

# Recorded Crime by CDRP in Staffordshire Comparison with Most Similar CDRP Groups 2006/07

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## Recorded Crime for Seven Key Offences and BCS Comparator Crime 2006/07 and 2005/06 CDRPs in Staffordshire – Comparison with Most Similar Groups

### Introduction

This report analyses the level of seven key crimes and overall BCS Comparator Crime recorded in each of the 8 CDRPs within Staffordshire. The crimes are shown recorded as a rate per 1,000 residents (or per 1,000 households for Burglary Dwellings) and compared with other members of each CDRP's 'Most Similar Group', as defined by iQuanta (see Appendix A for a list of these groups). A comparison has also been made with the previous 12 month period, 2005/06.

The seven crime types analysed are:

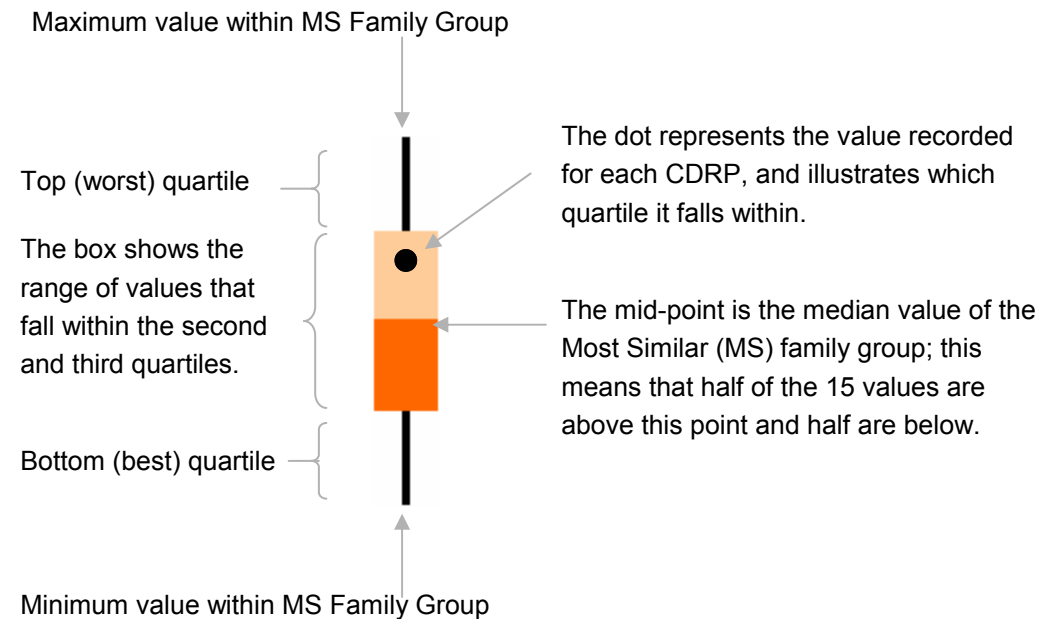
- Violence against the Person
- Sexual Offences
- Robbery
- Burglary Dwelling
- Theft from Motor Vehicle
- Theft of Motor Vehicle
- Vehicle Interference

Unfortunately, no data is available for Vehicle Interference (measured as a rate per 1,000 population) for the year 2005/06, so data for this crime type is shown for 2006/07 only.

All data within this report has been sourced from 'Crime in England & Wales 2006/07' published by the Home Office in July 2007 (4th edition).

The charts used in this report are known as box plots, or box and whiskers charts. They compare rates of crime across Most Similar Family Groups (as defined by iQuanta - see appendix A), showing the maximum, minimum and average values for each crime type.

