

1. Do you have a specific rural crime strategy?

We follow the overall strategy set out by NPCC and NWCU.

2. How many rural crime officers (or officers trained to tackle rural crime) did your force have in the following years?

2010 - 12 officers (not a full time role)

2015 - 15 officers/staff (not a full time role)

2019 - approximately 18 officer/staff. In addition are able to provide expertise and advice to other officers

3. Are you able to identify crimes that happen in a rural or urban area when you record crimes on your crime database?
4. If answered yes to question 4, can you please tell me how many crimes happened in a rural area and urban areas in the following years?
 - i. 2010
 - ii. 2015
 - iii. 2019
5. What are three most common rural crimes committed in your area in the following years?
 - i. 2010
 - ii. 2015
 - iii. 2019

We do not have a marker or internal definition for 'rural' crime. All crime is recorded based upon geography within the Force, it is recorded by the Neighbourhood Policing Unit where the crime occurred. While some crimes may happen on a farm, or in a field, there is no way to determine whether that would be classed as rural.