

REQUEST 926A/21

I would like to request the number of homicides, per year, in the West Midlands, caused by the use of sharp objects, including knives - during the period of 2017-2020 (March 2021 if available.)

Date	Number of Homicides
2017	24
2018	19
2019	18
2020	13
2021	3
Grand Total	77

REQUEST 927A/21

I would like to request a document that includes the average age of individuals whom are arrested and charged for possession of a sharp object (including knives) in the West Midlands – during the period of 2017-2020 (2021 if available.)

The total for the offence - Possess knife blade / sharp pointed article in a public place - Criminal Justice Act 1988.

Average ages are not held, and we are not obliged to create data, but have been able to assist on this occasion.

Possession	
Date	Average of age
2017	26
2018	28
2019	27
2020	29
2021	28
Grand Total	28

Can this also include the average age of individuals in the West Midlands whom are arrested and charged for using such sharp objects (including knives?) – During the same period noted above.

The total for the offence - Threaten a person with a blade / sharply pointed article in a public place.

Threaten	
Date	Average of age
2017	27
2018	28
2019	30
2020	30
2021	33

Grand Total	29
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