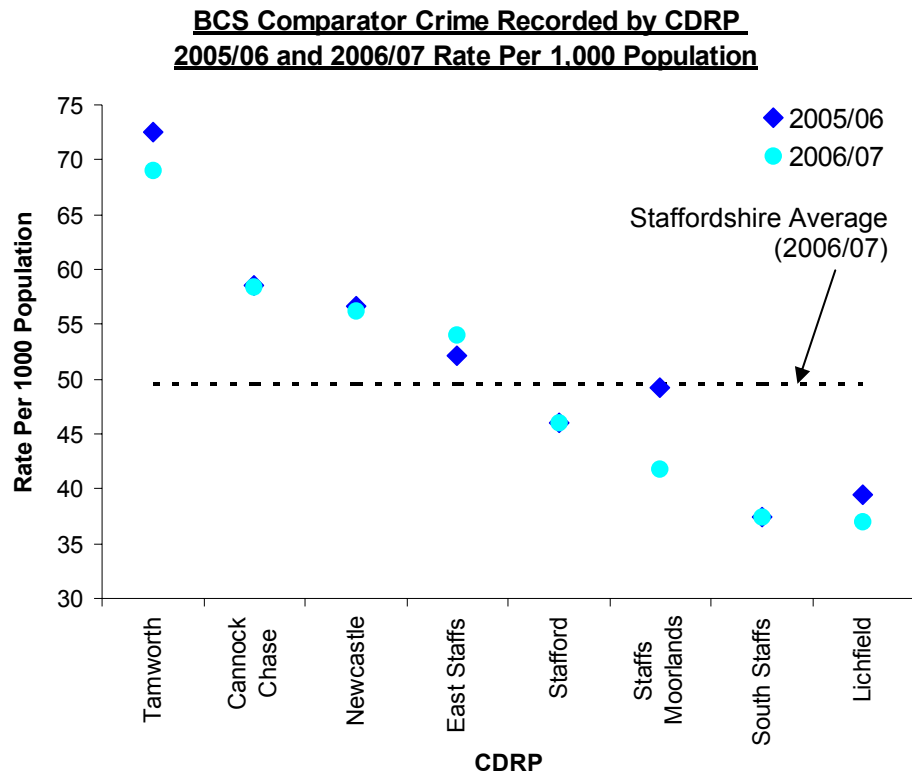
### Interpreting Box-Plot Charts:



For example, in this illustration the CDRP has recorded a rate of crime that falls within the 3rd quartile and is therefore above the average level (median) recorded by the MS family group.

## Staffordshire CDRP Overview

The following graph shows the performance of BCS Comparator Crime within each CDRP in Staffordshire. The data is represented as a rate per 1,000 population so that comparisons between different sized districts can be made; however it is important to remember that each CDRP within Staffordshire has a unique composition and the 8 areas cannot be directly compared, without taking into account other factors.



The black dotted line represents the total level of BCS Comparator Crime recorded in Staffordshire (excluding Stoke-on-Trent) as a rate per 1,000 population. This is shown for 2006/07 only.

Tamworth, Cannock Chase, Newcastle and East Staffordshire have all recorded levels of BCS Comparator Crime above the 2006/07 Staffordshire average.

The majority of CDRPs are showing reductions during 2006/07 when compared with the previous year. The largest reduction occurred in Staffordshire Moorlands, with 14.6% fewer offences recorded during 2006/07.

The largest increase occurred in East Staffordshire, with 4.5% more offences recorded. There were also increases in Stafford and Cannock Chase, however these were both less than 1%.

**Overall, the total level of BCS Comparator Crime recorded in Staffordshire has decreased by 2% (833 fewer crimes) between 2005/06 and 2006/07.**

### CDRP Summary of key crimes

**Tamworth** - Higher than average levels of Violence (which has increased between 05/06 and 06/07) and Sexual Offences. Rate of BCS Comparator Crime recorded above the Staffordshire average and MS CDRP group average.

**Cannock Chase** - Above average levels of Violence and Sexual Offences. BCS Comparator Crime above the Staffordshire average but below the MS CDRP average.

**Newcastle** - Above average levels of Violence and Sexual Offences, but both of these has reduced between 05/06 and 06/07. Level of BCS Comparator Crime above the Staffordshire average but in-line with the MS CDRP average.

**East Staffordshire** - Higher than average levels of Violence and Burglary Dwelling. Burglary dwelling has increased by nearly 31% between 05/06 and 06/07.

**Stafford** - Above average levels of Violence and Robbery. Both of these crime types have increased between 05/06 and 06/07, Robbery by 37%.

**Staffordshire Moorlands** - Above average levels of Violence, Sexual Offences and Theft of Motor Vehicles. Sexual Offences have increased by 44% between 05/06 and 06/07.

**South Staffordshire** - Higher than average levels of Violence and Theft of Motor Vehicles, both of which have increased during 06/07.

**Lichfield** - Above average levels of Burglary Dwelling and Robbery. Burglary has increased by just over 15% between 05/06 and 06/07.

## Tamworth CDRP

The following table shows the number of crimes recorded in Tamworth during 2006/07 and compared with 2005/06.

