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# HATE INCIDENTS & CRIMES $1^{ST}$ APRIL 2006 – $31^{ST}$ MARCH 2007

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# Summary

# Definitions

#### Incidents

Any incident, which may or may not constitute a criminal offence, which is perceived by the victim or any other person, as being motivated by prejudice or hate (ACPO Definition).

#### **Recorded Crimes**

- Recorded crimes (sometimes referred to as notifiable offences) are those which are deemed to be indictable or triable-either-way. A full explanation of how recorded crime figures are produced is provided on the last page of this document.
- In the same way as incidents are identified as having a hate motivation, a crime will be recorded as having the relevant hate motivation where the victim or any other person perceives it as such. Not all incidents will result in the recording of a crime.
- Crimes with hate motivations are classified according to the Home Office Counting Rules and form a subset of the overall recorded crime figures.

		Imber of lents		imber of nes	Clearar	ction nce rate ‰) <sup>1</sup>	Non sa Clearar (%	nce rate	Ove Clearar (%	
Motivation	2005/06	2006/07	2005/06	2006/07	2005/06	2006/07	2005/06	2006/07	2005/06	2006/07
Racist	936	1,047	746	861	13.1	11.7	7.4	1.6	20.5	13.4
Homophobic	220	155	148	117	20.3	15.4	12.2	7.7	32.4	23.1
Faith/Religion	70	136	78	120	9.0	6.7	9.0	0.8	17.9	7.5
Sectarian	1,701	1,695	1,470	1,217	11.1	14.4	3.3	2.0	14.4	16.4
Disability	70	48	38	26	10.5	23.1	28.9	3.8	39.5	26.9

# Table 3.1:Incidents, Crimes and Clearance Rates with Hate Motivation2005/06 and 2006/07 Summary

The Clearance Rates paragraph on the following page provides a full explanation of the change in the non sanction and overall clearance rates when comparing 2006/07 with 2005/06.

#### Incidents

During 2006/07 the number of racist incidents increased by 111 (+11.9%) and faith/religion incidents increased by 66 (+94.3%). During the same period homophobic incidents fell by 65 (-29.5%), sectarian incidents by 6 (-0.4%) and incidents with a disability motivation fell by 22 (-31.4%).

#### **Recorded Crimes**

• The number of racist crimes increased by 115 (+15.4%) between 2005/06 and 2006/07, while the number of faith/religion crimes rose by 42 (+53.8%). Crimes with a homophobic motivation fell by 31 (-20.9%), those with a sectarian motivation fell by 253 (-17.2%) and crimes with a disability motivation fell by 12 (-31.6%).

#### **Violent Crime and Property Crime**

- **Racist motivation:** Violent crime (offences against the person, sexual offences and robbery) represented 37.6% of all racist crimes, while property crime (burglary, theft and criminal damage) accounted for 61.0%.
- **Homophobic motivation:** Violent crime represented 76.9%, while property crime accounted for 22.2%.
- **Faith/Religion motivation:** Violent crime represented 50.8%, while property crime accounted for 46.7%.

- Sectarian motivation: Violent crime represented 44.5%, while property crime accounted for 50.9%.
- **Disability motivation:** Violent crime represented 61.5%, while property crime accounted for 34.6%.

### **Clearance Rates**

In April 2006 PSNI adopted a higher evidential standard in respect of non sanction clearances (those where no further action is taken by the police, mainly due to the victim not wanting formal action taken by the police or due to no prosecution being directed). This change was introduced in order to bring these clearance types more closely into line with police services in England and Wales where they have been applying the Crown Prosecution Service evidential test since 2002. In Northern Ireland the equivalent standard only became relevant to PSNI clearances with the establishment of the Public Prosecution Service (PPS) in June 2005. While this has had the effect of reducing the overall clearance rate, sanction clearances (those where a formal sanction is taken against an offender by means of charge, summons, caution or where the offence is taken into consideration at court) remain unaffected.

- **Racist motivation:** The overall clearance rate fell from 20.5% to 13.4% (-7.1 percentage points). The sanction clearance rate fell by 1.4 percentage points and the non sanction clearance rate fell by 5.8 percentage points.
- **Homophobic motivation:** The overall clearance rate fell from 32.4% to 23.1% (-9.3 percentage points). The sanction clearance rate fell by 4.9 percentage points and the non sanction clearance rate fell by 4.5 percentage points.
- Faith/Religion motivation: The overall clearance rate fell from 17.9% to 7.5% (-10.4 percentage points). The sanction clearance rate fell by 2.3 percentage points and the non sanction clearance rate fell by 8.2 percentage points.
- Sectarian motivation: The overall clearance rate increased from 14.4% to 16.4% (+2.0 percentage points). The sanction clearance rate increased by 3.3 percentage points while the non sanction clearance rate fell by 1.3 percentage points.
- **Disability motivation:** The overall clearance rate fell from 39.5% to 26.9% (-12.6 percentage points). The sanction clearance rate increased by 12.6 percentage points while the non sanction clearance rate fell by 25.1 percentage points.

