

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18
Police recorded	15,074	15,892	16,038	16,374	20,751	29,385	35,704	41,186	
Referred to CPS	7683	8130	6822	5404	5850	6159	6855	6611	6012
charges	3232	3387	3213	2889	3621	3648	3910	3671	2822
convictions	2,270	2,465	2,414	2,333	2,348	2,581	2,689	2,991	2,635
Attrition rates (of cases recorded by police)									
police finalised	49.0%	48.8%	57.5%	67.0%	71.8%	79.0%	80.8%	83.9%	
charged	78.6%	78.7%	80.0%	82.4%	82.6%	87.6%	89.0%	91.1%	
convictions	84.9%	84.5%	84.9%	85.8%	88.7%	91.2%	92.5%	92.7%	

Data sources

Police recorded rapes - ONS

Table 8,

<https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/crimeandjustice/datasets/sexualoffencesappendixtables>

Charge and conviction figures - CPS

Rider rape

<https://www.cps.gov.uk/publication/violence-against-women-and-girls>

Table 1: Prevalence of sexual assault among adults aged 16 to 59, by type, year ending March 2017 CSEW

	Since the age of 16			In the last year			All
	Men	Women	All	Men	Women	All	
	Percentage who were victims once or more						
Any sexual assault (including attempts)	3.8	20.3	12.1	0.8	3.1	2.0	
Rape or assault by penetration (including attempts)	0.3	6.4	3.4	0.0	0.9	0.5	
Rape or assault by penetration (excluding attempts)	0.3	5.3	2.8	0.0	0.6	0.3	
- Rape including attempts	0.3	5.5	2.9	0.0	0.7	0.3	
- Rape excluding attempts	0.2	4.5	2.3	0.0	0.4	0.2	
- Assault by penetration including attempts	0.2	4.4	2.3	0.0	0.5	0.3	
- Assault by penetration excluding attempts	0.2	3.4	1.8	0.0	0.3	0.2	
Indecent exposure or unwanted touching	3.7	19.2	11.5	0.8	2.7	1.7	
Any domestic sexual assault (including attempts) ¹	0.8	6.4	3.6	0.1	0.5	0.3	
Domestic rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) ¹	0.2	3.8	2.0	0.0	0.3	0.2	
Domestic indecent exposure or unwanted touching ¹	0.7	5.4	3.1	0.1	0.3	0.2	
Any sexual assault (including attempts) by a partner	0.7	5.6	3.1	0.1	0.4	0.2	
Rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) by a partner	0.1	3.5	1.8	0.0	0.3	0.2	
Indecent exposure or unwanted touching by a partner	0.6	4.6	2.6	0.1	0.3	0.2	
Any sexual assault (including attempts) by a family member	0.2	1.7	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) by a family member	0.1	0.7	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Indecent exposure or unwanted touching by a family member	0.2	1.4	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Unweighted base - number of adults²	9,685	11,338	21,023	9,679	11,295	20,974	

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. Domestic sexual assault includes both sexual assault by a partner and by a family member.

2. The unweighted bases given are for any sexual assault (including attempts); the bases for the other measures presented will be similar.

Table 2: Estimated numbers of victims of sexual assault since the age of 16, year ending March 2017 CSEW

England and Wales		Adults aged 16 to 59			
		Estimate	Range		Unweighted base - number of adults
		Numbers (thousands) ^{1,2}			
Any sexual assault (including attempts)	Men	631	555	- 706	9,685
	Women	3,371	3,223	- 3,518	11,338
	All	3,993	3,818	- 4,168	21,023
Rape or assault by penetration (including attempts)	Men	54	32	- 77	9,708
	Women	1,068	978	- 1,158	11,350
	All	1,119	1,022	- 1,216	21,058
Indecent exposure or unwanted touching	Men	606	532	- 680	9,706
	Women	3,189	3,045	- 3,333	11,392
	All	3,790	3,619	- 3,960	21,098

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

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SEXUAL OFFENCES (excluding rape) CRIME

Table 1 - Completed Prosecutions by Outcome

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18							
	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume							
Convictions	6,060	76.0%	6,588	74.3%	6,308	75.7%	6,756	79.0%	7,591	77.5%	9,351	78.0%	10,721	79.5%	9,654	80.4%
Unsuccessful	1,912	24.0%	2,274	25.7%	1,800	21.0%	1,798	21.0%	2,198	22.5%	2,644	22.0%	2,769	20.5%	2,351	19.6%
Total	7,972		8,862		8,108		8,554		9,789		11,995		13,490		12,005	

Table 2 - Prosecution Outcomes

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18							
	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume							
Prosecutions Dropped <i>inc. discontinued, no evidence offered & withdrawn</i>	894	11.2%	1,069	12.1%	975	11.7%	762	9.8%	729	8.5%	896	9.2%	1,064	8.9%	1,134	8.4%
Dismissed after full trial	489	6.1%	639	7.2%	571	6.9%	468	6.0%	423	4.9%	547	5.6%	667	5.7%	743	5.5%
Judge directed acquittal	137	1.7%	152	1.7%	130	1.6%	123	1.5%	158	1.8%	175	1.8%	237	2.0%	256	1.9%
Jury acquittal	61	0.8%	75	0.8%	58	0.7%	39	0.5%	37	0.4%	41	0.4%	44	0.4%	57	0.4%
All Other Unsuccessful Outcomes	709	8.9%	853	9.6%	774	9.3%	780	10.0%	796	9.3%	995	10.2%	1,189	9.9%	1,191	8.8%
Unsuccessful Outcomes	1,912	24.0%	2,274	25.7%	1,800	21.9%	1,798	21.0%	2,198	22.5%	2,644	22.0%	2,769	20.5%	2,351	19.6%
Guilty plea	5,048	63.3%	5,389	60.8%	5,253	63.0%	4,879	62.8%	5,658	66.1%	6,443	75.8%	7,919	66.0%	9,195	76.2%
Conviction after trial	1,007	12.6%	1,192	13.5%	1,038	12.5%	1,081	13.9%	1,092	12.8%	1,132	11.6%	1,422	11.9%	1,508	11.9%
Proved in absence	5	0.1%	7	0.1%	17	0.2%	11	0.1%	6	0.1%	16	0.2%	10	0.1%	18	0.1%
Convictions	6,060	76.0%	6,588	74.3%	6,308	75.7%	6,756	76.8%	7,591	79.0%	9,351	77.5%	10,721	78.0%	9,654	80.4%
Total Prosecutions	7,972		8,862		8,334		8,554		9,789		11,995		13,490		12,005	

Table 3 - Key Reasons for Unsuccessful Prosecutions

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18							
	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume							
Victim Retraction	85	4.4%	104	4.6%	89	4.4%	74	4.1%	157	8.7%	214	9.7%	235	8.9%	230	8.3%
Victim Non-Attendance	26	1.4%	42	1.8%	41	2.0%	39	2.2%	59	3.3%	75	3.4%	93	3.5%	111	4.0%
Evidence of Victim does not support case/come up to proof but no retraction	109	5.7%	101	4.4%	105	5.2%	102	5.7%	64	3.6%	69	3.1%	59	2.2%	56	2.0%
Total Victim Issues	220	11.5%	247	10.9%	235	11.6%	215	11.9%	280	15.6%	358	16.3%	387	14.6%	397	14.3%
Conflict of Evidence	167	8.7%	196	8.6%	182	9.0%	150	8.3%	144	8.0%	188	8.6%	254	9.6%	250	9.0%
Essential Legal Element Missing	213	11.1%	260	11.4%	218	10.8%	135	7.5%	52	2.9%	46	2.1%	65	2.5%	88	3.2%
Unreliable Witness	112	5.9%	136	6.0%	101	5.0%	66	3.7%	19	1.1%	17	0.8%	25	0.9%	29	1.0%
Effect on Victim/Witness mental health	17	0.9%	14	0.6%	16	0.8%	17	0.9%	17	0.9%	17	0.8%	17	0.8%	17	0.7%
Acquittals	803	42.0%	983	43.2%	901	44.5%	895	49.7%	953	53.0%	1,170	53.2%	1,426	53.9%	1,447	52.3%
Total Key Reasons	1,532	80.1%	1,836	80.7%	1,653	81.6%	1,478	82.1%	1,448	80.5%	1,779	80.9%	2,157	81.6%	2,211	79.8%
All Other Reasons	328	17.2%	383	16.8%	321	15.8%	263	14.6%	294	16.4%	343	15.6%	401	15.2%	465	16.8%
Administrative finalisations	52	2.7%	55	2.4%	52	2.6%	59	3.3%	56	3.1%	76	3.5%	86	3.3%	93	3.4%
Total	1,912		2,274		1,800		1,798		2,198		2,644		2,769		2,351	

Table 4 - Comparison of Key Victim Issues

	2009 - 10		2010 - 11		2011 - 12		2012 - 13		2013 - 14		2014 - 15		2015 - 16		2016 - 17		2017 - 18	
	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%
Total Unsuccessful due to victim issues	220	2.8%	247	2.8%	235	2.8%	215	2.8%	280	3.3%	358	3.7%	387	3.2%	397	2.9%	300	2.5%
Total Unsuccessful	1,912	24.0%	2,274	25.7%	2,026	24.3%	1,800	23.2%	1,798	21.0%	2,198	22.5%	2,644	22.0%	2,769	20.5%	2,351	19.6%
Total Convictions	6,060	76.0%	6,588	74.3%	6,308	75.7%	5,971	76.8%	6,756	79.0%	7,591	77.5%	9,351	78.0%	10,721	79.5%	9,654	80.4%
Total Prosecutions	7,972		8,862		8,334		7,771		8,554		9,789		11,995		13,490		12,005	

Table 5 - Completed Prosecutions by Gender of Defendant

	2009 - 10		2010 - 11		2011 - 12		2012 - 13		2013 - 14		2014 - 15		2015 - 16		2016 - 17		2017 - 18	
	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%
Women	351	4.4%	266	3.0%	222	2.7%	187	2.4%	218	2.5%	256	2.6%	319	2.7%	432	3.2%	317	2.6%
Men	7,620	95.6%	8,591	96.9%	8,109	97.3%	7,576	97.5%	8,330	97.4%	9,519	97.2%	11,658	97.2%	13,022	96.5%	11,665	97.2%
Unknown	1	0.0%	5	0.1%	3	0.0%	8	0.1%	6	0.1%	14	0.1%	18	0.2%	36	0.3%	23	0.2%
Total	7,972		8,862		8,334		7,771		8,554		9,789		11,995		13,490		12,005	