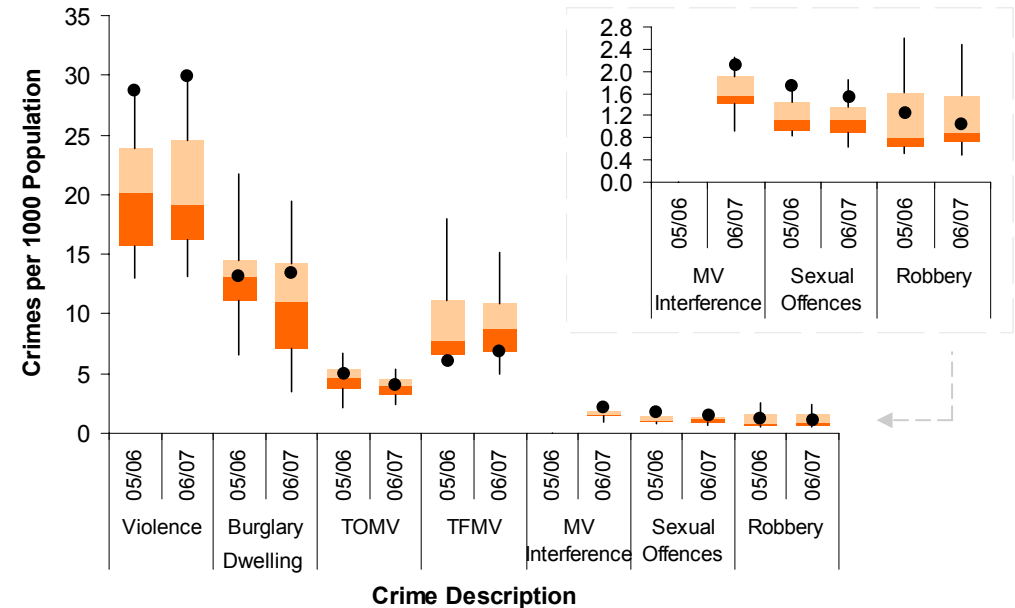
Description	2005/06		2006/07		% Change
	Actual	Rate	Actual	Rate	
Violence against the Person	2,125	28.8	2,214	29.9	4.2%
Burglary Dwelling	395	13.2	401	13.4	1.5%
Theft from Motor Vehicles	445	6.0	508	6.9	14.2%
Theft of Motor Vehicles	366	5.0	301	4.1	-17.8%
Vehicle Interference	256		156	2.1	-39.1%
Sexual Offences	127	1.7	113	1.5	-11.0%
Robbery	91	1.2	77	1.0	-15.4%
<b>BCS Comparator Crime</b>	<b>5,357</b>	<b>72.5</b>	<b>5,115</b>	<b>69.0</b>	<b>-4.5%</b>

Overall, there has been a decrease of nearly 5% in BCS Comparator Crime during 2006/07, equal to 242 fewer crimes. The crime types to see an increase were Violence, with 89 more crimes recorded during the last 12 months, Burglary Dwelling with an increase of 6 and Theft from Motor Vehicles with an increase of 63. The largest reduction was in Vehicle Interference, which has decreased by 100 offences across Tamworth CDRP.

The average rate of BCS Comparator Crime recorded for Tamworth's most similar CDRP group was 61.8 during 2006/07, which is 10% below the rate recorded in Tamworth.

The box plot diagram on the right compares the level of crime recorded in Tamworth during 2005/06 and 2006/07 with the other members of the Most Similar (MS) family group. The graph shows the maximum and minimum values recorded across the group, as well as the inter-quartile range (highlighted in orange). The black point represents the level recorded in Tamworth.

**Crime Recorded in Tamworth CDRP in 06/07 and 05/06  
Compared with the Most Similar CDRP Group**



**Violence against the Person** has increased by 4% in Tamworth over the last 12 months, compared with an overall reduction in the Most Similar (MS) group average of nearly 5%. Tamworth is still ranked 15<sup>th</sup>, having the highest level of Violence per 1000 population out of all of the family group members.

**Burglary Dwelling** has increased by 6 crimes during 2006/07, whereas 11 out of the other 14 similar CDRP areas have seen a reduction in the rate of this crime recorded. Tamworth is close to moving into the top (worst) quartile for Burglary Dwellings.

**Theft of Motor Vehicles (TOMV)** have reduced by 65 crimes (18%) during 2006/07 and the MS group has overall has seen a similar reduction, with the gap closing between the best and worst performing CDRPs for vehicle thefts.