# **Transphobic Motivations**

- During 2006/07 the Police Service of Northern Ireland established a baseline measure of incidents and crimes with a transphobic motivation.
- There were 32 transphobic incidents recorded during 2006/07, 28 in Urban Region and 4 in Rural Region. The majority of these incidents (24 in total) were recorded within North Down DCU.
- There were 14 transphobic crimes recorded, 8 in Urban Region and 6 in Rural Region. Twelve of these offences were of criminal damage and 2 were assaults. None of these crimes were cleared during 2006/07.

		Total numbe	r of incidents	i		Total offenc	es recorded			ction e rate (%) <sup>1</sup>		anction e rate (%) <sup>1</sup>	Ove clearance	erall e rate (%) <sup>1</sup>
	2005/06	2006/07	change	% change	2005/06	2006/07	change	% change	2005/06	2006/07	2005/06	2006/07	2005/06	2006/07
Antrim	37	66	+29	+78.4	23	69	+46	+200.0	4.3	2.9	8.7	0.0	13.0	2.9
Ards	28	31	+3	+10.7	23	23	0	0.0	26.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	26.1	0.0
East Belfast	74	79	+5	+6.8	48	52	+4	+8.3	4.2	19.2	4.2	3.8	8.3	23.1
North Belfast	62	82	+20	+32.3	31	57	+26	+83.9	9.7	7.0	3.2	0.0	12.9	7.0
South Belfast	106	126	+20	+18.9	73	87	+14	+19.2	8.2	28.7	11.0	0.0	19.2	28.7
West Belfast	13	18	+5	+38.5	8	12	+4	+50.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Carrickfergus	6	18	+12	+200.0	3	11	+8	+266.7	100.0	9.1	33.3	9.1	133.3	18.2
Castlereagh	21	23	+2	+9.5	16	21	+5	+31.3	12.5	14.3	0.0	0.0	12.5	14.3
Larne	2	8	+6	+300.0	2	9	+7	+350.0	0.0	33.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	33.3
Lisburn	43	58	+15	+34.9	44	55	+11	+25.0	2.3	16.4	13.6	1.8	15.9	18.2
Newtownabbey	52	78	+26	+50.0	49	56	+7	+14.3	2.0	7.1	8.2	1.8	10.2	8.9
North Down	20	47	+27	+135.0	11	30	+19	+172.7	0.0	10.0	9.1	0.0	9.1	10.0
Urban Region	464	634	+170	+36.6	331	482	+151	+45.6	7.6	13.3	7.6	1.0	15.1	14.3
Armagh	20	14	-6	-30.0	19	15	-4	-21.1	10.5	6.7	10.5	0.0	21.1	6.7
Ballymena	53	41	-12	-22.6	51	43	-8	-15.7	21.6	0.0	2.0	2.3	23.5	2.3
Ballymoney	7	6	-1	-14.3	7	6	-1	-14.3	14.3	16.7	0.0	0.0	14.3	16.7
Banbridge	4	10	+6	+150.0	2	7	+5	+250.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Coleraine	37	26	-11	-29.7	31	20	-11	-35.5	35.5	15.0	6.5	10.0	41.9	25.0
Cookstown	21	17	-4	-19.0	15	14	-1	-6.7	6.7	14.3	20.0	14.3	26.7	28.6
Craigavon	78	71	-7	-9.0	69	62	-7	-10.1	7.2	14.5	1.4	3.2	8.7	17.7
Down	13	17	+4	+30.8	6	15	+9	+150.0	16.7	13.3	16.7	0.0	33.3	13.3
Dungannon & South Tyrone	102	58	-44	-43.1	91	54	-37	-40.7	22.0	9.3	2.2	0.0	24.2	9.3
Fermanagh	29	33	+4	+13.8	28	28	0	0.0	21.4	14.3	17.9	0.0	39.3	14.3
Foyle	27	19	-8	-29.6	22	19	-3	-13.6	31.8	0.0	18.2	0.0	50.0	0.0
Limavady	7	9	+2	+28.6	5	8	+3	+60.0	40.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	40.0	0.0
Magherafelt	17	22	+5	+29.4	20	20	0	0.0	0.0	25.0	10.0	0.0	10.0	25.0
Moyle	7	2	-5	-71.4	6	2	-4	-66.7	0.0	0.0	16.7	0.0	16.7	0.0
Newry & Mourne	35	42	+7	+20.0	33	40	+7	+21.2	15.2	5.0	12.1	5.0	27.3	10.0
Omagh	13	23	+10	+76.9	8	23	+15	+187.5	12.5	13.0	12.5	0.0	25.0	13.0
Strabane	2	3	+1	+50.0	2	3	+1	+50.0	0.0	0.0	50.0	0.0	50.0	0.0
Rural Region	472	413	-59	-12.5	415	379	-36	-8.7	17.6	9.8	7.2	2.4	24.8	12.1
Grand Total	936	1,047	+111	+11.9	746	861	+115	+15.4	13.1	11.7	7.4	1.6	20.5	13.4

