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NORTH WALES
POLICE

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2024/620 - Child/adult police outcomes

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

For 1 Apr 2023 to 31 March 2024, please could you provide a breakdown of the number of crime outcomes for your police force split by whether the suspect was an adult, child (under 18), or unknown. Please use the outcome groups from the Home Office police outcomes statistics, which are listed below.

Outcome group	Adults	Children	Unknown
Out-of-court (formal) - i.e. cautions and penalty notices for disorder			
Out-of-court (informal) - i.e. community resolutions			
Diversionary, educational or intervention activity, resulting from the crime report, has been undertaken and it is not in the public interest to take any further action.			
Charged/Summoned			
Evidential difficulties (suspect identified; victim supports action)			
Evidential difficulties (victim does not support action)			
Prosecution prevented or not in the public interest			
Further investigation to support formal action not in the public interest – police decision			
Responsibility for further investigation transferred to another body			
Taken into consideration			
Investigation complete – no suspect identified			
Not yet assigned an outcome			

If your outcome data are not grouped as above, we would be grateful if you could please group them accordingly using the below guide (retrieved from this Home Office document):

	Adult	Child	Unknown
Charged / Summoned	5686	340	56
Evidential difficulties (suspect identified; victim supports action)	8599	1198	863
Evidential difficulties (victim does not support action)	14583	2669	4468
Further investigation to support formal action not in the public interest – police decision	1415	523	145
Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified	1724	278	17501
Outcome Not Yet Assigned	98	13	50
Out-of-court (formal)	673	285	63
Out-of-court (informal)	993	684	16

Prosecution prevented or not in the public interest	538	167	181
Responsibility for further investigation transferred to another body	1011	214	549
Taken into consideration	13	0	0
Sum:	35333	6371	23892

Please note that the counts above are based on occurrences not suspect/offender - it is therefore likely that occurrences with multiple suspects will result in under counting of suspects (each occurrence will be counted once, not each suspect), unless the occurrence has both an adult and child offender, in which case this will result in double counting of occurrences (an occurrence will be counted twice, once for each age group of suspect).

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 27/06/2024