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Summary

During 2004/05 the Police Service of Northern Ireland established a baseline measure of crimes with a racial or homophobic motivation and the figures for 2005/06 now provide directly comparable information for a second year. In 2005/06 the Police Service of Northern Ireland further developed its work in this area and established a baseline measure of crimes with a faith/religion, sectarian or disability motivation.

Definitions

Incidents

Any incident, which may or may not constitute a criminal offence, which is perceived by the victim or any other person, as being motivated by prejudice or hate (ACPO Definition).

Recorded Crimes

- Recorded crimes (sometimes referred to as notifiable offences) are those which are deemed to be indictable or triable-either-way. A full explanation of how recorded crime figures are produced is provided on the last page of this document.
- In the same way as incidents are identified as having a hate motivation, a crime will be recorded as having the relevant hate motivation where the victim or any other person perceives it as such. Not all incidents will result in the recording of a crime.
- Crimes with hate motivations are classified according to the Home Office Counting Rules and form a subset of the overall recorded crime figures.

Table 3.1: Incidents, Crimes and Clearance Rates with Racial or Homophobic Motivation 2004/05 and 2005/06 Summary

	Racial		Homophobic	
	2004/05	2005/06	2004/05	2005/06
Total number of incidents	813	936	196	220
Total number of crimes	634	746	151	148
% clearance rate	15.9	20.5	22.5	32.4

- During 2005/06 there were 936 racial incidents, an increase of 123 (+15.1%) compared with 2004/05.
- There were 746 racially motivated crimes during 2005/06, an increase of 112 (+17.7%) compared with the previous year. Violent crime (offences against the person, sexual offences and robbery) accounted for 45.7% of these crimes (341 offences) while property crime (burglary, theft and criminal damage) represented 52.3% (390 offences).
- The clearance rate for racially motivated crimes in 2005/06 was 20.5%, 4.6% points higher than that in 2004/05.
- The number of incidents with a homophobic motivation recorded during 2005/06 was 220, which is 24 (+12.2%) more than in 2004/05.
- The number of crimes with a homophobic motivation decreased by 3 (-2.0%) from 151 in 2004/05 to 148 in 2005/06. Violent crime represented 68.2% of all crimes with a homophobic motivation (101 offences), with property crime accounting for 31.1% (46 offences).
- The clearance rate for crimes with a homophobic motivation in 2005/06 was 32.4%, which was 9.9% points higher than that achieved in 2004/05.

Table 3.2: Incidents, Crimes and Clearance Rates with a Faith/Religion, Sectarian or Disability Motivation 2005/06 Summary

	Faith / Religion	Sectarian	Disability
Total number of incidents	70	1,701	70
Total number of crimes	78	1,470	38
% clearance rate	17.9	14.4	39.5

- During 2005/06 there were 78 crimes recorded as having a faith/religion motivation. There were 45 violent crimes (57.7%) and 30 property crimes (38.5%). The clearance rate for crimes with a faith/religion motivation was 17.9%.
- There were 1,470 crimes recorded with a sectarian motivation during 2005/06, of which 14.4% were cleared. Violent crime accounted for 47.6% of the total (700 offences), while there were 703 property crimes (47.8%).
- A total of 38 crimes were recorded as having a disability motivation, and a clearance rate of 39.5% was achieved. The number of violent crimes was 24, representing 63.2% of the total, while property crime accounted for 36.8% (14 offences).

Table 3.3: Racial Motivation: Incidents, Recorded Crimes and Clearance Rates by District Command Unit 2004/05 and 2005/06