### Table 3.2: Racist Motivation: Incidents, Recorded Crimes and Clearance Rates by District Command Unit 2005/06 and 2006/07

# Table 3.3: Recorded Crimes with a Racist Motivation: Offences Recorded by Type of Offence 2006/07

						Type of offence	e					
	Murder	Manslaughter	Attempted murder	Threat or conspiracy to murder	All woundings / assaults <sup>1</sup>	Intimidation / harassment	Robbery	Other violent crime	Burglary	Theft	Criminal damage	All other notifiable offences
Antrim	0	0	0	0	5	3	0	1	0	3	57	0
Ards	0	0	0	0	10	1	0	0	1	0	11	0
East Belfast	0	0	0	0	8	1	1	0	0	1	40	1
North Belfast	0	0	0	2	10	2	1	0	0	1	41	0
South Belfast	0	0	0	0	46	5	1	1	2	3	27	2
West Belfast	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	6	0
Carrickfergus	0	0	0	0	4	3	0	0	0	0	4	0
Castlereagh	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	15	0
Larne	0	0	0	0	5	2	0	0	1	0	1	0
Lisburn	0	0	1	1	16	5	0	0	1	0	29	2
Newtownabbey	0	0	0	1	8	9	0	0	0	0	38	0
North Down	0	0	0	0	7	2	0	0	1	0	20	0
Urban Region	0	0	1	7	128	33	3	2	6	8	289	5
Armagh	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	11	0
Ballymena	0	0	0	0	12	0	2	0	2	0	27	0
Ballymoney	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	4	0
Banbridge	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	2
Coleraine	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	13	1
Cookstown	0	0	0	0	5	1	1	1	0	0	6	0
Craigavon	0	0	0	1	20	4	0	1	0	0	35	1
Down	0	0	0	0	6	1	0	0	0	0	8	0
Dungannon & South Tyrone	0	0	0	0	18	3	0	0	2	1	30	0
Fermanagh	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	2	18	0
Foyle	0	0	0	0	10	2	2	0	1	0	4	0
Limavady	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	7	0
Magherafelt	0	0	0	1	8	0	0	0	0	0	10	1
Moyle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Newry & Mourne	0	0	0	1	13	0	0	0	0	0	24	2
Omagh	0	0	0	0	11	1	1	0	0	1	9	0
Strabane	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0
Rural Region	0	0	0	3	123	15	6	3	5	5	212	7
Grand Total	0	0	1	10	251	48	9	5	11	13	501	12