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN & GIRLS CRIME

Table 1 - Pre-Charge Decisions

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18
Charged	65,319 66.1%	72,314 66.1%	69,397 68.1%	63,078 67.5%	76,526 69.9%	86,359 68.5%	86,067 69.0%	83,084 70.7%	80,547 69.1%
No Prosecution	28,163 28.5%	31,196 28.5%	27,559 27.0%	25,365 27.1%	27,570 25.2%	33,276 25.8%	31,051 24.9%	27,742 23.6%	25,289 21.7%
Out of Court Disposal	2,557 2.6%	2,248 2.1%	1,784 1.8%	1,427 1.5%	1,296 1.2%	1,473 1.1%	1,394 1.1%	1,210 1.0%	1,257 1.1%
Administratively Finalised	2,761 2.8%	3,535 3.2%	3,115 3.1%	3,601 3.9%	3,980 3.6%	5,894 4.6%	6,168 4.9%	5,373 4.6%	9,431 8.1%
Other	47 0.0%	79 0.1%	84 0.1%	43 0.0%	47 0.0%	55 0.0%	57 0.0%	35 0.0%	40 0.0%
Total	98,667	109,372	101,939	93,514	109,419	129,057	124,737	117,444	116,574

Statutory Charging was fully rolled out on 3 April 2006
 *Sexual Offences excluding rape are not included in the pre-charge decision data.

Table 2 - Completed Prosecutions by Outcome

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18
Convictions	61,677 71.8%	68,154 71.5%	66,880 73.1%	60,853 74.1%	67,380 74.4%	78,773 73.5%	87,275 74.2%	84,565 75.3%	80,387 76.1%
Unsuccessful	24,227 28.2%	27,103 28.5%	24,608 26.9%	21,312 25.9%	23,138 25.6%	28,331 26.5%	30,493 25.8%	27,709 24.7%	25,225 23.9%
Total	85,904	95,257	91,488	82,165	90,516	107,104	117,568	112,270	105,613

Table 3 - Prosecution Outcomes

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18
Prosecutions Dropped inc. discontinued, no evidence offered & withdrawn	17,735	20,165	18,139	15,341	16,189	19,444	20,015	17,735	16,576
of which - no evidence offered	9,642	11,000	10,290	9,124	10,110	12,119	13,124	12,338	10,863
Dismissed after full trial	3,067	3,140	3,030	2,741	3,397	4,229	4,901	4,340	3,668
Judge directed acquittal	227	249	185	128	137	143	151	192	148
Jury acquitted	2,058	2,474	2,281	2,175	2,349	3,076	3,423	3,629	3,058
All Other Unsuccessful Outcomes	1,140	1,075	971	927	1,064	1,439	1,803	1,809	1,725
Unsuccessful Outcomes	24,227	27,103	24,608	21,312	23,138	28,331	30,293	27,705	25,225
Guilty plea	54,484	60,352	60,339	54,745	60,675	71,115	78,004	75,214	71,726
Convicted after trial	7,069	7,685	6,353	5,994	6,585	7,505	9,125	9,241	8,507
Proved in absence	124	117	169	114	120	153	145	110	154
Convictions	61,677	68,154	66,880	60,853	67,380	78,773	87,275	84,565	80,387
Total Prosecutions	85,904	95,257	91,488	82,165	90,516	107,104	117,568	112,270	105,613

Table 4 - Completed Prosecutions by VAW Crime Type

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18
Domestic Violence	74,113 86.3%	82,187 86.3%	79,266 86.7%	70,702 86.0%	78,071 86.3%	92,779 86.6%	100,930 85.8%	93,590 83.4%	89,091 84.4%
Rape	3,819 4.4%	4,208 4.4%	3,864 4.2%	3,692 4.5%	3,891 4.3%	4,536 4.2%	4,643 3.9%	5,160 4.6%	4,517 4.3%
Sexual Offences excluding rape	7,972 9.3%	8,862 9.3%	8,334 9.1%	7,771 9.5%	8,554 9.5%	9,789 9.1%	11,995 10.2%	13,490 12.0%	12,005 11.4%
Total	85,904	95,257	91,486	82,165	90,516	107,104	117,568	112,270	105,613

Table 5 - Key Reasons for Unsuccessful Prosecutions

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18
Victim Retraction	4,201 17.3%	4,822 17.8%	4,266 17.3%	3,673 17.2%	5,888 25.4%	6,891 24.3%	6,817 22.5%	5,824 21.0%	5,713 22.6%
Victim Non-Attendance	2,688 11.1%	3,011 11.1%	3,257 13.2%	3,245 15.2%	4,891 21.1%	6,058 21.4%	6,061 22.0%	6,566 23.7%	5,557 22.0%
Evidence of Victim does not support case/come up to proof but no retraction	3,966 16.4%	4,171 15.4%	3,550 14.4%	2,835 13.3%	630 2.7%	724 2.6%	743 2.5%	645 2.3%	510 2.0%
Total Victim Issues	10,855	12,004	11,073	9,753	11,409	13,673	14,221	13,035	11,780
Total Unsuccessful Prosecutions	24,227	27,103	24,608	21,312	23,138	28,331	30,493	27,709	25,225

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18
Cautious	277	345	254	207	266	309	315	212	0.0%
Blindfold	810	963	627	308	166	200	158	57	0.0%
Conflict of Evidence	1,255	1,447	1,390	1,241	1,341	1,705	1,809	1,466	1,662
Essential Legal Element Missing	1,927	2,104	1,855	1,207	382	426	438	385	422
Unreliable Witness	1,268	1,327	1,102	872	442	428	428	408	328
Effect on Victim/Witness mental health	116	153	100	107	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Acquittals	4,827	5,271	5,065	4,666	5,748	7,306	8,325	7,969	6,726
Total Key Reasons	23,135	23,814	21,466	18,361	19,754	24,047	25,694	23,530	20,938
All Other Reasons	2,467	2,885	2,571	2,366	2,677	3,387	3,360	2,942	2,952
Administrative Finalisations	625	604	569	585	705	897	1,239	1,233	1,336
Total	24,227	27,103	24,806	21,312	23,136	28,331	30,293	27,705	25,226

Table 6 - Comparison of Key Victim Issues

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18
Total Unsuccessful due to victim issues	10,855	12,004	11,073	9,753	11,409	13,673	14,221	13,035	11,760
Total Unsuccessful	24,227	27,103	24,606	21,312	23,136	28,331	30,293	27,705	25,226
Total Convictions	61,677	68,154	65,660	60,853	67,390	78,773	87,275	84,565	80,387
Total Prosecutions	85,904	95,257	91,466	82,165	90,516	107,104	117,568	112,270	105,613

Table 7 - Completed Prosecutions by Gender of Defendant

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18
Women	5,476	6,161	5,668	4,883	5,616	7,329	8,376	8,152	7,387
Men	80,413	89,071	85,788	77,230	84,850	99,680	109,081	103,960	99,083
Unknown	15	25	10	52	50	95	111	158	143
Total	85,904	95,257	91,466	82,165	90,516	107,104	117,568	112,270	105,613

Table 8 - Gender of Victims

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18
Women	51,970	68,194	63,980	51,565	56,645	69,007	76,018	68,196	64,333
Men	9,336	12,533	11,831	9,394	13,641	13,154	15,014	13,818	12,485
Unknown	11,597	11,527	12,655	13,206	13,641	16,153	19,815	22,684	20,535
Total	75,673	90,714	86,112	74,685	80,798	98,314	110,847	104,698	97,353

*Data does not include victims of Sexual Offences that exclude rape.
 **Data from 2006 - 07 was reported for all victims whether civilian or not, data from 2007 - 08 only reports civilian victims.

DOMESTIC ABUSE CRIME

Table 1 - Pre-Charge Decisions

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18			
Charged	62,087	68,1%	66,184	69.6%	72,905	70.4%	84,711	68.7%	79,413	71.7%	77,725	70.3%
No Prosecution	24,018	26.3%	26,857	26.5%	24,278	23.1%	23,170	25.5%	28,780	24.4%	25,597	23.1%
Out of Court Disposal	2,506	2.7%	2,183	1.8%	1,393	1.2%	1,444	1.2%	1,370	1.2%	1,191	1.1%
Administratively Finalised	2,539	2.8%	3,214	3.0%	3,320	3.8%	5,410	4.4%	5,523	4.7%	4,612	4.2%
Other	34	0.0%	51	0.1%	38	0.0%	54	0.0%	52	0.0%	30	0.0%
Total	91,184	101,242	95,117	98,110	103,569	122,698	117,882	110,833	116,562			

Statutory Charging was fully rolled out on 3 April 2006

Table 2 - Completed Prosecutions by Outcome

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18			
Convictions	53,347	72.0%	58,101	73.3%	52,549	74.3%	68,601	73.9%	70,853	75.7%	68,098	76.4%
Unsuccessful	20,766	28.0%	23,086	28.1%	21,130	26.7%	16,153	25.7%	25,695	25.5%	22,737	24.3%
Total	74,113	82,187	79,239	70,702	73,679	84,751	84,754	96,548	93,590			

Table 2(a) - Completed Prosecutions by Outcome: Magistrates' Courts

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18			
Convictions	45,953	71.9%	50,891	73.2%	46,131	74.2%	59,618	74.0%	65,715	74.7%	62,358	76.1%
Unsuccessful	18,002	28.1%	19,874	28.8%	16,019	25.8%	17,526	25.6%	22,205	25.3%	19,576	23.9%
Total	63,955	70,767	69,942	62,150	63,557	80,603	87,920	81,934	84,933			

Table 2(b) - Completed Prosecutions by Outcome: Crown Court

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18			
Convictions	7,394	72.4%	8,410	74.2%	6,418	76.2%	8,983	73.8%	8,495	72.9%	7,776	73.1%
Unsuccessful	2,764	27.2%	3,210	25.8%	2,134	25.0%	3,193	26.2%	3,490	28.8%	3,161	27.1%
Total	10,158	11,620	10,326	8,552	9,514	12,176	13,010	11,656	10,935			