	Total number of incidents				Total offences recorded				Total offences cleared		% clearance rate		
	2004/05	2005/06	change	% change	2004/05	2005/06	change	% change	2004/05	2005/06	2004/05	2005/06	change in % pts ¹
Antrim	23	37	+14	+60.9	21	23	+2	+9.5	1	3	4.8	13.0	+8.3
Ards	25	28	+3	+12.0	22	23	+1	+4.5	3	6	13.6	26.1	+12.5
East Belfast	54	74	+20	+37.0	32	48	+16	+50.0	3	4	9.4	8.3	-1.0
North Belfast	76	62	-14	-18.4	49	31	-18	-36.7	4	4	8.2	12.9	+4.7
South Belfast	159	106	-53	-33.3	108	73	-35	-32.4	13	14	12.0	19.2	+7.1
West Belfast	13	13	0	0.0	15	8	-7	-46.7	3	0	20.0	0.0	-20.0
Carrickfergus	21	6	-15	-71.4	14	3	-11	-78.6	2	4	14.3	133.3	+119.0
Castlereagh	12	21	+9	+75.0	4	16	+12	+300.0	1	2	25.0	12.5	-12.5
Larne	0	2	+2	-	0	2	+2	-	0	0	-	0.0	-
Lisburn	28	43	+15	+53.6	19	44	+25	+131.6	3	7	15.8	15.9	+0.1
Newtownabbey	15	52	+37	+246.7	15	49	+34	+226.7	0	5	0.0	10.2	+10.2
North Down	19	20	+1	+5.3	14	11	-3	-21.4	5	1	35.7	9.1	-26.6
Urban Region	445	464	+19	+4.3	313	331	+18	+5.8	38	50	12.1	15.1	+3.0
Armagh	14	20	+6	+42.9	13	19	+6	+46.2	3	4	23.1	21.1	-2.0
Ballymena	52	53	+1	+1.9	39	51	+12	+30.8	2	12	5.1	23.5	+18.4
Ballymoney	8	7	-1	-12.5	8	7	-1	-12.5	2	1	25.0	14.3	-10.7
Banbridge	1	4	+3	+300.0	0	2	+2	-	0	0	-	0.0	-
Coleraine	22	37	+15	+68.2	21	31	+10	+47.6	4	13	19.0	41.9	+22.9
Cookstown	16	21	+5	+31.3	24	15	-9	-37.5	10	4	41.7	26.7	-15.0
Craigavon	79	78	-1	-1.3	74	69	-5	-6.8	10	6	13.5	8.7	-4.8
Down	8	13	+5	+62.5	4	6	+2	+50.0	2	2	50.0	33.3	-16.7
Dungannon & South Tyrone	69	102	+33	+47.8	55	91	+36	+65.5	11	22	20.0	24.2	+4.2
Fermanagh	18	29	+11	+61.1	11	28	+17	+154.5	0	11	0.0	39.3	+39.3
Foyle	40	27	-13	-32.5	29	22	-7	-24.1	2	11	6.9	50.0	+43.1
Limavady	7	7	0	0.0	6	5	-1	-16.7	3	2	50.0	40.0	-10.0
Magherafelt	9	17	+8	+88.9	10	20	+10	+100.0	5	2	50.0	10.0	-40.0
Moyle	1	7	+6	+600.0	1	6	+5	+500.0	0	1	0.0	16.7	+16.7
Newry & Mourne	15	35	+20	+133.3	17	33	+16	+94.1	6	9	35.3	27.3	-8.0
Omagh	6	13	+7	+116.7	5	8	+3	+60.0	2	2	40.0	25.0	-15.0
Strabane	3	2	-1	-33.3	4	2	-2	-50.0	1	1	25.0	50.0	+25.0
Rural Region	368	472	+104	+28.3	321	415	+94	+29.3	63	103	19.6	24.8	+5.2
Grand Total	813	936	+123	+15.1	634	746	+112	+17.7	101	153	15.9	20.5	+4.6

¹ While the clearance rates are rounded to one decimal place, the clearance rate change in % pts is calculated on the unrounded clearance rates and then rounded to one decimal place.

Table 3.4: Recorded Crimes with a Racial Motivation: Offences Recorded by Type of Offence 2005/06

	Type of offence											
	Murder	Manslaughter	Attempted murder	Threat or conspiracy to murder	All woundings / assaults ¹	Intimidation / harassment	Robbery	Other violent crime	Burglary	Theft	Criminal damage	All other notifiable offences
Antrim	0	0	0	0	4	3	0	0	0	2	14	0
Ards	0	0	0	0	2	4	2	0	1	0	14	0
East Belfast	0	0	0	4	16	2	1	0	0	1	24	0
North Belfast	0	0	0	2	6	1	0	1	3	0	17	1
South Belfast	0	0	0	4	31	10	1	0	1	2	24	0
West Belfast	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	1	1	2	0
Carrickfergus	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Castlereagh	0	0	0	0	5	1	1	0	0	0	9	0
Larne	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Lisburn	0	0	0	0	17	3	0	0	1	0	23	0
Newtownabbey	0	0	0	0	16	11	0	0	0	0	21	1
North Down	0	0	0	0	5	1	0	0	1	1	2	1
Urban Region	0	0	0	10	108	36	5	1	8	7	152	4
Armagh	0	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	12	2
Ballymena	0	0	0	9	10	3	0	0	2	0	26	1
Ballymoney	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Banbridge	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coleraine	0	0	0	0	11	4	0	0	1	2	13	0
Cookstown	0	0	0	0	7	3	0	0	0	0	5	0
Craigavon	0	0	0	0	30	8	0	0	0	1	30	0
Down	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
Dungannon & South Tyrone	0	0	0	0	20	7	2	1	5	4	52	0
Fermanagh	0	0	0	3	10	0	0	0	1	1	12	1
Foyle	0	0	0	2	5	1	0	0	0	0	9	5
Limavady	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	1
Magherafelt	0	0	0	0	5	3	0	0	5	0	7	0
Moyle	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	3	0
Newry & Mourne	0	0	0	0	10	2	0	0	1	0	19	1
Omagh	0	0	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	3	0
Strabane	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rural Region	0	0	0	15	130	33	2	1	15	9	199	11
Grand Total	0	0	0	25	238	69	7	2	23	16	351	15

