

The number of **child neglect cases** reported to West Midlands Police in the past three years, broken down by year - 2019, 2020 and 2021

We have searched for the following offences:

Attempted – Cruelty to Children / Young Persons – Cruelty to and neglect of children

Cruelty to Children / Young Persons – Abandoning child under two years

Cruelty to Children / Young Persons – Allowing child or young person to be in a brothel

Cruelty to Children / Young Persons – Allowing persons under 16 to take part in performances endangering life or limb

Cruelty to Children / Young Persons – Cruelty to and neglect of children

Cruelty to Children / Young Persons – Exposing child to risk of burning

Offences	From Mar 2019	2020	2021	Grand Total
Attempted - Cruelty to Children/Young Persons - Cruelty to and neglect of children			12	12
Cruelty to Children/Young Persons - Abandoning child under two years	1	1	3	5
Cruelty to Children/Young Persons - Allowing child or young person to be in a brothel			4	4
Cruelty to Children/Young Persons - Allowing persons under 16 to take part in performances endangering life or limb			2	2
Cruelty to Children/Young Persons - Cruelty to and neglect of children	6176	6966	7594	20736
Cruelty to Children/Young Persons - Exposing child to risk of burning			1	1
Grand Total	6177	6967	7616	20760

Offences	Jan-19	Feb-19	Grand Total
WILFUL ABANDON YOUNG PERSON UNDER 16	50	32	82
WILFULLY ASSAULT YOUNG PERSON UNDER 16	436	418	854
WILFULLY EXPOSE YOUNG PERSON UNDER 16	70	32	102
WILFULLY ILL-TREAT YOUNG PERSON UNDER 16	19	17	36
WILFULLY NEGLECT YOUNG PERSON UNDER 16	148	111	259
Grand Total	723	610	1333

Summary of details from each report made to West Midlands Police within that time frame - including what was reported to police, age and gender of child and relationship of suspect to child. If possible the area of the offence would be helpful.

Victim's Age	from Mar 2019	2020	2021	Grand Total
0	304	354	370	1028
1	248	323	314	885
2	305	379	351	1035
3	383	420	425	1228
4	385	456	452	1293
5	419	509	476	1404
6	406	482	472	1360
7	452	429	482	1363
8	437	499	482	1418
9	441	404	465	1310
10	379	383	467	1229
11	382	424	485	1291
12	390	449	478	1317
13	379	400	514	1293
14	340	446	538	1324
15	351	413	528	1292
16	69	60	117	246
17	15	34	43	92
Not stated	92	103	157	352
Grand Total	6177	6967	7616	20760

Victim's Age	Jan-19	Feb-19	Grand Total
0	30	24	54
1	37	24	61
2	51	33	84
3	38	33	71
4	44	37	81
5	61	35	96
6	59	47	106
7	51	41	92
8	40	43	83
9	40	36	76
10	53	44	97
11	36	47	83
12	58	36	94
13	40	40	80
14	36	37	73
15	37	41	78
16	6	9	15
17	5	1	6
Not stated	1	2	3
Grand Total	723	610	1333

Victim's Gender	from Mar 2019	2020	2021	Grand Total
Not Recorded	3699	3972	1432	9103
Female	1199	1413	2952	5564
Indeterminate			3	3
Male	1248	1539	3159	5946
Unknown	31	43	70	144
Grand Total	6177	6967	7616	20760

Victim's Gender	Jan-19	Feb-19	Grand Total
F	334	293	627
M	385	315	700
U	4	2	6
Grand Total	723	610	1333

Area	from Mar 2019	2020	2021	Grand Total
Not stated	2	2	88	92
Birmingham East	1013	1261	1569	3843
Birmingham West	1218	1533	1631	4382
Coventry	871	899	841	2611
Dudley	559	536	600	1695
Sandwell	784	758	830	2372
Solihull	379	449	450	1278
Walsall	709	606	658	1973
Wolverhampton	642	923	949	2514
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Area	Jan-19	Feb-19	Grand Total
Birmingham East	93	97	190
Birmingham West	128	103	231
Coventry	103	85	188
Dudley	75	80	155
Solihull	46	51	97
Sandwell	107	59	166
Walsall	65	70	135
Wolverhampton	106	65	171
Grand Total	723	610	1333

The outcomes for the cases in 2019, 2020 and 2021

Outcome	from Mar 2019	2020	2021	Grand Total
Not stated	26	73	267	366
Caution – Adult (Inc Conditional Caution)	120	106	49	275
Caution - Youth (Inc Conditional Caution)		1		1
Charge or Summons	69	66	24	159
Communtiy Resolution	637	553	284	1474

Outcome	Jan-19	Feb-19	Grand Total
CAUTION - ADULT (INC CONDITIONAL CAUTION)	5	7	12
CHARGE OR SUMMONS	8	3	11
CHARGE/SUMMONS WITH ALTERNATIVE OFFENCE	1	4	5
COMMUNITY RESOLUTION	68	83	151
EVIDENTIAL DIFFICULTIES VICTIM BASED - NAMED SUSPECT NOT IDENTIFIED: THE CRIME IS CONFIRMED BUT THE VICTIM EITHER DECLINES OR IS UNABLE TO SUPPORT FURTHER POLICE INVESTGATION TO IDENTIFY THE OFFENDER	1	2	3

Diversionsary, educational or intervention activity, resulting from the crime report, has been undertaken and it is not in the public interest to take any further action			6	6
Evidential Difficulties - Victim Based - Named suspect not identified	8	10	55	73
Formal action against the offender is not in the public interest (Police)	6	4	2	12
Further action will be taken by another body	1728	2445	2387	6560
Investigation Complete: No suspect identified	78	68	98	244
Named Suspect identified: evidential difficulties prevent further action(no victim support)	2062	2352	2537	6951

INVESTIGATION COMPLETE: NO SUSPECT IDENTIFIED. CRIME INVESTGATED AS FAR AS REASONABLY POSSIBLE - CASE CLOSED PENDING FURTHER INVESTIGATIVE OPPORTUNITIES BECOMING AVAILABLE	7	5	12
NAME SUSPECT IDENTIFIED, INVESTIGATION NOT IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST, POLICE DECISION	102	86	188
NAMED SUSPECT IDENTIFIED: EVIDENTIAL DIFFICULTIES PREVENT FURTHER ACTION: VICTIM DOES NOT SUPPORT (OR HAS WITHDRAWN SUPPORT FROM) POLICE ACTION	199	172	371
NAMED SUSPECT IDENTIFIED: VICTIM SUPPORTS POLICE ACTION BUT EVIDENTIAL DIFFICULTIES PREVENT FURTHER ACTION	121	108	229
NON CRIME	1		1
OTHER AGENCY TAKES PRIMACY	177	123	300

Named Suspect identified: evidential difficulties prevent further action(victim support)	1041	1238	1903	4182
Postal Charge With Alternative Offence	7	5		12
Prosecution not in the public interest (CPS) (all offences)	1		1	2
Prosecution prevented – Named suspect identified but is too ill (physical or mental health) to prosecute	1	1		2
Suspect Identified, but not in the public interest for police to investigate	393	45	3	441
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POSTAL CHARGE	3		3
POSTAL CHARGE WITH ALTERNATIVE OFFENCE	1		1
PROSECUTION PREVENTED - NAMED SUSPECT IDENTIFIED BUT IS TOO ILL (PHYSICAL OR MENTAL HEALTH) TO PROSECUTE	1		1
(blank)	28	17	45
Grand Total	723	610	1333