## Tamworth CDRP

**Theft from Motor Vehicles (TFMV)** have seen an increase within Tamworth of just over 14% during 2006/07, which is contrary to the performance of the other members of the MS group. Tamworth has now moved from being the best performing CDRP to the 5th best, and is now at the very top of the bottom quartile. Despite this increase, Tamworth has still recorded a level of TFMVs that is 26% below the MS group average.

**Vehicle Interference** has reduced by 100 crimes (39%) during 2006/07 but despite this reduction, Tamworth is within the top (worst) quartile when compared with other members of the MS family group.

**Sexual Offences** have decreased by 11% during 2006/07, compared with a reduction of 6% within the MS group average. Although Tamworth is still placed within the top quartile for Sexual Offences, it is no longer the worst performing CDRP within the MS family group.

**Robbery** has decreased by 14 offences (15%) during 2006/07, and Tamworth is now closer to the MS group average, which has increased by 4%.

## Cannock Chase CDRP

The following table shows the number of crimes recorded in Cannock Chase CDRP during 2006/07 and compared with 2005/06.

Description	2005/06		2006/07		% Change
	Actual	Rate	Actual	Rate	
Violence against the Person	2,169	23.4	2,443	26.2	12.6%
Burglary Dwelling	367	9.7	427	11.2	16.3%
Theft from Motor Vehicles	583	6.3	561	6.0	-3.8%
Theft of Motor Vehicles	326	3.5	296	3.2	-9.2%
Vehicle Interference	121		96	1.0	-20.7%
Sexual Offences	133	1.4	114	1.2	-14.3%
Robbery	47	0.5	45	0.5	-4.3%
<b>BCS Comparator Crime</b>	<b>5,436</b>	<b>58.6</b>	<b>5,442</b>	<b>58.4</b>	<b>0.1%</b>

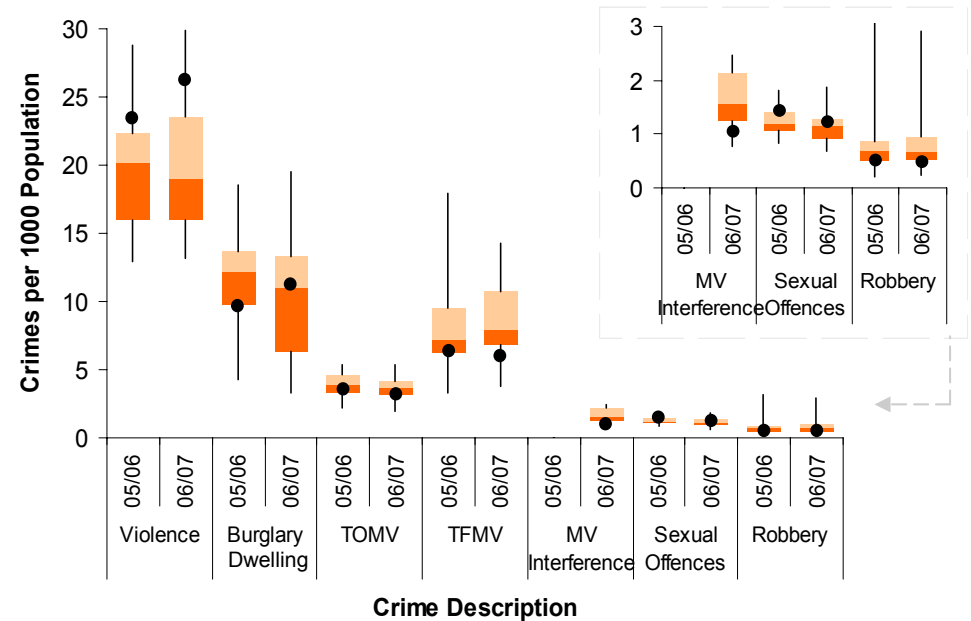
There has been an increase of just 0.1% in BCS Comparator Crime during 2006/07, equal to 6 crimes. Crime types contributing to this increase include Violence against the person (increase of nearly 13%, 274 crimes) and Burglary Dwellings (increase of 16%, 60 crimes).

Despite an overall increase, five out of the seven crime types shown in the table above have decreased during 2006/07, with the largest reduction in Vehicle Interference (25 fewer crimes).

