West Mercia

Upper Limit
Value

Lower Limit

Value

Exceeds Upper
Limit

Exceeds Lower
Limit

		Mar-23	Mar-22	Prev 12 Months	Year To Date 22/23	Year To Date 21/22	YTD* % Change 22/23 Vs 21/22	
Total Recorded Crime	7941 6560	7,719	8,090	\sim	94,982	87,007	9%	
Violence With	1023	004	074	\triangle	44 220	44.464	20/	
Injury	838	881	971	, AA/	11,330	11,161	2%	
Violence Without	2489	2,199	2,510	\sim	27,531	26,996	2%	
Injury	2011	2,133	2,310	W	27,331	20,990	2 70	
Rape	158	137	131	MW	1,495	1,456	3%	
Other Sexual	247	231	247	\sim Λ	2,607	2,564	2%	
Offences	180	231	,,	*\ \ \ \	2,007	2,304		
Personal	54	54	47	./\	624	494	26%	
Robbery	28			-V	02 -7	757	2070	
Business	8	11	5	M <i>1</i>	68	53	28%	
Robbery	1	•		W.W		33	20 /0	
Residential Burg	338 205	239	273		3,452	3,259	6%	
Burg - Business	127	142	100	A 1	1.645	1 201	200/	
& Community	86	142	109	W.M.	1,645	1,281	28%	
Vehicle	519	341	422	1 A A	4,801	4,405	9%	
Offences	215	341	422	$\vee_{\mathcal{N}}$	4,001	4,403	3%	
Theft from	46	40	39	MN	488	427	14%	
Person Bicycle Theft	74 29	43	53	1	796	619	29%	

		Mar-23	Mar-22	Prev 12 Months	Year To Date 22/23	Year To Date 21/22	YTD* % Change 22/23 Vs 21/22
Shoplifting	622 390	759	627	\	7,734	6,072	27%
	659 493	721	642	V	8,504	6,915	23%
-	815 644	693	746	M _w	8,985	8,754	3%
Drug Offences	232 127	188	173	W	2,057	2,151	-4%
Possession of Weapons	88 55	85	67	my	1,058	856	24%
Public Order	941 394	789	880	- / \/	9,922	8,010	24%
	155 101	166	148	\sqrt{N}	1,885	1,534	23%
Serious Violence	1051	867	959	/W.	11,160	10,952	2%
Alcohol Related -	611 423	442	523	W	5,737	6,204	-8%
Incidents	24987 17960	19,238	20,428	M	240,368	257,683	-7%
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Mental Health	23	9	14	has	156	159	-2%

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Key Points

- Data is up to 30 March 2023 due to data load issues.
- Most crimes types have increased from the previous month.
- Volumes of Personal Robbery, Business Robbery, Business & Community Burglary,
 Shoplifting, All Other Theft and Misc. Crimes Against Society have exceeded the upper control limit.

5. Crime and Detections - Total Recorded Crime - South Worcestershire

Value	Limit	
Lower Limit Value	Exceeds Lower Limit	

		Mar 2023	Mar 2022	Year To Date	YTD Last Year	YTD % Change	Trend Previous 12 Projected Months 6 Months
Total Recorded Crime	2035	1,922	2,014	23,837	21,615	10%	
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Violence With Injury	167	215	249	2,773	2,619	6%	
Violence Without Injury	555	466	586	6,365	6,363	0%	~~~
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Rape	10	36	35	376	343	10%	
Other Sexual Offences	60	62	55	624	615	1%	
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Personal Robbery	16 5	9	17	149	138	8%	Variable Variable
Business Robbery	3	1	1	18	8	125%	Λ Λ Λ .
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Residential Burglary	130 63	83	74	980	945	4%	~\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\
Business & Community	65	42	31	505	344	47%	M/M
Burglary	32	42	31	303	344	4176	
Vehicle Offences	150 77	69	115	1,375	1,260	9%	
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Theft from Person	4	8	15	147	135	9%	· V hand
Bicycle Theft	34	7	20	242	176	38%	~ M n ~ ~
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Shoplifting	113	211	157	2,068	1,581	31%	
All Other Theft Offences	205	174	181	2,153	1,803	19%	1
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Criminal Damage & Arson	253 1 70	191	158	2,386	2,155	11%	1-1

