



**HEDDLU**  
**GOGLEDD CYMRU**  
**NORTH WALES**  
**POLICE**

Response Date:19/09/2024

**2024/866 - Shoplifting Offences and Prosecutions**

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

- 1. In the last 5 years, [Between April 6- April 5 2019-2024] - how many shoplifting offences have there been in the area that the force covers? (Broken down by years, 2019/2020, 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23, 2023/24)**

| Year        | Count        |
|-------------|--------------|
| 2019/20     | 4035         |
| 2020/21     | 2702         |
| 2021/22     | 3372         |
| 2022/23     | 4188         |
| 2023/24     | 4932         |
| <b>Sum:</b> | <b>19229</b> |

**1a) Of these offences during this five year period, how many prosecutions were made?**

North Wales Police do not hold prosecution data (this would be held by the CPS).

However, please find below the recorded outcome:

| Outcomes                                                       | Count |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| 01A. Alternate Offence Charged / Summoned / Postal Requisition | 30    |
| 01. Charged / Summoned / Postal Requisition                    | 4398  |
| 02 Youth Caution / Conditional Caution                         | 75    |
| 03A. Alternate Offence Adult Caution / Conditional Caution     | 1     |
| 03. Adult Caution / Conditional Caution                        | 62    |
| 04. TIC                                                        | 35    |
| 05. Offender Has Died                                          | 7     |
| 06. Penalty Notice for Disorder                                | 11    |
| 08. Community Resolution / Youth Restorative Disposal          | 1191  |
| 09. CPS Prosecution Not In Public Interest                     | 2     |

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| 10. Police Formal Action Not In Public Interest                       | 335          |
| 11. Named Suspect Below Age of Criminal Responsibility                | 35           |
| 12. Named Suspect Too Ill To Prosecute                                | 13           |
| 13. Named Suspect but Victim / Key Witness Deceased or Too Ill        | 2            |
| 14. Victim Declines / Unable to Support Action to Identify Offender   | 500          |
| 15. CPS Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties    | 36           |
| 15. Police Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties | 1070         |
| 16. Victim Declines / Withdraws Support - Named Suspect Identified    | 1235         |
| 17. Suspect Identified but Prosecution Time Limit Expired             | 31           |
| 18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified                      | 9662         |
| 20. Other Body / Agency has Investigation Primacy                     | 8            |
| 21. Police Named Suspect, Investigation Not in the Public Interest    | 243          |
| 22. Checkpoint                                                        | 85           |
| Check                                                                 | 4            |
| Under Investigation                                                   | 158          |
| <b>Sum:</b>                                                           | <b>19229</b> |

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