



A Profile of Offenders of Crime Tyne & Wear, 2008/09

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KEY MESSAGES

In 2008/09 55,806 **notifiable** offences were committed in Tyne & Wear by 31,352 individuals. 10,526 of these offenders had allegedly committed more than one offence.

Where the notifiable crime was committed in Tyne & Wear in 2008/09:

- Over a third (35%) of offenders committed crimes of a violent¹ nature.
- 80% of VAP offenders were male and one third of these males were aged 18-24 years old.
- 53% of female VAP offenders were aged 10-24.
- 4.8% of offenders were from a Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) group. BME accounts for 5.8% of the total resident population of Tyne & Wear.
- 25% of offenders were in employment, whilst 28% of offenders were charged.

In 2008/09 there were 51,864 notifiable offences committed by 28,390 individuals whose home address was given as Tyne & Wear. 10,014 of these offenders had allegedly committed more than one offence. The offence would have been committed in the Northumbria Force Area, although not necessarily in Tyne & Wear.

In 2008/09 there were 24,147 **non-notifiable** offences in Tyne & Wear, committed by 17,893 individuals. 3,569 of these offenders had allegedly committed more than one offence.

Where the non-notifiable crime was committed in Tyne & Wear in 2008/09:

- 82% of offenders were male, however, 30% of all offenders were males aged 18-24 years old.
- 21% of female and 20% of male offenders were aged 30-39 years old.
- 5.2% of offenders were from a BME group. BME accounts for 5.8% of the resident population of Tyne & Wear.
- 57% of offenders were unemployed, whilst 30% were in employment.
- 48% of offenders had 'Other' listed as their disposal outcome. Excluding 'Other' disposal group, 56% of offenders were charged, whilst 6% were cautioned.

In 2008/09 there were 21,614 non-notifiable offences committed by 15,763 individuals whose home address was given as Tyne & Wear. 3,378 of these offenders had allegedly committed more than one offence.

During 2008/09:

- Of the 55,806 notifiable offences committed in Tyne & Wear, 51,102 of these offences were committed by 28,044 individuals living in Tyne & Wear.
- Of the 24,147 non-notifiable offences committed in Tyne & Wear, 21,328 of these offences were committed by 15,576 individuals living in Tyne & Wear.

During 2008/09 in Tyne & Wear:

- There were 6,254 Probation cases.
- 75% of Probation cases were for notifiable offences.
- 85% of those on Probation were male, 43% were aged under 26 years old and 4% were of Black or Minority Ethnic origin.
- 67% of those on Probation were subject to a Community Sentence, whilst 18% were given a Suspended Sentence. 12% were given a custodial sentence.

During 2008/09 in Tyne & Wear of those on Probation undergoing OASys assessments:

- 25% were considered to be at high risk of reconviction at the start of the Probation sentence, whilst 9% were considered to be at high risk of reconviction at the end of the Probation sentence.
- At the start of sentence drug misuse was a concern in 27% of cases, whilst at the end it was a concern in 13% of cases.

¹ Violent crime comprises Violence Against the Person (VAP), Sexual offences and Robbery. VAP covers the whole spectrum of assaults from pushing and shoving, with no physical harm, to murder.

This report aims to give an overview of those arrested or charged with offences in Tyne & Wear during 2008/09. For the purposes of the report these people arrested or charged with offences are referred to as offenders, although at this stage of the Criminal Justice process the offence against them has not been proven. A demographic profile of offenders, identifying particular groups of people arrested or charged with disproportionate levels of crime (rather than convictions) has been undertaken. The number of repeat offenders within the year has also been identified. Where the alleged crime was committed and the home address of the offender is analysed, along with the 'disposal outcome'. Analysis has been undertaken for notifiable and non-notifiable offences.

In order to build a more accurate picture of the profile of offenders only the latest disposal outcome for each offence within the time period being considered is counted. For example, within a year, an offender could be arrested, bailed (once or several times), then be charged with an offence. For the purposes of this report, only the latest 'event' is counted, so in this example the 'charge'.

The report provides an analysis of Probation cases during 2008/09 in Tyne & Wear. Probation is a sentence imposed by a court in lieu of incarceration. A criminal who is "on probation" has been convicted of a crime but has served only part of the sentence in jail, or has not served time at all.

Data are provided for one year only, 2008/09, therefore care should be taken when drawing conclusions.

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Ethnicity figures are experimental Population Estimates 2007 - Source: Office for National Statistics, Crown Copyright 2009.

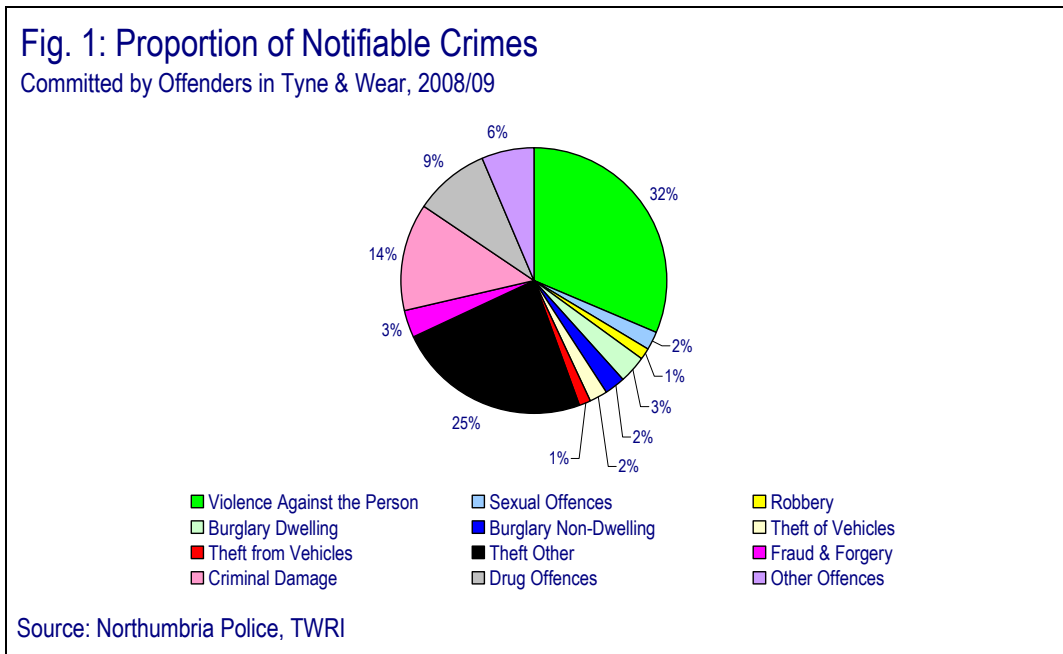
1. Notifiable Offences - Demographic Profile of Offenders Where the Crime was Committed in Tyne & Wear

Data within section 1 refers to the characteristics of offenders where the alleged crime was committed in Tyne & Wear. The offence was notifiable to the Home Office.

1.1 Distribution of Different Types of Crime

In 2008/09 there were 55,806 notifiable offences in Tyne & Wear, committed by 31,352 individuals. Within this section each notifiable offence is considered separately. An analysis of repeat offenders can be found in section 2.

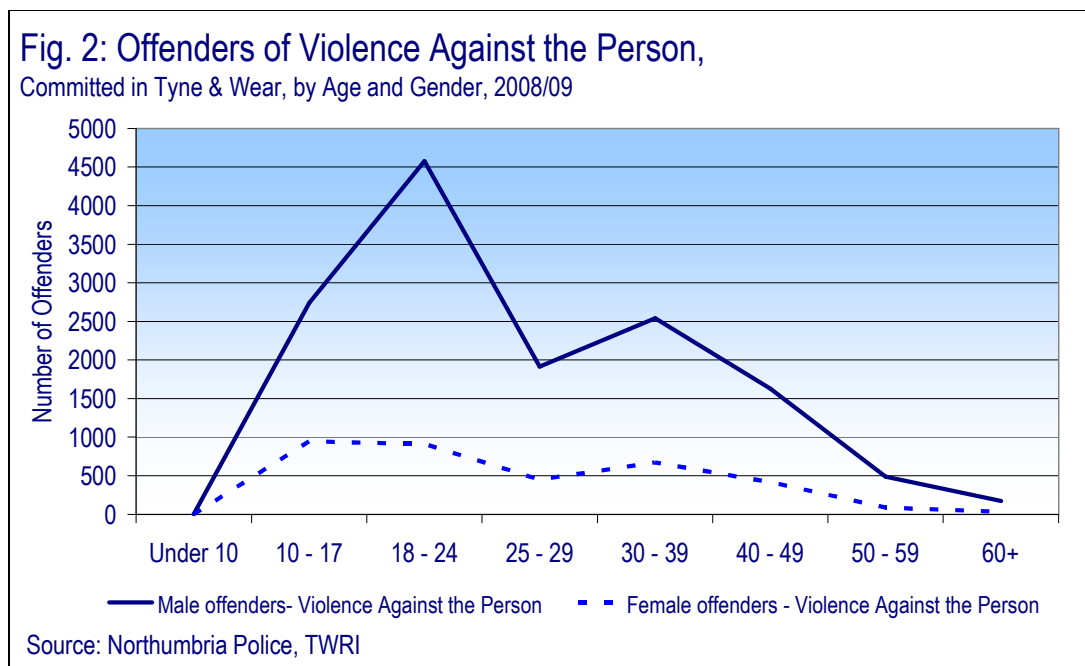
Over a third (35%) of notifiable offences committed in Tyne & Wear were of a violent nature. After violent crimes Theft Other accounted for 25% of offences.



1.2 Age and Gender of Offenders

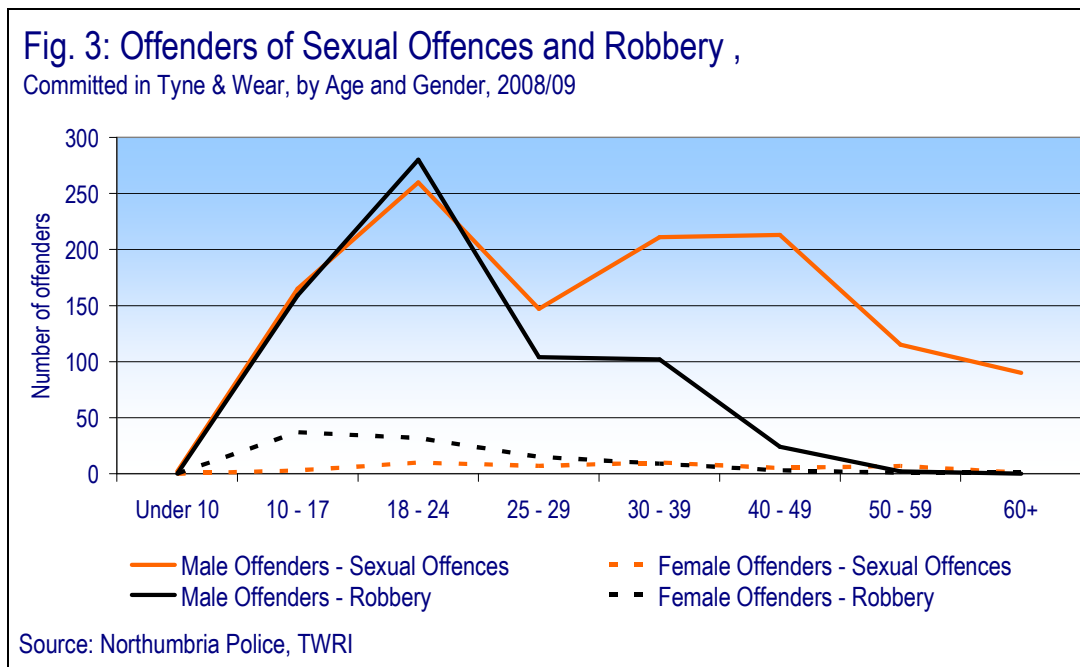
In Tyne & Wear during 2008/09

- Violence Against the Person was the most prevalent offence committed by offenders.
- Males accounted for 80% of offenders of Violence Against the Person (VAP).
- A third of these male offenders were aged 18-24, the age group accounting for the largest proportion of VAP.
- 53% of female VAP offenders were aged 10-24.



In Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

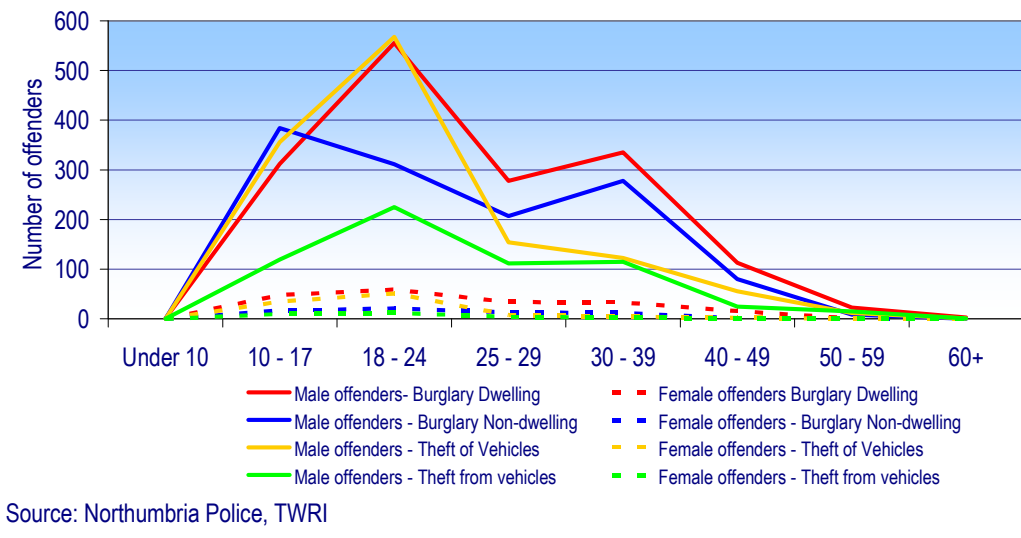
- Males accounted for 97% of offenders of Sexual Offences. 22% of these males were aged 18-24 years.
- Only 3% of Sexual Offences were allegedly committed by females. Females in the 18-29 age range represented the largest proportion of female Sexual Offenders (40%).
- Males accounted for 87% of Robbery offenders. 42% were aged 18-24.
- 38% of female Robbery offenders were aged 10-17 years old.



In Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- Males accounted for 89% of Burglary Dwelling offenders. 34% of these males were aged 18-24 years. As for males, female Burglary Dwelling offenders aged 18-24 accounted for the largest proportion of offenders (31%).
- Males accounted for 95% of Burglary Non-dwelling offenders. 10-17 year old males represented the largest proportion (30%). 18-24 year olds accounted for the largest proportion of female offenders (33%).
- Males accounted for 93% of offenders of vehicle thefts. 45% of these males were aged 18-24. Half of the females allegedly responsible for vehicle thefts were aged 18-24.
- Males accounted for 95% of Theft from Vehicle offenders. Over one third (37%) of these males were aged 18-24.

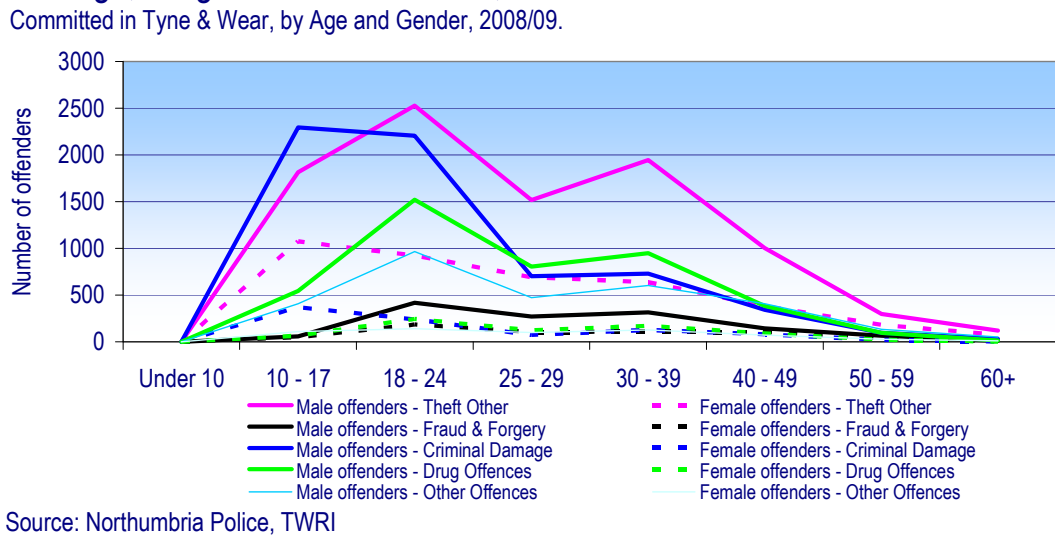
Fig. 4: Offenders of Burglary and Vehicle-Related Crime, Committed in Tyne & Wear, by Age and Gender, 2008/09



In Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- Males accounted for 70% of Theft Other offenders. Males in the 18-24 age group were the most frequent offenders accounting for over one quarter (27%). 10-17 year olds accounted for the highest proportion (27%) of Theft Other committed by female offenders.
- 32% of Fraud & Forgery offenders were female. Those aged 18-24 accounted for 31% of these offenders.
- 87% of Criminal Damage offenders were male. Almost three quarters (70%) of these males were aged 10-24. Of the 13% of female offenders of Criminal Damage those aged 10-17 accounted for 40%.
- 86% of offenders of Drug Offences were male. The age group for male and female offenders peaked at 18-24.

Fig. 5: Offenders of Theft Other, Fraud & Forgery, Criminal Damage, Drug and Other Offences, Committed in Tyne & Wear, by Age and Gender, 2008/09.



1.3 Ethnicity of Offenders

In Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- 12% of offenders of Sexual Offences were from a Black or Minority Ethnic (BME) group. BME groups accounted for 5.8% of the population of Tyne & Wear.
- 3.5% of Robbery offenders were from a BME group.
- 5.9% of Fraud & Forgery offenders were Black or Black British people who accounted for 0.8% of the population of Tyne & Wear.
- 5.5% of Drug offenders and 6.2% of Other Offence offenders came from a BME group, even though BME groups accounted for 5.8% of the population of Tyne & Wear.
- White people made up 94.2% of the population of Tyne & Wear yet accounted for 99% of Theft from Vehicles and 97% of Criminal Damage offenders.

Crime Category	Proportion of Offenders (%)			
	Asian or Asian British (3%)	Black or Black British (0.8%)	Chinese / Mixed / Other (2.1%)	White (94.2%)
Violence Against the Person	2.6	1.2	1.2	95.0
Sexual Offences	5.5	2.6	4.1	87.8
Robbery	1.8	0.4	1.3	96.5
Burglary Dwelling	1.0	0.7	1.2	97.2
Burglary Non-Dwelling	0.5	0.2	0.2	99.1
Theft of Vehicles	1.2	0.7	0.4	97.8
Theft from Vehicles	0.6	0.5	0.2	98.8
Theft Other	1.8	1.5	1.0	95.5
Fraud & Forgery	4.7	5.9	2.6	86.8
Criminal Damage	1.6	0.5	0.5	97.3
Drug Offences	2.9	0.7	1.8	94.5
Other Offences	3.5	1.0	1.6	93.8

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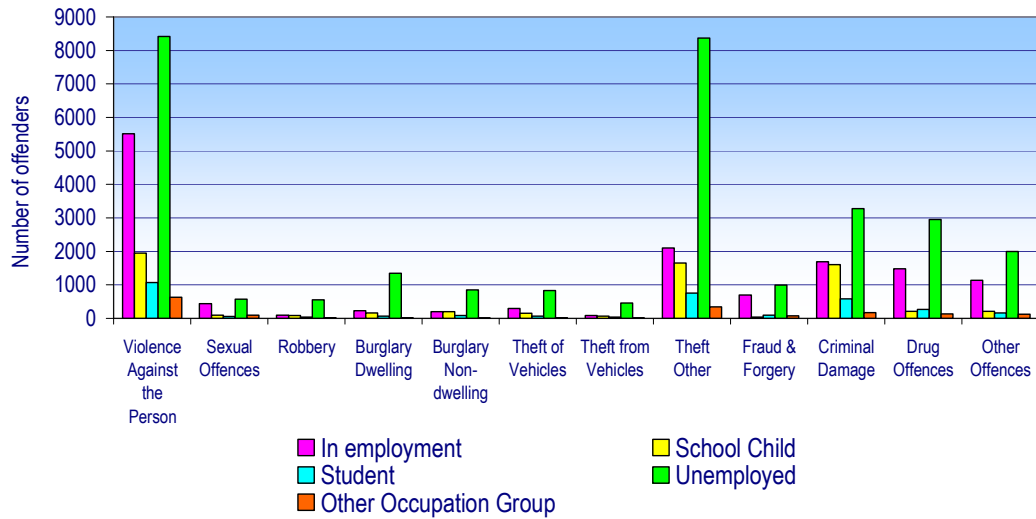
1.4 Occupation of Offenders

In Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- The proportion of offenders who were unemployed was particularly high for Burglary Dwelling (75%), Robbery (72%), and Theft from Vehicles (71%).
- The employed accounted for 37% of Fraud & Forgery offenders, 35% of Sexual offenders, 31% of Violence Against the Person offenders, and 29% of Drug Offenders.
- School children accounted for 22% of Criminal Damage offenders and 15% of Burglary Non-dwelling offenders.
- Student offenders were responsible for 8% of Criminal Damage, 6% of Theft Other offences and 6% of Violence Against the Person offences.

Fig. 6: Occupation of Offenders,

Committed in Tyne & Wear, 2008/09



Source: Northumbria Police, TWRI

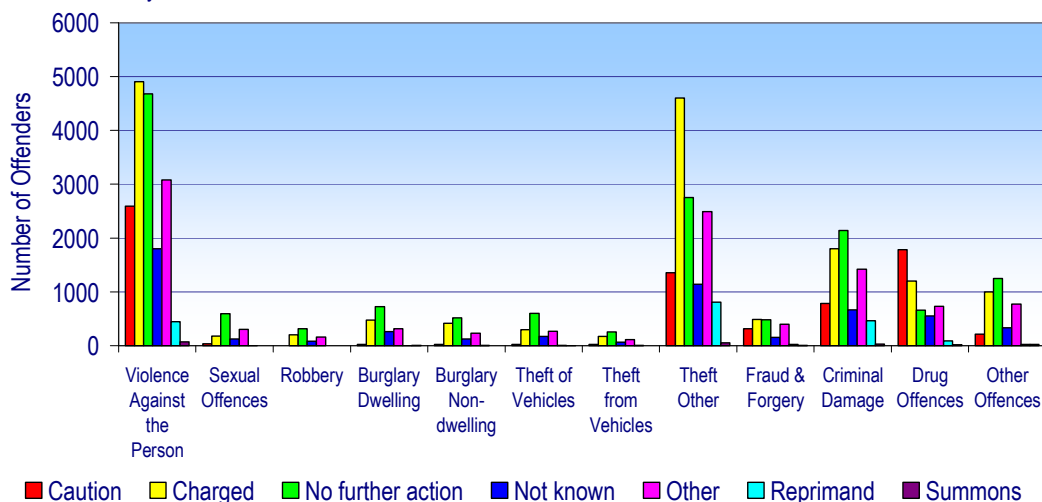
1.5 Disposal Group of Offenders

In Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- No further action was taken in over one quarter (27%) of cases, charges were brought against 28% of offenders. Cautions were given to 13%.
- No further action was taken against almost half (48%) of Sexual offenders whilst 15% were charged and 3% cautioned.
- No further action was taken against 41% of Robbery offenders whilst 27% were charged.
- Over a third (35%) of Drug offenders received a caution whilst less than a quarter (24%) were charged.

Fig. 7: Disposal Outcome of Offenders,

Committed in Tyne & Wear, 2008/09



Source: Northumbria Police, TWRI

2. Notifiable Offences - Profile of Repeat Offenders Where the Crime was Committed in Tyne & Wear

During 2008/09 in Tyne & Wear

- There were 31,352 offenders.
- 10,526 offenders had allegedly committed more than one offence.
- 243 individuals had allegedly committed over 10 offences each, accounting for 6% of all offences.
- 25 individuals had allegedly committed over 20 offences each. Over half of the offences allegedly committed by these 25 individuals were for Theft Other (331 out of 616 offences).
- One individual was responsible for over 40 notifiable offences.

