



Response Date:25/08/2026

2026/799 - Balaclava Seizure & Crime Statistics

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

For the period 1 June 2025 to 30 June 2026 inclusive, please provide the following information from all data force wide.

Please electronically search crime-report text fields for the terms:

"balaclava"
"bally"
"face covering"

Please provide:

- The number of unique crime reports containing one or more of these terms.**
- A breakdown of these reports by the most commonly recorded offence type.**
- The age group of suspects linked to these reports, broken down as:**
 - under 18;**
 - 18-24;**
 - 25 and over;**
 - age unknown or not recorded.**
- The number of these reports that resulted in:**

Pencadlys yr Heddlu,
Glan-y-Don, Bae Colwyn LL29 8AW

Police Headquarters,
Glan-y-Don, Colwyn Bay LL29 8AW
www.northwales.police.uk

Yn gwne

fyw, gweithio ac ymweld yn y DU

Making North Wales the safest place to live, work and visit in the UK

- an arrest;
- a charge;
- no further action.

Reported Date	HO Code	HO Description	Offence Category Desc	Suspect Age	Arrest?	Charged?	Balaclava KW	Bally KW	Face Covering KW	Outcome
06/06/2025	034/01B	Robbery of personal property	Robbery Of Personal Property	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
20/06/2025	033/00	Going equipped for stealing etc	Going Equipped For Stealing Etc.	19	Y	N	Y	N	N	15. Police Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties
07/07/2025	149/00D	Other criminal damage, other (Under £5000.00 damage)	Other Criminal Damage	16	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
15/07/2025	149/00C	Other criminal damage to a vehicle (Under £5000.00 damage)	Criminal Damage To A Vehicle	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
24/07/2025	149/00A	Other criminal damage to a residence (Under £5000.00 damage)	Criminal Damage To A Dwelling	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
28/07/2025	056/02	Arson not endangering life	Arson Not Endangering Life	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
09/08/2025	034/01B	Robbery of personal property	Robbery Of Personal Property	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	14. Victim Declines / Unable to Support Action to Identify Offender
10/08/2025	034/01B	Robbery of personal property	Robbery Of Personal Property	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	16. Victim Declines / Withdraws Support - Named Suspect Identified
24/08/2025	029/00A	Aggravated Burglary Residential (Home)	Aggravated Burglary Residential (Home)	32	Y	N	Y	N	N	Outcome Not Yet Assigned
16/09/2025	003/01	Threats to kill	Threats to Kill	56	Y	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
30/09/2025	105/01	Common assault and battery (Violence without injury)	Assault Without Injury	17	N	N	Y	N	N	16. Victim Declines / Withdraws Support - Named Suspect Identified
30/09/2025	105/01	Common assault and battery (Violence without injury)	Assault Without Injury	19	N	N	Y	N	N	16. Victim Declines / Withdraws Support - Named Suspect Identified
01/10/2025	195/94	Harassment	Harassment	15	N	N	Y	N	N	15. Police Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties

25/10/2025	034/01B	Robbery of personal property	Robbery Of Personal Property	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
01/11/2025	125/09	Causing intentional harassment, alarm or distress (Sec 4A)	Public Fear, Alarm or Distress	32	N	N	Y	N	N	Outcome Not Yet Assigned
01/11/2025	125/09	Causing intentional harassment, alarm or distress (Sec 4A)	Public Fear, Alarm or Distress	37	N	N	Y	N	N	Outcome Not Yet Assigned
07/11/2025	008/11	Possession of offensive weapon without lawful authority or reasonable excuse	Possession of Other Weapons	28	Y	Y	N	N	Y	01. Charged / Summoned / Postal Requisition
17/11/2025	149/00A	Other criminal damage to a residence (Under £5000.00 damage)	Criminal Damage To A Dwelling	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
02/12/2025	195/94	Harassment	Harassment	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
13/12/2025	034/01A	Robbery of business property	Robbery Of Business Property	12	Y	N	Y	N	N	Outcome Not Yet Assigned
13/12/2025	034/01A	Robbery of business property	Robbery Of Business Property	15	Y	N	Y	N	N	Outcome Not Yet Assigned
13/12/2025	034/01A	Robbery of business property	Robbery Of Business Property	16	Y	N	Y	N	N	Outcome Not Yet Assigned
03/01/2026	125/09	Causing intentional harassment, alarm or distress (Sec 4A)	Public Fear, Alarm or Distress	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
24/01/2026	195/94	Harassment	Harassment	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
25/01/2026	125/11	Fear or provocation of violence (Sec 4)	Public Fear, Alarm or Distress	18	N	N	Y	N	N	16. Victim Declines / Withdraws Support - Named Suspect Identified
26/01/2026	066/01	Affray	Other Offences (Against The State And Public Order)	No DOB Recorded	N	N	N	Y	Y	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
01/02/2026	149/00B	Other criminal damage to a building - business and community (Under £5000.00 damage)	Criminal Damage To A Building Other Than A Dwelling	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
03/02/2026	034/01B	Robbery of personal property	Robbery Of Personal Property	19	Y	N	Y	N	N	Outcome Not Yet Assigned
05/02/2026	195/94	Harassment	Harassment	19	Y	N	N	N	Y	Outcome Not Yet Assigned

10/02/2026	005/28	Send communication threatening death or serious harm	Malicious communications	10	N	N	Y	N	N	22: Diversionary, educational or intervention activity, has been undertaken and there is no public interest to continue
12/02/2026	033/00	Going equipped for stealing etc	Going Equipped For Stealing Etc.	12	Y	Y	Y	N	N	01. Charged / Summoned / Postal Requisition
12/02/2026	033/00	Going equipped for stealing etc	Going Equipped For Stealing Etc.	15	Y	Y	Y	N	N	01. Charged / Summoned / Postal Requisition
17/02/2026	028/03D	Attempted Residential Burglary of Unconnected Building	Attempted Residential Burglary of Unconnected Building	12	N	N	N	N	Y	16. Victim Declines / Withdraws Support - Named Suspect Identified
25/02/2026	105/01	Common assault and battery (Violence without injury)	Assault Without Injury	No DOB Recorded	N	N	N	N	Y	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
07/03/2026	105/01	Common assault and battery (Violence without injury)	Assault Without Injury	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
09/03/2026	029/00A	Aggravated Burglary Residential (Home)	Aggravated Burglary Residential (Home)	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
07/03/2026	008/06A	Sec 47. Assault occasioning actual bodily harm	Assault with injury	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
17/03/2026	195/12	Pursue course of conduct in breach of Sec 1 (1) which amounts to stalking	Stalking	16	Y	N	Y	N	N	Outcome Not Yet Assigned
24/03/2026	008/06A	Sec 47. Assault occasioning actual bodily harm	Assault with injury	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
24/03/2026	056/02	Arson not endangering life	Arson Not Endangering Life	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
26/03/2026	029/00A	Aggravated Burglary Residential (Home)	Aggravated Burglary Residential (Home)	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
27/03/2026	125/09	Causing intentional harassment, alarm or distress (Sec 4A)	Public Fear, Alarm or Distress	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
30/03/2026	149/00C	Other criminal damage to a vehicle (Under £5000.00 damage)	Criminal Damage To A Vehicle	22	Y	N	Y	N	N	15. Police Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties
05/04/2026	125/11	Fear or provocation of violence (Sec 4)	Public Fear, Alarm or Distress	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified

05/04/2026	059/11	Threats to destroy or damage property	Threat Or Possession With Intent To Commit Criminal Damage	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
10/04/2026	034/01B	Robbery of personal property	Robbery Of Personal Property	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
14/04/2026	029/00A	Aggravated Burglary Residential (Home)	Aggravated Burglary Residential (Home)	30	Y	N	Y	N	N	Outcome Not Yet Assigned
16/04/2026	013/02	Abduction of child by other persons	Child Abduction	No DOB Recorded	N	N	N	N	Y	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
17/04/2026	034/01B	Robbery of personal property	Robbery Of Personal Property	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
10/05/2026	030/02A	Burglary Business and Community	Burglary – Business and community	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
11/05/2026	045/10	Theft from a motor vehicle.	Theft From A Vehicle	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
11/05/2026	195/94	Harassment	Harassment	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	16. Victim Declines / Withdraws Support - Named Suspect Identified
19/05/2026	149/00A	Other criminal damage to a residence (Under £5000.00 damage)	Criminal Damage To A Dwelling	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
30/05/2026	125/09	Causing intentional harassment, alarm or distress (Sec 4A)	Public Fear, Alarm or Distress	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified
31/05/2026	105/01	Common assault and battery (Violence without injury)	Assault Without Injury	No DOB Recorded	N	N	Y	N	N	15. Police Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties
06/06/2026	019/08A	Single Offender: Rape of a female aged 16 or over	Rape Of A Female Aged 16 And Over	34	N	N	Y	N	N	15. Police Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties
07/06/2026	030/02B	Attempted Burglary Business and Community	Attempted Burglary – Business and community	16	Y	N	Y	N	N	Outcome Not Yet Assigned

- The number of occasions during the same period where a balaclava, “bally” or face covering was recorded as seized or recovered by officers, with a breakdown by associated offence type.

I am requesting aggregate figures only. I do not require personal data, crime reference numbers, incident narratives, or a manual review of records.

Gen Prop Link	Gen Prop Classification	Offence Category Desc
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Assault Without Injury
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Residential Burglary of a Home
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Going Equipped For Stealing Etc.
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Residential Burglary of a Home
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Criminal Damage To A Building Other Than A Dwelling
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Aggravated Vehicle Taking
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Residential Burglary of a Home
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Residential Burglary of a Home
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Possession of Firearms Offences
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Residential Burglary of Unconnected Building
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Threats to Kill
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Theft From A Vehicle
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Murder
Other article	;Seized with warrant;	Murder
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Possession of Other Weapons
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Interfering with a Motor Vehicle
Other article	;Seized with warrant;	Theft From A Vehicle
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Residential Burglary of a Home
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Theft From A Vehicle
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Possession Of Controlled Drugs Excluding Cannabis
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Possession Of Controlled Drugs (Cannabis)
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Assault with intent to cause serious harm
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Aggravated Burglary Residential (Home)
Other article	;Seized with warrant;	Aggravated Burglary Residential (Home)
Other article	;Seized with warrant;	Aggravated Burglary Residential (Home)
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Aggravated Burglary Residential (Home)
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Aggravated Burglary Residential (Home)
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Aggravated Burglary Residential (Home)
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Theft From A Vehicle
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Exposure and Voyeurism
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Robbery Of Personal Property
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Robbery Of Personal Property
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Robbery Of Personal Property
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Robbery Of Personal Property
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Harassment
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Assault with intent to cause serious harm
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Attempted Residential Burglary of Unconnected Building

gwneud Gogledd Cymru'r lle **mwyaif diogel** yn y DU making North Wales the **safest** place in the UK

OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Burglary – Business and community
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Harassment
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Harassment
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Harassment
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Robbery Of Personal Property
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Assault with intent to cause serious harm
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Theft Or Unauthorised Taking Of A Motor Vehicle
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Criminal Damage To A Dwelling
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Residential Burglary of a Home
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Attempted Residential Burglary of a Home
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Attempted Residential Burglary of a Home
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Assault with intent to cause serious harm
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Assault with intent to cause serious harm
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Assault with intent to cause serious harm
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Shoplifting
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Residential Burglary of a Home
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Trafficking In Controlled Drugs
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Criminal Damage To A Building Other Than A Dwelling
OAC	;Seized with warrant;	Threats to Kill
SSQ	;Seized with warrant;	Public Fear, Alarm or Distress
Other article	;Seized with warrant;	Robbery Of Personal Property

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 11/08/2026