		Total number	r of incidents	;		Total offenc	es recorded			ction e rate (%) <sup>1</sup>	Non sa clearance	anction e rate (%) <sup>1</sup>	Ove clearance	erall e rate (%) <sup>1</sup>
	2005/06	2006/07	change	% change	2005/06	2006/07	change	% change	2005/06	2006/07	2005/06	2006/07	2005/06	2006/07
Antrim	9	1	-8	-88.9	5	0	-5	-100.0	40.0	-	0.0	-	40.0	-
Ards	4	4	0	0.0	4	3	-1	-25.0	50.0	0.0	25.0	33.3	75.0	33.3
East Belfast	9	8	-1	-11.1	5	3	-2	-40.0	40.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	40.0	0.0
North Belfast	33	16	-17	-51.5	18	10	-8	-44.4	38.9	0.0	5.6	10.0	44.4	10.0
South Belfast	15	14	-1	-6.7	14	16	+2	+14.3	7.1	18.8	7.1	0.0	14.3	18.8
West Belfast	2	16	+14	+700.0	2	13	+11	+550.0	0.0	23.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	23.1
Carrickfergus	2	2	0	0.0	1	0	-1	-100.0	0.0	-	100.0	-	100.0	-
Castlereagh	5	9	+4	+80.0	3	4	+1	+33.3	0.0	0.0	33.3	0.0	33.3	0.0
Larne	1	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lisburn	7	6	-1	-14.3	6	5	-1	-16.7	0.0	0.0	16.7	0.0	16.7	0.0
Newtownabbey	11	11	0	0.0	10	9	-1	-10.0	0.0	22.2	20.0	0.0	20.0	22.2
North Down	3	1	-2	-66.7	2	1	-1	-50.0	50.0	0.0	50.0	0.0	100.0	0.0
Urban Region	101	89	-12	-11.9	70	64	-6	-8.6	21.4	12.5	12.9	3.1	34.3	15.6
Armagh	5	2	-3	-60.0	4	2	-2	-50.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	200.0
Ballymena	7	8	+1	+14.3	6	9	+3	+50.0	16.7	33.3	33.3	0.0	50.0	33.3
Ballymoney	5	3	-2	-40.0	4	3	-1	-25.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	33.3	0.0	33.3
Banbridge	0	1	+1	-	0	1	+1	-	-	100.0	-	0.0	-	100.0
Coleraine	22	5	-17	-77.3	11	4	-7	-63.6	0.0	0.0	18.2	50.0	18.2	50.0
Cookstown	2	4	+2	+100.0	2	5	+3	+150.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Craigavon	4	11	+7	+175.0	0	5	+5	-	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
Down	5	2	-3	-60.0	2	1	-1	-50.0	0.0	100.0	50.0	0.0	50.0	100.0
Dungannon & South Tyrone	6	3	-3	-50.0	3	3	0	0.0	33.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	33.3	0.0
Fermanagh	2	3	+1	+50.0	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Foyle	49	10	-39	-79.6	37	7	-30	-81.1	21.6	14.3	8.1	0.0	29.7	14.3
Limavady	3	1	-2	-66.7	2	1	-1	-50.0	50.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	50.0	0.0
Magherafelt	1	2	+1	+100.0	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	100.0	0.0
Moyle	1	2	+1	+100.0	1	2	+1	+100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Newry & Mourne	6	5	-1	-16.7	5	5	0	0.0	60.0	20.0	0.0	0.0	60.0	20.0
Omagh	1	1	0	0.0	0	1	+1	-	-	100.0	-	0.0	-	100.0
Strabane	0	3	+3	-	0	3	+3	-	-	0.0	-	66.7	-	66.7
Rural Region	119	66	-53	-44.5	78	53	-25	-32.1	19.2	18.9	11.5	13.2	30.8	32.1
Grand Total	220	155	-65	-29.5	148	117	-31	-20.9	20.3	15.4	12.2	7.7	32.4	23.1

### Table 3.4: Homophobic Motivation: Incidents, Recorded Crimes and Clearance Rates by District Command Unit 2005/06 and 2006/07

# Table 3.5: Recorded Crimes with a Homophobic Motivation: Offences Recorded by Type of Offence 2006/07

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Antrim	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ards	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
East Belfast	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0
North Belfast	0	0	0	0	5	1	0	0	0	0	4	0
South Belfast	0	0	0	0	12	1	2	0	0	0	1	0
West Belfast	0	0	0	0	8	0	1	0	1	1	2	0
Carrickfergus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Castlereagh	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Larne	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lisburn	0	0	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Newtownabbey	0	0	0	1	3	2	0	3	0	0	0	0
North Down	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Urban Region	0	0	0	3	35	6	4	3	1	1	11	0
Armagh	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Ballymena	0	0	0	1	4	1	1	0	0	0	2	0
Ballymoney	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Banbridge	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coleraine	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cookstown	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	1
Craigavon	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
Down	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Dungannon & South Tyrone	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fermanagh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Foyle	0	0	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	0	1	0
Limavady	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Magherafelt	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Moyle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Newry & Mourne	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Omagh	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Strabane	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rural Region	0	0	0	1	28	6	2	2	0	1	12	1
Grand Total	0	0	0	4	63	12	6	5	1	2	23	1