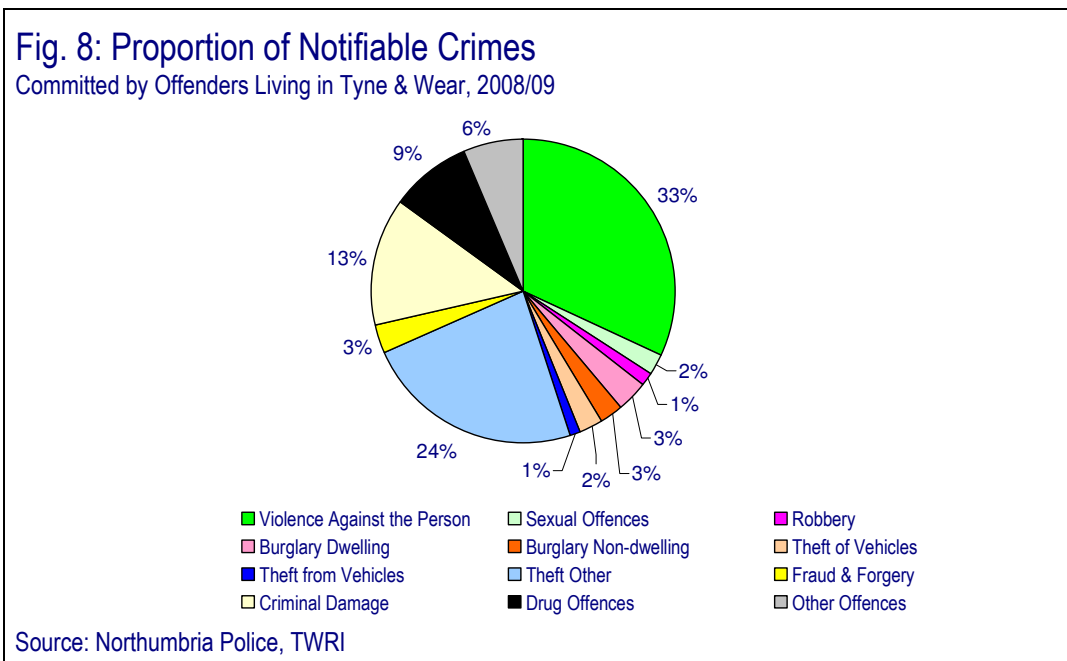
3. Notifiable Offences – Demographic Profile of Offenders Living in Tyne & Wear.

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3.1 Distribution of Different Types of Crime

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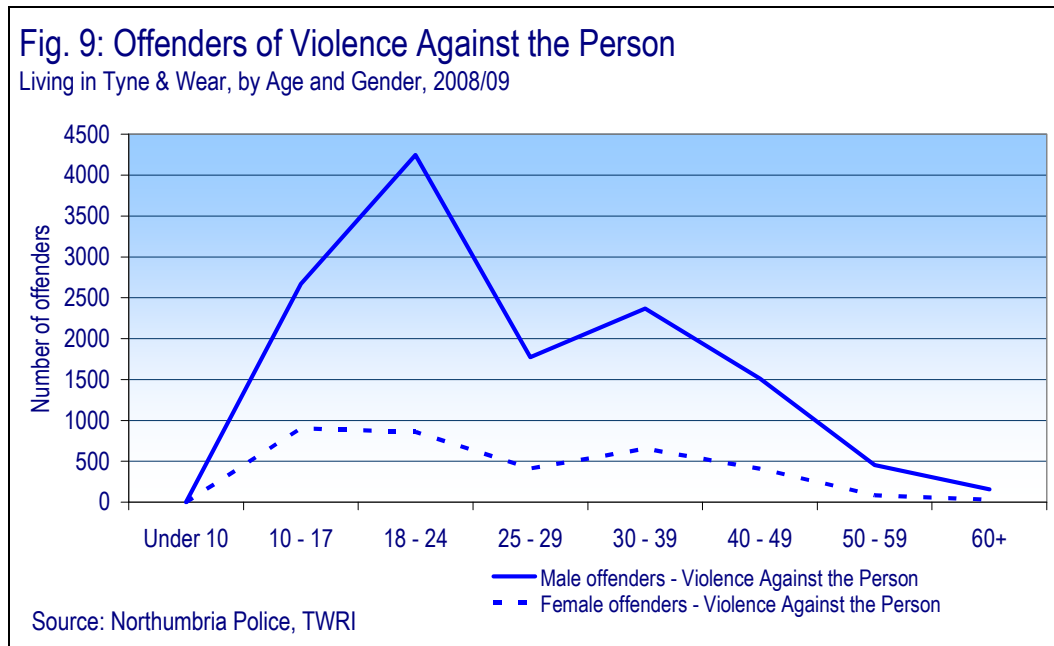
Of the offenders living in Tyne & Wear, over one third (36%) had allegedly committed a violent crime while a quarter were Theft Other offences.



3.2 Age and Gender of Offenders

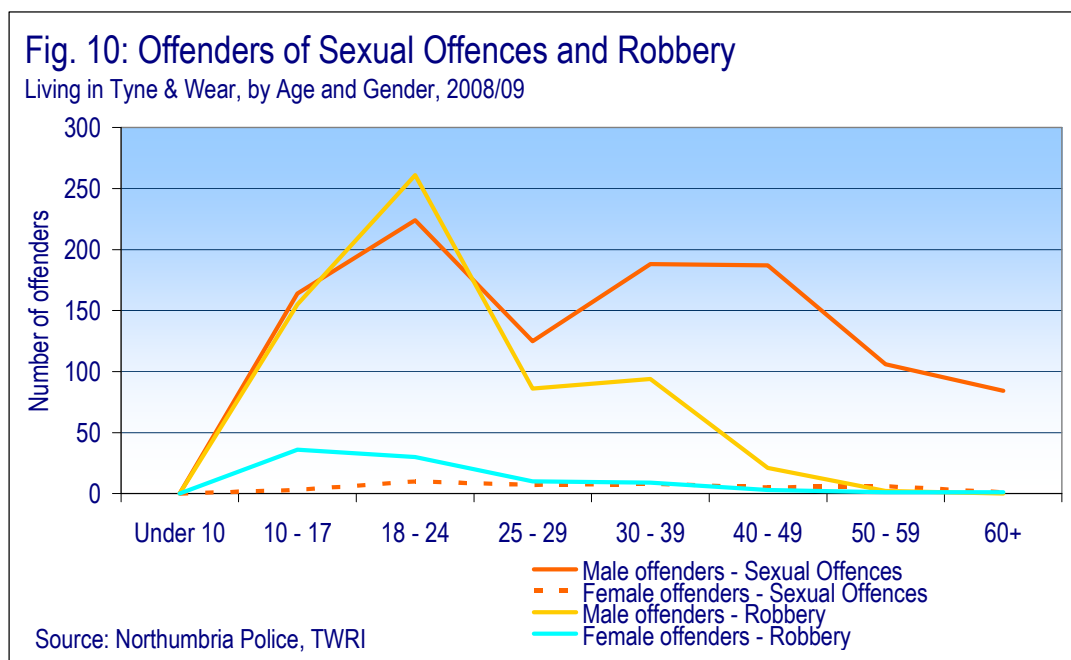
Offenders who had a home address in Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- One third of offenders had allegedly committed Violence Against the Person offences.
- 80% of Violence Against the Person offences were committed by males. One third of these males were aged 18-24.
- Over a quarter (27%) of female offenders of Violence Against the Person were aged 10-17. The highest proportion for all age groups.



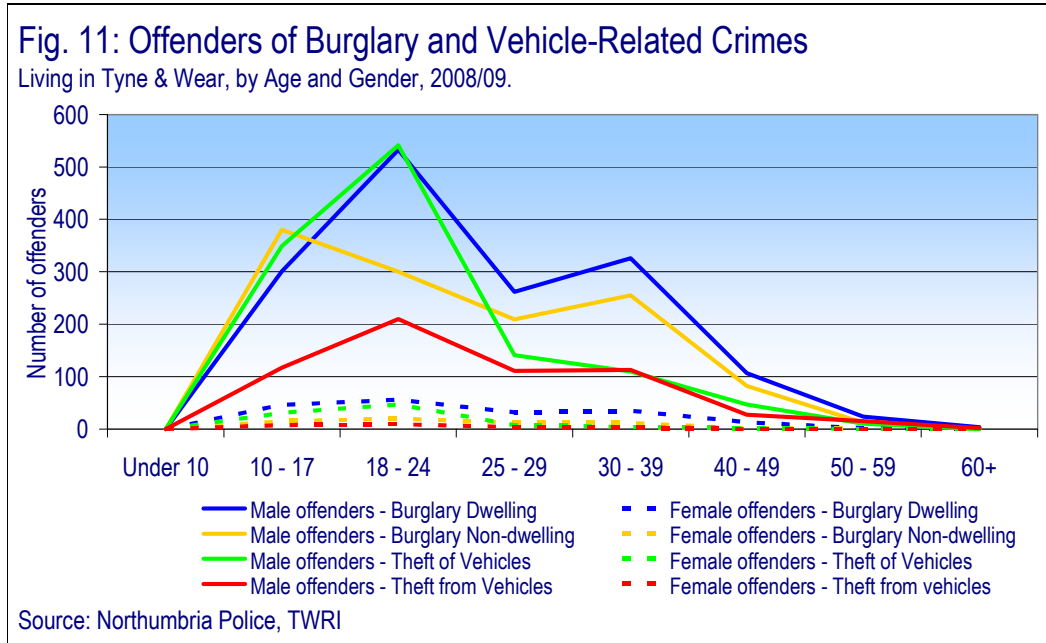
Offenders who had a home address in Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- Sexual offenders made up 2% of the total number of offenders. 96% of Sexual offenders were male. A third (32%) of these males were aged 18-29.
- 87% of Robbery offenders were male. Over two fifths (42%) of these males were aged 18-24



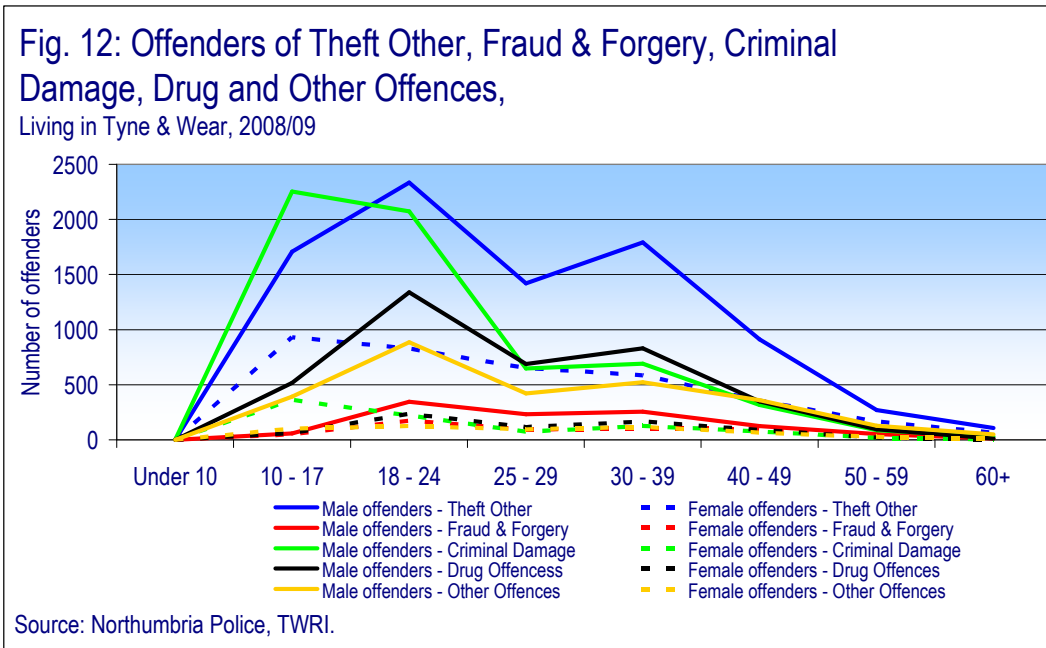
Offenders who had a home address in Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- Burglary Dwelling offenders accounted for 3% of offenders. 89% were male and 34% of these males were aged 18-24.
- 95% of Burglary Non-dwelling offenders were male and almost one third (31%) of these males were aged 10-17.
- 93% of Theft of Vehicle offenders were male and almost half (45%) of these males were aged 18-24.



Offenders who had a home address in Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- A quarter of offenders had committed a Theft Other offence. Almost one third of Theft Other offenders were female and almost one quarter (23%) of these females were aged 18-24.
- 87% of Criminal Damage offenders were male, with 37% of these offenders being aged 10-17.
- One third of Fraud & Forgery offenders were female. 18% were aged 30-39.
- 85% of Drug offenders were male. 34% of these males were aged 18-24.



3.3 Ethnicity of Offenders

Offenders who had a home address in Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- 12% of Sexual offenders were from a BME group. BME groups accounted for 5.8% of the population of Tyne & Wear.
- 3% of Robbery offenders were from a BME group.
- White people accounted for 97% Burglary Dwelling offenders, 99% of Burglary Non-dwelling offenders, 98% of Theft of Vehicles and 99% of Theft from Vehicle offenders. White people accounted for 94% of the population of people living in Tyne & Wear.
- 5.8% of offenders of Fraud & Forgery were either Black or Black British. People of Black or Black British ethnicity accounted for only 0.8% of the population of Tyne & Wear.
- 4.9% of Drug Offenders were from a BME group.