¹ Includes the categories of wounding with intent / GBH with intent, wounding / GBH, AOABH, common assault / aggravated assault and assault on police.

Table 3.5: Homophobic Motivation: Incidents, Recorded Crimes and Clearance Rates by District Command Unit 2004/05 and 2005/06

	Total number of incidents				Total offences recorded				Total offences cleared		% clearance rate		
	2004/05	2005/06	change	% change	2004/05	2005/06	change	% change	2004/05	2005/06	2004/05	2005/06	change in % pts ¹
Antrim	4	9	+5	+125.0	4	5	+1	+25.0	0	2	0.0	40.0	+40.0
Ards	0	4	+4	-	0	4	+4	-	0	3	-	75.0	-
East Belfast	6	9	+3	+50.0	4	5	+1	+25.0	0	2	0.0	40.0	+40.0
North Belfast	27	33	+6	+22.2	18	18	0	0.0	1	8	5.6	44.4	+38.9
South Belfast	28	15	-13	-46.4	24	14	-10	-41.7	4	2	16.7	14.3	-2.4
West Belfast	4	2	-2	-50.0	3	2	-1	-33.3	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Carrickfergus	1	2	+1	+100.0	1	1	0	0.0	0	1	0.0	100.0	+100.0
Castlereagh	4	5	+1	+25.0	2	3	+1	+50.0	1	1	50.0	33.3	-16.7
Larne	2	1	-1	-50.0	2	0	-2	-100.0	2	0	100.0	-	-
Lisburn	5	7	+2	+40.0	3	6	+3	+100.0	1	1	33.3	16.7	-16.7
Newtownabbey	9	11	+2	+22.2	6	10	+4	+66.7	0	2	0.0	20.0	+20.0
North Down	4	3	-1	-25.0	3	2	-1	-33.3	1	2	33.3	100.0	+66.7
Urban Region	94	101	+7	+7.4	70	70	0	0.0	10	24	14.3	34.3	+20.0
Armagh	0	5	+5	-	0	4	+4	-	0	0	-	0.0	-
Ballymena	3	7	+4	+133.3	3	6	+3	+100.0	2	3	66.7	50.0	-16.7
Ballymoney	4	5	+1	+25.0	4	4	0	0.0	1	0	25.0	0.0	-25.0
Banbridge	1	0	-1	-100.0	1	0	-1	-100.0	0	1	0.0	-	-
Coleraine	5	22	+17	+340.0	2	11	+9	+450.0	1	2	50.0	18.2	-31.8
Cookstown	4	2	-2	-50.0	1	2	+1	+100.0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Craigavon	1	4	+3	+300.0	1	0	-1	-100.0	1	0	100.0	-	-
Down	1	5	+4	+400.0	1	2	+1	+100.0	0	1	0.0	50.0	+50.0
Dungannon & South Tyrone	1	6	+5	+500.0	0	3	+3	-	0	1	-	33.3	-
Fermanagh	3	2	-1	-33.3	3	0	-3	-100.0	0	0	0.0	-	-
Foyle	69	49	-20	-29.0	55	37	-18	-32.7	14	11	25.5	29.7	+4.3
Limavady	3	3	0	0.0	5	2	-3	-60.0	3	1	60.0	50.0	-10.0
Magherafelt	1	1	0	0.0	0	1	+1	-	0	1	-	100.0	-
Moyle	1	1	0	0.0	1	1	0	0.0	1	0	100.0	0.0	-100.0
Newry & Mourne	2	6	+4	+200.0	1	5	+4	+400.0	0	3	0.0	60.0	+60.0
Omagh	1	1	0	0.0	1	0	-1	-100.0	1	0	100.0	-	-
Strabane	2	0	-2	-100.0	2	0	-2	-100.0	0	0	0.0	-	-
Rural Region	102	119	+17	+16.7	81	78	-3	-3.7	24	24	29.6	30.8	+1.1
Grand Total	196	220	+24	+12.2	151	148	-3	-2.0	34	48	22.5	32.4	+9.9

