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EXPOSURE OF INTIMATE PARTS (EIP) STOP SEARCHES



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Corporate Research and Analysis

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CAVEATS

The data in the following report only includes data that have 'Cheshire Constabulary' recorded as the owning agency.

The data in the following report was run on 15/01/2024 and will therefore be subject to change in line with updates made to the source system.

There are a number of other caveats specific to this data set. These have been referenced throughout the report where appropriate and should be taken into consideration when reviewing the information presented.

HANDLING INSTRUCTIONS

This information has been provided for a specific policing purpose: please consider this when making decisions about further dissemination.

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EXPOSURE OF INTIMATE PARTS (EIP) (STRIP SEARCH) STOP SEARCHES: 1 JANUARY 2023 TO 31 DECEMBER 2023

INTRODUCTION

For the purposes of this report, only those stop searches that have been recorded as ‘EIP - Search exposing intimate parts of the body’ under the ‘Removal of more than outer clothing’ field within PIPs have been counted.

The information has been provided for the Police Accountability Meeting.

METHOD

The data in this report was extracted from Cheshire Constabulary’s crime recording system (Niche) via Power Bi on 15/01/2023. The data is then processed in Microsoft Excel and analysed for trends and exceptions.

1. EIP STOP SEARCH NUMBERS

Between January 23 to December 23, there were 139 EIP Stop Searches which is 1.0% of all searches in the period, although this ranged from 0.3% (September) to 1.7% (March). 139 (99.3%) were for the purpose of Controlled Drugs.

44.6% of EIP searches in the period resulted in the object linked to the search being found. This, however, ranged from 14.3% (January) to 68.8% (August).

EIP Search	2023												Total
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
EIP Search	7	20	23	12	11	10	13	16	4	14	6	3	139
Object found	1	4	13	5	4	5	7	11	1	7	3	1	62
% where Object found	14.3%	20.0%	56.5%	41.7%	36.4%	50.0%	53.8%	68.8%	25.0%	50.0%	50.0%	33.3%	44.6%

Table 1: Monthly break down of EIP stop searches Jan 23 – Dec 23

2. AGE RANGE AND GENDER

4 individuals subject to an EIP search were under 18: 2x in March 2023 both in Crewe, 1x in August 2023 in Warrington (Creamfields) & 1x in October in Widnes. The highest number of individuals subject to an EIP search were Males aged 24 to 34 (37, 24.5%).

Age Range	Male	Female	Unknown	Grand Total
10 to 17	4			4
18 to 24	32	3		35
25 to 34	37	5		42
35 and over	37	18		55
N/A	2		1	3
Grand Total	112	26	1	139

Table 1: EIP stop searches broken down by Age Range and Gender Jan 23 – Dec 23

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3. SELF-DEFINED ETHNICITY

77.0% (107) of individuals subject to an EIP stop search self-defined as White.

Self Defined Ethnic Group	Total
White	107
Mixed	6
Black	3
Asian	2
Not Stated	21
Grand Total	139

Table 3: EIP stop searches broken down by self-defined ethnicity Jan 23 – Dec 23

4. OUTCOME

Positive police action was taken against 67 (48.2%) individuals subject to an EIP search. From the 11 EIP searches on those who self-defined from a Diverse Community Group, 8 (72.7%) led to Arrest.

Object of Search		Controlled Drugs	Articles intended for use in connection with Criminal Damage	Grand Total
Action Taken	Arrest	48		48
	Community Resolution	12		12
	Other Positive Outcome	5		5
	Voluntary Attendance	1		1
	Summons / Charge by Post	1		1
No Further Action	Nothing Found - No Further Action	66		66
	Item Found- No Further Action	4	1	5
	Article Found- Detailed Outcome Unavailable	1		1
Total		138	1	139

Table 2: EIP stop searches broken down by Outcome Jan 23 – Dec 23