Table 2: Offenders Living in Tyne & Wear by Ethnicity, 2008/09

Crime Category	Proportion of offenders (%)			
	Asian or Asian British (3%)	Black or Black British (0.8%)	Chinese / Mixed / Other (2.1%)	White (94.2%)
Violence against the person	2.7	1.1	1.1	95.1
Sexual Offences	5.7	2.4	3.9	87.9
Robbery	2.0	0.4	0.7	96.9
Burglary Dwelling	1.1	0.7	0.8	97.3
Burglary Non-dwelling	0.5	0.1	0.2	99.2
Theft of Vehicles	1.1	0.5	0.3	98.1
Theft from Vehicles	1.1	0.0	0.2	98.7
Theft Other	1.8	1.6	1.0	95.6
Fraud & Forgery	4.4	5.8	2.2	87.6
Criminal Damage	1.6	0.5	0.5	97.3
Drug Offences	2.8	0.7	1.4	95.1
Other Offences	3.5	1.1	1.4	95.4

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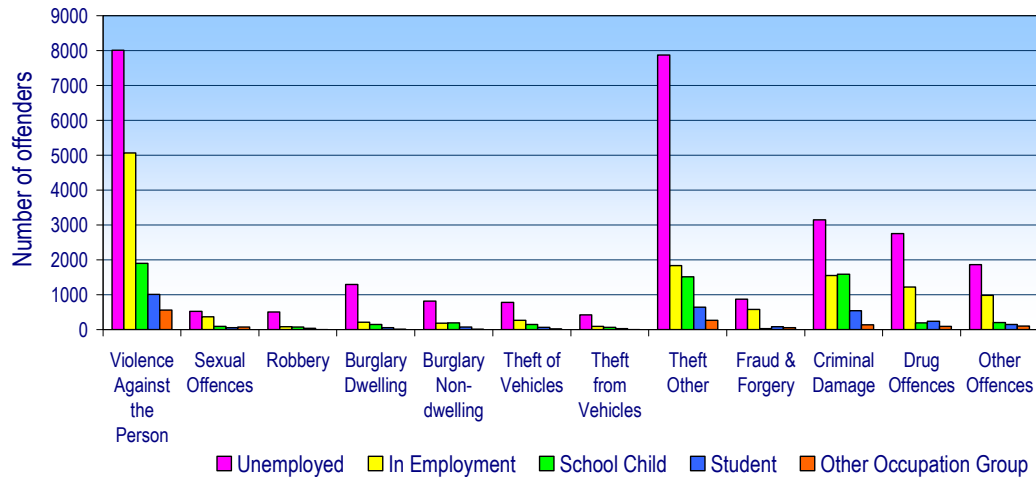
3.4 Occupation of Offenders

Offenders who had a home address in Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- Over half of offenders were unemployed (56%). The proportion of unemployed offenders was high for Burglary Dwelling (75%), Robbery (72%) and Theft from Vehicles (69%).
- Almost a quarter (24%) of offenders were in employment. Employed offenders were highest for Fraud & Forgery (36%), Sexual Offences (33%) and Violence Against the Person (31%).
- School children accounted for 12% of offenders. 23% of Criminal Damage and 15% of Burglary Non-dwelling offenders were school children.

Fig. 13: Occupation of Offenders

Living in Tyne & Wear, 2008/09



Source: Northumbria Police, TWRI.

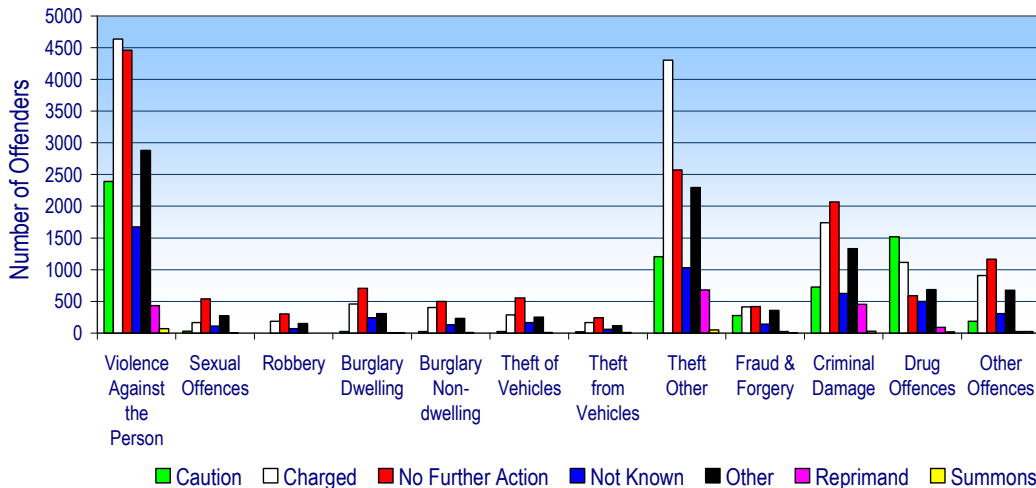
3.5 Disposal Group of Offenders

Offenders who had a home address in Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- Just over a quarter (28%) of offenders were charged. 12% received cautions.
- 35% of Theft Other offenders were charged, as were 28% of Violence Against the Person offenders.
- 34% of Drug offenders received a caution, whilst no Robbery offenders received cautions.
- No further action was taken against 27% of offenders. No further action was taken against 48% of Sexual offenders, 43% of Vehicle Theft offenders and 42% of Robbery offenders.
- 3% of offenders received reprimands. 39% of reprimands were received by Theft Other offenders and a further 26% by Criminal Damage offenders.

Fig. 14: Disposal Outcome of Offenders

Living in Tyne & Wear, 2008/09



Source: Northumbria Police, TWRI.

4. Notifiable Offences - Profile of Repeat Offenders Living in Tyne & Wear

During 2008/09 in Tyne & Wear

- There were 28,390 offenders.
- 10,014 offenders had allegedly committed more than one offence.
- 232 individuals had allegedly committed over 10 offences each, accounting for 6.5% of all offences.
- 20 individuals had allegedly committed over 20 offences each. Almost half of the offences allegedly committed by these 20 individuals were for Theft Other (244 out of 498 offences).
- One individual was responsible for 40 notifiable offences.

5. Notifiable Offences – Demographic Profile of Offenders Living Outside of Tyne & Wear.

Data within section 5 refers to the characteristics of offenders where the home address was given as being outside of Tyne & Wear when the alleged offence was committed. The alleged crime will have been committed within Tyne & Wear.

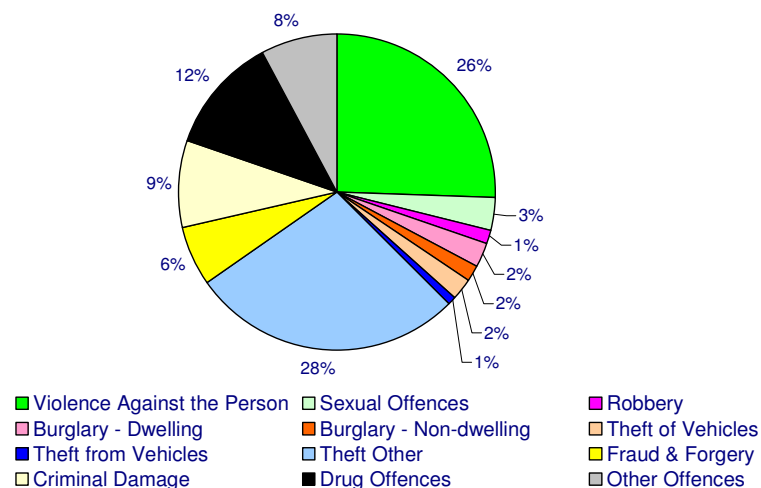
5.1 Distribution of Different Types of Crime

In 2008/09 there were 4,704 notifiable offences committed by 3,715 individuals living outside of Tyne & Wear. Within this section each notifiable offence is considered separately. An analysis of repeat offenders can be found in section 6.

Of the offenders living outside Tyne & Wear, 30% had allegedly committed a violent crime while 28% were Theft Other offences.

Fig. 15: Proportion of Notifiable Crimes

Committed by Offenders Living Outside of Tyne & Wear, 2008/09

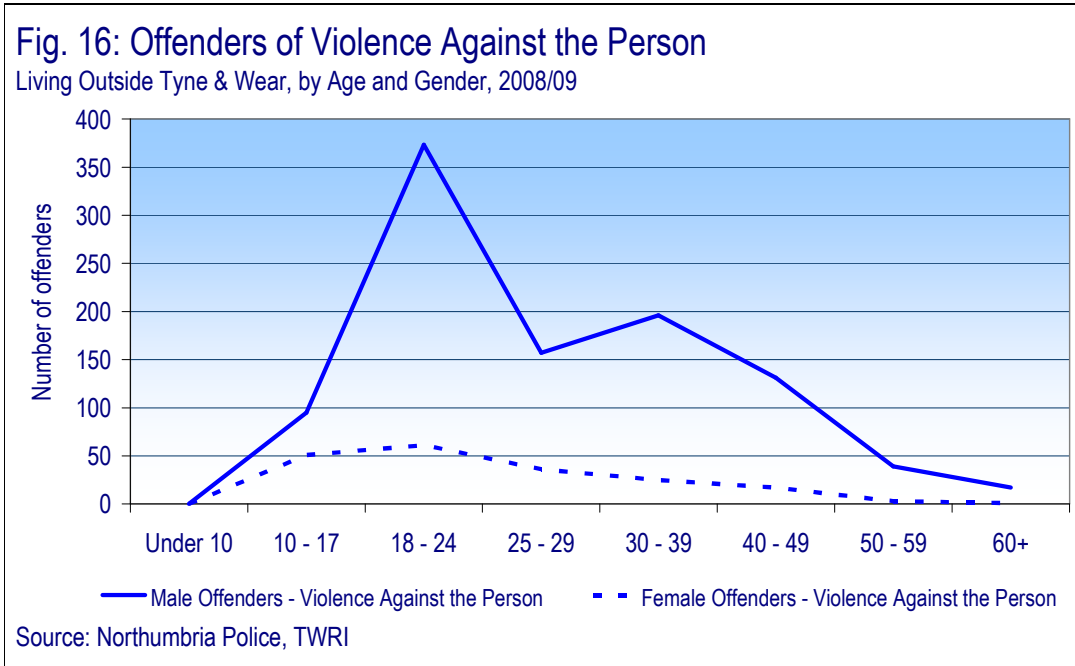


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5.2 Age and Gender of Offenders

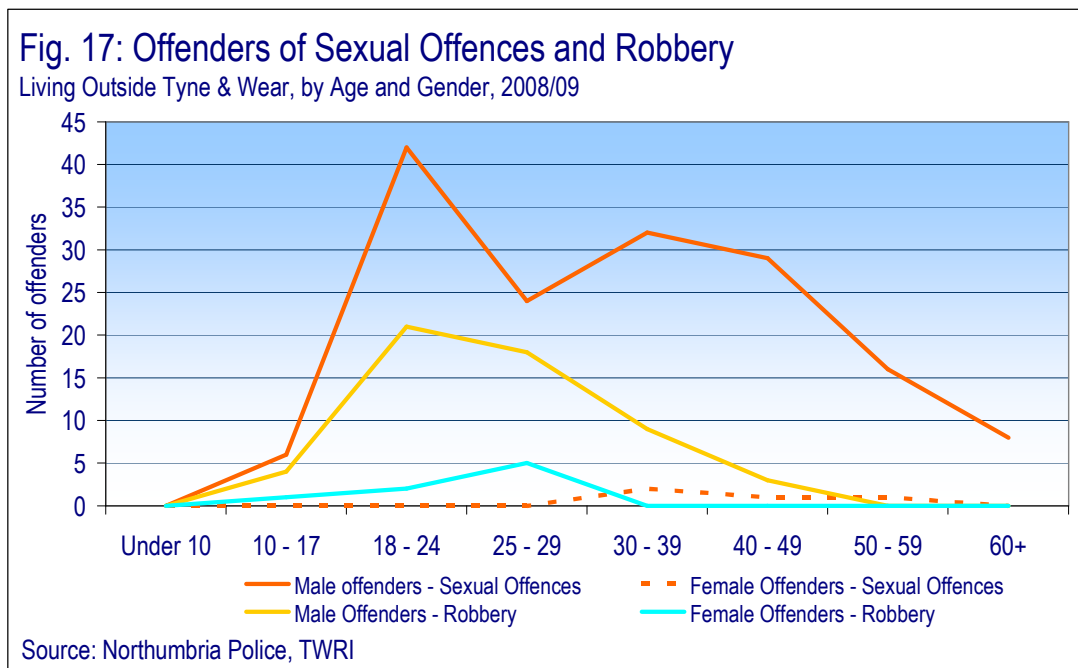
Offenders who had a home address outside of Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- One quarter of offenders had allegedly committed Violence Against the Person offences.
- 84% of Violence Against the Person offences were committed by males. Over one third (37%) of these males were aged 18-24.
- Over a quarter (26%) of female offenders of Violence Against the Person were aged 10-17.