Table 3 - Prosecution Outcomes

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18			
Prosecutions Dropped <i>inc. discontinued, no evidence offered & withdrawn</i>	16,101	21.7%	16,320	20.9%	14,073	19.2%	17,944	19.3%	18,341	18.2%	15,959	17.1%
Of which - no evidence offered	8,665	11.7%	9,812	11.7%	8,299	11.7%	11,131	12.0%	11,968	11.9%	11,051	11.8%
Dismissed after full trial	2,916	3.9%	2,979	3.6%	2,611	3.7%	4,034	4.3%	4,634	4.6%	4,056	4.3%
Judge directed acquittal	104	0.1%	102	0.1%	54	0.1%	61	0.1%	64	0.1%	71	0.1%
Jury acquittal	658	0.9%	783	1.0%	632	0.8%	856	0.9%	1,035	1.0%	1,067	1.1%
All Other Unsuccessful Outcomes	987	1.3%	902	1.1%	848	1.1%	1,283	1.4%	1,621	1.6%	1,584	1.7%
Unsuccessful Outcomes	20,766	28.0%	23,086	28.7%	18,153	25.4%	24,178	26.1%	25,695	25.5%	22,737	24.3%
Guilty plea	48,027	64.8%	53,460	65.0%	48,401	68.5%	63,132	68.0%	68,462	67.8%	64,292	68.7%
Conviction after trial	5,204	7.0%	5,532	6.7%	4,444	5.7%	5,333	5.7%	6,637	6.6%	6,469	6.9%
Proved in absence	116	0.2%	109	0.1%	151	0.2%	136	0.1%	136	0.1%	92	0.1%
Convictions	53,347	72.0%	58,101	73.3%	52,549	74.3%	68,601	73.8%	75,235	74.5%	70,853	75.7%
Total Prosecutions	74,113	82,187	79,239	70,702	73,679	84,751	84,754	96,548	93,590			

Table 4 - Key Reasons for Unsuccessful Prosecutions

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18			
Unsuccessful	20,766	28.0%	23,086	28.7%	18,153	25.4%	24,178	26.1%	25,695	25.5%	22,737	24.3%

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18
	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume
Victim Retraction	4,002	4,617	4,116	3,540	5,565	6,476	6,373	5,385	5,351
Victim Non-Attendance	2,647	2,955	3,203	3,201	4,817	5,961	6,546	6,429	5,469
Evidence of Victim does not support case/come up to proof but no retractions	3,731	3,943	3,348	2,627	469	546	580	454	356
Total Victim Issues	10,380	11,515	10,667	9,368	10,851	12,983	13,499	12,268	11,176
Caution	244	307	223	177	241	284	284	190	169
Blindfold	794	934	614	300	164	197	151	56	27
Conflict of Evidence	948	1,065	1,048	980	1,070	1,339	1,361	1,007	1,151
Essential Legal Element Missing	1,578	1,715	1,536	1,018	307	373	359	289	303
Unreliable Witness	994	1,027	852	696	403	406	392	362	305
Effect on Victim/Witness mental health	77	117	74	80	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Acquittals	3,131	3,455	3,426	3,006	3,854	4,691	5,670	5,123	4,441
Total Key Reasons	18,146	20,135	18,440	15,625	16,890	20,473	21,716	19,295	17,572
All Other Reasons	2,085	2,444	2,205	2,044	2,311	2,948	2,896	2,392	2,259
Administrative finalisations	535	507	495	484	594	757	1,083	1,050	1,162
Total	20,766	23,086	21,130	18,153	19,795	24,178	25,695	22,737	20,993

Table 5 - Comparison of Key Victim Issues

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18
	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume
Total Unsuccessful Issues	10,380	11,515	10,667	9,368	10,851	12,983	13,499	12,268	11,176
Total Unsuccessful	20,766	23,086	21,130	18,153	19,795	24,178	25,695	22,737	20,993
Total Convictions	53,347	59,101	58,138	52,549	59,278	68,601	75,235	70,853	68,098
Total Prosecutions	74,113	82,187	79,268	70,702	78,071	92,779	100,930	93,590	89,091

Table 6 - Completed Prosecutions by Gender of Defendant

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18
	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume
Women	5,082	5,844	5,386	4,645	5,345	7,013	7,992	7,656	6,997
Men	69,019	76,322	73,876	66,014	72,684	85,687	92,851	85,820	81,995
Unknown	12	20	6	43	42	79	87	114	109
Total	74,113	82,187	79,268	70,702	78,071	92,779	100,930	93,590	89,091

Table 7 - Gender of Victims

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18
	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume
Women	49,522	62,993	60,700	48,391	53,395	65,205	71,706	63,539	60,266
Men	9,042	12,113	11,396	9,026	10,114	12,631	14,406	13,064	11,935
Unknown	12,850	10,553	11,658	12,508	12,263	14,781	15,958	20,894	18,928
Total	71,414	85,649	83,154	69,925	75,772	92,597	104,193	97,497	91,129

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Table 1 - Pre-Charge Decisions

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18
	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume
Charged	3,232	3,387	3,213	2,869	3,621	3,648	3,910	3,671	2,822
No Prosecution	4,165	4,339	3,281	2,195	1,857	1,997	2,271	2,145	1,851
Out of Court Disposal	51	65	42	34	23	29	24	29	26
Administratively Finalised	222	321	275	281	341	484	645	761	1,307
Other	13	18	11	5	8	1	5	5	6
Total	7,663	8,130	6,822	5,404	5,850	6,159	6,855	6,611	6,012

Statutory Charging was fully rolled out on 3 April 2006

Table 2 - Completed Prosecutions by Outcome

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18
	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume
Convictions	2,270	2,465	2,414	2,333	2,348	2,581	2,689	2,991	2,635
Unsuccessful	1,549	1,743	1,450	1,393	1,543	1,955	1,954	2,199	1,882
Total	3,819	4,208	3,864	3,692	3,891	4,536	4,643	5,190	4,517

Table 3 - Prosecution Outcomes

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18
	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume
Prosecutions Dropped <i>inc. discontinued, no evidence offered & withdrawn</i>	740	776	626	506	508	604	610	642	659
<i>of which - no evidence offered</i>	488	549	448	357	386	441	469	544	567
Dismissed after full trial	14	9	12	7	10	0.3%	30	28	16
Jury acquitted	62	72	45	35	38	41	43	64	38
Judge acquitted	691	838	733	763	930	1,225	1,199	1,371	1,087
All Other Unsuccessful Outcomes	42	48	34	48	57	65	72	94	82
Unsuccessful Outcomes	1,549	1,743	1,450	1,393	1,543	1,955	1,954	2,199	1,882
Total Prosecutions	3,819	4,208	3,864	3,692	3,891	4,536	4,643	5,190	4,517

Table 4 - Key Reasons for Unsuccessful Prosecutions

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18
	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume
Victim Retraction	114	101	61	59	166	201	209	209	185
Victim Non-Attendance	15	14	13	5	15	22	22	26	13
Evidence of Victim does not support case/come up to proof but no retractions	126	127	97	106	97	109	104	135	106
Total Victim Issues	255	242	171	170	278	332	335	370	304
Conflict of Evidence	140	186	160	111	127	178	194	209	282
Essential Legal Element Missing	136	129	101	54	23	7	14	8	9
Unreliable Witness	162	164	149	110	20	5	11	15	6
Effect on Victim/Witness mental health	22	22	10	10	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Acquittals	693	833	738	765	941	1,245	1,229	1,399	1,103
Total Key Reasons	1,408	1,576	1,329	1,220	1,389	1,767	1,783	2,001	1,704
All Other Reasons	104	125	89	97	99	124	101	108	98
Administrative finalisations	37	42	32	42	55	64	70	90	80
Total	1,549	1,743	1,450	1,359	1,543	1,955	1,954	2,199	1,882

Table 5 - Comparison of Key Victim Issues

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18
Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%
Total Unsuccessful due to victim issues	265	242	171	170	278	332	335	370	304
	6.7%	5.8%	4.4%	4.6%	7.1%	7.3%	7.2%	7.1%	6.7%
Total Unsuccessful	1,743	1,450	1,450	1,359	1,543	1,955	1,954	2,199	1,882
	40.6%	41.4%	37.5%	36.8%	39.7%	43.1%	42.1%	42.4%	41.7%
Total Convictions	2,270	2,465	2,414	2,333	2,348	2,581	2,689	2,981	2,635
	59.4%	58.6%	62.5%	63.2%	60.3%	56.9%	57.9%	57.6%	58.3%
Total Prosecutions	4,208	4,208	3,864	3,692	3,891	4,536	4,643	5,180	4,517

Table 6 - Completed Prosecutions by Gender of Defendant

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18
Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%
Women	43	51	60	51	53	60	65	64	83
	1.1%	1.2%	1.6%	1.4%	1.4%	1.3%	1.4%	1.2%	1.8%
Men	3,774	4,157	3,803	3,640	3,836	4,474	4,572	5,118	4,423
	98.8%	98.8%	98.4%	98.6%	98.6%	98.6%	98.5%	98.5%	97.9%
Unknown	2	0	1	1	2	2	6	8	11
	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%
Total	3,819	4,208	3,864	3,692	3,891	4,536	4,643	5,180	4,517

Table 7 - Gender of Victims

	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18
Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%	Volume	%
Women	2,448	3,211	3,280	3,174	3,250	3,802	4,312	4,657	4,007
	57.5%	63.4%	66.2%	66.7%	64.7%	66.5%	64.8%	64.7%	65.2%
Men	294	420	435	368	398	523	608	754	560
	6.9%	8.3%	8.8%	7.7%	7.9%	9.1%	9.1%	10.5%	9.0%
Unknown	1,517	1,434	1,243	1,218	1,378	1,392	1,734	1,790	1,607
	35.6%	28.3%	25.1%	25.6%	27.4%	24.3%	26.1%	24.9%	25.8%
Total	4,259	5,065	4,958	4,760	5,028	5,717	6,654	7,201	6,234

Table 4: Prevalence of sexual assault in the last year, by type and sex, year ending March 2017 CSEW