The average rate of BCS Comparator Crime recorded for Cannock Chase's most similar CDRP group was 61.3 during 2006/07, which is 5% higher than the rate recorded in Cannock Chase.

The box plot diagram on the right compares the level of crime recorded in Cannock Chase CDRP during 2005/06 and 2006/07 with the other members of the Most Similar (MS) family group. The graph shows the maximum and minimum values recorded across the group, as well as the inter-quartile range (highlighted in orange). The black point represents the level recorded in Cannock Chase.

**Crime Recorded in Cannock Chase CDRP in 06/07 and 05/06  
Compared with the Most Similar CDRP Group**



**Violence against the Person** has increased by 274 crimes (almost 13%) during 2006/07 and Cannock Chase remains within the top (worst) quartile when compared with the rest of the MS family group. Conversely, the MS family group average has actually seen a reduction of 6% during 2006/07.

**Burglary Dwelling** has seen an increase of 16% (60 crimes) placing Cannock Chase above the MS family average. During the previous year (2005/06), the CDRP was within the bottom (best) quartile. The box plot chart shows that over the last 12 months there has been an increase in the gap between the best and the worst performing CDRPs in the family.

**Theft of Motor Vehicles (TOMV)** have reduced by 30 crimes (9%) during 2006/07 and Cannock Chase is now at the very top of the bottom (best) quartile.

## **Cannock Chase CDRP**

**Theft from Motor Vehicles (TFMV)** have seen a reduction of 22 crimes (4%) during 2006/07, placing Cannock Chase in bottom quartile. This is compared with an increase in the MS family average of 5%.

**Vehicle Interference** has decreased by 21% during 2006/07 and the CDRP is within the bottom (best) quartile.

**Sexual Offences** have reduced by 19 offences (14%) between the two years, and Cannock Chase is no longer within the top (worst) quartile.

**Robbery** has reduced by 2 crimes (4%) during 2006/07 and Cannock Chase remains within the bottom quartile when compared with peers.

## Newcastle CDRP

The following table shows the number of crimes recorded in Newcastle CDRP during 2006/07 and compared with 2005/06.

Description	2005/06		2006/07		% Change
	Actual	Rate	Actual	Rate	
Violence against the Person	3,080	25.0	2,968	24.0	-3.6%
Burglary Dwelling	453	8.9	434	8.4	-4.2%
Theft from Motor Vehicles	881	7.2	888	7.2	0.8%
Theft of Motor Vehicles	350	2.8	293	2.4	-16.3%
Vehicle Interference	175		164	1.3	-6.3%
Sexual Offences	145	1.2	131	1.1	-9.7%
Robbery	53	0.4	56	0.5	5.7%
<b>BCS Comparator Crime</b>	<b>6,967</b>	<b>56.6</b>	<b>6,945</b>	<b>56.3</b>	<b>-0.3%</b>

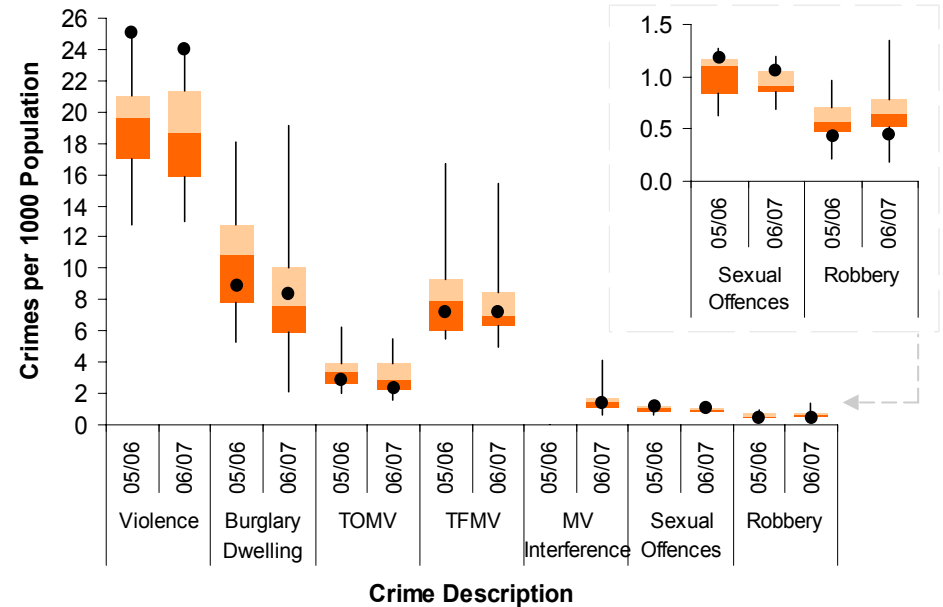
Overall, there has been a decrease of 0.3% in BCS Comparator Crime during 2006/07, equal to 22 fewer crimes. Despite an overall reduction, there have been increases in Theft from Motor Vehicles and Robbery offences.