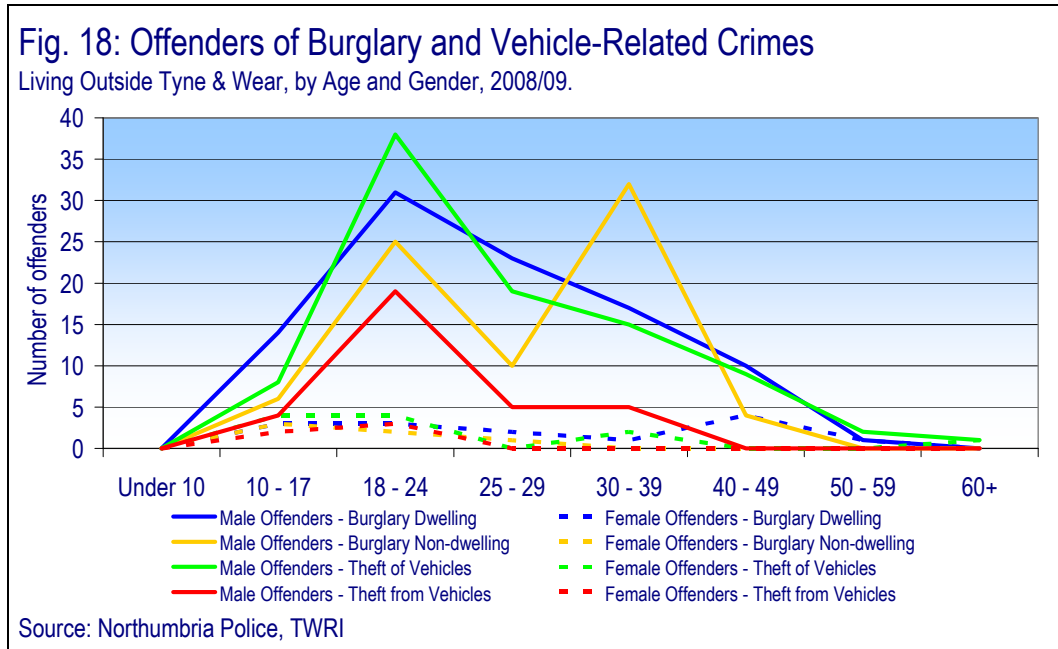
Offenders who had a home address outside of Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- Sexual offenders made up 3% of the total number of offenders. 98% of Sexual offenders were male. Two fifths (42%) of these males were aged 18-29.
- 87% of Robbery offenders were male. Over one quarter (28%) of these males were aged 18-24.



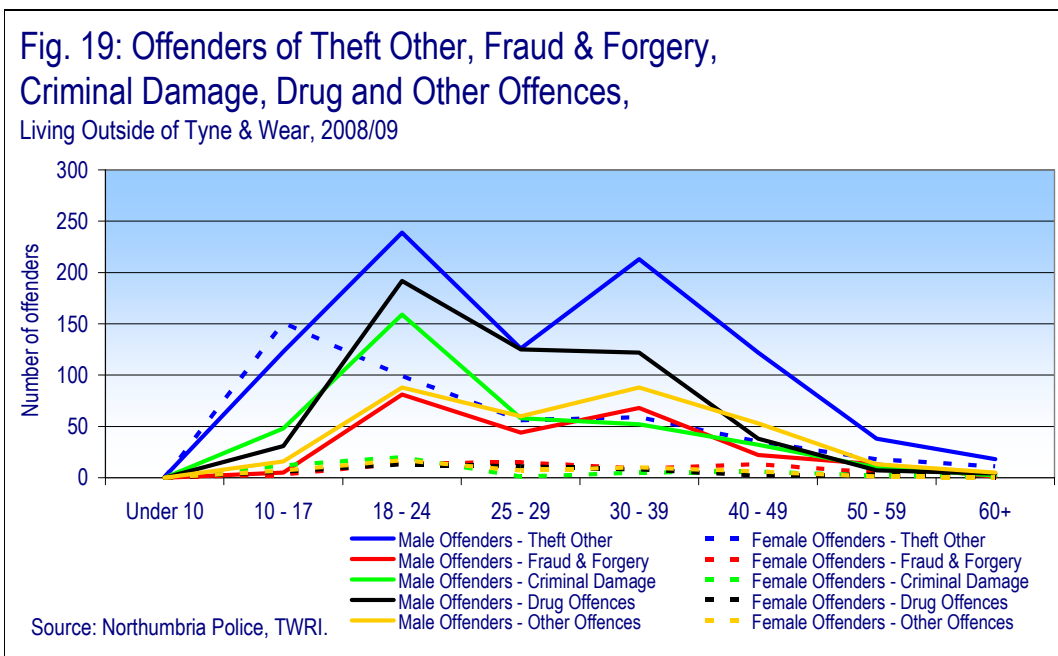
Offenders who had a home address outside of Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- Burglary Dwelling offenders accounted for 2% of offenders. 87% were male and 32% of these males were aged 18-24.
- 93% of Burglary Non-dwelling offenders were male and 42% of these males were aged 30-39.
- 89% of Theft of Vehicle offenders were male and just over two fifths (41%) of these males were aged 18-24.



Offenders who had a home address outside of Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- Over a quarter (28%) of offenders had committed a Theft Other offence. One third of Theft Other offenders were female and almost one quarter (23%) of these females were aged 18-24.
- 88% of Criminal Damage offenders were male, with 44% of these offenders being aged 18-24.
- 92% of Drug offenders were male. 37% of these males were aged 18-24.



5.3 Ethnicity of Offenders

Offenders who had a home address outside of Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- 14% of Sexual offenders were from a BME group.
- 8% of Robbery offenders were from a BME group.
- White people accounted for 98.8% of Burglary Non-dwelling offenders, 97.5% of Criminal Damage offenders, 95.1% of Theft of Vehicles, 94.8% of Theft Other and 94.6% of Violence Against the Person offenders.
- 5.8% of offenders of Fraud & Forgery were either Black or Black British. A further 5.8% of offenders were of Asian ethnic origin.
- 11% of Drug Offenders were from a BME group.

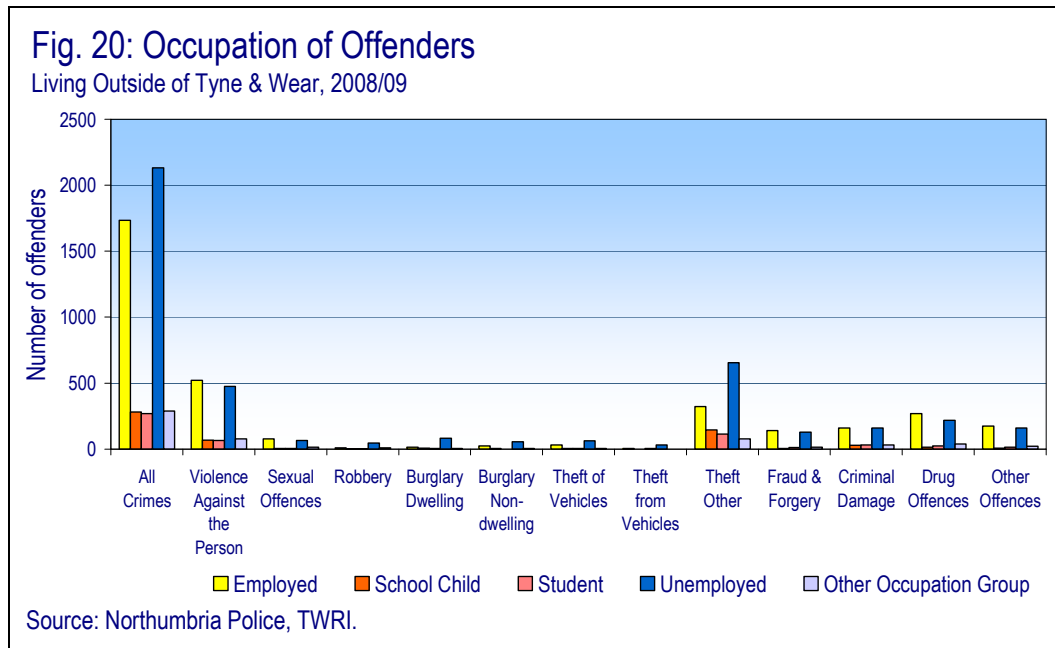
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Violence Against the Person	1.6	1.9	1.8	94.6
Sexual Offences	5.0	4.3	4.3	86.3
Robbery	0.0	0.0	7.9	92.1
Burglary Dwelling	0.0	0.0	6.4	93.6
Burglary Non-Dwelling	0.0	1.2	0.0	98.8
Theft of Vehicles	1.9	1.9	1.0	95.1
Theft from Vehicles	0.0	7.9	0.0	92.1
Theft Other	1.9	1.2	2.0	94.8
Fraud & Forgery	5.8	5.8	4.1	84.3
Criminal Damage	1.0	0.7	0.7	97.5
Drug Offences	4.3	0.9	5.5	89.3
Other Offences	3.5	0.5	2.7	93.3

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5.4 Occupation of Offenders

Offenders who had a home address outside of Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

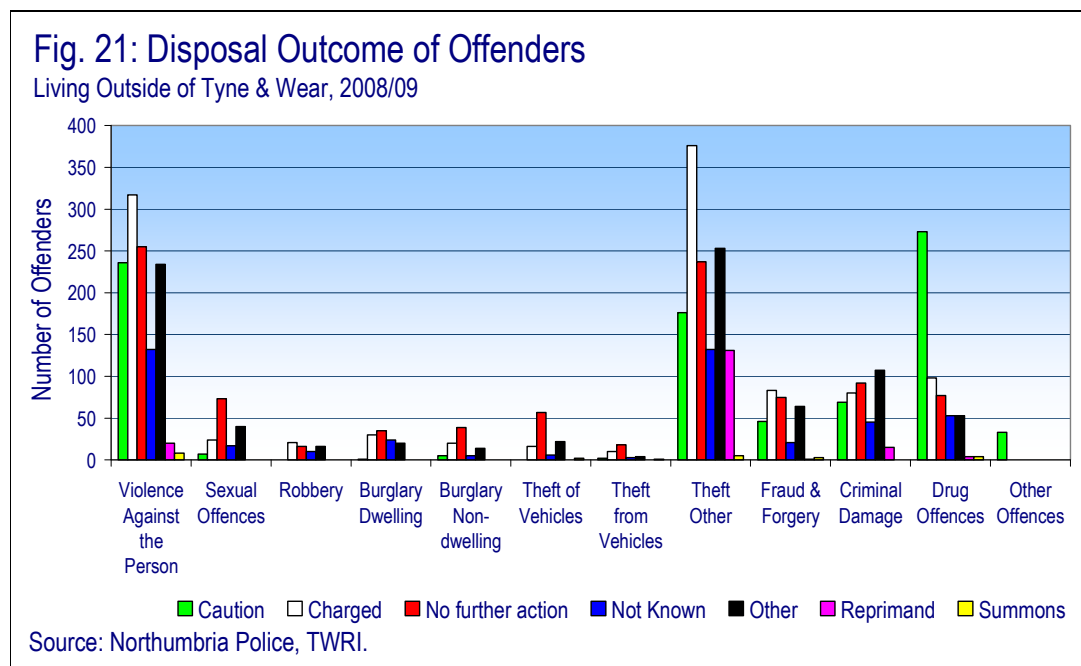
- Almost half (45%) of offenders were unemployed. The proportion of unemployed offenders was high for Theft from Vehicles (82%), Burglary Dwelling (76%) and Robbery (71%).
- Over a third (37%) of offenders were in employment. Employed offenders were highest for Drug Offences (48%), Fraud & Forgery (47%) and Sexual Offences (48%).
- School children accounted for 6% of offenders. 11% of Theft Other and 7% of Criminal Damage offenders were school children, as were 6% of Burglary Dwelling offenders.



5.5 Disposal Group of Offenders

Offenders who had a home address outside of Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- A quarter (25%) of offenders were charged. 18% received cautions.
- 49% of Drug offenders received a caution, whilst no Robbery offenders received cautions.
- No further action was taken against 23% of offenders. No further action was taken against 45% of Sexual offenders, 55% of Vehicle Theft offenders and 25% of Robbery offenders.
- 4% of offenders received reprimands. 77% of reprimands were received by Theft Other offenders.



