



**HEDDLU
GOGLEDD CYMRU
NORTH WALES
POLICE**

Response Date:19/02/2024

2024/146 - Criminal Charges Associated with Sex Work

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

I kindly request the following information for the past five years, covering the period from January 1st, 2019 to December 31st, 2023.

- The total number of arrests made for soliciting, broken down by year.**
- The total number of arrests made for brothel-keeping (or alternative term), broken down by year.**
- The total number of arrests made for causing or inciting prostitution for gain, broken down by year.**
- The total number of arrests made for controlling prostitution for gain.**
- The total number of arrests made for paying for the sexual services of a prostitute subject to force etc.**
- The total number of arrests made for kerb-crawling, broken down by year.**

HO Code	Arrest Reason	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
024/17	Cause / incite prostitution for gain - SOA 2003 (recordable)	0	1	1	1	0
024/18	Control prostitution for gain - SOA 2003 (recordable)	7	0	1	0	0
107/04	Permit premises to be used for prostitution (recordable)	0	0	0	1	0
166/04	Person persistently solicit for the purposes of prostitution (recordable)	0	1	0	0	0
	Total	7	2	2	2	0

- How many reports and records of all incidents within the force area (across all types of crime) mentioned the words 'sex work/worker, prostitute/prostitution, or brothel' in relation to the victim.

-A breakdown of these reports and records by type of offence (e.g., theft, common assault, sexual assault).

We have conducted a keyword search for terms "Sex worker", "Prostitution" and "Brothel". The results have been manually checked to ensure relevance to your request. Please note these can include occurrences where the words have just been used as name calling etc.

Row Labels	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Grand Total
Blackmail	1					1
Breach of a Criminal Behaviour Order Sentencing Act		1				1
Causing intentional harassment, alarm or distress (Sec 4A)	2	4	2			8
Committing or conspiring to commit, an act outraging public decency		1				1
Common assault and battery (Violence without injury)		1				1
Computer Hacking - Social media and email		1				1
Concealing etc criminal property					1	1
Engage in controlling-coercive behaviour in an intimate/family relationship			1			1
False imprisonment		1				1
Fear or provocation of violence (Sec 4)		1				1
Harassment	1	1				2
Hold person in slavery or servitude		7	4			11
Malicious Comms - Sending letters etc with intent to cause distress or anxiety	2	1	2			5
Multi Offender: Rape of a female aged 16 or over		1	1			2
non crime occurrence	2	3		5		10
Persistently make use of public communication network to cause annoyance inconvenience anxiety recordable		1				1
Pursue course of conduct in breach of Sec 1 (1) which amounts to stalking		2		1		3
Reported incident of modern slavery - NRM referral - Duty to notify only				2		2
Require person to perform forced or compulsory labour		1				1
Send by public communication network an offensive indecent obscene menacing message matter recordable		1				1
Send false message by public electronic communication network to cause annoyance inconvenience or anxiety recordable	1					1
Sexual assault on a female aged 13 or over			1			1
Single Offender: Rape of a female aged 16 or over		1				1
Stalking involving serious alarm/distress				1		1
Grand Total	9	27	11	8	1	59

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST UNDER
THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 16/02/2024