The largest reduction was in Theft of Motor Vehicles, which has decreased by 57 offences across Newcastle CDRP.

The rate of BCS Comparator Crime recorded in Newcastle during 2006/07 is equal to the Most Similar (MS) family group average.

The box plot diagram on the right compares the level of crime recorded in Newcastle during 2005/06 and 2006/07 with the other members of the Most Similar (MS) family group. The graph shows the maximum and minimum values recorded across the group, as well as the inter-quartile range (highlighted in orange). The black point represents the level recorded in Newcastle CDRP.

**Crime Recorded in Newcastle CDRP in 06/07 and 05/06  
Compared with the Most Similar CDRP Group**



**Violence against the Person** has decreased by almost 4% in Newcastle CDRP over the last 12 months, which is slightly better than the overall reduction achieved by the MS family group. However, Newcastle is still ranked 15<sup>th</sup> with the highest level of Violence per 1000 population out of all of the family group members.

**Burglary Dwelling** has decreased by 4% (19 crimes) during 2006/07; however, the MS family group has seen an average reduction of nearly 22% and therefore Newcastle CDRP has moved from the second to the third quartile and is now above the MS group average.

**Theft of Motor Vehicles (TOMV)** have reduced by 57 crimes (16%) during 2006/07. The MS group average has also seen a reduction but by 9%, and box plot shows that the spread between the best and worst performing CDRPs has increased.

## Newcastle CDRP

**Theft from Motor Vehicles (TFMV)** have increased by 7 offences (just under 1%) during 2006/07 and Newcastle CDRP is now within the 3<sup>rd</sup> quartile. This is due to a reduction in the MS group average, and a reduction in the gaps between the best and worst performing CDRPs.

**Vehicle Interference** has reduced by 6% during 2006/07 and Newcastle is below the MS family group average.

**Sexual Offences** have decreased by nearly 10% (14 crimes) during 2006/07, compared with a reduction of 7% within the MS group average. During 2005/06 Newcastle was placed within the top quartile for Sexual Offences, and is now just above the group average.

**Robbery** has increased by 6% (3 crimes) during 2006/07; however, there has also been an increase in the MS family group average, and as a result, Newcastle CDRP has remained within the bottom (best) quartile.

## East Staffordshire CDRP

The following table shows the number of crimes recorded in East Staffordshire during 2006/07 and compared with 2005/06.

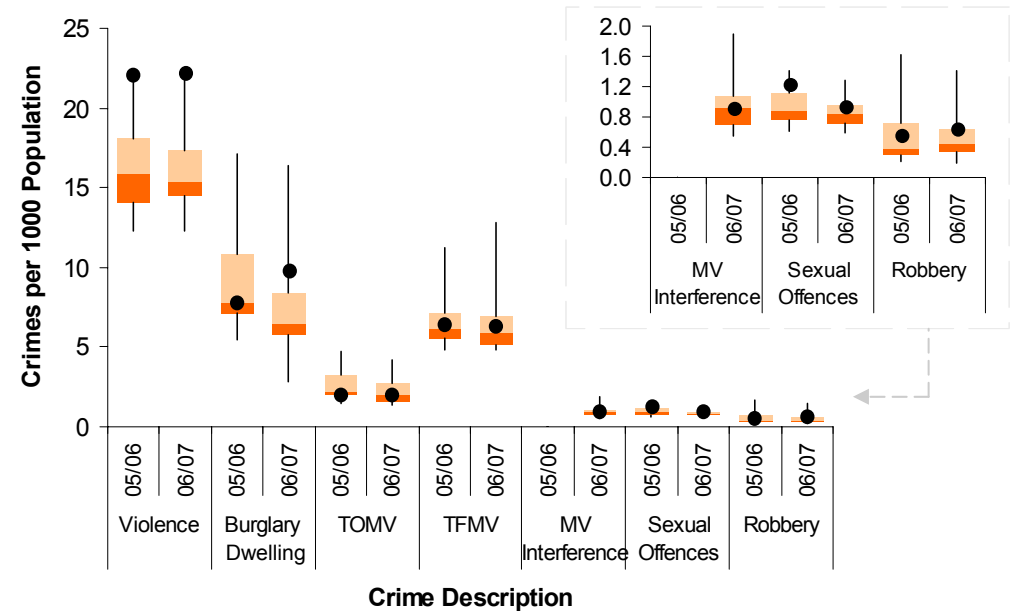
Description	2005/06		2006/07		% Change
	Actual	Rate	Actual	Rate	
Violence against the Person	2,336	22.0	2,365	22.1	1.2%
Burglary Dwelling	332	7.7	434	9.8	30.7%
Theft from Motor Vehicles	680	6.4	679	6.4	-0.1%
Theft of Motor Vehicles	217	2.0	213	2.0	-1.8%
Vehicle Interference	119		96	0.9	-19.3%
Sexual Offences	130	1.2	98	0.9	-24.6%
Robbery	59	0.6	68	0.6	15.3%
<b>BCS Comparator Crime</b>	<b>5,533</b>	<b>52.1</b>	<b>5,782</b>	<b>54.1</b>	<b>4.5%</b>