6. Notifiable Offences - Profile of Repeat Offenders Living Outside of Tyne & Wear

Offenders who had a home address outside of Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- There were 3,715 offenders.
- 637 offenders had allegedly committed more than one offence.
- 24 individuals had allegedly committed over 5 offences each, accounting for 4% of all offences.
- One individual was responsible for 24 notifiable offences.

7. Non-notifiable Offences – Demographic Profile of Offenders Where crime was Committed in Tyne & Wear.

Data within section 7 refers to the characteristics of offenders where the alleged crime was committed in Tyne & Wear. The offence was not notifiable to the Home Office.

7.1 Age and Gender of Offenders

In 2008/09 there were 24,147 non-notifiable offences in Tyne & Wear, committed by 17,893 individuals. Within this section each non-notifiable offence is considered separately. An analysis of repeat offenders can be found in section 8.

In Tyne & Wear during 2008/09

- 82% of non-notifiable offenders were male.
- 30% of all non-notifiable offenders were males aged 18-24 year old.
- 20% of male and 21% of female non-notifiable offenders were 30-39 years old.

	Age Range								All Ages
	Under 10	10-17	18-24	25-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60+	
Male	1	1,975	7,192	3,431	3,993	2,223	789	262	19,871
Female	0	701	1,311	642	916	503	171	31	4,275
Total	1	2,676	8,503	4,074	4,909	2,726	960	293	24,147

Source: Northumbria Police, TWRI

Note: Age and gender may not sum to total, as in some cases age and/or gender is not known.

7.2 Ethnicity of Offenders

In Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- 5.2% of non-notifiable offenders were from a Black or Minority Ethnic (BME) group. BME groups accounted for 5.8% of the population of Tyne & Wear.

Table 5: Non-notifiable Offenders by Ethnicity, Where the Offence was Committed in Tyne & Wear, 2008/09

Ethnic Group	Number of Offenders	% of Offenders	% of Population
Asian or Asian British	576	2.4	3.0
Black or Black British	338	1.4	0.8
Chinese, Mixed or Other	352	1.5	2.1
White	22,881	94.8	94.2
Total	24,147		

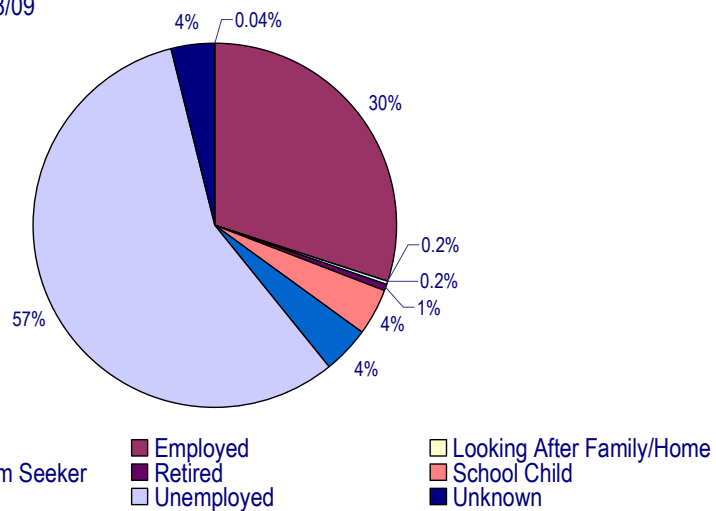
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7.3 Occupation of Offenders

In Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- Almost three fifth (57%) of non-notifiable offenders were unemployed, whilst almost one third (30%) in employment.
- 8.2% of non-notifiable offenders were a school child or student.

Fig. 22: Occupation of Offenders, Committed in Tyne & Wear, 2008/09

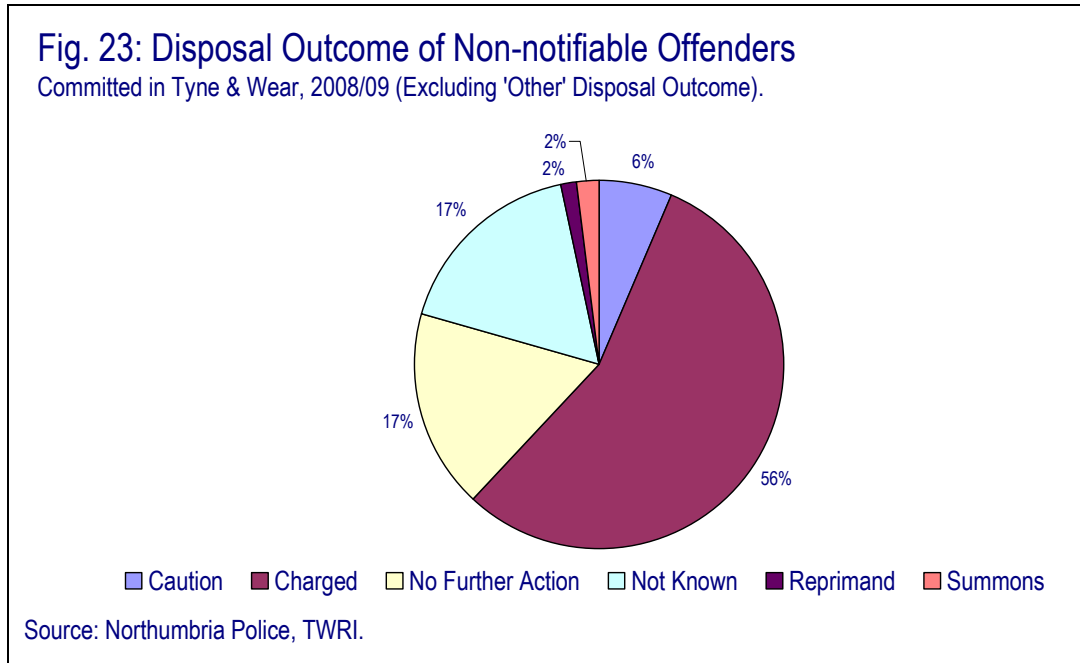


Source: Northumbria Police, TWRI.

7.4 Disposal Group of Offenders

In Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- 48% of non-notifiable offenders had 'Other' listed for their disposal outcome. This category includes such things as Offender Deceased, Escorted to Court and Warnings.
- Excluding the Other disposal group, No Further Action was taken in 17% of cases, whilst 6% were cautioned. Charges were brought against 56% of offenders.



8. Non-Notifiable Offences - Profile of Repeat Offenders Where the Crime was Committed in Tyne & Wear

During 2008/09 in Tyne & Wear:

- There were 17,893 non-notifiable offenders.
- 3,569 offenders had allegedly committed more than one offence.
- 14 individuals had allegedly committed over 10 offences each, accounting for less than 1% of all offences.

9. Non-Notifiable Offences – Demographic Profile of Offenders Living in Tyne & Wear.

Data within section 9 refers to the characteristics of offenders where the home address was given as being in Tyne & Wear. The alleged crime would not have been notifiable to the Home Office. The alleged crime will have been committed within the Northumbria Police Force area, although not necessarily within Tyne & Wear.

9.1 Age and Gender of Offenders

In 2008/09 there were 21,614 non-notifiable offences in Tyne & Wear, committed by 15,763 individuals, whose home address was in Tyne & Wear. Within this section each non-notifiable offence is considered separately. An analysis of repeat offenders can be found in section 10.

In Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- 82% of non-notifiable offenders were male.
- 29% of all non-notifiable offenders were males aged 18-24 year old.
- 20% of male and 22% of female non-notifiable offenders were 30-39 years old.

	Age Range								All Ages
	Under 10	10-17	18-24	25-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60+	
Male	1	1,871	6,274	3,019	3,536	1,998	703	245	17,653
Female	0	675	1,196	583	854	467	155	30	3,960
Total	1	2,546	7,470	3,603	4,390	2,465	858	275	21,614

Source: Northumbria Police, TWRI

Note: Age and gender may not sum to total, as in some cases age and/or gender is not known.

9.2 Ethnicity of Offenders

In Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- 5.1% of non-notifiable offenders were from a Black or Minority Ethnic (BME) group. BME groups accounted for 5.8% of the population of Tyne & Wear.

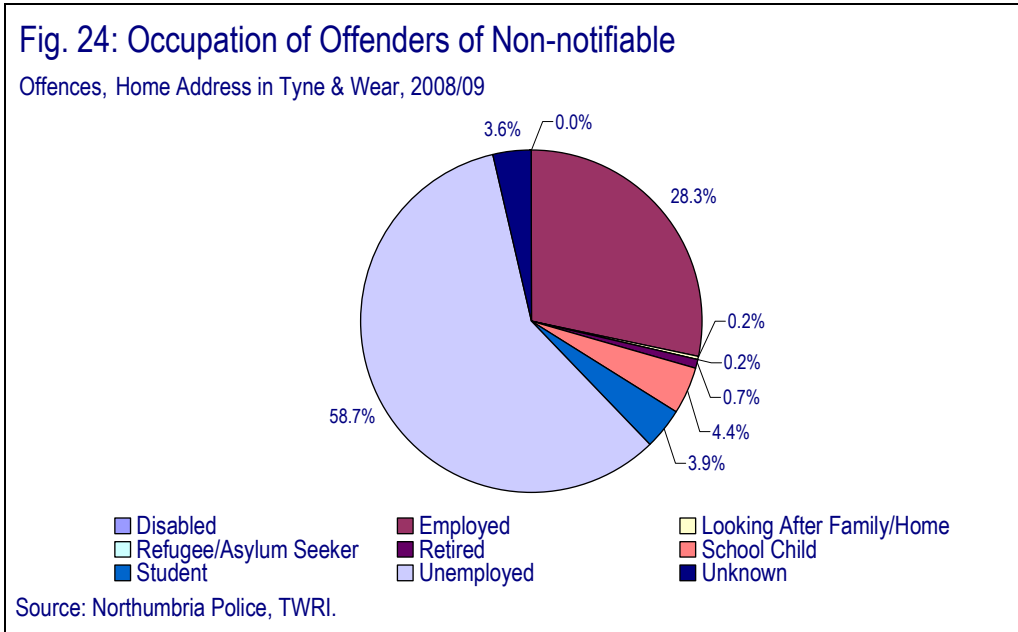
Ethnic Group	Number of Offenders	% of Offenders	% of Population
Asian or Asian British	530	2.5	3.0
Black or Black British	286	1.3	0.8
Chinese, Mixed or Other	276	1.3	2.1
White	20,522	94.9	94.2
Total	21,614		

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9.3 Occupation of Offenders

In Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

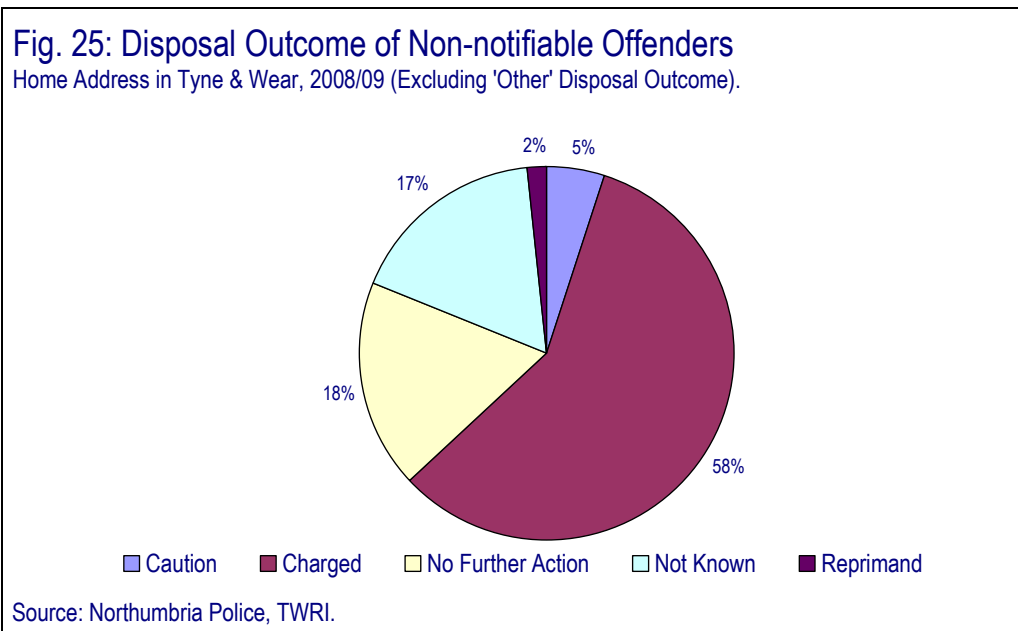
- Almost three fifth (59%) of non-notifiable offenders were unemployed, whilst 28% were in employment.
- 8.3% of non-notifiable offenders were a school child or student.