		Mar 2023	Mar 2022	Year To Date	YTD Last Year	YTD % Change	Trend Previous 12 Months	Projected 6 Months
Drug Offences	65 32	53	47	544	537	1%	\sim	-
Possession of Weapons	23 9	23	13	256	215	19%	\sim	
Public Order Offences	162 85	225	229	2,441	2,034	20%	→	
Misc. Crimes Against Society	39 13	47	31	435	344	26%		

Domestic Abuse	644	503	534	6.240	6,318	-1%	
(Crimes & Crimed Incs.)	442	303	334	0,240	0,510	-170	~
Hate Crime	61	56	45	628	670	-6%	
(Crimes & Crimed Incs.)	23		45	028	670	-0%	
Vulnerable Adults	297	224	282	2.071	2 225	-8%	~~~ / ·
(Crimes & Crimed Incs.)	206	231	282	2,971	3,225	-8%	V ~~~
Child At Risk	463	505	471	5,533	5,195	7%	
(Crimes & Crimed Incs.)	344	505	4/1 5,555	5, 195	1 70		
Child Sexual Exploitatio	26	10	13	148	117	26%	. ~ ^ ^!
(Crimes & Crimed Incs.)	2	10	13	140	117	20%	
Serious Violence	266	212	245	2,731	2,573	6%	
Serious violence	164	414	243	2,731	2,373	0%	

Incidents	7322 5423	4,705	5,219	61,855	65,324	-5%	
Anti Social Behaviour	1130 537	419	435	5,634	9,000	-37%	

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Key Points

- Data is up to 30 March 2023 due to data load issues.
- Volumes of Other Sexual Offences, Shoplifting, Possession of Weapons, Public Order Offences, Misc. Crimes Against Society and Child at Risk (Crimes and Crimed Incs) have exceeded the upper control limit.

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5. Crime and Detections - Total Recorded Crime - North Worcestershire

Upper Limit
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Lower Limit

Lower Limit

Value

Exceeds Upper
Limit

Exceeds Lower
Limit

		Mar 2023	Mar 2022	Year To Date	YTD Last Year	YTD % Change	Trend Previous 12 Months	Projected 6 Months
Total Recorded Crime	1831 1447	1,840	1,817	22,297	19,666	13%	~~~\ ~	~
Violence With Injury	238 172	205	202	2,545	2,465	3%	/\\	/
Violence Without Injury	555 425	498	555	6,244	5,884	6%		/
Rape	39 12	27	23	316	306	3%	~~^	
Other Sexual Offences	64 30	51	55	566	567	0%	VV	~~
Personal Robbery	15 6	22	11	186	125	49%	~~\\\\	<u></u>
Business Robbery	3	1	1	18	18	0%	~~	•
Residential Burglary	88 39	58	56	818	759	8%		
Business & Community Burglary	31 8	20	18	295	235	26%	1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-	
Vehicle Offences	133 58	130	117	1,466	1,146	28%		
Theft from Person	15 3	11	7	97	105	-8%	$\sqrt{}$	
Bicycle Theft	15 4	11	7	123	115	7%	W \	,
Shoplifting	141 98	198	115	1,944	1,439	35%	^	
All Other Theft Offences	161 102	165	142	1,947	1,578	23%	$\sim\sim$	
Criminal Damage & Arson	197 125	169	193	1,933	1,781	9%		

		Mar 2023	Mar 2022	Year To Date	YTD Last Year	YTD % Change	Trend Previous 12 Months	Projected 6 Months
Drug Offences	61 23	28	38	449	504	-11%	\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\	/ ^_
Possession of Weapons	25 8	16	14	265	199	33%	1	/
Public Order Offences	210 108	197	224	2,462	1,909	29%	✓ ✓	~
Misc. Crimes Against Society	42 22	33	39	421	379	11%	\\	~~~

Domestic Abuse	588						
(Crimes & Crimed Incs.)	473	489	553	6,300	6,368	-1%	
Hate Crime	72	34	43	555	603	-8%	M. 7
(Crimes & Crimed Incs.)	28	34	43	333	003	0,0	V · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Vulnerable Adults	376	244	278	3,073	3,401	-10%	
(Crimes & Crimed Incs.)	191	244	210	3,013	3,401	-1076	
Child At Risk	528	512	470	F 073	5,106	15%	$M \sim M_{\odot}$
(Crimes & Crimed Incs.)	323	512	478	5,873	5,100	1370	
Child Sexual Exploitatio	11	6	5	123	90	37%	∧ ∧
(Crimes & Crimed Incs.)	4	0	5	123	90	5/%	
Carious Violance	230	201	201	2 496	2 402	3%	
Serious Violence	170	201	201	2,486	2,402	3%	\

Incidents	5626 3871	4,473	4,511	54,877	56,983	-4%	////	
Anti Social	1065	242	446	4 906	7 022	-38%		
Behaviour	255	342	446	4,896	7,922	-38%		

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- Volumes of **Total Recorded Crime, Personal Robbery**, **Shoplifting** and **All Other theft Offences** have exceeded the upper control limit.