		Total number	r of incidents	;		Total offenc	es recorded		Sano clearance		Non sa clearance	anction e rate (%) <sup>1</sup>	Ove clearance	
	2005/06	2006/07	change	% change	2005/06	2006/07	change	% change	2005/06	2006/07	2005/06	2006/07	2005/06	2006/07
Antrim	0	2	+2	-	0	2	+2	-	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
Ards	3	7	+4	+133.3	4	7	+3	+75.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
East Belfast	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
North Belfast	7	19	+12	+171.4	8	16	+8	+100.0	0.0	12.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	12.5
South Belfast	0	3	+3	-	0	1	+1	-	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
West Belfast	3	5	+2	+66.7	2	2	0	0.0	50.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	50.0	0.0
Carrickfergus	1	3	+2	+200.0	1	3	+2	+200.0	0.0	33.3	100.0	0.0	100.0	33.3
Castlereagh	2	2	0	0.0	1	2	+1	+100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Larne	4	3	-1	-25.0	11	3	-8	-72.7	9.1	0.0	9.1	33.3	18.2	33.3
Lisburn	0	7	+7	-	0	7	+7	-	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
Newtownabbey	1	4	+3	+300.0	0	3	+3	-	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
North Down	3	3	0	0.0	2	3	+1	+50.0	0.0	33.3	50.0	0.0	50.0	33.3
Urban Region	24	58	+34	+141.7	29	49	+20	+69.0	6.9	8.2	10.3	2.0	17.2	10.2
Armagh	0	2	+2	-	0	2	+2	-	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
Ballymena	5	25	+20	+400.0	4	21	+17	+425.0	25.0	4.8	0.0	0.0	25.0	4.8
Ballymoney	0	1	+1	-	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Banbridge	1	3	+2	+200.0	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Coleraine	2	1	-1	-50.0	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cookstown	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Craigavon	2	2	0	0.0	3	3	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	66.7	0.0	66.7	0.0
Down	1	0	-1	-100.0	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dungannon & South Tyrone	1	0	-1	-100.0	2	0	-2	-100.0	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-
Fermanagh	0	7	+7	-	0	7	+7	-	-	28.6	-	0.0	-	28.6
Foyle	15	5	-10	-66.7	19	5	-14	-73.7	15.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	15.8	0.0
Limavady	6	8	+2	+33.3	6	7	+1	+16.7	0.0	0.0	16.7	0.0	16.7	0.0
Magherafelt	11	21	+10	+90.9	11	21	+10	+90.9	9.1	4.8	9.1	0.0	18.2	4.8
Moyle	0	2	+2	-	0	2	+2	-	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
Newry & Mourne	1	0	-1	-100.0	1	0	-1	-100.0	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-
Omagh	1	0	-1	-100.0	1	0	-1	-100.0	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-
Strabane	0	1	+1	-	0	1	+1	-	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
Rural Region	46	78	+32	+69.6	49	71	+22	+44.9	10.2	5.6	8.2	0.0	18.4	5.6
Grand Total	70	136	+66	+94.3	78	120	+42	+53.8	9.0	6.7	9.0	0.8	17.9	7.5

### Table 3.6: Faith/Religion Motivation: Incidents, Recorded Crimes and Clearance Rates by District Command Unit 2005/06 and 2006/07

# Table 3.7: Recorded Crimes with a Faith/Religion Motivation: Offences Recorded by Type of Offence 2006/07

						Type of offence	e					
	Murder	Manslaughter	Attempted murder	Threat or conspiracy to murder	All woundings / assaults <sup>1</sup>	Intimidation / harassment	Robbery	Other violent crime	Burglary	Theft	Criminal damage	All other notifiable offences
Antrim	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Ards	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	4	1
East Belfast	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
North Belfast	0	0	0	2	5	2	0	0	0	0	5	2
South Belfast	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
West Belfast	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Carrickfergus	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Castlereagh	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Larne	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Lisburn	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	4	0
Newtownabbey	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
North Down	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Urban Region	0	0	0	5	14	7	0	0	0	0	20	3
Armagh	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Ballymena	0	0	0	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	9	0
Ballymoney	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Banbridge	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coleraine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Cookstown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Craigavon	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Down	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dungannon & South Tyrone	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fermanagh	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
Foyle	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Limavady	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	4	0
Magherafelt	0	0	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	3	12	0
Moyle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Newry & Mourne	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Omagh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Strabane	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rural Region	0	0	0	5	20	10	0	0	0	4	32	0
Grand Total	0	0	0	10	34	17	0	0	0	4	52	3