9.4 Disposal Group of Offenders

In Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- 47% of non-notifiable offenders had 'Other' listed for their disposal outcome. This category includes such things as Offender Deceased, Escorted to Court and Warnings.
- Excluding the Other disposal group, No Further Action was taken in 18% of cases, whilst 5% were cautioned. Charges were brought against 58% of offenders.



10. Non-Notifiable Offences - Profile of Repeat Offenders Living in Tyne & Wear

During 2008/09 in Tyne & Wear:

- There were 15,763 non-notifiable offenders.
- 3,378 offenders had allegedly committed more than one offence.
- 9 individuals had allegedly committed over 10 offences each, accounting for less than 1% of all offences.

11. Non-Notifiable Offences – Demographic Profile of Offenders Living Outside of Tyne & Wear.

Data within section 11 refers to the characteristics of offenders where the home address was given as being outside of Tyne & Wear. The alleged crime would not have been notifiable to the Home Office. The alleged crime will have been committed within Tyne & Wear.

11.1 Age and Gender of Offenders

In 2008/09 there were 2,819 non-notifiable offences in Tyne & Wear, committed by 2,506 individuals, whose home address was outside of Tyne & Wear. Within this section each non-notifiable offence is considered separately. An analysis of repeat offenders can be found in section 12.

Offenders who had a home address outside of Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- 88% of non-notifiable offenders were male.
- 35% of all non-notifiable offenders were males aged 18-24 year old.
- 21% of male and 20% of female non-notifiable offenders were 30-39 years old.

Table 8: Non-notifiable Offenders by Age and Gender, Where Home Address was Outside of Tyne & Wear, 2008/09

	Age Range							All Ages
	10-17	18-24	25-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60+	
Male	120	996	449	518	256	103	25	2,467
Female	34	124	63	72	41	17	1	352
Total	154	1,120	512	590	297	120	26	2,819

Source: Northumbria Police, TWRI

Note: Age and gender may not sum to total, as in some cases age and/or gender is not known.

11.2 Ethnicity of Offenders

Offenders who had a home address outside of Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- 6.6% of non-notifiable offenders were from a Black or Minority Ethnic (BME) group.

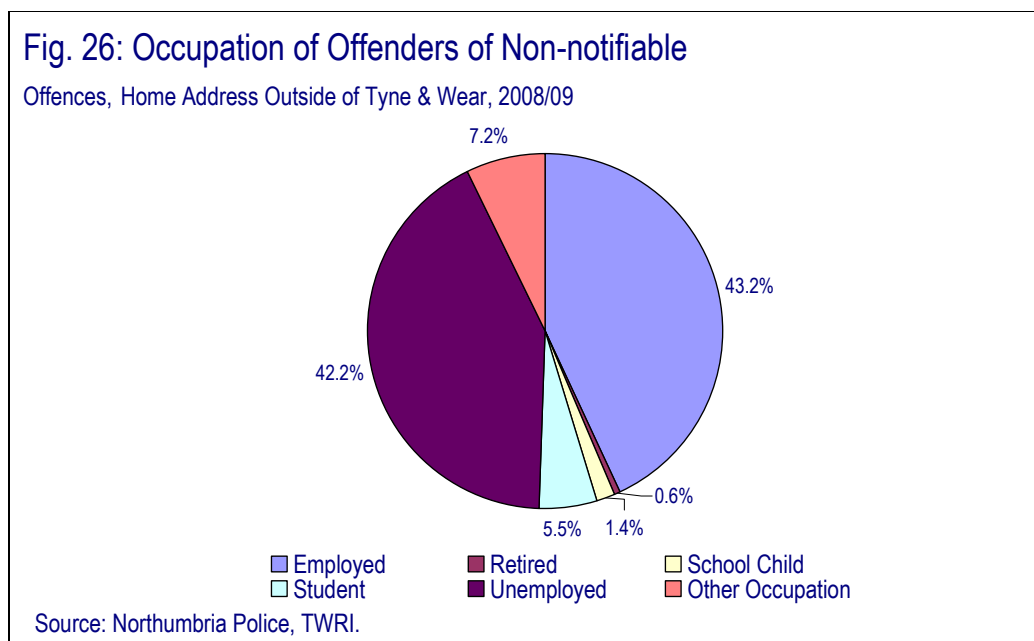
Ethnic Group	Number of Offenders	% of Offenders
Asian or Asian British	55	2.0
Black or Black British	53	1.9
Chinese, Mixed or Other	78	2.8
White	2,633	93.4
Total	2,819	

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11.3 Occupation of Offenders

Offenders who had a home address outside of Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

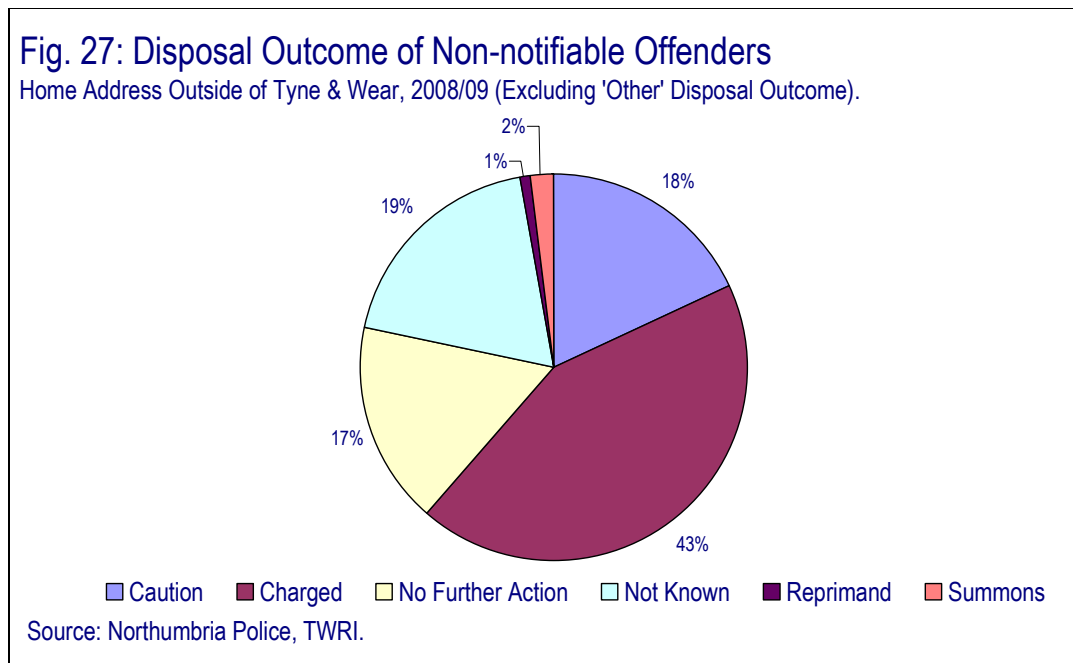
- Over two fifth (42%) of non-notifiable offenders were unemployed, whilst 43% were in employment.
- 7% of non-notifiable offenders were a school child or student.



11.4 Disposal Group of Offenders

Offenders who had a home address outside of Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- 49% of non-notifiable offenders had 'Other' listed for their disposal outcome. This category includes such things as Offender Deceased, Escorted to Court and Warnings.
- Excluding the Other disposal group, No Further Action was taken in 17% of cases, whilst 18% were cautioned. Charges were brought against 43% of offenders.



12. Non-Notifiable Offences - Profile of Repeat Offenders Living Outside of Tyne & Wear

Offenders who had a home address outside of Tyne & Wear during 2008/09:

- There were 2,506 non-notifiable offenders.
- 205 offenders had allegedly committed more than one offence.
- 8 individuals had allegedly committed over 5 offences each.

13. Location Profile of Notifiable Offenders in Tyne & Wear

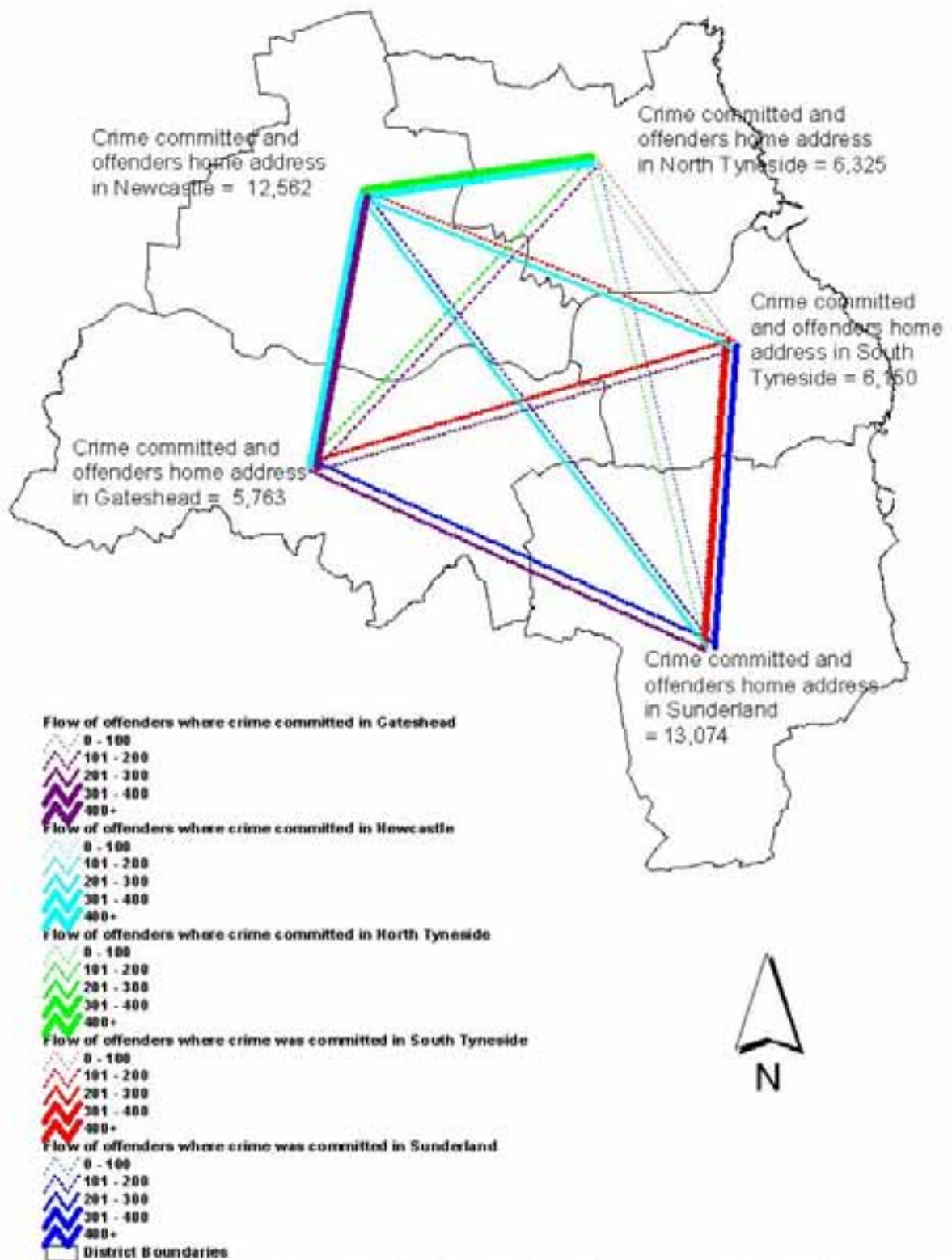
In 2008/09 there were 55,806 notifiable offences committed in Tyne & Wear. 51,102 of these offences were committed by 28,044 individuals living in Tyne & Wear.

The proportion of offenders living in each Tyne & Wear district approximately mirrored the proportional share of the population of Tyne & Wear within each District. Newcastle and Sunderland had the highest percentage share of offenders, whilst also having the highest proportional share of the total population of Tyne & Wear.

Crime District	Offenders Home Address District				
	Gateshead	Newcastle	North Tyneside	South Tyneside	Sunderland
Gateshead	5,763	866	137	173	248
Newcastle	1,096	12,562	1,240	258	295
North Tyneside	143	861	6,325	75	91
South Tyneside	248	193	89	6,150	442
Sunderland	210	186	62	315	13,074
Tyne & Wear	7,460	14,668	7,853	6,971	14,150

Source: Northumbria Police, TWRI.