Value

5. Crime and Detections - Total Recorded Crime - Herefordshire

		Mar 2023	Mar 2022	Year To Date	YTD Last Year	YTD % Change	Trend Previous 12 Months	Projected 6 Months
Total Recorded Crime	1090 910	958	1,060	12,197	12,002	2%		✓
Violence With Injury	164 117	111	131	1,517	1,684	-10%	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	<i></i>
Violence Without Injury	376 285	303	338	3,768	3,966	-5%	~~~	
Rape	30 10	20	20	216	240	-10%	~~\\\\\	✓
Other Sexual Offences	48 21	34	37	420	412	2%	1	
Personal Robbery	6 0	6	3	63	35	80%		\
Business Robbery	1	0	0	5	0	200%		
Residential Burglary	48 15	26	39	517	379	36%	\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\	
Business & Community Burglary	22 9	17	22	219	187	17%		
Vehicle Offences	48 13	21	48	369	364	1%		
Theft from Person	7	4	3	49	41	20%	\wedge	
Bicycle Theft	23	6	14	137	121	13%	VVV	^
Shoplifting	72 14	88	72	764	515	48%	~	L
All Other Theft Offences	102 54	102	90	1,162	934	24%	~~~	
Criminal Damage & Arson	123 84	73	87	1,050	1,243	-16%	~~~	~~~

		Mar 2023	Mar 2022	Year To Date	YTD Last Year	YTD % Change	Trend Previous 12 Months	Projected 6 Months
Drug Offences	39 18	29	27	292	344	-15%	√	~~~
Possession of Weapons	15	10	11	111	105	6%		~~~
Public Order Offences	129 74	84	101	1,277	1,217	5%	~~~	~~~
Misc. Crimes Against Society	30 6	23	17	261	215	21%	M	~~

Domestic Abuse 376 (Crimes & Crimed Incs.) 260	282	317	3,383	3,815	-11%	VV
Hate Crime 40 (Crimes & Crimed Incs.) 15	16	29	331	328	1%	~~~~
Vulnerable Adults 329 (Crimes & Crimed Incs.) 171	203	203	2,553	3,003	-15%	
Child At Risk 362 (Crimes & Crimed Incs.) 236	329	346	3,632	3,588	1%	
Child Sexual Exploitatio 11 (Crimes & Crimed Incs.) 0	5	3	78	66	18%	~~\\\\
Serious Violence 162	108	125	1,500	1,646	-9%	~~~~~

Incidente	3498	2 422	2 624	20 550	25 242	-14%	
incidents	2392	2,433	2,634	30,558	35,342	-14%	
Anti Social	695	200	252	2.652	F 224	-49%	 /
Behaviour	176	208	252	2,652	5,221	-49%	

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Upper Limit

Value

Lower Limit Value

5. Crime and Detections - Total Recorded Crime - Shropshire

		Mar 2023	Mar 2022	Year To	YTD Last	YTD %	Trend Previous 12 Projected
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Total Recorded Crime	1643 1247	1,590	1,672	19,210	17,342	11%	~~~~
Violence With Injury	217 164	185	187	2,305	2,283	1%	~~~~
Violence Without Injury	528 378	498	530	5,538	5,439	2%	
Rape	32	28	18	280	269	4%	
Other Sexual Offences	64	50	59	530	562	-6%	W/\
Personal Robbery	12	10	8	92	84	10%	W~~~
Business Robbery	5	1	3	10	12	-17%	W
Residential Burglary	43 18	48	61	748	671	11%	
Business & Community Burglary	75 36	35	27	387	368	5%	
Vehicle Offences	97 28	52	78	806	748	8%	-
Theft from Person	11	12	8	105	75	40%	
Bicycle Theft	19 0	8	3	138	110	25%	
Shoplifting	133 50	136	132	1,559	1,098	42%	
All Other Theft Offences	163 90	163	141	1,862	1,518	23%	
Criminal Damage	202	139	187	1,929	1,895	2%	1