		Total number	r of incidents	;		Total offenc	es recorded			ction e rate (%) <sup>1</sup>		anction e rate (%) <sup>1</sup>	Ove clearance	erall e rate (%) <sup>1</sup>
	2005/06	2006/07	change	% change	2005/06	2006/07	change	% change	2005/06	2006/07	2005/06	2006/07	2005/06	2006/07
Antrim	77	51	-26	-33.8	65	49	-16	-24.6	6.2	12.2	3.1	0.0	9.2	12.2
Ards	24	15	-9	-37.5	22	9	-13	-59.1	4.5	11.1	9.1	0.0	13.6	11.1
East Belfast	165	132	-33	-20.0	118	40	-78	-66.1	30.5	22.5	0.8	0.0	31.4	22.5
North Belfast	316	487	+171	+54.1	324	233	-91	-28.1	9.0	13.7	0.6	0.4	9.6	14.2
South Belfast	76	69	-7	-9.2	46	50	+4	+8.7	13.0	14.0	2.2	4.0	15.2	18.0
West Belfast	87	52	-35	-40.2	35	9	-26	-74.3	2.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.9	0.0
Carrickfergus	16	4	-12	-75.0	16	3	-13	-81.3	6.3	33.3	0.0	0.0	6.3	33.3
Castlereagh	20	12	-8	-40.0	17	17	0	0.0	0.0	11.8	0.0	5.9	0.0	17.6
Larne	35	18	-17	-48.6	35	17	-18	-51.4	8.6	5.9	17.1	17.6	25.7	23.5
Lisburn	50	29	-21	-42.0	48	25	-23	-47.9	6.3	4.0	2.1	0.0	8.3	4.0
Newtownabbey	93	119	+26	+28.0	98	103	+5	+5.1	2.0	20.4	0.0	2.9	2.0	23.3
North Down	9	12	+3	+33.3	7	8	+1	+14.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Urban Region	968	1,000	+32	+3.3	831	563	-268	-32.3	10.3	14.4	1.8	1.8	12.2	16.2
Armagh	11	24	+13	+118.2	10	23	+13	+130.0	10.0	4.3	0.0	0.0	10.0	4.3
Ballymena	133	142	+9	+6.8	145	142	-3	-2.1	14.5	19.0	1.4	0.7	15.9	19.7
Ballymoney	17	42	+25	+147.1	16	36	+20	+125.0	43.8	2.8	6.3	11.1	50.0	13.9
Banbridge	20	12	-8	-40.0	20	13	-7	-35.0	15.0	15.4	30.0	0.0	45.0	15.4
Coleraine	63	60	-3	-4.8	58	60	+2	+3.4	17.2	13.3	8.6	8.3	25.9	21.7
Cookstown	20	18	-2	-10.0	15	17	+2	+13.3	20.0	23.5	20.0	0.0	40.0	23.5
Craigavon	31	37	+6	+19.4	44	38	-6	-13.6	0.0	23.7	0.0	5.3	0.0	28.9
Down	21	23	+2	+9.5	20	19	-1	-5.0	0.0	15.8	5.0	0.0	5.0	15.8
Dungannon & South Tyrone	8	6	-2	-25.0	9	6	-3	-33.3	0.0	83.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	83.3
Fermanagh	13	23	+10	+76.9	11	22	+11	+100.0	9.1	4.5	18.2	0.0	27.3	4.5
Foyle	275	143	-132	-48.0	170	122	-48	-28.2	11.8	9.0	2.4	0.8	14.1	9.8
Limavady	25	30	+5	+20.0	22	28	+6	+27.3	0.0	17.9	22.7	0.0	22.7	17.9
Magherafelt	33	54	+21	+63.6	30	55	+25	+83.3	0.0	10.9	3.3	0.0	3.3	10.9
Moyle	12	8	-4	-33.3	11	8	-3	-27.3	9.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.1	0.0
Newry & Mourne	26	34	+8	+30.8	22	28	+6	+27.3	4.5	7.1	9.1	0.0	13.6	7.1
Omagh	15	13	-2	-13.3	19	12	-7	-36.8	0.0	0.0	5.3	0.0	5.3	0.0
Strabane	10	26	+16	+160.0	17	25	+8	+47.1	52.9	36.0	0.0	4.0	52.9	40.0
Rural Region	733	695	-38	-5.2	639	654	+15	+2.3	12.1	14.4	5.2	2.1	17.2	16.5
Grand Total	1,701	1,695	-6	-0.4	1,470	1,217	-253	-17.2	11.1	14.4	3.3	2.0	14.4	16.4

#### Table 3.8: Sectarian Motivation: Incidents, Recorded Crimes and Clearance Rates by District Command Unit 2005/06 and 2006/07

