

Independent Advisory & Accountability Meeting (IAAM) Stop Search Report April 2026 – June 2026

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CAVEATS

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There are several 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.

In the following report the terms Action Taken, Positive Find Outcome and Find Rate are referred to, (*the definition of Action Taken has been taken from the HMICFRS PEEL Digital Analysis Pack*) and refer to the following outcomes:

Action Taken: Arrest, Caution, Community Resolution, Drug Warning, Other Action, Seizure of property, Penalty Notice for Disorder, Voluntary Attendance or Summons.

Positive Find Outcome: a combined count of outcome results when during the search either the object searched for is found, another object is found or the subject is arrested / summonsed for another reason.

Find Rate: the specific object searched for is found.

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SUMMARY (April 2026 to June 2026)

During the current quarter, a total of 3,499 Stop Searches were conducted at Force level. A decrease of 65 (-1.8%) was recorded when compared to the previous quarter (3,564 to 3,499).

33.9% of Stop Searches resulted in Police Action Taken, which is a slight increase (+0.8pp) on the previous quarter (33.1%).

35.0% of Stop Searches resulted in a Positive Find Outcome which is an increase (+1.6pp) on the previous quarter (33.4%).

11.9% of Stop Searches resulted in an Arrest which has remained stable (-0.2pp) on the previous quarter (12.1%).

26.0% of Stop Searches resulted in finding the object for which the search was conducted, which is an increase (+0.7pp) on the previous quarter (25.3%).

No searches were conducted under Section 60 of the Criminal Justice & Public Order Act 1994 during the quarter. However, 23 were conducted in the 12-months ending June 2026, all of which were conducted for Offensive Weapons, and all resulted in No Further Action.

The most common object of search was Controlled Drugs (2,605, 74%) under the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (S23), of which 88% (2,294 out of 2,605) were 'Possession of Controlled Drugs' offences and 12% (311 out of 2,605) were 'Possession of Controlled Drugs with intent to Supply' offences. Police Action was taken in 893 searches for Drugs (25.5% of all searches), 960 searches for Drugs (27.4% of all searches) resulted in a Positive Find Outcome and Drugs were found on the person in 763 Drug related searches (21.8% of all searches).

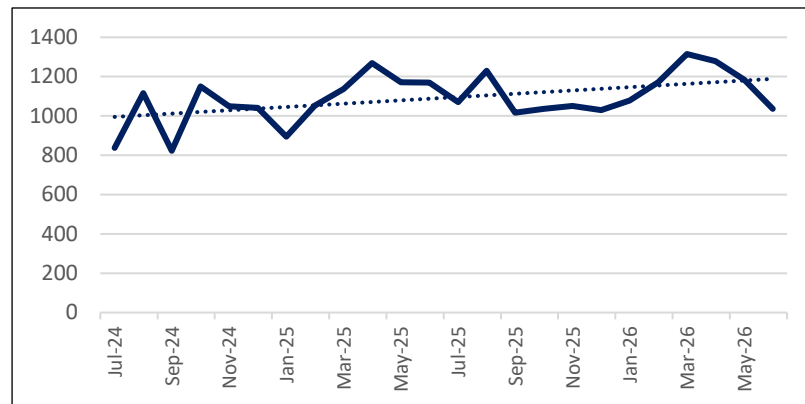
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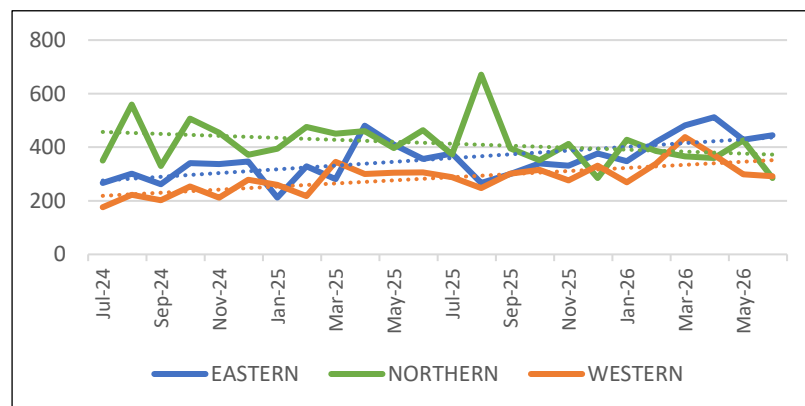
When comparing persons stopped and searched within Cheshire during the current quarter by their SDE, other than 'Not Stated' those self-defined as Black or Black British are proportionally the least likely to result in Police Action Taken (30.9%). Conversely those whose self-defined as Asian or Asian British are most likely to result in Police Action Taken (44.3%).



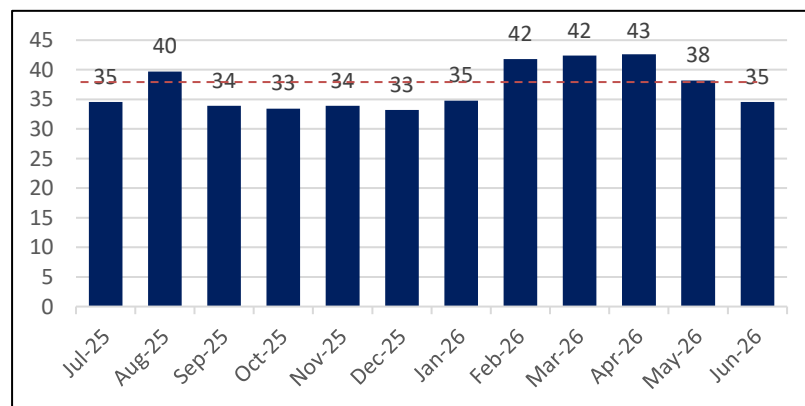
Force Stop Search volumes (July 2024 - Jun 2026)



Stop Search volumes by Area (July 2024 - Jun 2026)



Stop Search daily average (July 2025 - Jun 2026)



In the latest quarter (Apr26-Jun26) there have been 3,499 stop searches conducted within Cheshire. This is the second highest quarterly volume over the latest 12-month period (Jan26-Mar26 = 3,564, Jul25-Sep25 = 3,318 and Oct25-Dec25 = 3,118).

Cheshire recorded a decrease in stop searches over the quarterly period, (-65, -1.8%) when compared to the previous quarter (3,564 to 3,499) with variations recorded by the Areas over the comparative periods.

- Eastern Area were the only Area to record an increase (+136, +10.9%) over the comparative quarters, as well as the highest quarterly volume out of the Areas due to recording their highest quarterly total in the 12 months.
- Northern Area (-109, -9.2%) recorded the largest decrease over the quarter.
- Western Area (-83, -7.9%) recorded the lowest quarterly volume out of the Areas (962) .