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Drug Offences	56 15	39	30	394	426	-8%	~~~
Possession of Weapons	16 7	12	13	206	141	46%	~~~~
Public Order Offences	154 70	145	157	1,918	1,347	42%	M
Misc. Crimes Against Society	38 11	29	30	403	296	36%	

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Domestic Abuse	542	465	424	5.476	5,529	-1%	
(Crimes & Crimed Incs.)	380			,	0,020	170	
Hate Crime	58	25	42	464	400	C 0/	
(Crimes & Crimed Incs.)	24	35	42	464	492	-6%	
Vulnerable Adults	318	206	248	2,638	3,088	-15%	~ A A A
(Crimes & Crimed Incs.)	196	200	240	2,030	3,000	-13%	
Child At Risk	530	500	450	- 44-	F 430	6%	
(Crimes & Crimed Incs.)	324	500	459	5,415	5,120	0%	
Child Sexual Exploitatio	17	20	4-	467	424	270/	
(Crimes & Crimed Incs.)	5	20	15	167	131	27%	Will with
Serious Violence	214	183	186	2,281	2,262	1%	
Serious violence	163	103	100	2,281	2,202	176	

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Inclaents	3935	4,233	4,474	51,379	55,189	-7%	*****	
Anti Social	976	339	384	4 517	7 252	-38%		/
Behaviour	233	339	304	4,517	7,252	-30%		

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- Volumes of Residential Burglary, Theft from Person, Shoplifting, All Other Theft Offences and Child Sexual Exploitation (Crimes and Crimed Incs) have exceeded the upper control limit.

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Value

		Mar 2023	Mar 2022	Year To Date	YTD Last Year	YTD % Change	Trend Previous 12 Months	Projected 6 Months
Total Recorded Crime	1524 1206	1,409	1,527	17,441	16,378	6%	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	^
Violence With Injury	216 136	165	202	2,190	2,108	4%		<i>~</i> ~~
Violence Without Injury	496 394	434	501	5,616	5,344	5%	~~~~	
Rape	38	26	35	307	299	3%		
Other Sexual Offences	44	34	41	467	407	15%	~~^	~/~
Personal Robbery	17	7	8	134	111	21%		
Business Robbery	4	7	0	17	15	13%	~ ~~/	
Residential Burglary*	20	24	43	389	505	-23%		/
Business & Community Burglary*	58 26	28	11	239	147	63%	~~~	
Vehicle Offences	109	69	64	785	887	-11%		
Theft from Person	11	5	6	90	71	27%		^
Bicycle Theft	19	11	9	156	97	61%		++++
Shoplifting	171 68	126	151	1,399	1,439	-3%	VA-V	\
All Other Theft Offences	106 74	117	88	1,380	1,082	28%	/WW	~
Criminal Damage & Arson	148	121	121	1,485	1,528	-3%		\

		May 2022	Mar 2022	Year To	YTD Last	YTD %	Trend Previous 12	Projected	
		IVIAT 2023	Mar 2022	Date	Year	Change	Months	6 Months	
Drug Offences	46	39	31	378	339	12%	~~ ~ /	~	
Drug Offences	10	39	31	310	339	1270	\rightarrow \vee		
Possession of Weapons	21	24 16	16	220	197	12%	~~^ ^ /		
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Public Order Offences	174	138	169 1,8	1,824 1,502	1 502	21%	\sim		
Public Order Offences	77	130			2170	•			
Misc. Crimes Against	38	34	24	24	265	200	220/	Λ_{1}	
Society	12		31	365	300	22%		~~	

Domestic Abuse	531	449	490	5,603	5,884	-5%	\Array /
(Crimes & Crimed Incs.)	449	449	490	5,005	3,004	-3%	V-
Hate Crime	63	32	61	483	525	-8%	
(Crimes & Crimed Incs.)	25	32	01				
Vulnerable Adults	303	185	204	2,761	2,943	-6%	
(Crimes & Crimed Incs.)	188		204				
Child At Risk	534	444	444 550 5,641	E 6/1	5,008	13%	
(Crimes & Crimed Incs.)	301			5,006	1370		
Child Sexual Exploitatio	21	10	6	139	120	16%	
(Crimes & Crimed Incs.)	0						J - ~~
Serious Violence	213	163	202	2,162	2,069	4%	
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Incidents	4434 3041	3,394	3,590	41,699	44,845	-7%	
Anti Social Behaviour	853 156	286	317	3,738	6,051	-38%	~~~