Map 1: The Location of Offenders Home Addresses in Relation to Where the Notifiable Crime was Committed, Tyne & Wear, 2008/09



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14. Location Profile of Non-notifiable Offenders in Tyne & Wear

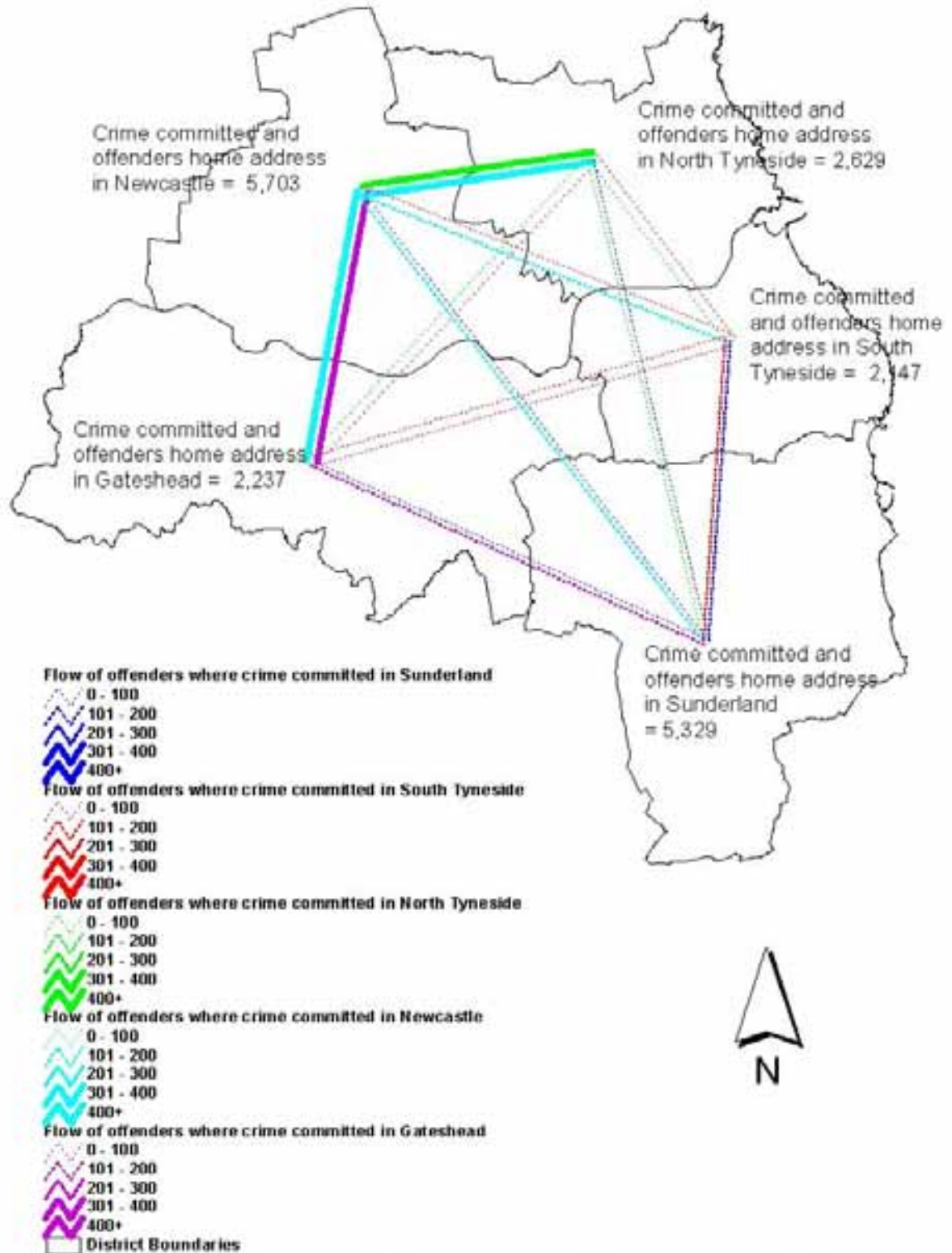
In 2008/09 there were 24,147 non-notifiable offences committed in Tyne & Wear. 21,328 of these offences were committed by 15,576 individuals living in Tyne & Wear.

The proportion of offenders living in each Tyne & Wear district approximately mirrored the proportional share of the population of Tyne & Wear within each District. However, Newcastle had the highest percentage share of offenders, whilst Sunderland had the highest proportional share of the total population of Tyne & Wear.

Crime District	Offenders Home Address District				
	Gateshead	Newcastle	North Tyneside	South Tyneside	Sunderland
Gateshead	2,237	306	54	67	107
Newcastle	646	5,703	600	164	162
North Tyneside	70	356	2,629	38	41
South Tyneside	83	78	38	2,147	158
Sunderland	82	78	18	137	5,329
Tyne & Wear	3,118	6,521	3,339	2,553	5,797

Source: Northumbria Police, TWRI.

Map 2: The Location of Offenders Home Addresses in Relation to Where the Non-Notifiable Crime was Committed, Tyne & Wear, 2008/09



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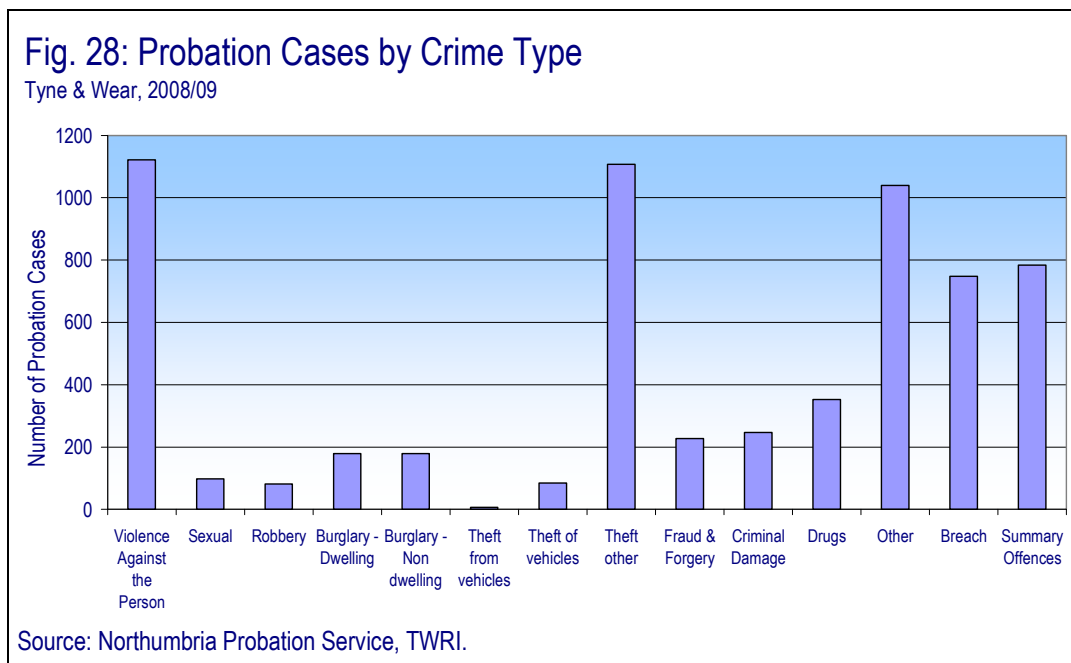
15. Probation Cases in Tyne & Wear

Probation is a sentence imposed by a court in lieu of incarceration. A criminal who is "on probation" has been convicted of a crime but has served only part of the sentence in jail, or has not served time at all.

15.1 Probation Cases by Types of Crime

During 2008/09 in Tyne & Wear:

- There were 6,254 Probation cases.
- 75% of Probation cases were for notifiable offences.
- 18% of Probation cases were Violence Against the Person, 18% Theft Other and 17% Other Offences.



15.2. Age, Gender and Ethnicity of Probationers

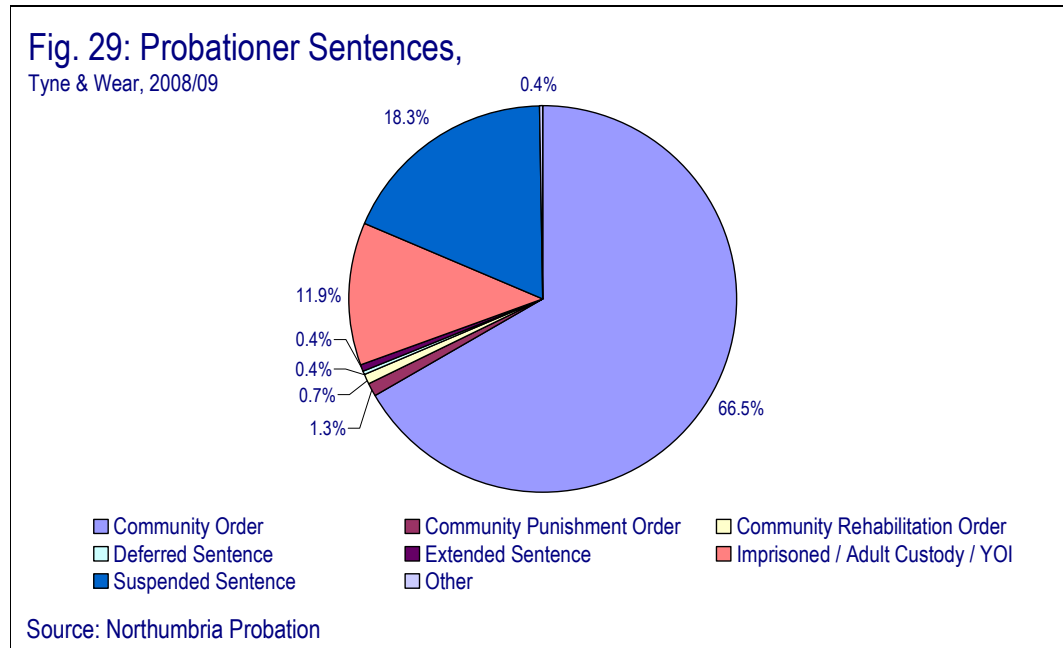
During 2008/09 in Tyne & Wear of those on Probation:

- 85% were male.
- 43% were aged under 26 years old.
- 4% were of Black or Minority Ethnic origin.

15.3 Probationer Sentences

During 2008/09 in Tyne & Wear of those on Probation:

- 69% were given a community sentence, whilst 18% were given a suspended sentence.
- 12% were given a custodial sentence.



15.4 Offender Assessment System (OASys) Needs Assessments

The Offender Assessment System (OASys) is a standardised process for the assessment of offenders. OASys assesses how likely an offender is to be reconvicted by identifying and classify offending-related needs including basic personality characteristics, thinking deficits and social issues. The system also assesses risk of harm to others and also to themselves and assists with the management of risk of harm.

An OASys assessment is carried out at the stage that the pre-sentence report (PSR) is produced, with further assessments conducted periodically throughout the sentence (whether in custody or in the community) and at the end of sentence. If there is no PSR, OASys is completed for the first time at commencement of the sentence.

During 2008/09 in Tyne & Wear of those on Probation undergoing OASys assessments:

- 25% were considered to be at high risk of reconviction at the start of the Probation sentence.
- 9% were considered to be at high risk of reconviction at the end of the Probation sentence.

Table 12: Risk of Reconviction of Probationers in Tyne & Wear, 2008/09

	Start of Probation	End of Probation
High	1,299	224
Medium	2,206	1,051
Low	1,286	1,040
Not calculated	306	78
Total	5,097	2,393

Source: Northumbria Probation Service, TWRI

During 2008/09 in Tyne & Wear:

- There were 5,230 OASys assessments undertaken at the start of Probation sentences.
- 66% of Probationers were identified as having an ‘Education, Training and Employability’ need.
- Drug misuse was a concern in 27% of cases, as was alcohol misuse.
- There were 2,444 OASys assessments undertaken at the end of Probation sentences.
- 51% of Probationers were identified as having an ‘Education, Training and Employability’ need.
- Drug misuse was a concern in 13% of cases, whilst alcohol misuse was a concern in 16% of cases.

Table 13: Probationers and 'Areas of Need' in Tyne & Wear, 2008/09

Area of Need	Number With Needs Start of Probation	% With Needs Start of Probation	Number With Needs End of Probation	% With Needs End of Probation
Accommodation	2,814	53.8	915	37.4
Education, Training and Employability	3,460	66.2	1,247	51.0
Financial Management and Income	2,762	52.8	830	34.0
Relationships	591	11.3	165	6.8
Lifestyle and associates	3,083	58.9	907	37.1
Drug Misuse	1,402	26.8	307	12.6
Alcohol misuse	1,417	27.1	382	15.6
Emotional Wellbeing	2,100	40.2	790	32.3
Thinking and Behaviour	2,867	54.8	775	31.7
Attitudes	2,609	49.9	797	32.6
Number of OASys assessments	5,230		2,444	

Source: Northumbria Probation Service, TWRI