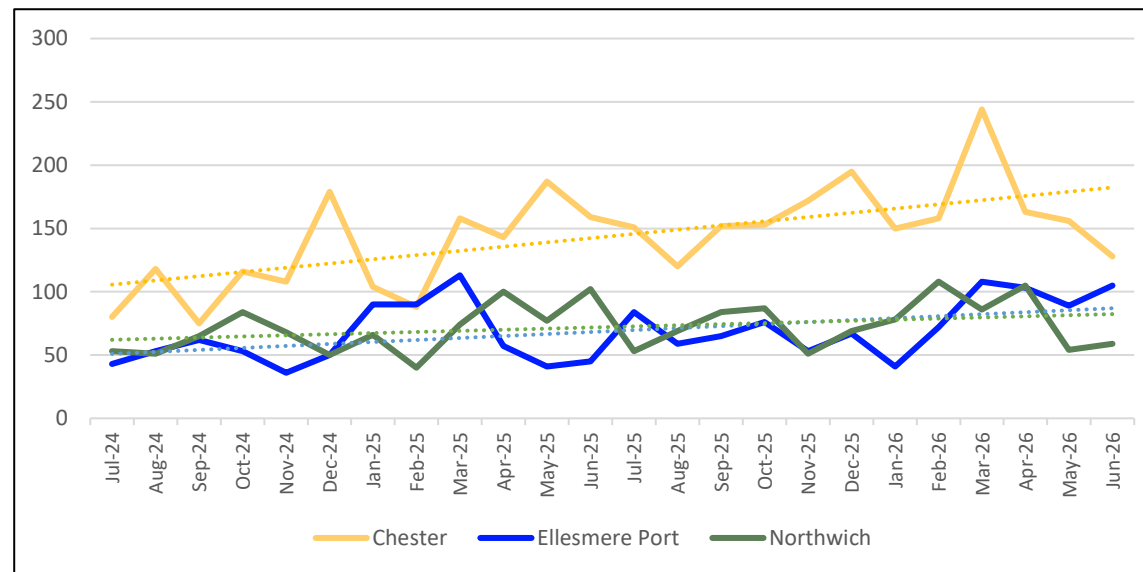
Across the quarter, 2,831 individual persons were stopped out of a total of 3,499 searches, 336 subjects had multiple searches equating to a combined 852 searches and 152 persons declined details.

As at point of search, 76% of subjects resided within Cheshire, 20% outside Cheshire and 4% did not have an address recorded.

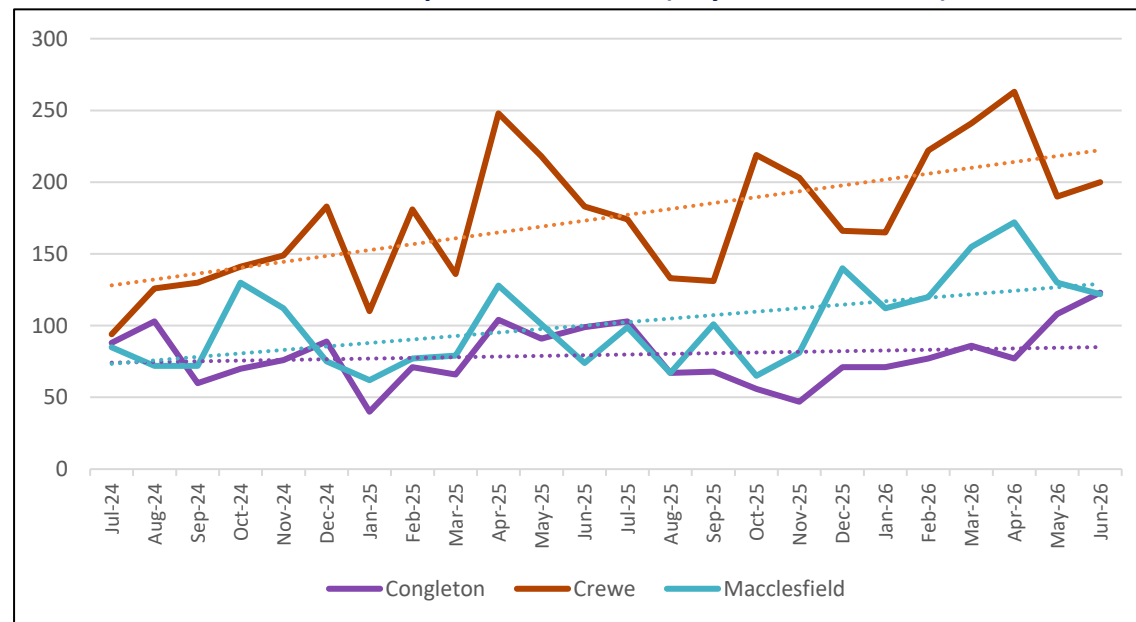
Error Rate; 12 months ending June 2026, 2.7% (366) of Stop Searches were not attributed to a location, 2.3% (81) during the current quarter and 1.4% (15) during the current month.



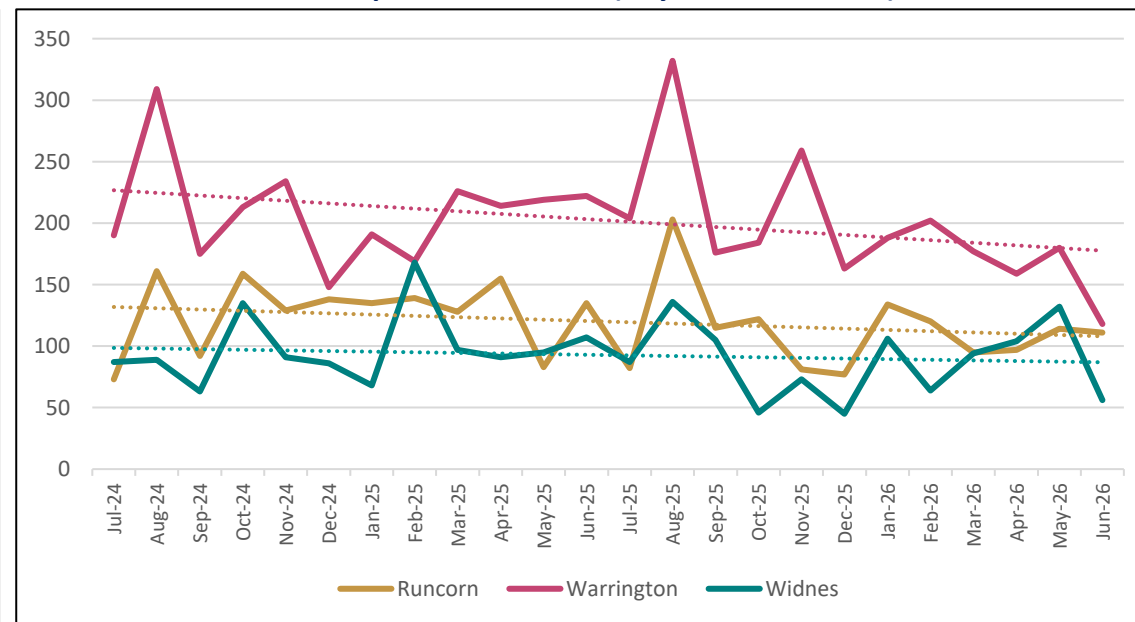
Western LPU Stop Search volumes (July 2024 - Jun 2026)