	Men													
	Apr '04 to Mar '05	Apr '05 to Mar '06	Apr '06 to Mar '07	Apr '07 to Mar '08	Apr '08 to Mar '09	Apr '09 to Mar '10	Apr '10 to Mar '11	Apr '11 to Mar '12	Apr '12 to Mar '13	Apr '13 to Mar '14	Apr '14 to Mar '15	Apr '15 to Mar '16	Apr '16 to Mar '17	
	Percentage victims once or more													
Any sexual assault (including attempts) ²	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.6	0.5	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8
Rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) ²	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0
Rape or assault by penetration (excluding attempts) ²	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0
- Rape including attempts ²	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
- Rape excluding attempts ²	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0
- Assault by penetration including attempts ²	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0
- Assault by penetration excluding attempts ²	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0
Indecent exposure or unwanted touching ²	1.2	1.1	1.2	0.7	0.7	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.8
Any sexual assault (including attempts) by a partner ²	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) by a partner ²	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Indecent exposure or unwanted touching by a partner ²	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1
Any sexual assault (including attempts) by a family member ²	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) by a family member ²	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Indecent exposure or unwanted touching by a family member ²	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Unweighted base - number of adults ³	10,720	11,571	11,412	11,120	12,313	10,270	5,157	5,265	4,382	9,643	8,672	9,125	9,679	9,679

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. The sample size is lower for the years ending March 2011 to March 2013 than for other years due to use of a split-sample experiment in these years. The methodological note titled "Split sample for intimate personal violence 2011-13" provides further information.
 2. New questions were introduced into the survey from the year ending March 2013, and estimates from this year onwards are calculated using these new questions. Estimates for earlier years are calculated from the original questions with an adjustment applied to make them comparable to the new questions.
 3. The unweighted bases given are for any sexual assault (including attempts); the bases for the other measures presented will be similar.

Table 5: Prevalence of sexual assault in the last year, by type, year ending March 2017 CSEW

England and Wales	Adults aged 16 to 59														
	Apr '04 to Mar '05	Apr '05 to Mar '06	Apr '06 to Mar '07	Apr '07 to Mar '08	Apr '08 to Mar '09	Apr '09 to Mar '10	Apr '10 to Mar '11	Apr '11 to Mar '12	Apr '12 to Mar '13	Apr '13 to Mar '14	Apr '14 to Mar '15	Apr '15 to Mar '16	Apr '16 to Mar '17	Apr '16 to Mar '17 compared with: Apr '04 to Mar '05	Apr '15 to Mar '16
	Percentage victims once or more														
Any sexual assault (including attempts) ²	2.6	3.0	2.9	2.6	2.2	2.1	2.3	2.4	1.9	1.5	1.7	2.0	2.0		2.0
Rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) ²	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4		0.5
Rape or assault by penetration (excluding attempts) ²	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3		0.3
- Rape including attempts ²	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3		0.3
- Rape excluding attempts ²	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2		0.2
- Assault by penetration including attempts ²	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3		0.3
- Assault by penetration excluding attempts ²	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1		0.2
Indecent exposure or unwanted touching ²	2.3	2.5	2.6	2.2	1.9	1.9	1.9	2.1	1.6	1.2	1.5	1.7	1.7		1.7
Any sexual assault (including attempts) by a partner ²	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3		0.2
Rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) by a partner ²	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1		0.2
Indecent exposure or unwanted touching by a partner ²	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2		0.2
Any sexual assault (including attempts) by a family member ²	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0
Rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) by a family member ²	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0
Indecent exposure or unwanted touching by a family member ²	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0
Unweighted base - number of adults ³	23,671	25,308	24,536	23,816	26,675	22,346	11,287	11,255	9,676	21,008	19,199	20,157	20,974		

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. The sample size is lower for the years ending March 2011 to March 2013 than for other years due to use of a split-sample experiment in these years. The methodological note titled "Split sample for national and local authorities" provides further information.
 2. New questions were introduced into the survey from the year ending March 2013, and estimates from this year onwards are calculated using these new questions. Estimates for earlier years are calculated from the original questions with an adjustment applied to make them comparable to the new questions.
 3. The base given are for any sexual assault, the bases for the other measures presented will be similar.

Table 6: Estimated number of victims of sexual assault in the last year, by sex, year ending March 2005 to year ending March 2017 CSEW

England and Wales		Men										
		Apr '04 to Mar '05	Apr '05 to Mar '06	Apr '06 to Mar '07	Apr '07 to Mar '08	Apr '08 to Mar '09	Apr '09 to Mar '10	Apr '10 to Mar '11	Apr '11 to Mar '12 ¹	Apr '12 to Mar '13 ¹	Apr '13 to Mar '14	
Any sexual assault (including attempts)²		154	137	154	97	85	129	128	96	131	116	
Unweighted base - number of adults		10,720	11,571	11,412	11,120	12,313	10,270	5,157	5,265	4,382	9,643	

Number of victims (thousands)

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

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Table 7: Estimated number of victims of sexual assault in the last year, year ending March 2005 to year ending March 2017 CSEW

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Any sexual assault (including attempts)²	Number of victims (thousands)	804	931	915	812	685	664	745	777	621	482	558	645	646
Unweighted base - number of adults		23,571	25,308	24,536	23,816	26,675	22,346	11,287	11,255	9,676	21,008	19,199	20,157	20,974

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88A Sexual grooming ^{4,9}	9,735	9,873	11,593	11,363	10,209	8,848	298	354	198	163	160	200	213	230	380	65													
88B Other miscellaneous sexual offences ^{4,10,11}																65													
88C Other miscellaneous sexual offences ^{4,11}																18													
88D Unnatural sexual offences ^{4,11}																40													
88E Exposure and voyeurism ^{4,11}																10													
Other sexual offences⁴	44,357	47,140	46,911	45,844	42,266	39,493	37,089	37,932	38,048	36,722	37,225	43,481	59,017	70,407	80,001	14													
TOTAL SEXUAL OFFENCES⁴	56,652	60,412	60,924	60,287	56,042	52,166	50,185	53,006	53,940	52,760	53,599	64,232	88,402	106,111	121,187	14													

Source: Police recorded crime, Home Office

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2. The National Crime Recording Standard (NCRS) was introduced in April 2002, although some forces adopted NCRS practices before the standard was formally introduced. Figures before and after that date are not directly comparable. The introduction of NCRS led to a rise in recording in year ending March 2003 and, particularly for violent crime, in the following years as forces continued to improve compliance with the new standard.

3. Includes the British Transport Police from year ending March 2003 onwards.

4. The Sexual Offences Act 2003, introduced in May 2004, altered the definition and coverage of sexual offences.

5. Prior to year ending March 2010, a small number of offences continued to be recorded relating to offences repealed by the Sexual Offences Act 2003. While these may have been legitimately recorded for offences committed prior to May 2004 it is also possible that some may have been recorded in these old categories in error, so any changes based on small numbers should be interpreted with caution.

6. The increase in year ending March 2006 was accounted for by a large number of offences that were dealt with by the Norfolk Constabulary.

7. In April 2015 offence classification 71 was renamed 'Abuse of children through sexual exploitation'. This offence classification was previously named 'Abuse of children through prostitution and pornography'.

8. Modern Slavery (198) was introduced as a separate crime classification in April 2015. During April-July 2015 this classification included all of the offences that were previously recorded under category 72 (Trafficking for sexual exploitation) and some offences that were previously recorded under category 99 (Other indictable or triable-either-way offences). From 31 July 2015, a new set of Modern Slavery Act offences commenced, replacing all the offence codes previously listed under this classification.

9. The Sexual Grooming classification is currently restricted to those offences where the offender intentionally met the child or either the victim or the suspect/travelled with the intention of meeting. From 1st April 2017, it will also include the criminal offence of anyone aged 18 or over intentionally communicating with a child under 16, where the person acts for a sexual purpose and the communication is sexual or intended to elicit a sexual response.

10. This offence consists solely of the former offence of 'Indecent Exposure' for years prior to year ending March 2005. This became the offence of 'Exposure' and was included within 'Other miscellaneous sexual offences' from May 2004.

11. Offence classification 88B was split into 88C-E with effect from year ending March 2009. Since that time offences of exposure have been recorded as classification 88E.

Table 8: Police recorded sexual offences, by offence, year ending March 2003 to year ending March 2017 and percentage change between year ending March 2016 and year ending March 2017