¹ While the clearance rates are rounded to one decimal place, the clearance rate change in % pts is calculated on the unrounded clearance rates and then rounded to one decimal place.

Table 3.6: Recorded Crimes with a Homophobic Motivation: Offences Recorded by Type of Offence 2005/06

	Type of offence											
	Murder	Manslaughter	Attempted murder	Threat or conspiracy to murder	All woundings / assaults ¹	Intimidation / harassment	Robbery	Other violent crime	Burglary	Theft	Criminal damage	All other notifiable offences
Antrim	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Ards	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
East Belfast	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
North Belfast	0	0	0	0	11	2	2	0	1	1	1	0
South Belfast	0	0	0	0	12	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
West Belfast	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Carrickfergus	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Castlereagh	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Larne	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lisburn	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	3	0
Newtownabbey	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	3	0	0	3	0
North Down	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Urban Region	0	0	1	3	35	8	2	3	2	2	13	1
Armagh	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Ballymena	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Ballymoney	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
Banbridge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coleraine	0	0	0	1	3	4	0	0	0	0	3	0
Cookstown	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Craigavon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Down	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Dungannon & South Tyrone	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fermanagh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Foyle	0	0	0	3	17	3	0	0	0	1	13	0
Limavady	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Magherafelt	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Moyle	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Newry & Mourne	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	3	0
Omagh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Strabane	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rural Region	0	0	0	4	33	11	0	1	0	2	27	0
Grand Total	0	0	1	7	68	19	2	4	2	4	40	1

¹ Includes the categories of wounding with intent / GBH with intent, wounding / GBH, AOABH, common assault / aggravated assault and assault on police.

Table 3.7: Faith/Religion, Sectarian and Disability Motivation: Incidents, Recorded Crimes and Clearance Rates by District Command Unit 2005/06

	Faith/Religion				Sectarian				Disability			
	Incidents	Offences recorded	Offences cleared	% Clearance Rate	Incidents	Offences recorded	Offences cleared	% Clearance Rate	Incidents	Offences recorded	Offences cleared	% Clearance Rate
Antrim	0	0	0	-	77	65	6	9.2	5	2	0	0.0
Ards	3	4	0	0.0	24	22	3	13.6	8	6	5	83.3
East Belfast	0	0	0	-	165	118	37	31.4	2	0	0	-
North Belfast	7	8	0	0.0	316	324	31	9.6	6	1	1	100.0
South Belfast	0	0	0	-	76	46	7	15.2	2	1	0	0.0
West Belfast	3	2	1	50.0	87	35	1	2.9	2	1	0	0.0
Carrickfergus	1	1	1	100.0	16	16	1	6.3	1	1	1	100.0
Castlereagh	2	1	0	0.0	20	17	0	0.0	0	0	0	-
Larne	4	11	2	18.2	35	35	9	25.7	2	1	0	0.0
Lisburn	0	0	0	-	50	48	4	8.3	11	5	0	0.0
Newtownabbey	1	0	0	-	93	98	2	2.0	2	2	1	50.0
North Down	3	2	1	50.0	9	7	0	0.0	3	3	0	0.0
Urban Region	24	29	5	17.2	968	831	101	12.2	44	23	8	34.8
Armagh	0	0	0	-	11	10	1	10.0	0	0	0	-
Ballymena	5	4	1	25.0	133	145	23	15.9	1	1	1	100.0
Ballymoney	0	0	0	-	17	16	8	50.0	0	0	0	-
Banbridge	1	1	0	0.0	20	20	9	45.0	1	1	1	100.0
Coleraine	2	1	0	0.0	63	58	15	25.9	6	2	0	0.0
Cookstown	0	0	0	-	20	15	6	40.0	4	3	1	33.3
Craigavon	2	3	2	66.7	31	44	0	0.0	1	1	0	0.0
Down	1	0	0	-	21	20	1	5.0	1	0	0	-
Dungannon & South Tyrone	1	2	0	0.0	8	9	0	0.0	0	0	0	-
Fermanagh	0	0	0	-	13	11	3	27.3	0	0	0	-
Foyle	15	19	3	15.8	275	170	24	14.1	6	2	1	50.0
Limavady	6	6	1	16.7	25	22	5	22.7	2	1	0	0.0
Magherafelt	11	11	2	18.2	33	30	1	3.3	1	1	1	100.0
Moyle	0	0	0	-	12	11	1	9.1	0	0	0	-
Newry & Mourne	1	1	0	0.0	26	22	3	13.6	0	0	0	-
Omagh	1	1	0	0.0	15	19	1	5.3	3	3	2	66.7
Strabane	0	0	0	-	10	17	9	52.9	0	0	0	-
Rural Region	46	49	9	18.4	733	639	110	17.2	26	15	7	46.7
Grand Total	70	78	14	17.9	1,701	1,470	211	14.4	70	38	15	39.5