# Table 3.9: Recorded Crimes with a Sectarian Motivation: Offences Recorded by Type of Offence 2006/07

						Type of offence	e					
	Murder	Manslaughter	Attempted murder	Threat or conspiracy to murder	All woundings / assaults <sup>1</sup>	Intimidation / harassment	Robbery	Other violent crime	Burglary	Theft	Criminal damage	All other notifiable offences
Antrim	0	0	0	0	15	6	0	0	2	1	24	1
Ards	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	4	1
East Belfast	0	0	4	0	8	5	0	1	0	0	19	3
North Belfast	0	0	1	6	67	13	3	0	1	0	123	19
South Belfast	0	0	0	1	24	2	2	0	1	0	20	0
West Belfast	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	5	0
Carrickfergus	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Castlereagh	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	13	0
Larne	0	0	0	0	6	2	0	0	0	0	9	0
Lisburn	0	0	1	2	8	4	0	0	0	0	10	0
Newtownabbey	0	0	0	0	37	4	2	0	0	1	48	11
North Down	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	5	0
Urban Region	0	0	6	10	174	42	7	1	5	2	281	35
Armagh	0	0	0	2	10	3	0	0	0	0	8	0
Ballymena	1	0	3	14	43	5	0	0	0	2	68	6
Ballymoney	0	0	0	0	4	3	0	0	0	0	29	0
Banbridge	0	0	0	0	6	1	0	0	0	0	6	0
Coleraine	0	0	0	3	18	7	0	0	2	1	23	6
Cookstown	0	0	0	0	7	2	0	0	0	1	7	0
Craigavon	0	0	0	0	14	2	0	0	2	3	17	0
Down	0	0	0	1	3	2	0	0	1	0	12	0
Dungannon & South Tyrone	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Fermanagh	0	0	0	2	6	2	0	0	0	2	10	0
Foyle	0	0	0	0	49	15	1	0	0	1	55	1
Limavady	0	0	0	1	19	0	0	0	0	0	7	1
Magherafelt	0	0	0	1	15	3	0	0	0	5	30	1
Moyle	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	4	2
Newry & Mourne	0	0	0	3	4	4	0	0	0	1	16	0
Omagh	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	5	0
Strabane	0	0	0	0	8	3	0	0	0	1	9	4
Rural Region	1	0	3	27	218	52	1	0	6	17	308	21
Grand Total	1	0	9	37	392	94	8	1	11	19	589	56

		Total number	r of incidents	;		Total offenc	es recorded		Sano clearance	ction e rate (%) <sup>1</sup>		anction e rate (%) <sup>1</sup>	Ove clearance	
	2005/06	2006/07	change	% change	2005/06	2006/07	change	% change	2005/06	2006/07	2005/06	2006/07	2005/06	2006/07
Antrim	5	6	+1	+20.0	2	4	+2	+100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Ards	8	3	-5	-62.5	6	3	-3	-50.0	0.0	66.7	83.3	0.0	83.3	66.7
East Belfast	2	0	-2	-100.0	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
North Belfast	6	9	+3	+50.0	1	2	+1	+100.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	50.0	100.0	50.0
South Belfast	2	0	-2	-100.0	1	0	-1	-100.0	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-
West Belfast	2	1	-1	-50.0	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Carrickfergus	1	1	0	0.0	1	0	-1	-100.0	0.0	-	100.0	-	100.0	-
Castlereagh	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Larne	2	1	-1	-50.0	1	0	-1	-100.0	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-
Lisburn	11	4	-7	-63.6	5	2	-3	-60.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Newtownabbey	2	1	-1	-50.0	2	1	-1	-50.0	50.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	50.0	0.0
North Down	3	1	-2	-66.7	3	0	-3	-100.0	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-
Urban Region	44	27	-17	-38.6	23	13	-10	-43.5	4.3	30.8	30.4	7.7	34.8	38.5
Armagh	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ballymena	1	1	0	0.0	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	100.0	0.0
Ballymoney	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Banbridge	1	1	0	0.0	1	0	-1	-100.0	0.0	-	100.0	-	100.0	-
Coleraine	6	4	-2	-33.3	2	2	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cookstown	4	1	-3	-75.0	3	0	-3	-100.0	33.3	-	0.0	-	33.3	-
Craigavon	1	0	-1	-100.0	1	0	-1	-100.0	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-
Down	1	3	+2	+200.0	0	2	+2	-	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
Dungannon & South Tyrone	0	2	+2	-	0	1	+1	-	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
Fermanagh	0	1	+1	-	0	1	+1	-	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
Foyle	6	2	-4	-66.7	2	0	-2	-100.0	0.0	-	50.0	-	50.0	-
Limavady	2	0	-2	-100.0	1	0	-1	-100.0	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-
Magherafelt	1	3	+2	+200.0	1	2	+1	+100.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	100.0	0.0
Moyle	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Newry & Mourne	0	2	+2	-	0	2	+2	-	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
Omagh	3	1	-2	-66.7	3	2	-1	-33.3	66.7	100.0	0.0	0.0	66.7	100.0
Strabane	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rural Region	26	21	-5	-19.2	15	13	-2	-13.3	20.0	15.4	26.7	0.0	46.7	15.4
Grand Total	70	48	-22	-31.4	38	26	-12	-31.6	10.5	23.1	28.9	3.8	39.5	26.9

