



Response Date:03/09/2025

2025/829 - Rape/ sexual assault

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

It relates to a no further action decision following a report of rape or sexual assault.

- 1. In the time period 1 January 2024 up to 31 July 2025, how many (a) rape investigations, (b) sexual assault by penetration investigations and (c) sexual assault investigations were carried out by your force. Please provide the data per offence, e.g. 1 rape; 2 sexual assault by penetration; 3 sexual assaults.**
- 2. In the time period 1 January 2024 up to 31 July 2025, how many (a) rape investigations, (b) sexual assault by penetration investigations and (c) sexual assault investigations resulted in no further action at the point of the evidence being reviewed by the reviewing/supervising officer. Please provide the data per offence, e.g. 1 rape; 2 sexual assault by penetration; 3 sexual assaults.**

Outcomes Applied Jan 2024 to July 2025 - Rape	Count
01A. Alternate Offence Charged / Summonsed / Postal Requisition	2
01. Charged / Summonsed / Postal Requisition	51
10. Police Formal Action Not In Public Interest	1
11. Named Suspect Below Age of Criminal Responsibility	3
12. Named Suspect Too Ill To Prosecute	10

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13. Named Suspect but Victim / Key Witness Deceased or Too Ill	4
14. Victim Declines / Unable to Support Action to Identify Offender	176
15. CPS Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties	61
15. Police Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties	282
16. Victim Declines / Withdraws Support - Named Suspect Identified	479
18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified	83
20. Other Body / Agency has Investigation Primacy	24
21. Police Named Suspect, Investigation Not in the Public Interest	4
Total	1180

Outcomes Applied Jan 2024 to July 2025 - Assault by Penetration	Count
01A. Alternate Offence Charged / Summoned / Postal Requisition	3
01. Charged / Summoned / Postal Requisition	21
11. Named Suspect Below Age of Criminal Responsibility	4
12. Named Suspect Too Ill To Prosecute	2
14. Victim Declines / Unable to Support Action to Identify Offender	12
15. CPS Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties	19
15. Police Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties	61
16. Victim Declines / Withdraws Support - Named Suspect Identified	49

18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified	16
20. Other Body / Agency has Investigation Primacy	13
21. Police Named Suspect, Investigation Not in the Public Interest	1
22. Diversionary/Educational	1
Total	202

Outcomes Applied Jan 2024 to July 2025 - Sexual Assault (excl assault by Penetration)	Count
01A. Alternate Offence Charged / Summoned / Postal Requisition	9
01. Charged / Summoned / Postal Requisition	92
02. Youth Caution / Conditional Caution	4
03. Adult Caution /Conditional Caution	3
05. Offender Has Died	1
08. Community Resolution / Youth Restorative Disposal	9
09. CPS Prosecution Not In Public Interest	2
10. Police Formal Action Not In Public Interest	1
11. Named Suspect Below Age of Criminal Responsibility	17
12. Named Suspect Too Ill To Prosecute	15
13. Named Suspect but Victim / Key Witness Deceased or Too Ill	2
14. Victim Declines / Unable to Support Action to Identify Offender	125
15. CPS Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties	58
15. Police Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties	408
16. Victim Declines / Withdraws Support - Named Suspect Identified	309
18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified	214

20. Other Body / Agency has Investigation Primacy	114
21. Police Named Suspect, Investigation Not in the Public Interest	2
22. Diversionary/Educational	2
Total	1387

3. In the time period 1 January 2024 up to 31 July 2025, how many (a) rape investigations, (b) sexual assault by penetration investigations and (c) sexual assault investigations in which the outcome was to take no further action, how many of those decisions were appealed by way of the victim asking for the case to be reviewed. (VRR process). Please provide the data per offence, e.g. 1 rape; 2 sexual assault by penetration; 3 sexual assaults.

Data below shows the number of Victim Right to Review (VRR) applications received between 1 January 2024 and 31 July 2025 for Rape and Sexual Assault offences;

Count of No	Received Month-Year							
Offence Type	Mar-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Dec-24	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25	Grand Total
Assault of a female child under 13 by penetration						1		1
Rape						1		1
Sexual Assault		1						1
Sexual assault on a female aged 13 or over					2	1		3
Single Offender: Rape of a female aged 16 or over	2		1	1	1		1	6
Sexual assault of a female child under 13			1					1
Causing or inciting a female child under 13 to engage in sexual activity, no penetration, offender aged under 18			1					1
Single Offender: Rape of a male child under 13 by a male					1			1
Sexual activity with a female child family member, no penetration, victim aged 13-17, offender aged under 18							1	1
Sexual assault on a male aged 13 or over							1	1
Grand Total	2	1	3	1	4	3	3	17

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 29/08/2025