Eastern LPU Stop Search volumes (July 2024 - Jun 2026)



Northern LPU Stop Search volumes (July 2024 - Jun 2026)





Stop Search Period Volumes (July 2024 - Jun 2026)

Stop Search	12-Month Vol.		Quarter Vol.		Month Vol.	
	Previous	Latest	Previous	Latest	Previous	Latest
Force	12,712	13,499	3,564	3,499	1,184	1,037
East	3,923	4,625	1,249	1,385	428	445
North	5,214	4,741	1,180	1,071	426	285
West	3,078	3,767	1,045	962	299	292

Congleton	957	954	234	308	108	123
Crewe	1,899	2,307	628	653	190	200
Macclesfield	1,067	1,364	387	424	130	122
Runcorn	1,527	1,351	349	322	114	111
Warrington	2,510	2,342	567	457	180	118
Widnes	1,177	1,048	264	292	132	56
Chester	1,515	1,942	552	447	156	128
Ellesmere Port	733	922	221	297	89	105
Northwich	830	903	272	218	54	59

Stop Search Period Volume Comparative Change (July 2024 - Jun 2026)

Stop Search	Volume and % Change					
	12-Months		Quarter		Month	
Force	787	6.2%	-65	-1.8%	-147	-12.4%
East	702	17.9%	136	10.9%	17	4.0%
North	-473	-9.1%	-109	-9.2%	-141	-33.1%
West	689	22.4%	-83	-7.9%	-7	-2.3%

Congleton	-3	-0.3%	74	31.6%	15	13.9%
Crewe	408	21.5%	25	4.0%	10	5.3%
Macclesfield	297	27.8%	37	9.6%	-8	-6.2%
Runcorn	-176	-11.5%	-27	-7.7%	-3	-2.6%
Warrington	-168	-6.7%	-110	-19.4%	-62	-34.4%
Widnes	-129	-11.0%	28	10.6%	-76	-57.6%
Chester	427	28.2%	-105	-19.0%	-28	-17.9%
Ellesmere Port	189	25.8%	76	34.4%	16	18.0%
Northwich	73	8.8%	-54	-19.9%	5	9.3%

At LPU level over the 12-month comparative period,

Chester LPU saw the largest comparative increase (+426, +28.2%) with the 3rd highest volume (1,942) when compared to all LPUs.

Runcorn LPU saw the largest comparative decrease (-176, -11.5%) with the 5th lowest volume (1,351) followed by Widnes LPU (-129, -11%) with the 4th lowest volume (1,048) when compared to all LPUs.

At LPU level over the quarterly comparative period,

Ellesmere Port LPU saw the largest comparative increase (+76, +34.4%) with the 3rd lowest volume (297) followed by Congleton LPU (+74, +31.6%) with the 4th lowest volume (308) when compared to all LPUs.

Warrington LPU saw the largest comparative decrease (-110, -19.4%), despite having the second highest volume (457) out of the LPUs.

At LPU level over the monthly comparison period,

Ellesmere Port LPU saw the largest comparative increase (+16, +18%) with the 3rd lowest volume (105) when compared to all LPUs.

Widnes LPU saw the largest comparative decrease (-76, -57.6%) with the lowest volume (56) followed by Warrington LPU (-62, -34.4%) with the 5th lowest volume (118) when compared to all LPUs.

Force Object of Search & Legislation Used (Apr 2026 - Jun 2026)

Object of Search	Legislation Used						Total
	FIREARMS ACT 1968 (S47)	MISUSE OF DRUGS ACT 1971 (S23)	PACE 1984 (S1)	POACHING PREVENTION ACT 1862 (S2)	PSYCHOACTIVE SUBSTANCES ACT 2016 (S36(2))	TERRORISM ACT 2000 (S43)	
CONTROLLED DRUGS		2605			1		2606
ARTICLES FOR THEFT			270				270
BLADED OR SHARP ARTICLES			232				232
STOLEN GOODS			161				161
OFFENSIVE WEAPONS / FIREARMS	12		78				90
ARTICLES FOR CRIMINAL DAMAGE			130				130
FIREWORKS			3				3
OTHER			4	2		1	7
Grand Total	12	2605	878	2	1	1	3499

During Apr26 – Jun26;

In 74% (2,605) of stop searches the ‘object of search’ was Controlled Drugs under the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (S23), with the majority specific to Suspect Possession of Controlled Drugs (2,294, 88%) and the remainder for Suspect Possession of Controlled Drugs with intent to Supply (311, 12%).

25% or 878 stop searches were conducted under PACE 1984 (S1) of which 31% (270) were searches for Articles used for Theft, 26% (232) for Bladed or Sharp articles and 18% (161) for Stolen Goods.

No searches were conducted under the Criminal Justice & Public Order Act 1994 (S60) during the current quarter however, details for the current 12 months ending June 2026 can be found on [Slide 18](#).



Force Self-Defined Ethnicity (Apr 2026 - Jun 2026)

Self-Defined Ethnic Group	Self-Defined Ethnicities	Total	Population (2021 Census)	Stop Searches per 1000 pop
White	White - White British (W1)	2,755	989,198	2.8
	White - White Irish (W2)	26	7,261	3.6
	White - Gypsy/Traveller (W3)	19	905	21.0
	White - Roma (W4)	11	874	12.6
	White - Any other White ethnic background (W9)	151	39,947	3.8
White Total		2,962	1,038,185	2.9
Asian or Asian British	Asian or Asian British - Indian (A1)	18	8,540	2.1
	Asian or Asian British - Pakistani (A2)	42	3,978	10.6
	Asian or Asian British - Bangladeshi (A3)	8	1,623	4.9
	Asian or Asian British - Chinese (A4)	2	4,624	0.4
	Asian or Asian British - Any other Asian ethnic background (A9)	36	6,387	5.6
Asian or Asian British Total		106	25,152	4.2
Black or Black British	Black or Black British - Caribbean (B1)	19	1,342	14.2
	Black or Black British - African (B2)	39	4,355	9.0
	Black or Black British - Any other Black ethnic background (B9)	39	919	42.4
Black or Black British Total		97	6,616	14.7
Mixed	Mixed - White and Black Caribbean (M1)	30	4,448	6.7
	Mixed - White and Black African (M2)	13	2,723	4.8
	Mixed - White and Asian (M3)	26	6,099	4.3
	Mixed - Any other Mixed ethnic background (M9)	28	4,206	6.7
Mixed Total		97	17,476	5.6
Other Ethnic Group	Any other ethnic Group - Arab (O2)	23	1,938	11.9
	Other ethnic group - Any other ethnic group (O9)	32	6,005	5.3
Any Other Ethnic Group Total		55	7,943	6.9
Not Stated	Not Stated (NS)	182	0	0.0
Not Stated Total		182	0	0.0
Grand Total		3,499	1,095,372	3.2
DCG		355	57,187	6.2

During the current quarter, the highest stop search rate per 1,000 population was for individuals whose self-defined ethnic group was Black or Black British (14.7 Stop searches/1000 pop). This is 5.1 times greater than the equivalent rate for individuals defined as White.

