

- 1) How many children under the age of 18 were arrested on suspicion of possession of an article with blade or point in a public place in the years 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 respectively? Please provide a breakdown showing the number of arrests for each age group for each year (e.g. four suspects aged 14; seven suspects aged 15, etc.).

Age	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Grand Total
11	0	2	2	2	1	7
12	6	4	1	6	2	19
13	19	14	4	22	16	75
14	22	35	21	33	50	161
15	36	62	36	53	68	255
16	52	64	39	65	102	322
17	42	52	37	73	106	310
Grand Total	177	233	140	254	345	1,149

- 2) How many children under the age of 18 were subsequently charged with the offence of Possession of an article with blade or point in a public place for each of the years 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022?

Disposal Description	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Grand Total
Not Recorded	154	232	140	31	0	557
Bail to Police Station	0	0	0	11	28	39
Cautioned	4	0	0	0	0	4
Charge	7	0	0	53	85	145
Community Resolution	0	0	0	3	5	8
Detained for Court - Breach of Bail	0	0	0	0	1	1
Refused Charge (NFA)	5	1	0	14	32	52
Pending	1	0	0	0	0	1
Postal Charge/Requisition	6	0	0	0	0	6
Released Under Investigation	0	0	0	138	193	331
Released without charge – Breath Alcohol sample too low	0	0	0	1	1	2
Youth Conditional Caution	0	0	0	3	0	3
Grand Total	177	233	140	254	345	1,149