### Table 3.10: Disability Motivation: Incidents, Recorded Crimes and Clearance Rates by District Command Unit 2005/06 and 2006/07

## Table 3.11: Recorded Crimes with a Disability Motivation: Offences Recorded by Type of Offence 2006/07

						Type of offence	9					
	Murder	Manslaughter	Attempted murder	Threat or conspiracy to murder	All woundings / assaults <sup>1</sup>	Intimidation / harassment	Robbery	Other violent crime	Burglary	Theft	Criminal damage	All other notifiable offences
Antrim	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	0
Ards	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
East Belfast	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
North Belfast	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
South Belfast	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
West Belfast	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Carrickfergus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Castlereagh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Larne	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lisburn	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Newtownabbey	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
North Down	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Urban Region	0	0	0	0	6	0	1	1	0	1	3	1
Armagh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ballymena	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Ballymoney	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Banbridge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coleraine	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cookstown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Craigavon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Down	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Dungannon & South Tyrone	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fermanagh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Foyle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Limavady	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Magherafelt	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Moyle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Newry & Mourne	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Omagh	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Strabane	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rural Region	0	0	0	0	6	1	0	1	1	1	3	0
Grand Total	0	0	0	0	12	1	1	2	1	2	6	1

# **Police Recording of Crime - Definitions**

# **Recorded Crime**

Recorded crime figures (sometimes referred to as notifiable offences) detail those crimes and offences (including attempts) recorded by the police which are deemed to be indictable or triable-either-way. Certain closely associated summary offences are also counted in the recorded crime figures.

- **Indictable offences** are those more serious crimes which are tried on indictment in the Crown Court by a judge and jury;
- **Triable-either-way offences** are those offences which, under certain circumstances, are triable either summarily in a magistrates court or on indictment in the Crown Court;
- **Summary offences** are less serious and are tried in a Magistrates Court before a resident magistrate with no jury.

The number of crimes recorded by the police is dependent on two factors:

- Whether the victim or a representative of the victim brings that crime to the attention of the police or on the crime coming to the attention of the police through some other means (such as the police officer being present at the time);
- Whether that incident is determined as being a recordable offence within the categories laid down by the Home Office in the official counting rules.

# Clearances

Clearances (or detections as they may alternatively be known) are, broadly speaking, those crimes that have been 'cleared up' by the police. Crimes are counted as 'cleared or detected' in accordance with strict counting rules issued by the Home Office. They are counted on the basis of crimes rather than offenders. For example, if six offenders are involved in a robbery and are all arrested and charged, then this counts as one clearance. Alternatively if only one of the six is identified and charged while the other five remain unidentified and go free, this also counts as one clearance. In this respect clearance data differs from conviction data as conviction data counts offenders while clearance data counts crimes.

The following methods of clearance involve a formal sanction:

- Charging or issuing a summons to an offender;
- Issuing a caution to the offender;
- Having the offence accepted for consideration in court;
- The offender is a juvenile who is dealt with by means of an informed warning or restorative caution.

Offences not involving a formal sanction but still regarded as 'cleared up' are those where the police take no further action for the following reasons:

- Offender, victim or essential witness is dead or too ill;
- Victim refuses or is unable to give evidence;
- Offender is under the age of criminal responsibility;
- Police or PPS decides that no useful purpose would be served by proceeding;
- Time limit of six months for commencing prosecution has been exceeded.

# Violent Crime

Violent crime comprises three main offence groupings: offences against the person, sexual offences and robbery. What violent crime offences have in common is that they involve actual violence or the threat of violence. The degree of violence varies considerably, even between incidents in the same classification. The large majority of incidents categorised as violent crime do not actually involve any significant injury to the victim, although some of the crimes not resulting in injury may still be traumatic for their victims eg threats to kill.