

Q1. The number of offences your force recorded related to knife crime/possession in 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 so far

TABLE 1 - Count of knife crime offences as per Annual Data Return (ADR) 160:

Year	Total
2017	2,772
2018	3,243
2019	3,662
2020	3,146
2021	4,056
2022*	3,377
Grand Total	20,256

* 2022 = Partial year to 30 September

TABLE 2 - Count of knife possession offences as per Home Office Counting Rules 10D (Possession of Article with Blade or Point):

Year	Total
2017	909
2018	1,164
2019	1,803
2020	1,837
2021	2,851
2022*	2,667
Grand Total	11,231

* 2022 = Partial year to 30 September

Q2. The gender of the suspect

TABLE 3 - Gender of Suspects/Defendants for knife crime offences in TABLE 1 above:

Year	Suspect/Defendant Gender					Grand Total
	(blank)	Female	Male	Unknown	Unspecified	
2017	-	163	1,014	-	-	1,177
2018	-	154	1,202	5	-	1,361
2019	31	220	1,345	3	-	1,599
2020	128	230	1,480	9	1	1,848
2021	83	355	1,931	13	-	2,382
2022*	39	271	1,726	5	2	2,043
Grand Total	281	1,393	8,698	35	3	10,410

TABLE 4 - Gender of Suspects/Defendants for knife possession offences in TABLE 2 above:

Year	Suspect/Defendant Gender						Grand Total
	(blank)	Female	Intermediate	Male	Unknown	Unspecified	
2017	-	65	-	700	2	-	767
2018	-	92	-	887	2	-	981
2019	127	138	-	1,241	12	1	1,519
2020	106	111	-	1,240	7	-	1,464
2021	66	198	-	1,921	9	-	2,194
2022*	20	187	2	1,802	5	2	2,018
Grand Total	319	791	2	7,791	37	3	8,943

Q3. The age of the suspect (18 and under, 19-24, 25-30, over 30)

TABLE 5 - Age of Suspects/Defendants for knife crime offences in TABLE 1 above:

Year	Suspect/Defendant Age					Grand Total
	(blank)	18 Years and under	19 to 24 years	25 to 30 years	Over 30 years	
2017	5	337	223	165	447	1,177
2018	2	411	240	227	481	1,361
2019	6	456	307	247	583	1,599
2020	10	561	356	273	648	1,848
2021	20	726	449	300	887	2,382
2022*	32	635	398	295	683	2,043
Grand Total	75	3,126	1,973	1,507	3,729	10,410

TABLE 6 - Age of Suspects/Defendants for knife possession offences in TABLE 2 above:

Year	Suspect/Defendant Age					Grand Total
	(blank)	18 years and under	19 to 24 years	25 to 30 years	Over 30 years	
2017	1	334	131	94	207	767
2018	-	425	172	117	267	981
2019	-	605	237	169	508	1,519
2020	7	511	237	176	533	1,464
2021	8	823	356	254	753	2,194
2022*	10	736	314	231	727	2,018
Grand Total	26	3,434	1,447	1,041	2,995	8,943

Q4. The gender of the victim

TABLE 7 - Gender of Victims for knife crime offences in TABLE 1 above:

Year	Victim Gender						Grand Total
	(blank)	Female	Indeterminate	Male	Unknown	Unspecified	
2017	35	516	-	2,212	9	-	2,772
2018	44	663	-	2,522	14	-	3,243
2019	282	671	-	2,669	35	-	3,657
2020	852	482	-	1,776	16	-	3,126
2021	260	788	-	2,972	14	2	4,036
2022*	66	654	3	2,630	13	-	3,366
Grand Total	1,539	3,774	3	14,781	101	2	20,200

TABLE 8 - Gender of Victims for knife possession offences in TABLE 2 above:

Year	Victim Gender				Grand Total
	(blank)	Female	Male	Unknown	
2017	1	81	269	-	351
2018	-	109	357	-	466
2019	196	144	417	2	759
2020	207	127	529	5	868
2021	115	303	1,086	10	1,514
2022*	19	327	1,130	5	1,481
Grand Total	538	1,091	3,788	22	5,439

Q5. The age of the victim (18 and under, 19-24, 25-30, over 30)

TABLE 9 - Age of Victims for knife crime offences in TABLE 1 above:

Year	Victim Age					Grand Total
	(blank)	18 Years and Under	19 to 24 years	25 to 30 years	Over 30 years	
2017	46	693	566	400	1,067	2,772
2018	70	736	723	503	1,211	3,243
2019	56	931	733	510	1,427	3,657
2020	15	790	597	461	1,263	3,126
2021	17	914	794	584	1,727	4,036
2022*	11	759	586	505	1,505	3,366
Grand Total	215	4,823	3,999	2,963	8,200	20,200

TABLE 10 - Age of Victims for knife possession offences in TABLE 2 above:

Year	Victim Age					Grand Total
	(blank)	18 years and under	19 to 24 years	25 to 30 years	Over 30 years	
2017	6	90	40	47	168	351
2018	7	120	55	78	206	466
2019	16	217	93	117	316	759
2020	11	204	107	122	424	868
2021	18	378	226	213	679	1,514
2022*	9	353	203	205	711	1,481
Grand Total	67	1,362	724	782	2,504	5,439

Q6. Number of incidents that have a victim aged 18 and under where the suspect was over 18

TABLE 11 - Number of knife crime offences in TABLE 1 above that have a victim aged 18 and under where the suspect was over 18:

Year	Total
2017	52
2018	47
2019	88
2020	76
2021	89
2022*	68
Grand Total	420

TABLE 12 - Number of knife possession offences in TABLE 2 above that have a victim aged 18 and under where the suspect was over 18:

Year	Total
2017	11
2018	17
2019	24
2020	40
2021	29
2022*	28
Grand Total	149