



Response Date:11/04/2025

2025/396 - Children in domestic abuse incidents

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

This is a request for information according to the Freedom of Information Act 2000. It relates to children in recorded crimes of domestic abuse. Since the [Domestic Abuse Act 2021](#), children are considered victims of domestic abuse if he/she "sees or hears, or experiences the effects of, the abuse," and is related to the victim and/or perpetrator.

According to research conducted by the Safer Warwickshire Serious Violence Prevention strategy, between 2020-2023, 12% of domestic abuse incidents where a child was linked to the offence involved "violence with injury." One third (36.5%) of children were aged under-five at the time of the first recorded violence with injury incident. The average age of a child witnessing violence in the home was just over seven years old.

Please can you provide the following information. Please note there are three parts to my request.

(1) Between 1 January 2022 and 31 December 2024, how many recorded crimes of domestic abuse did your force record where a child was linked to the offence?

By domestic abuse, I mean an incident between two individuals aged 18+ and domestic abuse can include emotional, sexual, physical and financial abuse.

DA Offences 2022-2024 - 18+ Victim/Suspect with linked Children	Violence with Injury
10202	2241

(2) How many of the children linked to the offence were:

Under-5

6-12 years

12 years and over

(if providing this data takes my request over the cost limit, please confine your response to Questions 1 and 3).

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Sum of children (children will appear more than once in this list at different ages depending on age at reported date)	1214	1307	1380	1386	1327	1346	1328	1281	1281	1184	1162	1158	1057	1034	994	832	765	586

(3) In how many of the recorded crimes of domestic abuse in Q1 did the offence involve "violence with injury"?

Please see question 1

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UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 10/04/2025