Table 3.8: Recorded Crimes with a Faith/Religion Motivation: Offences Recorded by Type of Offence 2005/06

	Type of offence											
	Murder	Manslaughter	Attempted murder	Threat or conspiracy to murder	All woundings / assaults ¹	Intimidation / harassment	Robbery	Other violent crime	Burglary	Theft	Criminal damage	All other notifiable offences
Antrim	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ards	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
East Belfast	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
North Belfast	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	5	0
South Belfast	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
West Belfast	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Carrickfergus	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Castlereagh	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Larne	0	0	0	0	8	1	0	0	0	0	2	0
Lisburn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Newtownabbey	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
North Down	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Urban Region	0	0	0	0	16	3	0	0	0	0	10	0
Armagh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ballymena	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0
Ballymoney	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Banbridge	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coleraine	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cookstown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Craigavon	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1
Down	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dungannon & South Tyrone	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fermanagh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Foyle	0	0	0	0	7	4	0	0	0	0	7	1
Limavady	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	2	0
Magherafelt	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	8	1
Moyle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Newry & Mourne	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Omagh	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Strabane	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rural Region	0	0	0	0	12	14	0	0	0	1	19	3
Grand Total	0	0	0	0	28	17	0	0	0	1	29	3

¹ Includes the categories of wounding with intent / GBH with intent, wounding / GBH, AOABH, common assault / aggravated assault and assault on police.

Table 3.9: Recorded Crimes with a Sectarian Motivation: Offences Recorded by Type of Offence 2005/06

	Type of offence											
	Murder	Manslaughter	Attempted murder	Threat or conspiracy to murder	All woundings / assaults ¹	Intimidation / harassment	Robbery	Other violent crime	Burglary	Theft	Criminal damage	All other notifiable offences
Antrim	0	0	0	4	15	23	0	0	0	0	22	1
Ards	0	0	0	0	1	11	0	0	0	0	10	0
East Belfast	0	0	1	1	48	5	1	0	0	1	49	12
North Belfast	0	0	3	7	116	26	2	2	1	2	142	23
South Belfast	0	0	0	2	18	4	0	0	1	0	21	0
West Belfast	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	24	2
Carrickfergus	0	0	0	0	4	5	0	0	0	0	7	0
Castlereagh	0	0	0	0	5	4	0	0	0	0	8	0
Larne	0	0	0	2	15	4	0	0	0	0	13	1
Lisburn	0	0	0	1	13	8	0	0	0	1	24	1
Newtownabbey	0	0	1	1	40	17	2	0	1	1	31	4
North Down	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	5	0
Urban Region	0	0	5	18	284	109	5	2	3	5	356	44
Armagh	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	8	0
Ballymena	0	0	1	3	47	15	1	1	1	2	72	2
Ballymoney	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	10	1
Banbridge	0	0	0	4	6	2	0	0	0	1	5	2
Coleraine	0	0	2	1	13	10	0	1	0	2	28	1
Cookstown	0	0	0	1	4	1	0	0	0	1	8	0
Craigavon	0	0	0	1	18	5	0	0	0	1	18	1
Down	0	0	0	4	6	1	0	0	1	1	7	0
Dungannon & South Tyrone	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	1	5	0
Fermanagh	0	0	0	1	2	2	0	0	1	0	5	0
Foyle	0	0	0	6	41	11	1	0	3	0	96	12
Limavady	0	0	0	1	6	6	0	0	0	0	9	0
Magherafelt	0	0	0	0	5	2	0	0	0	1	21	1
Moyle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	10	0
Newry & Mourne	0	0	0	0	7	2	0	0	0	0	11	2
Omagh	0	0	0	0	12	1	0	0	0	0	5	1
Strabane	0	0	0	0	13	1	0	0	0	0	3	0
Rural Region	0	0	3	22	184	64	2	2	7	11	321	23
Grand Total	0	0	8	40	468	173	7	4	10	16	677	67

