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EXPOSURE OF INTIMATE PARTS (EIP) (STRIP SEARCH) STOP SEARCHES



APRIL 2022 – MARCH 2023 (12 MONTHS)

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 25/04/2023 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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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 25/04/2023.

The data is then processed in Microsoft Excel and analysed for trends and exceptions.

1. EIP STOP SEARCH NUMBERS

Between April 22 to March 23, there were 139 EIP Stop Searches which is 1.1% of all searches in the period, although this ranged from 0.5% (December 2022 & January 2023) to 1.7% (March 2023). 138 (99.3%) were for the purpose of Controlled Drugs.

36.0% of EIP searches in the period resulted in the object linked to the search being found. This, however, ranged from 20.0% (February 2023) to 85.7% (May 2022).

EIP Search	2022									2023			Total
	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	
EIP Search	8	7	13	9	12	5	15	14	6	7	20	23	139
Object found	2	6	4	2	5	2	4	4	3	1	4	13	50
% where Object found	25.0%	85.7%	30.8%	22.2%	41.7%	40.0%	26.7%	28.6%	50.0%	14.3%	20.0%	56.5%	36.0%

Table 1: Monthly break down of EIP stop searches Apr 22 – Mar 23

2. AGE RANGE AND GENDER

2 individuals subject to an EIP search were under 18. The highest number of individuals subject to an EIP search were **males aged 35 and over** (43, 30.9%).

Age Range	Male	Female	Unknown	Grand Total
10 to 17	2			2
18 to 24	28	3		31
25 to 34	36	6		42
35 and over	43	18	1	62
N/A	2			2
Grand Total	111	27	1	139

Table 1: EIP stop searches broken down by Age Range and Gender Apr 22 – Mar 23

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3. SELF-DEFINED ETHNICITY

75.5% (105) of individuals subject to an EIP stop search self-defined as **White**.

Self Defined Ethnic Group	Total
White	105
Mixed	4
Asian or Asian British	1
Not Stated	29
Grand Total	139

Table 3: EIP stop searches broken down by self-defined ethnicity Apr 22 – Mar 23

4. OUTCOME

Positive police action was taken against 82 (59.0%) individuals subject to an EIP search.

Object of Search		Controlled Drugs	Articles intended for use in connection with Criminal Damage	Grand Total
Outcome	Arrest	52		52
	Item found - No Further action / advice given	11	1	12
	Community Resolution	7		7
	Summons / charge by post	5		5
	Article found - Detailed outcome unavailable	4		4
	ASB Dispersal	1		1
	Caution (simple or conditional)	1		1
	Nothing found - No further action	57		57
Total	138	1	139	

Table 2: EIP stop searches broken down by Outcome Apr 22 – Mar 23