Offence	Apr '02 to Mar '03 ^{2,3}		Apr '03 to Mar '04		Apr '04 to Mar '05		Apr '05 to Mar '06		Apr '06 to Mar '07		Apr '07 to Mar '08		Apr '08 to Mar '09		Apr '09 to Mar '10		Apr '10 to Mar '11		Apr '11 to Mar '12		Apr '12 to Mar '13		Apr '13 to Mar '14		Apr '14 to Mar '15		Apr '15 to Mar '16		Apr '16 to Mar '17		% change between 15/16 and 16/17
	11,445	12,378	693	8192	3,153	2,422	7,610	170	9,027	9,469	9,773	9,646	12,307	18,327	22,517	26,464	18														
Rape of a female ^{4,5}	850	894	81	444	438	317	368	387	413	661	1,276	1,625	27																		
Rape of a female aged 16 or over ⁴	850	894	81	444	438	317	368	387	413	661	1,276	1,625	27																		
Rape of a female child under 16 ⁴	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..					
Rape of a female child under 13 ⁴	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..					
Rape of a male ^{4,5}	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..					
Rape of a male aged 16 or over ⁴	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..					
Rape of a male child under 16 ⁴	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..					
Rape of a male child under 13 ⁴	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..					
Rape	12,295	13,272	14,013	14,443	13,774	12,673	13,096	15,074	15,892	16,038	16,374	20,751	29,385	35,704	41,186	15															
Buggery ^{4,5}	287	247	73	39	36	49	36	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..						
Indecent assault on a male ^{4,5}	4,132	4,110	1,003	347	76	209	158	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..						
Sexual assault on a male aged 13 and over ⁴	..	..	1,316	1,428	1,161	1,208	1,208	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..						
Sexual assault on a male child under 13 ⁴	..	..	1,227	1,394	1,237	1,004	1,054	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..						
Sexual assault on a female ^{4,5}	245	260	49	20	12	17	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..						
Gross indecency between males ^{4,5}	25,275	27,240	5,152	267	768	575	575	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..						
Gross indecency on a female aged 13 and over ⁴	..	..	15,087	17,158	16,883	15,793	15,500	15,693	16,346	15,794	15,518	17,377	23,180	27,848	30,202	8													
Sexual assault on a female child under 13 ⁴	..	..	4,391	4,647	4,245	3,984	4,148	4,148	4,298	3,991	4,177	5,129	6,288	7,382	7,983	8													
Unlawful sexual intercourse with a girl under 13 ⁴	183	212	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Sexual activity involving a child under 13 ⁴	..	..	1,510	1,950	1,936	1,836	1,650	1,817	1,769	1,808	2,173	2,892	4,709	5,925	7,788	31													
Unlawful sexual intercourse with a girl under 16 ^{4,5}	1,515	1,911	436	138	67	33	51	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..						
Sexual activity involving a child under 16 ⁴	..	..	2,546	3,283	3,208	3,123	3,318	3,992	4,039	3,971	4,468	5,881	8,676	11,303	13,081	16													
Causing sexual activity without consent ^{4,6}	..	..	239	744	224	191	130	130	167	203	191	274	469	584	700	20													
Incest or familial sexual offences ⁴	99	105	713	966	1,344	1,125	1,041	1,111	803	637	509	491	625	778	849	9															
Abduction of female ^{4,5}	291	403	86	36	21	4	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..						
Sexual activity with a person with a mental disorder ⁴	..	..	104	139	163	127	131	124	124	101	115	134	244	292	20														
Abuse of children through sexual exploitation ^{4,7}	..	..	99	124	101	108	116	116	134	153	176	289	367	563	617	10													
Trafficking for sexual exploitation ^{4,8}	..	..	21	33	43	57	52	58	66	66	70	123	184	33	15														
Abuse of position of trust of a sexual nature ⁴	678	792	682	463	361	328	195	185	146	176	192	194	211	239	279	17															
Gross indecency with a child ^{4,5}	1,917	1,987	398	120	64	149	121	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..						
Sexual grooming ^{4,9}	9,735	9,873	11,593	11,363	10,209	8,848	313	393	309	371	370	459	676	1,019	1,191	17															
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5. Prior to year ending March 2010, a small number of offences continued to be recorded relating to offences repealed by the Sexual Offences Act 2003. While these may have been legitimately recorded for offences committed prior to May 2004, it is also possible that some may have been recorded in these old categories in error, so any changes based on small numbers should be interpreted with caution.

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11. Offence classification 88B was split into 88C-E with effect from year ending March 2009. Since that time offences of exposure have been recorded as classification 88E.

Table 9a: Number of sexual offences recorded by the police, by police force area, English regions and Wales, year ending March 2016 to year ending March 2017 and percentage change between years^{1,2}

England and Wales				
Area Code	Police force area	Number of sexual offences		% change between years
		Apr '15 - Mar '16	Apr '16 - Mar '17	
K0400001	ENGLAND AND WALES³	106,111	121,187	14
E9200001	ENGLAND	99,445	113,241	14
E1200001	North East	5,224	6,181	18
E23000013	Cleveland	1,327	1,354	2
E23000008	Durham	1,124	1,340	19
E23000007	Northumbria	2,773	3,487	26
E1200002	North West	13,058	15,447	18
E23000006	Cheshire	1,416	1,712	21
E23000002	Cumbria	852	1,019	20
E23000005	Greater Manchester	5,821	6,848	18
E23000003	Lancashire	2,656	3,267	23
E23000004	Merseyside	2,313	2,601	12
E1200003	Yorkshire and the Humber	11,398	13,136	15
E23000012	Humberside	1,858	2,233	20
E23000009	North Yorkshire	1,189	1,424	20
E23000011	South Yorkshire	2,917	3,408	17
E23000010	West Yorkshire	5,434	6,071	12
E1200004	East Midlands	7,824	8,785	12
E23000018	Derbyshire	1,593	1,812	14
E23000021	Leicestershire	1,464	1,613	10
E23000020	Lincolnshire	1,161	1,174	1
E23000022	Northamptonshire	1,531	1,689	10
E23000019	Nottinghamshire	2,075	2,497	20
E1200005	West Midlands	10,598	12,226	15
E23000015	Staffordshire	2,337	2,841	22
E23000017	Warwickshire	978	1,388	42
E23000016	West Mercia	2,787	3,154	13
E23000014	West Midlands	4,496	4,843	8
E1200006	East	10,127	10,768	6
E23000026	Bedfordshire	1,026	927	-10
E23000023	Cambridgeshire	1,317	1,574	20
E23000028	Essex	2,793	2,944	5
E23000027	Hertfordshire	1,524	1,730	14
E23000024	Norfolk	1,711	1,920	12
E23000025	Suffolk	1,756	1,673	-5
E1200007	London	16,090	17,668	10
E23000034	City of London	93	60	-35
E23000001	Metropolitan Police	15,997	17,608	10
E1200008	South East	16,083	18,586	16
E23000030	Hampshire	4,042	4,939	22
E23000032	Kent	3,114	4,098	32
E23000031	Surrey	1,719	1,775	3
E23000033	Sussex	2,970	3,358	13
E23000029	Thames Valley	4,238	4,416	4
E1200009	South West	9,043	10,444	15
E23000036	Avon and Somerset	3,065	3,309	8
E23000035	Devon and Cornwall	2,734	3,403	24
E23000039	Dorset	1,165	1,297	11
E23000037	Gloucestershire	764	945	24
E23000038	Wiltshire	1,315	1,490	13
W9200004	WALES	5,233	6,344	21
W1500004	Dyfed-Powys	955	1,019	7
W1500002	Gwent	887	867	-2
W1500001	North Wales	1,397	1,917	37
W1500003	South Wales	1,994	2,541	27
	British Transport Police	1,433	1,602	12

Source: Police recorded crime, Home Office

1. Police recorded crime data are not designated as National Statistics.

2. When interpreting data for police force areas, users should be aware of recent changes to recording practices. For further information see the 'How are sexual offences defined and measured?' section of the article.

3. Includes British Transport Police.

Table 9b: Rate of sexual offences recorded by the police, by police force area, English regions and Wales, year ending March 2017^{1,2,3}

England and Wales

Area Code	Police force area	Rate per 1,000 population ⁴
K0400001	ENGLAND AND WALES⁵	2.1
E9200001	ENGLAND	2.0
E1200001	North East	2.3
E2300013	Cleveland	2.4
E2300008	Durham	2.1
E2300007	Northumbria	2.4
E1200002	North West	2.1
E2300006	Cheshire	1.6
E2300002	Cumbria	2.0
E2300005	Greater Manchester	2.5
E2300003	Lancashire	2.2
E2300004	Merseyside	1.8
E1200003	Yorkshire and The Humber	2.4
E2300012	Humberside	2.4
E2300009	North Yorkshire	1.8
E2300011	South Yorkshire	2.5
E2300010	West Yorkshire	2.6
E1200004	East Midlands	1.9
E2300018	Derbyshire	1.7
E2300021	Leicestershire	1.5
E2300020	Lincolnshire	1.6
E2300022	Northamptonshire	2.3
E2300019	Nottinghamshire	2.2
E1200005	West Midlands	2.1
E2300015	Staffordshire	2.5
E2300017	Warwickshire	2.5
E2300016	West Mercia	2.5
E2300014	West Midlands	1.7
E1200006	East	1.8
E2300026	Bedfordshire	1.4
E2300023	Cambridgeshire	1.9
E2300028	Essex	1.6
E2300027	Hertfordshire	1.5
E2300024	Norfolk	2.2
E2300025	Suffolk	2.2
E1200007	London	2.0
E2300034	City of London	6.4
E2300001	Metropolitan Police	2.0
E1200008	South East	2.1
E2300030	Hampshire	2.5
E2300032	Kent	2.3
E2300031	Surrey	1.5
E2300033	Sussex	2.0
E2300029	Thames Valley	1.9
E1200009	South West	1.9
E2300036	Avon and Somerset	2.0
E2300035	Devon and Cornwall	2.0
E2300039	Dorset	1.7
E2300037	Gloucestershire	1.5
E2300038	Wiltshire	2.1
W9200004	WALES	2.0
W1500004	Dyfed-Powys	2.0
W1500002	Gwent	1.5
W1500001	North Wales	2.8
W1500003	South Wales	1.9

Source: Police recorded crime, Home Office

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2. When interpreting data for police force areas, users should be aware of recent changes to recording practices. For further information see the 'How are sexual offences defined and measured?' section of the article.

3. Based on mid-2016 population estimates for England and Wales.

4. Numbers will be affected by the size of the resident population relative to the transient or visiting populations and may therefore over-represent the number of crimes relative to the real population of potential victims.

5. Total rate for England and Wales includes offences recorded by British Transport Police. However, no rates are given for British Transport Police as their data are not provided for specified geographical areas.