Overall, the number of individuals stop searched from DCG ethnic groups was low (355, 10.1%). However, 5.2% (182) of stop searched individuals were categorised as Not Stated and these individuals could fall into any of the self-defined ethnic groupings, thus impacting on the totals.

While interpreting these results, it is important to note that due to non-resident stops and the ability for nominals to provide different ethnicities other than their own, caution must be taken with population rates.



Stop Search Ethnicity Volumes

QUARTER Apr 26 - Jun 26	East	North	West	Force
Black or Black British	50	19	23	97
Other Ethnic Group	21	20	13	55
White	1113	939	845	2962
Mixed	53	23	20	97
Asian or Asian British	72	17	12	106
Not Stated	76	53	49	182

Stop Search Ethnicity % by Area

QUARTER Apr 26 - Jun 26	East	North	West	Force
Black or Black British	3.6%	1.8%	2.4%	2.8%
Other Ethnic Group	1.5%	1.9%	1.4%	1.6%
White	80.4%	87.7%	87.8%	84.7%
Mixed	3.8%	2.1%	2.1%	2.8%
Asian or Asian British	5.2%	1.6%	1.2%	3.0%
Not Stated	5.5%	4.9%	5.1%	5.2%

Stop Searches Per 1,000 Population (2021 Census)

QUARTER Apr 26 - Jun 26	East	North	West	Force
Black or Black British	20.64	9.10	10.92	14.66
Other Ethnic Group	6.53	7.79	6.02	6.92
White	2.96	2.92	2.48	2.88
Mixed	7.51	4.49	3.78	5.55
Asian or Asian British	7.55	2.03	1.66	4.21

Error Rate; quarter ending June 2026 2.3% (81) of Stop Searches were not attributed to a location.

Black or Black British persons within Cheshire are 5.1x more likely to be searched per 1000 pop than those who had a White SDE with variations were seen at Area level, Eastern (7.0x), Northern (3.1x) & Western (4.4x).

The Eastern Area (14%) had the highest % of searches which were conducted on persons from a Diverse Community Group: Northern Area (7%) & Western Area (7%).

During the latest quarter there were 355 stop searches on persons from a Diverse Community Group (DCG) of which,

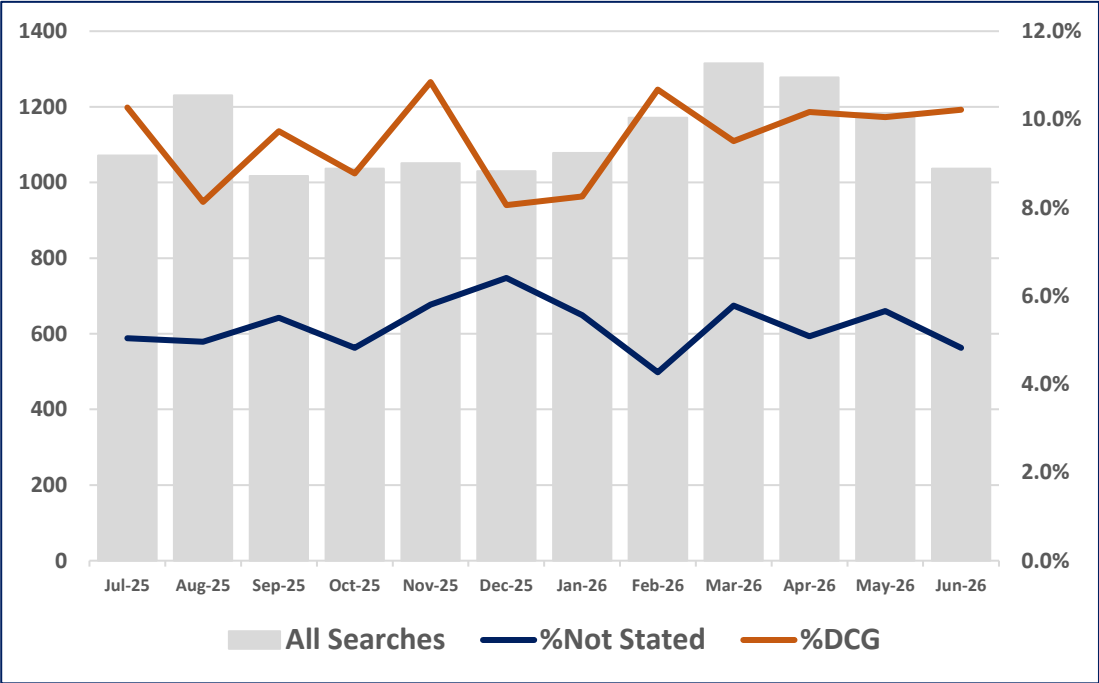
- 186 (52%) were Cheshire Residents
- 145 (41%) were Non-Cheshire Residents
- 24 (7%) had no recorded address or declined details

The Northern Area had a higher % proportion of searches where the DCG stopped person was not a Cheshire Resident (43% or 34 persons) compared to the Eastern (40% or 78 persons) & Western (34% or 23 persons) Areas.

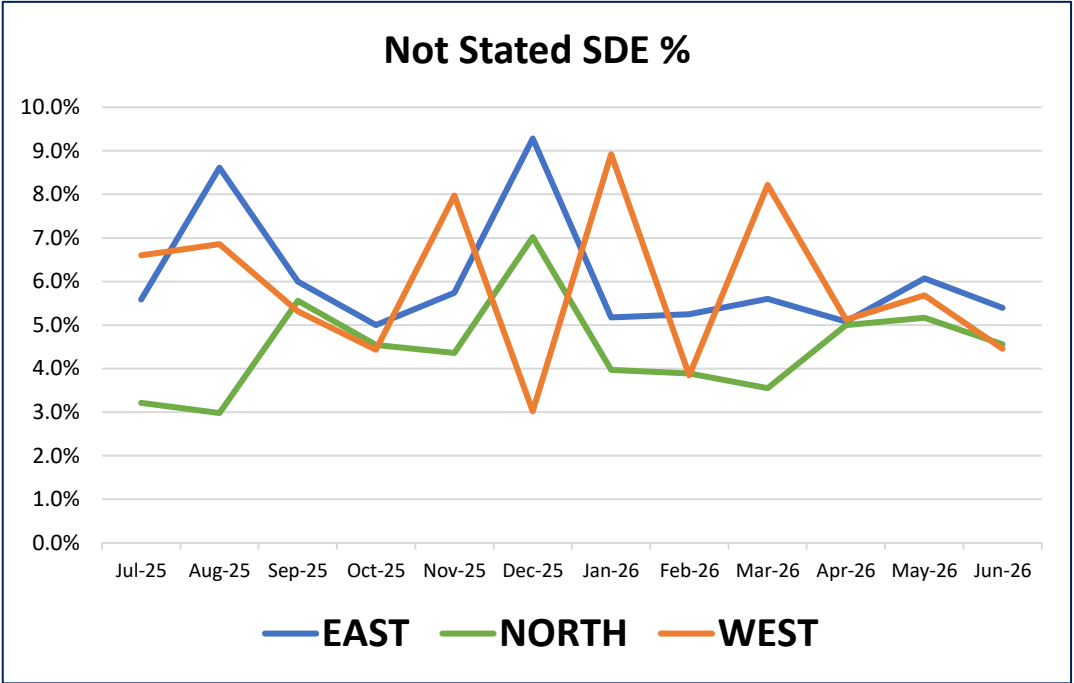
DCG Stop Searches - Cheshire Resident Volumes

