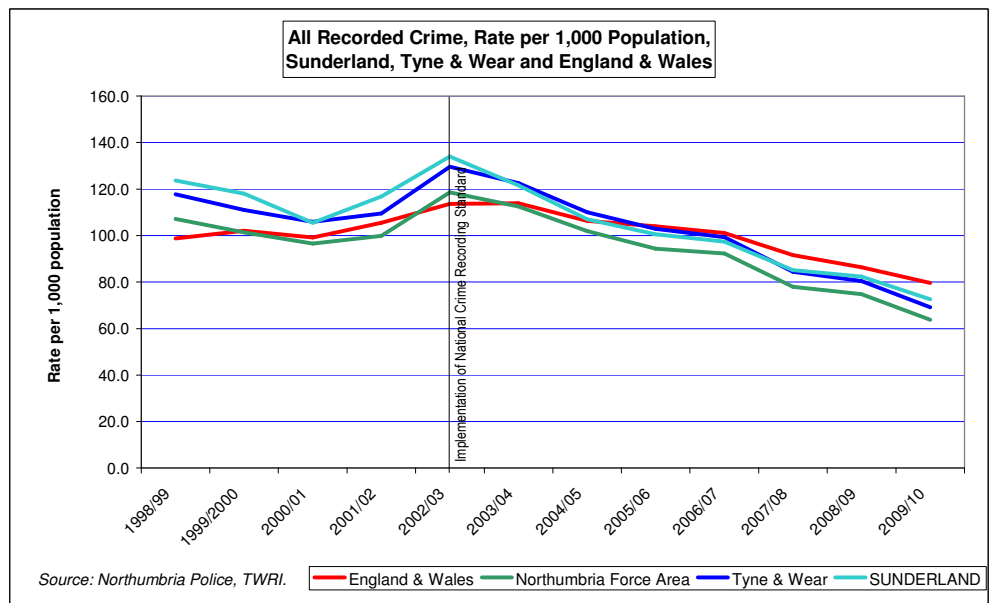


This bulletin provides a summary of recorded crime¹ in Sunderland from Q1 2008 to Q1 2010.

Police recorded crime figures for 2009/10 continue to show a downward trend, having fallen by 7.7% since the previous year in England & Wales.

Recorded Crime – Time Series

- In 2009/10 there were 20,393 crimes recorded in Sunderland. This was 2,727 (-11.8%) less than the previous year.
- Since 2002/03 (adoption of the NCRS²) the rate of total crime in Sunderland has fallen by 61.5 per 1,000 population to 72.6. In England & Wales a fall was also experienced, down by 34.0 per 1,000 population to 79.7.
- The total number of recorded crimes in Sunderland fell from 38,026 to 20,393 between 2002/03 and 2009/10 and in England & Wales from 5,974,960 to 4,338,604 over the same period.



Crimes by Type, Quarter April – June 2010

- The total number of recorded crimes in Sunderland in Q1 (April–June) 2010 was 5,014, 12.6% lower than in Q1 2008 and 10.7% lower than in Q1 2009.
- Between Q1 2008 and Q1 2010 the rate per 1,000 population (households Burglary-Dwelling) fell in nine crime types, stayed the same in one crime type, but rose in Burglary-Dwelling and Drug Offences.

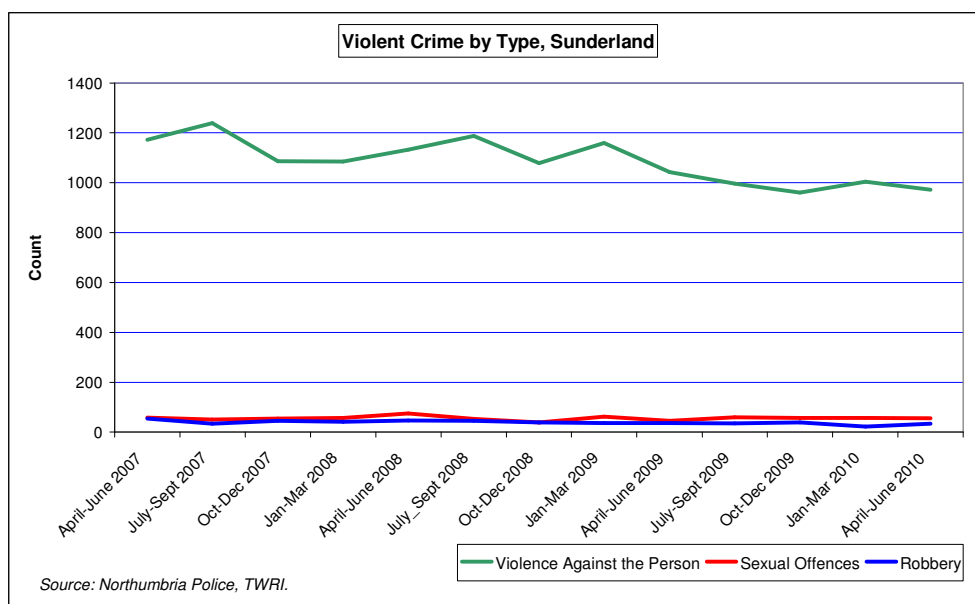
Rates per 1,000 population crime type, Sunderland (Quarter 1)			
	2008	2009	2010
Violence Against the Person	4.0	3.7	3.5
Sexual Offences	0.3	0.2	0.2
Robbery	0.2	0.1	0.1
Burglary - Dwelling *	2.1	2.1	2.4
Burglary - Non-dwelling	1.3	1.1	1.2
Theft of Vehicles	0.6	0.5	0.4
Theft from Vehicles	1.5	1.5	1.0
Theft Other	4.9	5.0	4.7
Fraud & Forgery	0.6	0.4	0.3
Criminal Damage	5.3	5.3	4.3
Drug Offences	0.7	0.9	0.9
Other Offences	0.3	0.4	0.3