Table 10: Prevalence of sexual assault in the last year among adults aged 16 to 59, by personal characteristics¹ and sex, year ending March 2017 CSEW

England and Wales	Adults aged 16 to 59							
	Any sexual assault (including attempts)		Indecent exposure or unwanted touching		Rape or assault by penetration (including attempts)		Unweighted base - number of adults ²	
	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women
	Percentage victims once or more							
ALL ADULTS	0.8	3.1	0.8	2.7	0.0	0.9	9,679	11,295
Age group								
16-19	3.0	8.8	3.0	8.4	0.0	2.9	478	465
20-24	1.7	7.2	1.7	6.2	0.0	2.3	699	831
25-34	1.1	3.2	1.0	2.9	0.1	0.8	2,116	2,831
35-44	0.4	1.7	0.3	1.4	0.1	0.5	2,483	2,863
45-54	0.2	1.3	0.2	1.0	0.0	0.4	2,709	3,001
55-59	0.1	1.2	0.1	1.0	0.0	0.2	1,194	1,304
Ethnic group								
White	0.9	3.1	0.8	2.7	0.0	0.8	8,411	9,859
White - English/Welsh/Scottish/Northern Irish/British	0.9	3.1	0.9	2.6	0.0	0.8	7,615	8,975
White - Irish	1.3	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	70	66
White - Gypsy/Irish traveller	--	--	--	--	--	--	7	4
White - Any other white background	0.7	3.7	0.7	3.0	0.0	1.1	719	814
Mixed	1.4	8.6	1.4	7.9	0.0	3.4	132	166
Mixed - White and Black Caribbean	--	1.5	--	1.5	--	0.0	42	59
Mixed - White and Black African	--	--	--	--	--	--	26	20
Mixed - White and Asian	--	--	--	--	--	--	38	44
Mixed - Any other Mixed/Multiple ethnic background	--	--	--	--	--	--	26	43
Asian or Asian British	0.5	1.5	0.5	1.4	0.1	0.3	708	716
Asian - Indian	0.6	1.4	0.4	1.4	0.2	0.5	283	274
Asian - Pakistani	0.0	2.7	0.0	2.6	0.0	0.0	176	166
Asian - Bangladeshi	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	60	74
Asian - Chinese	3.2	1.6	3.2	0.8	0.0	0.8	65	77
Asian - Any other Asian background	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	124	125
Black or Black British	0.0	3.8	0.0	3.5	0.0	1.6	301	437
Black - African	0.0	2.9	0.0	2.9	0.0	1.4	189	289
Black - Caribbean	0.0	7.5	0.0	6.3	0.0	2.4	88	116
Black - Any other Black/African/Caribbean background	--	--	--	--	--	--	24	32
Other ethnic group	2.1	3.3	1.3	3.3	0.8	1.7	119	111
Other ethnic group - Arab	1.7	--	0.0	--	1.7	--	55	36
Other ethnic group - Any other ethnic group	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	0.0	64	75
Marital status								
Married/civil partnered	0.3	1.2	0.3	1.0	0.0	0.2	4,274	4,702
Cohabiting	0.5	2.4	0.4	2.0	0.1	0.6	1,505	1,664
Single	1.6	6.4	1.5	5.6	0.1	2.0	3,092	3,342
Separated	1.8	2.5	1.8	1.6	0.0	1.1	230	465
Divorced/legally dissolved partnership	1.5	2.9	1.5	2.2	0.0	1.0	500	937
Widowed	0.0	2.0	0.0	1.6	0.0	0.3	52	164
Respondent's employment status								
Employed	0.7	2.9	0.6	2.5	0.0	0.6	8,251	8,661
Unemployed	2.3	4.6	2.3	4.3	0.0	1.6	278	314
Inactive	1.7	3.6	1.7	2.9	0.1	1.6	1,147	2,318
Student	2.6	9.8	2.6	8.7	0.0	4.4	388	348
Looking after family/home	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.3	89	1,145
Long-term/temporarily sick/ill	0.6	4.4	0.6	2.7	0.3	2.0	405	499
Retired	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	114	167
Other inactive	1.9	0.6	1.9	0.2	0.0	0.6	151	159
Respondent's occupation								
Managerial and professional occupations	0.5	3.0	0.5	2.7	0.0	0.5	3,892	4,242
Intermediate occupations	0.3	2.7	0.2	2.4	0.1	0.4	1,949	2,772
Routine and manual occupations	0.7	1.8	0.7	1.3	0.1	0.6	3,018	3,200
Never worked and long-term unemployed	2.0	2.2	1.9	1.8	0.0	0.4	213	453
Full-time students	3.4	9.8	3.4	8.4	0.0	5.0	535	555
Not classified	1.2	0.0	1.2	0.0	1.2	0.0	72	73
Highest qualification								
Degree or diploma	0.7	3.1	0.6	2.8	0.0	0.5	4,403	5,449
Apprenticeship or A/AS level	1.2	5.4	1.2	4.7	0.0	1.8	2,120	1,915
O level/GCSE	0.8	2.0	0.8	1.5	0.1	1.0	1,864	2,557
Other	2.1	2.4	2.1	2.1	0.0	0.3	308	326
No qualifications	0.4	1.5	0.2	0.9	0.1	0.6	969	1,027
Long-standing illness or disability								
Long-standing illness or disability	1.0	5.3	0.9	4.4	0.2	1.8	1,397	1,917
Limits activities	1.1	5.0	1.0	4.0	0.2	2.0	996	1,491
Does not limit activities	0.8	6.3	0.8	5.7	0.0	1.2	399	424
No long-standing illness or disability	0.8	2.7	0.8	2.4	0.0	0.7	8,270	9,366
Hours out of home on an average weekday								
Less than 3 hours	0.5	1.8	0.5	1.4	0.1	0.6	1,041	2,077
3 hours or more but less than 7 hours	1.4	3.0	1.4	2.5	0.0	1.1	1,461	3,275
7 hours or longer	0.7	3.5	0.7	3.2	0.0	0.8	7,155	5,923

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. See Section 7.3 of the [User Guide](#) for definitions of personal characteristics.

2. The unweighted bases given are for any sexual assault (including attempts); the bases for the other measures presented will be similar.

-- Denotes 'not available'

Table 11: Prevalence of sexual assault in the last year among adults aged 16 to 59, by household and area characteristics¹ and sex, year ending March 2017 CSEW

England and Wales	Adults aged 16 to 59							
	Any sexual assault (including attempts)		Indecent exposure or unwanted touching		Rape or assault by penetration (including attempts)		Unweighted base - number of adults ²	
	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women
ALL ADULTS	0.8	3.1	0.8	2.7	0.0	0.9	9,679	11,295
Percentage victims once or more								
Structure of household								
No children	1.0	3.8	1.0	3.4	0.0	0.9	6,266	6,087
Adults and child(ren)	0.5	2.0	0.4	1.7	0.0	0.7	3,260	3,766
Single adult and child(ren)	0.8	3.0	0.8	2.1	0.8	1.3	153	1,442
Household income								
Less than £10,000	1.7	2.8	1.7	2.0	0.0	1.2	523	897
£10,000 to less than £20,000	0.6	2.7	0.6	2.1	0.1	0.6	1,160	1,901
£20,000 to less than £30,000	1.1	3.3	1.0	2.8	0.1	0.9	1,342	1,673
£30,000 to less than £40,000	1.0	2.3	1.0	2.0	0.0	0.5	1,303	1,426
£40,000 to less than £50,000	0.2	2.6	0.2	2.3	0.0	0.5	1,120	1,093
£50,000 or more	0.8	2.9	0.7	2.6	0.1	0.6	2,867	2,786
No income stated or not enough information provided	1.0	4.6	1.0	4.0	0.0	1.8	1,364	1,519
Tenure								
Owner occupiers	0.3	2.2	0.3	2.0	0.0	0.3	5,716	6,404
Social renters	1.1	2.9	1.1	2.0	0.1	1.4	1,316	2,062
Private renters	1.7	5.1	1.6	4.5	0.0	1.7	2,606	2,786
Accommodation type								
Houses	0.7	2.9	0.7	2.5	0.0	0.8	7,936	9,616
Detached	0.8	2.6	0.8	2.4	0.0	0.4	2,015	2,327
Semi-detached	0.5	2.6	0.5	2.3	0.1	0.8	2,930	3,597
Terraced	0.9	3.3	0.8	2.8	0.0	1.1	2,991	3,692
Flats/maisonettes	1.4	4.3	1.3	3.7	0.1	1.4	1,709	1,641
Caravan	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	9
Output area classification								
Rural residents	1.0	2.2	1.0	1.9	0.0	0.5	1,015	1,231
Cosmopolitans	2.7	5.3	2.7	4.7	0.0	1.5	577	470
Ethnicity central	0.7	4.0	0.7	3.2	0.0	1.3	579	701
Multicultural metropolitans	1.0	3.4	0.9	3.1	0.1	1.1	1,324	1,463
Urbanites	0.8	3.6	0.8	3.1	0.0	1.0	1,895	2,269
Suburbanites	0.4	2.2	0.4	2.0	0.0	0.5	1,873	2,135
Constrained city dwellers	1.2	2.9	1.2	2.2	0.2	0.8	644	731
Hard-pressed living	0.4	2.7	0.3	2.3	0.1	0.8	1,772	2,295
Area type								
Urban	0.8	3.1	0.8	2.7	0.1	0.9	7,939	9,099
Rural	0.9	2.8	0.9	2.4	0.0	0.8	1,740	2,196
Level of physical disorder								
High	1.3	3.5	1.3	2.9	0.1	0.9	592	660
Not high	0.8	3.1	0.8	2.7	0.0	0.9	9,032	10,567
English Index of Multiple Deprivation								
20% most deprived output areas	0.8	2.8	0.6	2.3	0.2	0.8	1,657	2,130
Other output areas	0.9	3.4	0.9	3.0	0.0	1.0	5,559	6,393
20% least deprived output areas	0.8	2.2	0.8	1.9	0.0	0.5	1,852	2,003
English region and Wales								
North East	0.0	5.5	0.0	4.4	0.0	1.6	525	660
North West	0.6	2.2	0.6	1.9	0.0	0.6	1,120	1,254
Yorkshire and the Humber	0.7	2.1	0.6	1.6	0.1	1.0	835	1,075
East Midlands	0.7	2.8	0.6	2.5	0.1	0.5	879	1,084
West Midlands	1.4	2.8	1.4	2.5	0.0	0.7	921	1,012
London	0.9	2.5	0.9	2.4	0.1	0.6	1,088	1,321
South East	1.1	3.4	1.0	3.0	0.0	1.1	1,290	1,440
South West	0.7	3.3	0.6	2.9	0.0	1.2	1,405	1,507
Wales	1.2	3.9	1.2	3.3	0.1	0.9	1,005	1,173
Wales	0.4	3.4	0.4	3.2	0.0	0.3	611	769

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. See Section 7.1 and 7.2 of the [User Guide](#) for definitions of household and area characteristics.

2. The unweighted bases given are for any sexual assault (including attempts); the bases for the other measures presented will be similar.

.. Denotes 'not available'

Table 12: Victim-offender relationship for sexual assault experienced since age 16 by adults aged 16 to 59, by sex of victim, year ending March 2015 to year ending March 2017 CSEW¹

England and Wales	Adults aged 16 to 59			
	Indecent exposure or unwanted touching		Rape or assault by penetration (including attempts)	
	Men	Women	Men	Women
Partner/ex-partner	15	24	39	55
Family member	5	8	13	10
Unweighted base - number of adults	956	6,558	119	2,236
	Percentage			

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. These data are based on combined data from year ending March 2015 to year ending March 2017.
2. These data are based on the survey module on domestic abuse, sexual assault and stalking which asks whether respondents have experienced sexual assault by a partner/ex-partner or a family member. While it is possible to tell if a respondent has experienced sexual assault from a partner/ex-partner and a family member from these questions, it is not possible to tell whether or not they have also experienced sexual assault by another offender, such as a stranger.