DCG Cheshire Resident April 2026 - June 2026	EAST	NORTH	WEST	No Location	Force
Yes	96	45	43	2	186
No	78	34	23	10	145
No Address / Declined	22	0	2	0	24
DCG Total	196	79	68	12	355

% Force DCG & Not Stated Stop Search (July 2025 - Jun 2026)



% Not Stated SDE by Area (July 2025 - Jun 2026)



The rate of Stop Searches where the persons have not stated their SDE has fluctuated across all Areas during the current 12 months and within Cheshire. During the latest quarter all Areas are relatively in line with each other, with rates ranging from 4.5% to 6.1% across the Areas.

In the latest quarter, the most common reason for a person's SDE being Not Stated was that the person ‘Declined’ (109, 60%). This proportion is in line than that observed over the current 12-month period (430, 60%).

Force Not Stated Reason Stop Search (July 2025 - Jun 2026)

SDE Not Stated Reason	EAST	NORTH	WEST	No Location	Force
Declined	170	136	114	10	430
No suitable option	87	67	100	4	258
Absconded	18	3	6	0	27
Language barrier	1	0	0	0	1
Total	276	206	220	14	716



Force Officer-defined Ethnicity (Apr 2026 - Jun 2026)

Officer Defined Ethnicity	Volume	%
WHITE - NORTH EUROPEAN	3090	88.3%
BLACK	131	3.7%
ASIAN	126	3.6%
WHITE - SOUTH EUROPEAN	85	2.4%
ARABIC OR NORTH AFRICAN	44	1.3%
UNKNOWN	20	0.6%
CHINESE,JAPANESE,SE ASIAN	3	0.1%
Total	3499	

DCG	304	8.7%
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Most searched persons had an officer-defined ethnicity (ODE) of 'White – North European' (3,090, 88%).

In 304 searches (9%) the person had an ODE from a Diverse Community Group.

There were 20 persons (1%) who were subject to a stop search who had an ODE of Unknown.



Force Stop Search volumes by Age Range & Gender (Apr 2026 - Jun 2026)

Age Range	GENDER			Total
	MALE	FEMALE	UNKNOWN	
Under 18	526	109	1	636
18 - 24	700	125		825
25 - 34	616	115		731
35 - 44	568	124	1	693
45 - 54	260	52		312
over 55	111	12		123
Declined/blank	160	18	1	179
Total	2941	555	3	3499

Force Stop Search Percentages by Age Range & Gender (Apr 2026 - Jun 2026)

Age Range	GENDER			Total
	MALE	FEMALE	UNKNOWN	
Under 18	15.0%	3.1%	0.0%	18.2%
18 - 24	20.0%	3.6%	0.0%	23.6%
25 - 34	17.6%	3.3%	0.0%	20.9%
35 - 44	16.2%	3.5%	0.0%	19.8%
45 - 54	7.4%	1.5%	0.0%	8.9%
over 55	3.2%	0.3%	0.0%	3.5%
Declined/blank	4.6%	0.5%	0.0%	5.1%
Total	84.1%	15.9%	0.1%	100.0%

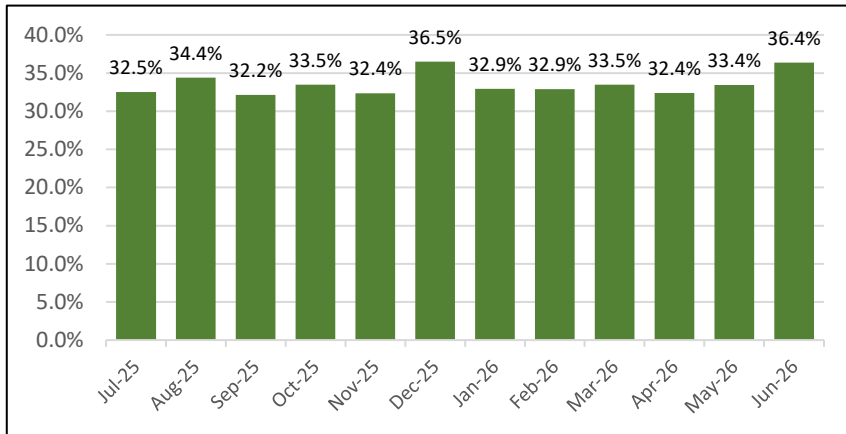
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18 – 34 years was also the most common age for all persons searched (1,556, 44%).

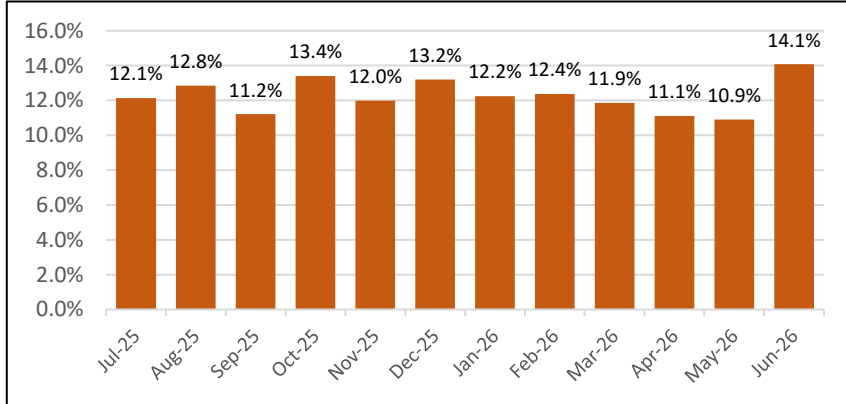
In 179 (5%) of searches the person’s age was not recorded and in 3 searches the Gender was unknown.