The upper and lower control limits are derived by calculating 2 points of Standard Deviation from the mean. The mean is fixed for the year and is based on volumes recorded in 21/22. It is possible for the previous month to be coloured differently from the month in 2022/23 even if volumes are similar. This is due to the upper and lower control limits changing annually based on volumes in the previous year. It should be noted that pandemic restrictions were still in place during May 2021, which will have affected volumes of certain crime types.

Key Points

• Data is up to 30 March 2023 due to data load issues.

Business Robbery, Residential Burglary, All Other Theft Offences and Possession of **Weapons** have exceeded the upper control limit in December.

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5 . Crime and Detection – National Policing Measures

Key priorities of the Beating Crime Plan: murder, serious violence, domestic abuse, neighbourhood crime and drug supply/county lines.

Not numerical targets but key indicators to show improvement against; expectation of significant improvements within three years.

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Measure	Source	Change	Comment		
Reduce murder and homicide*	Police Recorded Crime	•	 Q4 2022 -23 had the lowest number of homicides (2) compared to the other quarters within the year. More homicides have occurred in 2022/2023, than 2021/2022; 21 this year compared with 19 last year. 33% (7) of all homicides in 2022/2023 are domestic abuse related. Nationally West Mercia remains in the upper quartile however, it is likely that this is in part due to recording practices and this data does not include Q4. 		
Reduce serious violence	Hospital admissions for assault with a sharp object: National Health Service (NHS) Digital Offences involving the discharge of a firearm: Police Recorded Crime		 Hospital admissions for assault with a sharp object are fewer than eight each month. To protect patient confidentiality, an asterisk is used where the number of offences sits between one and seven for all sub-national breakdowns. Data has not been released yet for December 2022, January 2023, February 2023 and March 2023. The number of offences involving the discharge of a firearm has remained the same through all four quarters of 2022/2023, with three offences each. This data only includes Section 1 and 2 firearm (no air weapons/stun guns/noxious sprays/other imitation firearms) discharges where ballistic items have been recovered, and may also include suicides. 		
Disrupt drug supply and county lines	Police Recorded Crime and Public Health England		There was one drug related homicide recorded in Q4 2022/2023, this was the same as Q3 2022/2023.		
Reduce neighbourhood crime*	Police Recorded Crime		 Business and community burglaries have decreased in Q4 compared with Q3. Residential burglaries usually follow the pattern of fewer offences occurring during the summer months (Q2), and the highest number of burglaries in the winter months, as anticipated in demand assessments. However, Q4 has seen the lowest volume for the year. Robberies have increased in Q4 compared with Q3. Robberies follow a different trend to burglaries with more offences occurring in Q2 during the summer months. There have been more robberies in total in 2022-2023 compared with 2021-2022, increasing by 26%. Vehicle thefts decreased in Q4, by 12% compared with Q3. There have been more vehicle thefts in total in 2022-2023 compared with 2021-2022, increasing by 8%. Theft from a person decreased in Q4, compared with all other quarters in 2022-2023. Offences are higher this year than in 2021/2022. 		
Improve satisfaction among victims, with a particular focus on victims of domestic abuse	Crime Survey for England and Wales	+	 Q4 showed an average of 65% of satisfied victims of domestic abuse. This is the second lowest average for DA satisfaction compared with Q4 (62.7%), Q2 (70.6%) and Q1 (71.5%). For all crime victim satisfaction for the whole experience, Q4 recorded as the second highest average compared with Q3, Q2 and Q1. 62.5% was the average satisfied for Q4 whereas Q3 was 60.9%, Q2 was 62.4% and Q1 was 63.4%. The number of respondents was lowest for Q3, and highest for Q4. 		
Tackle cyber crime	Department for Digital, Cultural, Media and Sports		The data from the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport is not available. Further police held proxy measures are being developed.		

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6. Domestic Abuse Volume of DA Crimes / Crimed Incidents

Key Points

- Domestic Abuse Crimes and Crimed Incidents volumes have increased by 13% (246) from the previous month.
- **33% (7)** of all **homicides in 2022/23** relate to **Domestic Abuse**, as at the end of March 2023.
- Increases in Domestic Abuse Investigations across West Mercia of 18% (104) suggest probable increased recording procedures and response to incidents.