¹ Includes the categories of wounding with intent / GBH with intent, wounding / GBH, AOABH, common assault / aggravated assault and assault on police.

Table 3.10: Recorded Crimes with a Disability Motivation: Offences Recorded by Type of Offence 2005/06

	Type of offence											
	Murder	Manslaughter	Attempted murder	Threat or conspiracy to murder	All woundings / assaults ¹	Intimidation / harassment	Robbery	Other violent crime	Burglary	Theft	Criminal damage	All other notifiable offences
Antrim	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Ards	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
East Belfast	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
North Belfast	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
South Belfast	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
West Belfast	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Carrickfergus	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Castlereagh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Larne	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Lisburn	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	2	0
Newtownabbey	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
North Down	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0
Urban Region	0	0	0	0	11	2	0	1	0	4	5	0
Armagh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ballymena	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ballymoney	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Banbridge	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coleraine	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Cookstown	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Craigavon	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Down	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dungannon & South Tyrone	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fermanagh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Foyle	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Limavady	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Magherafelt	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Moyle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Newry & Mourne	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Omagh	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Strabane	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rural Region	0	0	0	0	9	1	0	0	0	1	4	0
Grand Total	0	0	0	0	20	3	0	1	0	5	9	0

¹ Includes the categories of wounding with intent / GBH with intent, wounding / GBH, AOABH, common assault / aggravated assault and assault on police.

Police Recording of Crime - Definitions

Recorded Crime

Recorded crime figures (sometimes referred to as notifiable offences) detail those crimes and offences (including attempts) recorded by the police which are deemed to be indictable or triable-either-way. Certain closely associated summary offences are also counted in the recorded crime figures.

- **Indictable offences** are those more serious crimes which are tried on indictment in the Crown Court by a judge and jury;
- **Triable-either-way offences** are those offences which, under certain circumstances, are triable either summarily in a magistrates court or on indictment in the Crown Court;
- **Summary offences** are less serious and are tried in a Magistrates Court before a resident magistrate with no jury.

The number of crimes recorded by the police is dependent on two factors:

- Whether the victim or a representative of the victim brings that crime to the attention of the police or on the crime coming to the attention of the police through some other means (such as the police officer being present at the time);
- Whether that incident is determined as being a recordable offence within the categories laid down by the Home Office in the official counting rules.

Clearances

Clearances (or detections as they may alternatively be known) are, broadly speaking, those crimes that have been 'cleared up' by the police. Crimes are counted as 'cleared or detected' in accordance with strict counting rules issued by the Home Office. They are counted on the basis of crimes rather than offenders. For example, if six offenders are involved in a robbery and are all arrested and charged, then this counts as one clearance. Alternatively if only one of the six is identified and charged while the other five remain unidentified and go free, this also counts as one clearance. In this respect clearance data differs from conviction data as conviction data counts offenders while clearance data counts crimes.

The following methods of clearance involve a formal sanction:

- Charging or issuing a summons to an offender;
- Issuing a caution to the offender;
- Having the offence accepted for consideration in court;
- The offender is a juvenile who is dealt with by means of an informed warning or restorative caution.

Offences not involving a formal sanction but still regarded as 'cleared up' are those where the police take no further action for the following reasons:

- Offender, victim or essential witness is dead or too ill;
- Victim refuses or is unable to give evidence;
- Offender is under the age of criminal responsibility;
- Police or PPS decides that no useful purpose would be served by proceeding;
- Time limit of six months for commencing prosecution has been exceeded.

Violent Crime

Violent crime comprises three main offence groupings: offences against the person, sexual offences and robbery. What violent crime offences have in common is that they involve actual violence or the threat of violence. The degree of violence varies considerably, even between incidents in the same classification. The large majority of incidents categorised as violent crime do not actually involve any significant injury to the victim, although some of the crimes not resulting in injury may still be traumatic for their victims eg threats to kill.