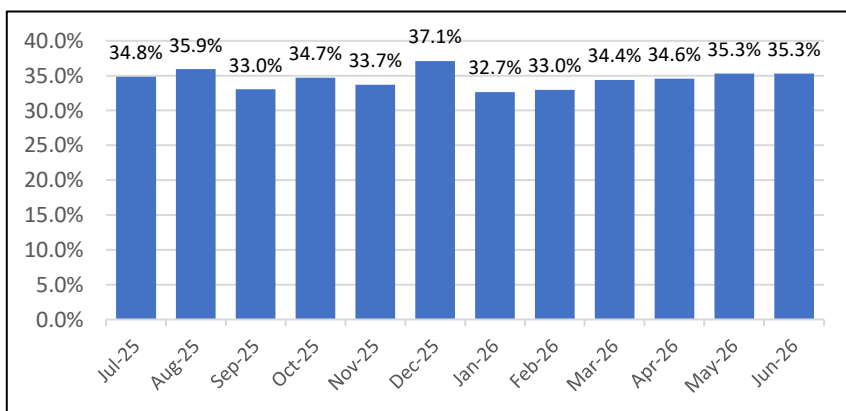
Police Action Taken Rate (Jul 2025 - Jun 2026)



Arrest Rate (Jul 2025 - Jun 2026)



Positive Find Outcome Rate (Jul 2025 - Jun 2026)



Force Stop Search Outcome Volumes (Apr 2026 – Jun 2026)

Stop Searches by Outcome: April to June 2026		Total	% Proportion	% Positive Outcome (during the search either an object was found that was searched for / another object was found / subject was summonsed or arrested for another matter)	
Generalised Outcome	Detailed Outcome				
Police Action Taken	ARREST	417	11.9%	361	10.3%
	COMMUNITY RESOLUTION	381	10.9%	359	10.3%
	OTHER POSITIVE OUTCOME	188	5.4%	107	3.1%
	CHARGE / SUMMONS	158	4.5%	151	4.3%
	VOLUNTARY ATTENDANCE	39	1.1%	35	1.0%
	CANNABIS WARNING	3	0.1%	2	0.1%
	KHAT WARNING	1	0.03%		0.0%
No Further Action	NO FURTHER ACTION	2312	66.1%	211	6.0%
Total		3499		1226	35.0%

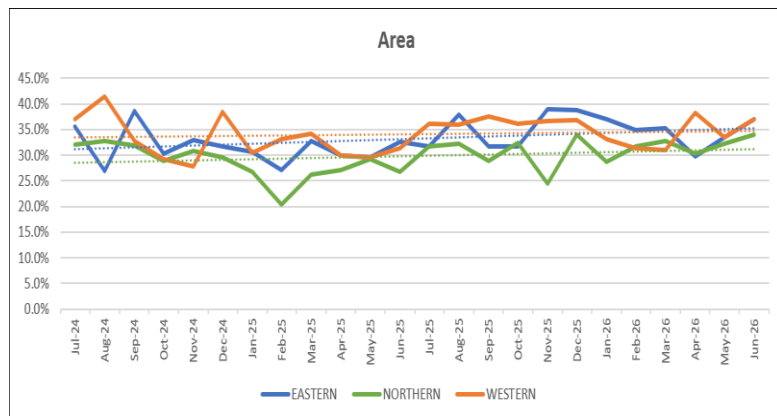
During the quarter, the percentage of stop searches which resulted in Police Action Taken was 33.9%, a slight increase (+0.8pp) on the previous quarter (33.1%).

During the quarter, the percentage of stop searches which resulted in Arrest was 11.9%, remaining stable (-0.2pp) on the previous quarter (12.1%).

During the quarter, the percentage of stop searches which resulted in a Positive Find Outcome was 35.0%, an increase (+1.6pp) on the previous quarter (33.4%).



Area Monthly Stop Search Police Action Taken Rate
(Jul 2024 - Jun 2026)



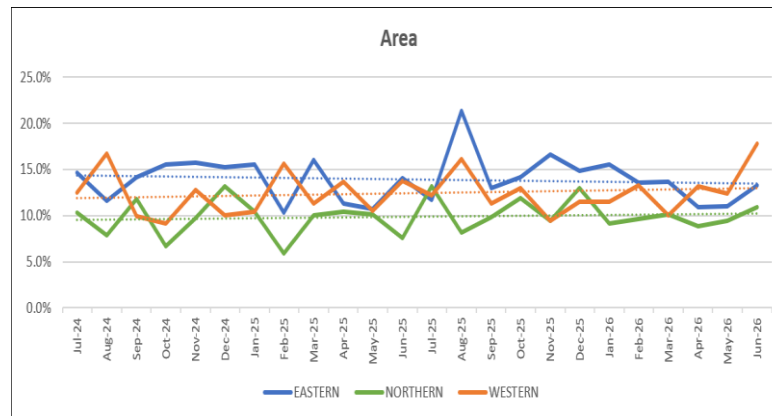
During the latest quarter, Western Area recorded the highest Action Taken rate (36.4%) and recorded the largest quarterly increase (+4.7pp). This was driven by an increase in Action Taken outcomes for searches linked to Controlled Drugs with Intent to Supply (43 to 62) and Articles for Theft (20 to 31).

East was the only Area to see a decrease in Action Taken rate (-2.4pp) when compared to the previous quarter. This is driven by a decrease in Action Taken outcomes for searches linked to Articles for Theft (44 to 27) and Stolen Goods (54 to 35).

Action Taken Rate	Quarter		Month	
	Previous	Latest	Previous	Latest
Force	33.1	33.9	33.4	36.4
East	35.6	33.2	33.4	37.1
North	30.9	32.0	32.2	34.0
West	31.7	36.4	33.4	37.0

Action Taken Rate	PP Change	
	Quarter	Month
Force	0.8	3.0
East	-2.4	3.7
North	1.1	1.8
West	4.7	3.6

Area Monthly Stop Search Arrest Rate
(Jul 2024 - Jun 2026)



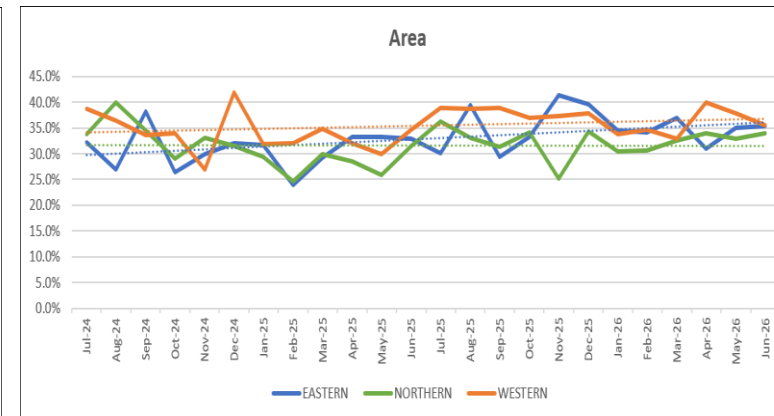
During the latest quarter, Western Area recorded the highest Arrest rate (14.3%) and was the only Area to record a quarterly increase (+2.8pp). This was driven by an increase in searches resulting in an arrest for Controlled Drugs with Intent to Supply (26 to 47).

