



HEDDLU
GOGLEDD CYMRU
NORTH WALES
POLICE

Response Date:30/01/2024

2024/103 - Handbag thefts

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

1) Please can you state for theft offences recorded by your force, the number in which the crime report text (described as modus operandi reports by many forces) contains a mention of "handbag" in each of the following calendar years:

- i) 2019**
- ii) 2020**
- iii) 2021**
- iv) 2022**
- v) 2023**

2) Please can you provide a redacted copy of the free text crime reports for these offences recorded by your force between October and December 2023.

Data for theft occurrences with "handbag" recorded in the occurrence summary;

Calendar Year	Occurrence Count
2019	196
2020	94
2021	87
2022	79
2023	87
Total	543

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 29/01/2024