What does this mean?

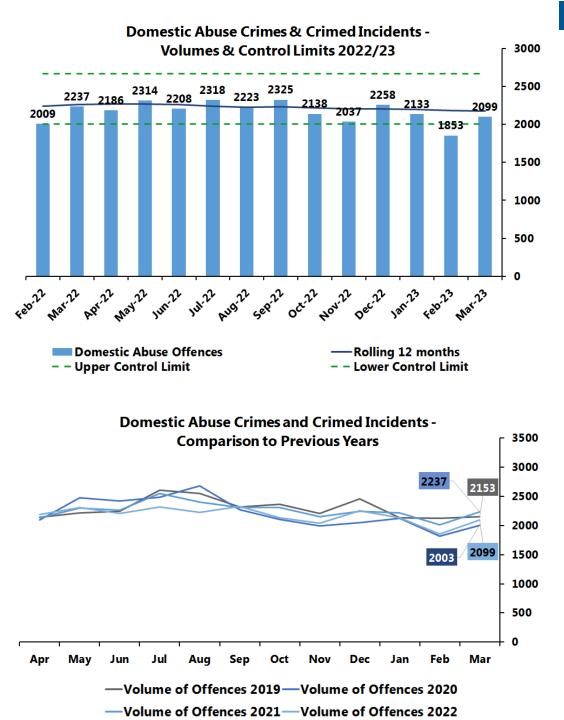
- All LPAs recorded an increase in crimes and crimed incidents from the previous month.
- Shropshire saw the largest increase of 22% (84) last month, driven by increases in Domestic Abuse Investigations, 31% (40), Stalking 28% (9) and Rape of a Female over 16 200% (8) on the previous month.
- Telford & Wrekin also saw an increase of 21% (75) last month, driven by increases in Assault Without Injury 45% (23), Stalking 95% (18) and Harassment 150% (9) from the previous month.
- 19% (403) of crimes relate to **Stalking and Harassment**, an **increase of 11% (41)** from the previous month. Increases were recorded in all LPAs except Herefordshire and North Worcestershire.

Most Similar Group Comparison - Most Recent Data to Feb 2023

Volume of Crime per 1000 people MSG Average

Highest Volume of Crime per 1000 people

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9. Service Users - Satisfaction

Targets:

Victims Completely / very Satisfied (rolling 6 months)

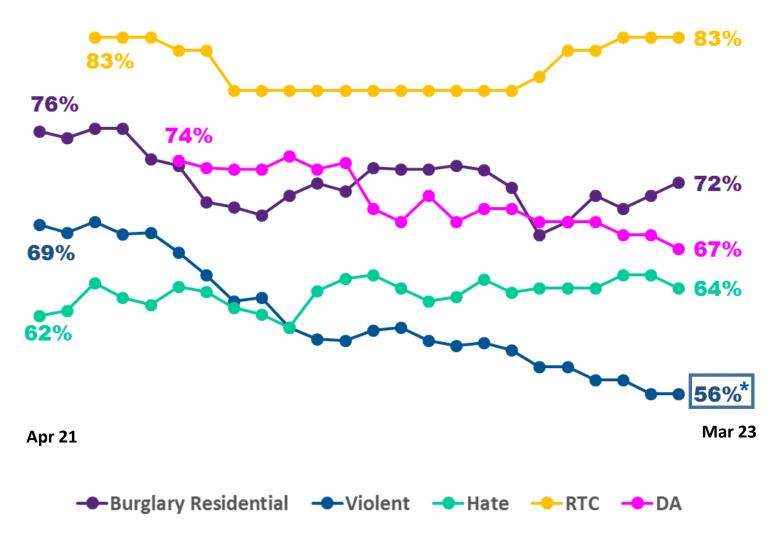
Burglary - 80% Violent - 70%

Hate - 70% **DA - 80%**

All Charts: % Completely or Very Satisfied

Rolling data (burglary and violent = 6 months rolling; hate crime = 12 months rolling; DA = building up to 12 months rolling).

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^{*} Change over reporting period shown is statistically significant

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Burglary – 80% Violent – 70% Victims Completely / very Satisfied (rolling 6 months)

Hate – 70% DA – 80%