East was the only Area to see a quarterly decrease in Arrest rate (-2.5pp). This is driven by a decrease in searches resulting in an arrest for Stolen Goods (38 to 25).

ARREST RATE	Quarter		Month	
	Previous	Latest	Previous	Latest
Force	12.1	11.9	10.9	14.1
East	14.2	11.7	11.0	13.3
North	9.6	9.6	9.4	10.9
West	11.5	14.3	12.4	17.8

ARREST RATE	PP Change	
	Quarter	Month
Force	-0.2	3.2
East	-2.5	2.3
North	0.0	1.5
West	2.8	5.4

Area Monthly Stop Search Positive Find Outcome Rate
(Jul 2024 - Jun 2026)



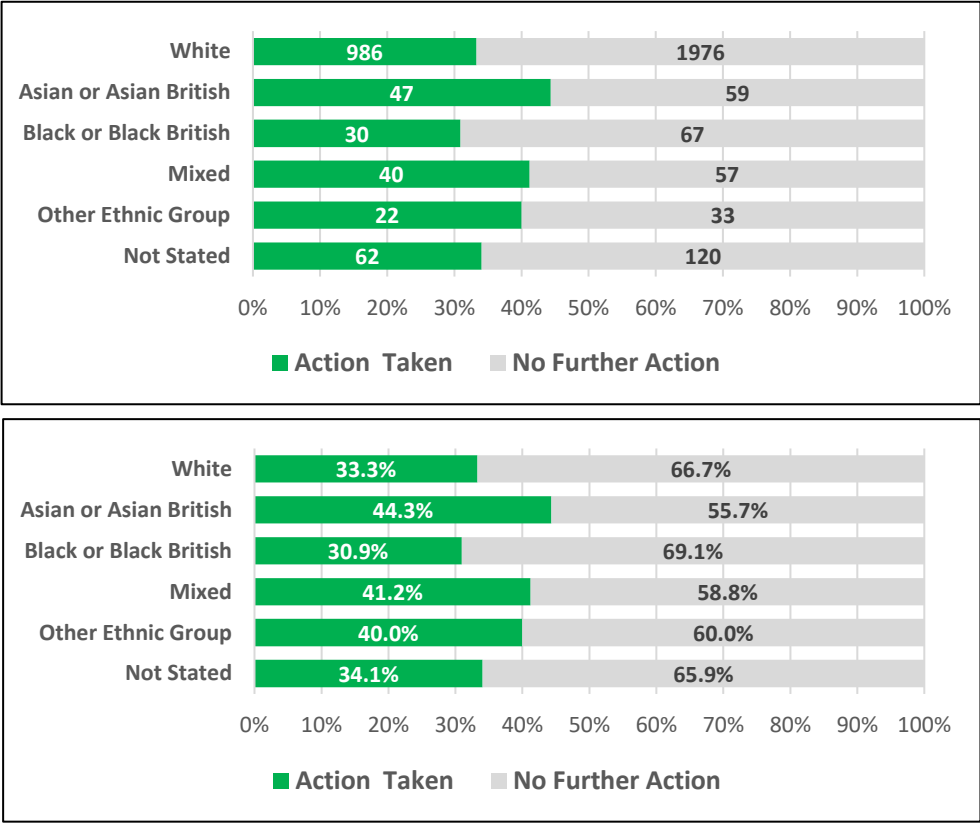
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All Find Rate	Quarter		Month	
	Previous	Latest	Previous	Latest
Force	33.4	35.0	35.3	35.3
East	35.3	33.6	35.0	35.3
North	31.1	33.5	32.9	34.0
West	33.7	37.9	37.8	35.6

All Find Rate	PP Change	
	Quarter	Month
Force	1.6	0.0
East	-1.7	0.3
North	2.4	1.1
West	4.2	-2.2

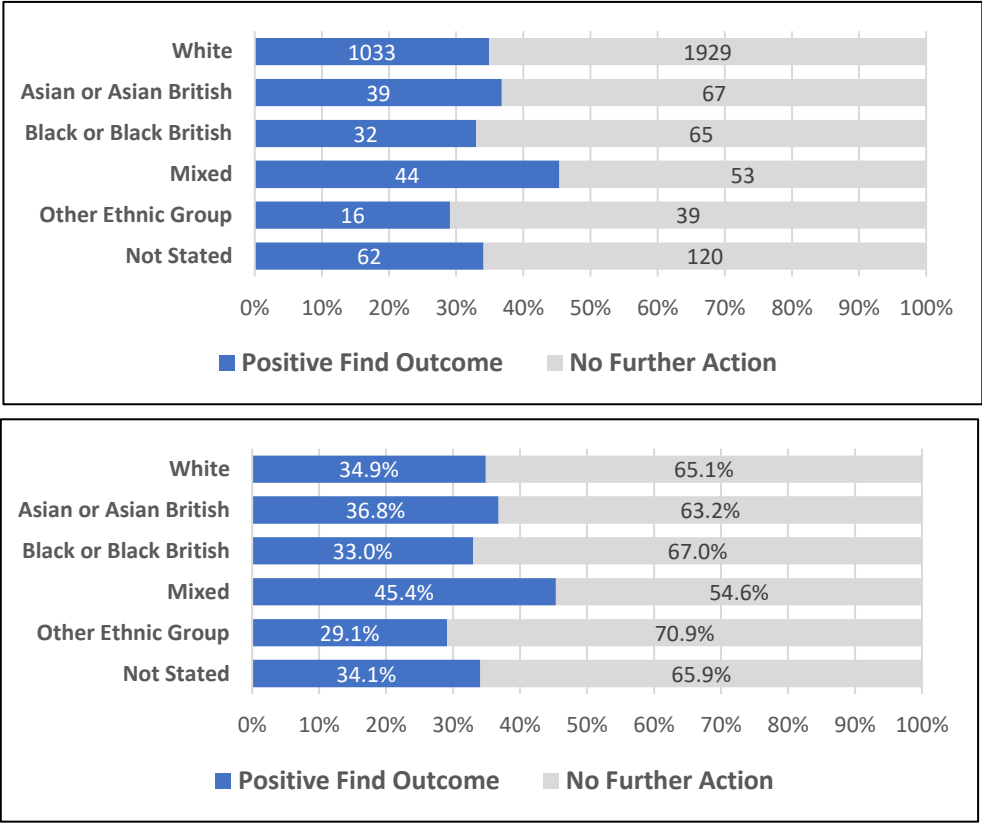
Force Stop Search Police Action Taken by Ethnicity
(Apr 2026 – Jun 2026)



When comparing persons stopped and searched within Cheshire during the current quarter by their SDE, other than ‘Not Stated’ those self-defined as Black or Black British are proportionally the least likely to result in Police Action Taken (30.9%) and Asian or Asian British most likely (44.3%).

