



HEDDLU
GOGLEDD CYMRU
NORTH WALES
POLICE

Response Date:18/08/2025

2025/786 - Stop and search encounters

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

- 1. How many stop and search encounters took place in the North Wales Police area?**
- 2. How many police officers were present at every encounter?**
- 3. In addition to data for question 2, please provide data sorted by grounds, object and purpose of the search, legal power used, police outcome, action taken/sanction (if applicable), offence (if applicable), as well as the gender, age and ethnicity of the person stop and searched.**

Legislation	Count SS
Aviation Security Act 1982 (s27)	1
Criminal Justice Act 1988 (section 139B)	7
Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 (section 60)	5
Firearms Act 1968 (section 47)	27
Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (section 23)	2324
Not Recorded	39
Other	2
Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 (section 1)	1172

Outcome	Count Stop Search
A no further action disposal	2564
Arrest	689
Article found - Detailed outcome unavailable	2
Article Seized	1
Caution (simple or conditional)	11
Community resolution	229
Khat or Cannabis warning	5

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Not Recorded	14
Other	8
Summons / charged by post	54
Sum:	3577

Object_of_Search	Count SS
Anything to threaten or harm anyone	59
Article for use in theft	259
Articles for use in criminal damage	77
Controlled drugs	2338
Crossbows	3
Detailed object of search unavailable	25
Evidence of offences under the Act	6
Firearms	33
Fireworks	12
Goods on which duty has not been paid etc.	2
Offensive weapons	477
Stolen goods	286
Sum:	3577

Gender	Count SS
Female	491
Male	3013
Not Recorded/Stated	70
Unknown	3
Sum:	3577

Ethnicity	Count SS
Asian	53
Black	53
Other	415
White	3056
Sum:	3577

Age Range	Count SS
01. Under 18	775
02. 18-24	907
03. 25-34	684
04. 35-44	590
05. 45-54	411

06. 55-64	117
07. 65 and Over	13
08. No DOB Recorded	80

Number of Officers present	Number of Occurrences
0	7
1	2665
2	225
3	26
4	12
5	2

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