



**HEDDLU
GOGLEDD CYMRU
NORTH WALES
POLICE**

Response Date:07/08/2025

2025/768 - Canal and river crime

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

I would like to find out the number of crimes reported on canals and navigable rivers (and their banks/towpaths) in your jurisdiction, please, broken down by year over the past five years. If you record this by calendar year, that would be 2019-2024, if it is by financial year then 2020/21 to 2024/25 please.

If possible, I would also like to know the breakdown of these crimes by type, if it doesn't mean too much work and invalidating this request.

The below table shows the count of offences where the location subtype is recorded as river/canal by calendar year.

Offence Category Description	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Arson Not Endangering Life	0	0	1	1	0	1
Assault with injury	1	2	3	1	7	0
Assault Without Injury	0	2	1	1	2	3
Burglary – Business and community	0	0	1	0	0	0
Criminal Damage To A Building Other Than A Dwelling	0	0	0	1	0	0
Exposure and Voyeurism	0	0	1	0	0	0
Harassment	0	1	0	0	0	0
Other Criminal Damage	0	1	0	1	0	2
Other Indictable Or Triable Either Way Offences	0	1	1	1	0	0
Other Miscellaneous Sexual Offences	0	0	0	0	0	1
Other Offences (Against The State And Public Order)	0	0	0	0	1	0
Other Theft	6	2	2	3	3	1
Possession Of Controlled Drugs (Cannabis)	0	0	1	1	0	1
Public Fear, Alarm or Distress	2	4	2	6	0	1
Robbery Of Personal Property	0	1	1	0	0	0

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Sexual Assault On A Female Aged 13 And Over	1	0	0	0	0	0
Theft From A Vehicle	0	0	0	0	1	0
Theft Or Unauthorised Taking Of A Pedal Cycle	0	0	1	0	0	0
Threats to Kill	0	0	1	0	0	0
Trafficking In Controlled Drugs	0	1	1	0	0	1
Total	10	15	17	16	14	11

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UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 01/08/2025