* Rate per 1,000 households

Source: Northumbria Police, TWRI.

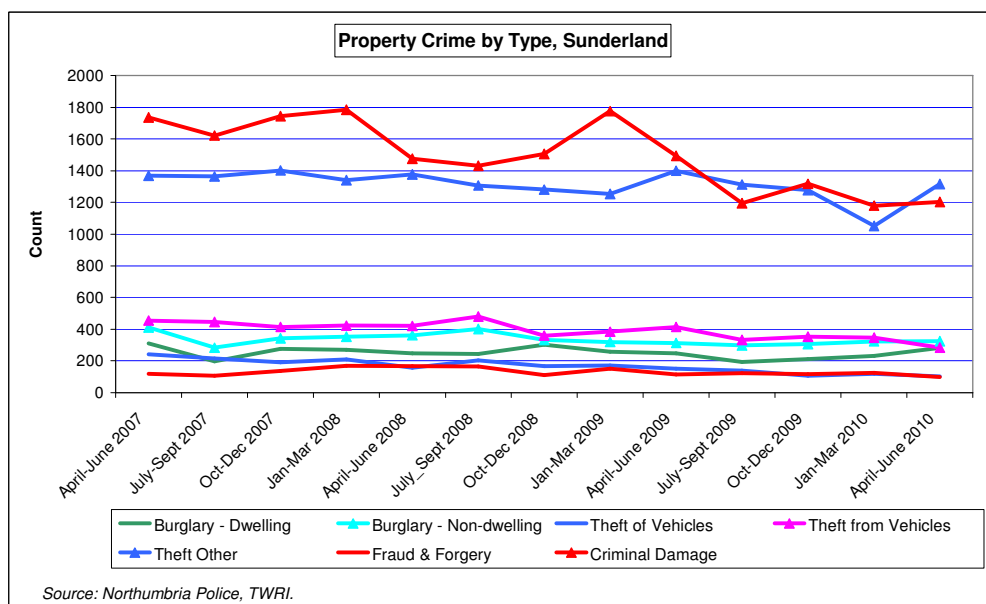
Violent Crime Q1 2008 – Q1 2010

- 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.
- Comparing Q1 2008 with Q1 2010, VAP fell by 161 (-14.2%), Sexual Offences by 19 (-25.3%) and Robbery by 13 (-27.7%).



Property Crime Q1 2008 – Q1 2010

- Property crime covers the various ways that individuals, households or corporate bodies have their property damaged or are deprived of it by illegal means (or where there is intent to do so).
- Comparing Q1 2008 with Q1 2010, the largest fall in property crime types was for Criminal Damage, the largest percentage fall was for Fraud & Forgery. Over the same period Burglary-Dwelling rose by 34 (+13.7%).



TWRI produce quarterly 'traffic-lights' that give an overview of the trend in different crime group (British Crime Survey categories) in Tyne & Wear and its constituent Districts. Available at www.twri.org.uk

¹ Figures quoted within this bulletin may not exactly match figures from other sources such as iQuanta. This is due to data extraction occurring at different times and also the impact of 'no-crimes' and 'statistically continuous' crimes.

² The National Crime Recording Standard (NCRS) was adopted by all police forces in England and Wales in April 2002 in an effort to improve the consistency of police recording and to better reflect the demands made on the police by victims of crime.