Table 13: Age and sex of offender of rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) experienced since age 16 by adults aged 16 to 59¹, by sex of victim, year ending March 2017 CSEW

Offender characteristics	Adults aged 16 to 59		
	Sex of victim		
	Men	Women	All
	Percentage ²		
Male aged under 16	..	1	1
Male aged 16-19	..	19	19
Male aged 20-39	..	65	65
Male aged 40-59	..	13	13
Male aged 60 or over	..	1	1
Female aged under 16	..	0	0
Female aged 16-19	..	0	0
Female aged 20-39	..	1	1
Female aged 40-59	..	0	0
Female aged 60 or over	..	0	0
Unweighted base - number of adults	25	634	659

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. If the victim had experienced more than one sexual assault by rape or penetration (including attempts), question was asked of the most recent incident.
 2. Figures are not published for CSEW estimates based on less than 50 respondents.
- .. Denotes 'not available'.

Table 14: Age of victim at time of rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) experienced since age 16 by adults aged 16 to 59¹, by sex of victim, year ending March 2017 CSEW

England and Wales	Adults aged 16 to 59		
	Sex of victim		All
	Men	Women	
	Percentage ²		
16-19	..	42	42
20-24	..	25	25
25-34	..	21	21
35-44	..	9	9
45-54	..	3	3
55-59	..	0	0
Unweighted base - number of adults	26	603	629

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. If the victim had experienced more than one sexual assault by rape or penetration (including attempts), question was asked of the most recent incident.

2. Figures are not published for CSEW estimates based on fewer than 50 respondents.

.. Denotes 'not available'.

Table 16: Location of rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) experienced since age 16 by adults aged 16 to 59¹, by sex of victim, year ending March 2017 CSEW

England and Wales	Adults aged 16 to 59		
	Men	Women	All
	Percentage ²		
In own home	..	39	39
At the offender's home	..	23	24
In a park/other open public place	..	6	6
In a pub/club/disco	..	4	4
On the street	..	3	4
At school/university/place of study	..	3	3
In a car park	..	1	1
At work	..	1	1
On public transport	..	0	0
Somewhere else	..	20	19
Unweighted base - number of adults	25	647	672

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. If the victim had experienced more than one sexual assault by rape or penetration (including attempts), question was asked of the most recent incident.

2. Figures are not published for CSEW estimates based on less than 50 respondents.

.. Denotes 'not available'.

Table 17: Number of times rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) was experienced since age 16 by victims aged 16 to 59, by sex, year ending March 2017 CSEW

England and Wales	Victims aged 16 to 59		
	Men	Women	All
	Percentage ¹		
Once	..	51	52
More than once	..	49	48
Twice	..	22	21
Three times	..	6	6
More than three times	..	21	21
Unweighted base - number of adults	24	624	648

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. Figures are not published for CSEW estimates based on fewer than 50 respondents.

.. Denotes 'not available'.

Table 17: Number of times rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) was experienced since age 16 by victims aged 16 to 59, by sex, year ending March 2017 CSEW

England and Wales	Victims aged 16 to 59		
	Men	Women	All
	Percentage ¹		
Once	..	51	52
More than once	..	49	48
Twice	..	22	21
Three times	..	6	6
More than three times	..	21	21
Unweighted base - number of adults	24	624	648

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. Figures are not published for CSEW estimates based on fewer than 50 respondents.

.. Denotes 'not available'.

Table 18: Number of separate perpetrators of rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) since age 16 reported by victims aged 16 to 59, by sex of victim, year ending March 2017 CSEW

England and Wales	Victims aged 16 to 59		
	Men	Women	All
	Percentage ¹		
One person	..	70	70
Two people	..	20	20
Three people	..	5	5
More than three people	..	4	4
Unweighted base - number of adults	26	641	667

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. Figures are not published for CSEW estimates based on fewer than 50 respondents.

.. Denotes 'not available'.

Table 19: Influence of alcohol and drugs in rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) experienced since age 16 by adults aged 16 to 59¹, by sex of victim, year ending March 2017 CSEW

England and Wales	Adults aged 16 to 59		
	Men	Women	All
	Percentage ²		
Offender under the influence of alcohol			
Yes	..	38	38
No	..	50	51
Don't know/can't remember	..	12	12
Offender under the influence of drugs			
Yes	..	8	8
No	..	69	69
Don't know/can't remember	..	23	23
Offender drugged victim			
Yes	..	6	6
No	..	87	87
Don't know/can't remember	..	7	7
Victim use of alcohol or drugs			
Victim under the influence of alcohol	..	37	38
Victim under the influence of drugs they had chosen to take	..	1	2
Victim under the influence of alcohol or drugs they had chosen to take or that the offender had drugged them with	..	41	41
Unweighted base - number of adults³	26	657	683

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. If the victim had experienced more than one sexual assault by rape or penetration (including attempts), question was asked of the most recent incident.

2. Figures are not published for CSEW estimates based on less than 50 respondents.

3. The unweighted bases given are for whether the offender was under the influence of alcohol; the bases for the other measures presented will be similar.

.. Denotes 'not available'.

Table 20: Influence of alcohol and drugs in rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) experienced since age 16 by adults aged 16 to 59¹, by victim-offender relationship, year ending March 2017 CSEW

England and Wales	Adults aged 16 to 59			
	Partner/ex-partner	Other known ²	Stranger	Family member
	Percentage ³			
Victim use of alcohol or drugs				
Victim under the influence of alcohol	19	52	65	..
Victim under the influence of drugs they had chosen to take	2	0	3	..
Offender drugged victim				
Yes	4	4	17	..
No	93	85	71	..
Don't know/can't remember	3	10	12	..
Unweighted base - number of adults⁴	318	238	79	30

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. If the victim had experienced more than one sexual assault by rape or penetration (including attempts), question was asked of the most recent incident.
 2. Includes date, friend, neighbour, an acquaintance (outside work or school/college/university), person in a position of trust or authority (not at work, school or university), colleague/peer from work or school/college/university.
 3. Figures are not published for CSEW estimates based on less than 50 respondents.
 4. The unweighted bases given are for whether the victim was under the influence of alcohol; the bases for the other measures presented will be similar.
- .. Denotes 'not available'.

Table 21: How offender of rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) tried to make victim aged 16 to 59 have sex with them^{1,2}, by sex of victim, year ending March 2017 CSEW

England and Wales	Adults aged 16 to 59		
	Men	Women	All
	Percentage ^{3,4}		
Offender actions⁵			
Frightened or threatened to hurt victim	..	25	26
Frightened or threatened to hurt someone or something close to victim	..	7	7
Threatened to kill victim	..	7	8
Used physical force (held down, punched, kicked victim etc.)	..	59	58
Choked or tried to strangle victim	..	11	12
Used a weapon such as a stick or a knife	..	3	3
Threatened to use a weapon such as a stick or a knife	..	2	3
Used some other kind of force or intimidation	..	24	24
Did not do any of these things	..	22	22
Don't know/can't remember	..	5	5
Unweighted base - number of adults	26	640	666
Victim was unconscious or asleep			
Unconscious or asleep	..	18	18
Not unconscious or asleep	..	79	79
Victim did not know	..	3	3
Unweighted base - number of adults	26	652	678

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. The victim had experienced the rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) since the age of 16

2. If the victim had experienced more than one sexual assault by rape or penetration (including attempts), question was asked of the most recent incident.

3. Figures are not published for CSEW estimates based on fewer than 50 respondents.

4. Percentages exclude refusals but include respondents who said 'Don't know/cannot remember'.

5. Percentages may sum to more than 100, as more than one option could be selected.

.. Denotes 'not available'.

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Table 22: Who victims aged 16 to 59 told about rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) experienced since age 16¹, by sex of victim, year ending March 2017 CSEW

England and Wales	Adults aged 16 to 59		
	Men	Women	All
	Percentage ^{2,3}		
Told anyone	..	69	69
Told someone known personally	..	58	58
Family or a relative	..	31	31
Friend or a neighbour	..	41	41
Work colleague	..	5	5
Told someone in an official position	..	30	30
Police	..	17	17
Health professionals	..	19	19
Local council department	..	1	1
Other government agency	..	1	1
Lawyer, solicitor or other legal professional	..	4	4
Told other support professional or organisation	..	31	32
Sexual Assault Referral centre	..	3	3
Other specialist support service	..	4	5
Victim support	..	7	7
Counsellor or therapist	..	22	23
National domestic violence helpline	..	3	3
A dedicated sexual violence helpline	..	2	2
Any other helpline	..	1	1
Told somebody else or another organisation	..	6	7
Didn't tell anyone	..	31	31
Unweighted base - number of adults ⁴	25	627	652

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. If the victim had experienced more than one sexual assault by rape or penetration (including attempts), question was asked of the most recent incident.
 2. Figures are not published for CSEW estimates based on fewer than 50 respondents.
 3. Percentages may sum to more than 100, as more than one option could be selected.
 4. The unweighted bases given are for whether the victim told anyone; the bases for the other measures presented will be similar.
- .. Denotes 'not available'.

Table 23: Experience of the police for victims aged 16 to 59 of rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) experienced since age 16¹, by sex of victim, year ending March 2017 CSEW

England and Wales	Adults aged 16 to 59		
	Men	Women	All
	Percentage ²		
How helpful police were on first contact			
Very helpful	..	49	50
Fairly helpful	..	26	25
Not very helpful	..	12	12
Not at all helpful	..	13	13
Unweighted base - number of adults	5	111	116
How helpful police were during the investigation			
Very helpful	..	42	44
Fairly helpful	..	20	19
Not very helpful	..	23	23
Not at all helpful	..	14	14
Unweighted base - number of adults	6	109	115

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. If the victim had experienced more than one sexual assault by rape or penetration (including attempts), question was asked of the most recent incident.