It should be kept in mind that the outcomes for those whose self-defined ethnicity was White will be closer to the rates of the searches overall because they account for most of the overall searches and low volumes of other ethnicities will make the percentages more volatile.

Force Stop Search Positive Find Outcome by Ethnicity
(Apr 2026 – Jun 2026)



When comparing persons stopped and searched within Cheshire during the current quarter by their SDE, other than ‘Not Stated’ those self-defined as Other Ethnic Group are proportionally the least likely to result in a Positive Find Outcome (29.1%) and Mixed most likely (45.4%).

Force Stop Search Object of Search x Outcome (Apr 2026 – Jun 2026)

Outcome Type	CONTROLLED DRUGS	ARTICLES FOR THEFT	BLADED OR SHARP ARTICLES	STOLEN GOODS	OFFENSIVE WEAPONS / FIREARMS	ARTICLES FOR CRIMINAL DAMAGE	FIREWORKS	OTHER	Total
NO FURTHER ACTION	1713	184	163	73	62	109	3	5	2312
ARREST	272	51	29	49	12	4			417
COMMUNITY RESOLUTION	336	13	9	16	1	6			381
OTHER POSITIVE OUTCOME	121	12	25	11	9	8		2	188
POSTAL REQUISITION/POSTAL CHARGE/SUMMONS	136	8	3	9	2				158
VOLUNTARY ATTENDANCE	25	2	3	3	4	2			39
CANNABIS WARNING	2					1			3
KHAT WARNING	1								1
Total	2606	270	232	161	90	130	3	7	3499

Police Action Outcome Rate	CONTROLLED DRUGS	ARTICLES FOR THEFT	BLADED OR SHARP ARTICLES	STOLEN GOODS	OFFENSIVE WEAPONS / FIREARMS	ARTICLES FOR CRIMINAL DAMAGE	FIREWORKS	OTHER	Total
ARREST	7.8%	1.5%	0.8%	1.4%	0.3%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	11.9%
COMMUNITY RESOLUTION	9.6%	0.4%	0.3%	0.5%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	10.9%
OTHER POSITIVE OUTCOME	3.5%	0.3%	0.7%	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%	0.0%	0.1%	5.4%
POSTAL REQUISITION/POSTAL CHARGE/SUMMONS	3.9%	0.2%	0.1%	0.3%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	4.5%
VOLUNTARY ATTENDANCE	0.7%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	1.1%
CANNABIS WARNING	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%
KHAT WARNING	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Total Action Taken Rate	25.52%	2.46%	1.97%	2.52%	0.80%	0.60%	0.00%	0.06%	33.92%
Total Positive Outcome Rate	27.44%	2.14%	1.77%	2.17%	0.71%	0.77%	0.00%	0.03%	35.04%
Total Find Rate (object searched for was found)	21.81%	1.14%	0.83%	1.63%	0.37%	0.17%	0.00%	0.00%	25.95%

During the quarter, the highest Police Action Taken, Positive Find Outcome and Find rate resulted from the ‘object of search’ being Controlled Drugs with Action Taken in 893 searches (25.5% of all searches), a Positive Find Outcome for 960 searches (27.4% of all searches) and 763 searches (21.8 % of all searches) resulted in Drugs being found during the search.

A Community Resolution was more likely to be the outcome of a stop search when the object of search was for Controlled Drugs (336, 9.6%).



Force Stop Search Outcome Linked x Outcome (Apr 2026 – Jun 2026)

Outcome Linked x Ethnicity	White	Asian or Asian British	Black or Black British	Mixed	Other Ethnic Group	Not Stated	Total
Total number of SS	2962	106	97	97	55	182	3499
Action Taken	986	47	30	40	22	62	1187
Positive Find Outcome	1033	39	32	44	16	62	1226
Object searched for was found at SS	779	27	23	33	9	37	908
Proportion of Action Taken	33.3%	44.3%	30.9%	41.2%	40.0%	34.1%	33.9%
Proportion of Positive Outcome	34.9%	36.8%	33.0%	45.4%	29.1%	34.1%	35.0%
Proportion of objects searched for were found at SS	26.3%	25.5%	23.7%	34.0%	16.4%	20.3%	26.0%
% Action Taken Rate	28.2%	1.3%	0.9%	1.1%	0.6%	1.8%	33.9%
% Positive Find Outcome Rate	29.5%	1.1%	0.9%	1.3%	0.5%	1.8%	35.0%
% Find Rate	22.3%	0.8%	0.7%	0.9%	0.3%	1.1%	26.0%

During the latest quarter, 26.0% (908) of all stop searches (3,499) resulted in an outcome that is linked to the object of the search. Individuals who self-defined as White accounted for 779 of these searches (22.3% of all searches).

The proportion of stop searches that are linked to the object of the search are higher for those whose self-defined ethnicity is Mixed (34.0%) compared to both White SDE individuals (26.3%) as well as to the rate overall (26.0%).

During the current quarter there were 0 searches conducted under Section 60 of the Criminal Justice & Public Order Act 1994.

During the current 12 months there were 23 searches conducted under Section 60 of the Criminal Justice & Public Order Act 1994.

Section 60 Ethnicity (Jul 2025 – Jun 2026)

Self Defined Ethnicity	Volume	%
White	9	39.1%
Black or Black British	1	4.3%
Asian or Asian British	6	26.1%
Mixed	1	4.3%
Other Ethnic Group	4	17.4%
Not Stated	2	8.7%
Total	23	

During the most recent 12 months, most S60 searches were conducted on persons with an SDE of White (9, 39%).

12 S60 searches were conducted on persons from a DCG, these were all within the Northern Area in February 2026.

Section 60 Searches by Outcome (Jul 2025 – Jun 2026)

Outcome		Volume	%
Nothing Found - NFA	NO FURTHER ACTION	23	100.0%
Total		23	

In all S60 searches, no objects were found and all resulted in No Further Action (23, 100%).

All searches were for Offensive Weapons, and all were carried out during February 2026 with 22 in the Northern Area and 1 in the Western Area.

Section 60 Age/Range & Gender (Jul 2025 – Jun 2026)

Age Range	GENDER		Volume	%
	FEMALE	MALE		
Under 18	0	2	2	8.7%
18 - 24	0	2	2	8.7%
25 - 34	0	11	11	47.8%
35 - 44	0	5	5	21.7%
45 - 54	0	2	2	8.7%
Blank	0	1	1	4.3%
Total	0	23	23	

All S60 searches were on Males and mostly aged 25 to 34 years old (11, 48%).
Of note, 6 of the 11 (55%) individuals aged 25-34 self defined as Asian or Asian British.