2. Figures are not published for CSEW estimates based on fewer than 50 respondents.

.. Denotes 'not available'.

Table 24: Why victims aged 16 to 59 told the police about rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) experienced since age 16¹, by sex of victim, year ending March 2017 CSEW

England and Wales	Adults aged 16 to 59		
	Men	Women	All
	Percentage ^{2,3}		
It was the right thing to do	..	45	46
To prevent it happening again	..	43	44
To prevent it happening to others	..	50	49
Wanted the person / people who did it to be punished	..	41	42
Wanted protection	..	34	33
Was told to by someone else	..	10	9
Was referred to the police by a support service	..	6	6
Some other reason	..	7	7
Unweighted base - number of adults	5	110	115

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. If the victim had experienced more than one sexual assault by rape or penetration (including attempts), question was asked of the most recent incident.

2. Figures are not published for CSEW estimates based on fewer than 50 respondents.

3. Percentages may sum to more than 100, as more than one option could be selected.

.. Denotes 'not available'.

Table 25: Outcome of police investigation of rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) experienced since age 16 by adults aged 16 to 59¹, by sex of victim, year ending March 2017 CSEW

England and Wales	Adults aged 16 to 59		
	Men	Women	All
	Percentage ^{2,3}		
Police warned the person who did it	..	14	14
Police arrested the person who did it	..	43	42
Police charged the person who did it	..	30	30
Police took some other action	..	11	11
Police tried to take action but were unable to locate/identify person who did it	..	7	7
Too early to say	..	4	5
Police took no action	..	19	19
Unweighted base - number of adults	5	106	111
Did the case come to court			
Yes	..	64	64
Not yet	..	1	1
No	..	35	35
Unweighted base - number of adults	2	60	62

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. If the victim had experienced more than one sexual assault by rape or penetration (including attempts), question was asked of the most recent incident.

2. Figures are not published for CSEW estimates based on fewer than 50 respondents.

3. Percentages may sum to more than 100, as more than one option could be selected.

.. Denotes 'not available'.

Table 26: Why victims aged 16 to 59 of rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) experienced since age 16 did not tell anyone¹, by sex of victim, year ending March 2017 CSEW

England and Wales	Adults aged 16 to 59		
	Men	Women	All
Didn't tell the police	..	83	83
	Percentage ^{2,3}		
Why not told the police⁴			
Too trivial/not worth reporting	..	19	20
Private/family matter/not police business	..	10	10
Embarrassment	..	46	47
Didn't think they could help	..	40	40
Thought it would be humiliating	..	35	35
Feared more violence as a result of involving the police	..	17	18
Didn't think they would believe me	..	27	28
Didn't think the police would be sympathetic	..	16	16
Didn't think they would do anything about it	..	19	19
Didn't want to go to court	..	22	22
Didn't want the person or people who did it to be punished	..	9	9
Dislike/fear of the police	..	1	1
Police did not come when called	..	1	1
Some other reason	..	17	17
Unweighted base - number of adults	13	308	321
Didn't tell anyone	..	31	31
	Percentage ^{2,3}		
Why not told anyone (person or organisation)			
Too trivial	..	12	12
It was a private matter	..	24	23
Embarrassment	..	51	51
Didn't have anyone to tell	..	9	9
Didn't think anyone could help	..	20	21
Didn't think anyone would believe me	..	25	25
Didn't think anyone would be sympathetic	..	11	12
Didn't think anyone would do anything about it	..	23	23
Feared more violence as a result of telling someone	..	16	15
Didn't want the police to become involved	..	12	11
Some other reason	..	16	16
Unweighted base - number of adults	6	184	190

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Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. If the victim had experienced more than one sexual assault by rape or penetration (including attempts), question was asked of the most recent incident.
 2. Figures are not published for CSEW estimates based on fewer than 50 respondents.
 3. Percentages may sum to more than 100, as more than one option could be selected.
 4. This question was asked of those who had told someone, but had not told the police.
- .. Denotes 'not available'.

Table 26: Why victims aged 16 to 59 of rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) experienced since age 16 did not tell anyone¹, by sex of victim, year ending March 2017 CSEW

England and Wales	Adults aged 16 to 59		
	Men	Women	All
	Percentage ^{2,3}		
Didn't tell the police	..	83	83
Why not told the police⁴			
Too trivial/not worth reporting	..	19	20
Private/family matter/not police business	..	10	10
Embarrassment	..	46	47
Didn't think they could help	..	40	40
Thought it would be humiliating	..	35	35
Feared more violence as a result of involving the police	..	17	18
Didn't think they would believe me	..	27	28
Didn't think the police would be sympathetic	..	16	16
Didn't think they would do anything about it	..	19	19
Didn't want to go to court	..	22	22
Didn't want the person or people who did it to be punished	..	9	9
Dislike/fear of the police	..	1	1
Police did not come when called	..	1	1
Some other reason	..	17	17
Unweighted base - number of adults	13	308	321
Didn't tell anyone	..	31	31
Why not told anyone (person or organisation)			
Too trivial	..	12	12
It was a private matter	..	24	23
Embarrassment	..	51	51
Didn't have anyone to tell	..	9	9
Didn't think anyone could help	..	20	21
Didn't think anyone would believe me	..	25	25
Didn't think anyone would be sympathetic	..	11	12
Didn't think anyone would do anything about it	..	23	23
Feared more violence as a result of telling someone	..	16	15
Didn't want the police to become involved	..	12	11
Some other reason	..	16	16
Unweighted base - number of adults	6	184	190

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. If the victim had experienced more than one sexual assault by rape or penetration (including attempts), question was asked of the most recent incident.
 2. Figures are not published for CSEW estimates based on fewer than 50 respondents.
 3. Percentages may sum to more than 100, as more than one option could be selected.
 4. This question was asked of those who had told someone, but had not told the police.
- .. Denotes 'not available'.

Table 27: How victims aged 16 to 59 of rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) experienced since age 16 describe the experience¹, by sex of victim, year ending March 2017 CSEW

England and Wales	Adults aged 16 to 59		
	Men	Women	All
	Percentage ²		
Sexual assault	..	26	27
Sexual abuse	..	9	9
Forced sex	..	21	21
Rape	..	35	34
Something else	..	9	9
Unweighted base - number of adults	25	625	650

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. If the victim had experienced more than one sexual assault by rape or penetration (including attempts), question was asked of the most recent incident.

2. Figures are not published for CSEW estimates based on fewer than 50 respondents.

.. Denotes 'not available'.

Table 28: How victims aged 16 to 59 of rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) experienced since age 16 perceive the experience¹, by sex of victim, year ending March 2017 CSEW

England and Wales	Adults aged 16 to 59		
	Men	Women	All
		Percentage ²	
It was a crime	..	72	72
It was wrong, but not a crime	..	18	18
It was just something that happens	..	8	8
None of these	..	1	1
Unweighted base - number of adults	25	620	645

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. If the victim had experienced more than one sexual assault by rape or penetration (including attempts), question was asked of the most recent incident.

2. Figures are not published for CSEW estimates based on fewer than 50 respondents.

.. Denotes 'not available'.

Table 29: Effects of rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) experienced since age 16 by adults aged 16 to 59¹, by sex of victim, year ending March 2017 CSEW

England and Wales	Adults aged 16 to 59		
	Men	Women	All
	Percentage ^{2,3}		
Any physical injury	..	39	39
Minor bruising or black eye	..	27	27
Scratches	..	17	17
Severe bruising or bleeding from cuts	..	9	9
Internal injuries or broken bones/teeth	..	6	6
Any other physical injury	..	7	7
Unweighted base - number of adults	26	603	629
Other effects	..	77	77
Mental or emotional problems	..	64	63
Stopped trusting people/difficulty in other relationships	..	53	53
Stopped going out so much	..	30	30
Tried to kill self	..	9	10
Became pregnant	..	4	3
Contracted a disease	..	3	3
Unweighted base - number of adults	25	634	659

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. If the victim had experienced more than one sexual assault by rape or penetration (including attempts), question was asked of the most recent incident.

2. Figures are not published for CSEW estimates based on fewer than 50 respondents.

3. Percentages may sum to more than 100, as more than one option could be selected.

.. Denotes 'not available'.

Table 30: Impact on work of rape or assault by penetration (including attempts) experienced since age 16 by adults aged 16 to 59¹, by sex of victim, year ending March 2017 CSEW

England and Wales	Adults aged 16 to 59		
	Men	Women	All
	Percentage ²		
In employment at time of incident			
Yes	..	52	53
No	..	48	47
Unweighted base - number of adults	26	633	659
Took time off work			
Yes	..	27	27
No	..	73	73
Unweighted base - number of adults	19	339	358
Time taken off work			
Less than 1 full day	..	3	3
1 day	..	10	10
2 days	..	8	8
Between 3 and 6 days	..	33	35
Between 1 and 3 weeks	..	14	14
A month or more	..	32	31
Unweighted base - number of adults	3	86	89
Lost job or gave up work			
Yes	..	6	6
No	..	94	94
Unweighted base - number of adults	19	346	365

Source: Crime Survey for England and Wales, Office for National Statistics

1. If the victim had experienced more than one sexual assault by rape or penetration (including attempts), question was asked of the most recent incident.

2. Figures are not published for CSEW estimates based on fewer than 50 respondents.

.. Denotes 'not available'.

Table 31: Police recorded sexual offences with 'other' victim-suspect relationship, by type of relationship, Home Office Data Hub (10 forces), year ending March 2017^{1,2}

England and Wales

	Acquaintance ³	Not known/no current suspect ⁴	Other sexual relationship ⁵	Stranger ⁶
	Percentages:			
Rape	58	23	0	19
Other Sexual Offences	53	23	0	24

Source: Home Office Data Hub

1. Police recorded crime data are not designated as National Statistics.

2. Data based on 10 forces that provided data via the Home Office Data Hub. Data have not been reconciled with forces.

3. Includes all acquaintances and known relationships which cannot be counted as family relatives or sexual relationships.

4. Includes all cases where no suspect has yet been identified as well as cases where a suspect has been identified but the relationship status of the victim to the suspect has not been established.

5. Includes all sexual relationships where the victim and suspect are not currently partners and have not previously been partners.

6. Includes all cases where it has been identified that the victim and suspect were not known to each other prior to the offence.