Overall, there has been an increase of 4.5% in BCS Comparator Crime during 2006/07, equal to 249 more crimes. Increases in both Burglary Dwelling offences and Violence against the Person have contributed to this overall rise.

The average rate of BCS Comparator Crime within East Staffordshire's most similar group was 48.7 during 2006/07, which is 10% lower than the rate recorded in East Staffordshire.

The box plot diagram on the right compares the level of crime recorded in East Staffordshire during 2005/06 and 2006/07 with the other members of the Most Similar (MS) family group. The graph shows the maximum and minimum values recorded across the group, as well as the inter-quartile range (highlighted in orange). The black point represents the level recorded in East Staffordshire.

**Crime Recorded in East Staffs CDRP in 06/07 and 05/06  
Compared with the Most Similar CDRP Group**



**Violence against the Person** has increased by just over 1% (29 crimes) during 2006/07, and East Staffordshire CDRP continues to have the highest level of offences recorded within the MS CDRP group.

**Burglary Dwelling** - during 2005/06 East Staffs was equal to the average level of offences recorded within the MS group, however there has been an increase of 31% during 2006/07, placing the CDRP in the top (worst) quartile. Conversely, the MS family average has decreased by 18%.

**Theft of Motor Vehicles (TOMV)** have reduced slightly during 2006/07, however the MS group has seen a much larger reduction and as a result, East Staffordshire is now above the family average whereas it was placed in the bottom (best) quartile during 2005/06.

## East Staffordshire CDRP

**Theft from Motor Vehicles (TFMV)** have decreased by just 1 crime during 2006/07 and East Staffordshire CDRP remains slightly above the MS group average.

**Vehicle Interference** has reduced by 19% during 2006/07 and East Staffordshire is now just below the MS group average.

**Sexual Offences** have decreased by nearly 25% during 2006/07, compared with a reduction of 5% within the MS group average. During 2005/06 East Staffordshire was placed within the top (worst) quartile for Sexual Offences, and is now only slightly above the group average.

**Robbery** has increased by 15% (9 crimes) during 2006/07 and this increase has placed East Staffordshire within the top (worst) quartile. The MS group has seen an average reduction of 5% since 2005/06, with the gap narrowing between the best and worst performing CDRPs.

## Stafford CDRP

The following table shows the number of crimes recorded in Stafford CDRP during 2006/07 and compared with 2005/06.

Description	2005/06		2006/07		% Change
	Actual	Rate	Actual	Rate	
Violence against the Person	2,431	19.8	2,516	20.4	3.5%
Burglary Dwelling	361	7.1	330	6.4	-8.6%
Theft from Motor Vehicles	696	5.7	758	6.1	8.9%
Theft of Motor Vehicles	201	1.6	178	1.4	-11.4%
Vehicle Interference	111		88	0.7	-20.7%
Sexual Offences	103	0.8	97	0.8	-5.8%
Robbery	49	0.4	67	0.5	36.7%
<b>BCS Comparator Crime</b>	<b>5,639</b>	<b>46.0</b>	<b>5,692</b>	<b>46.1</b>	<b>0.9%</b>

Overall, there has been an increase of nearly 1% in BCS Comparator Crime during 2006/07, equal to 53 extra crimes.

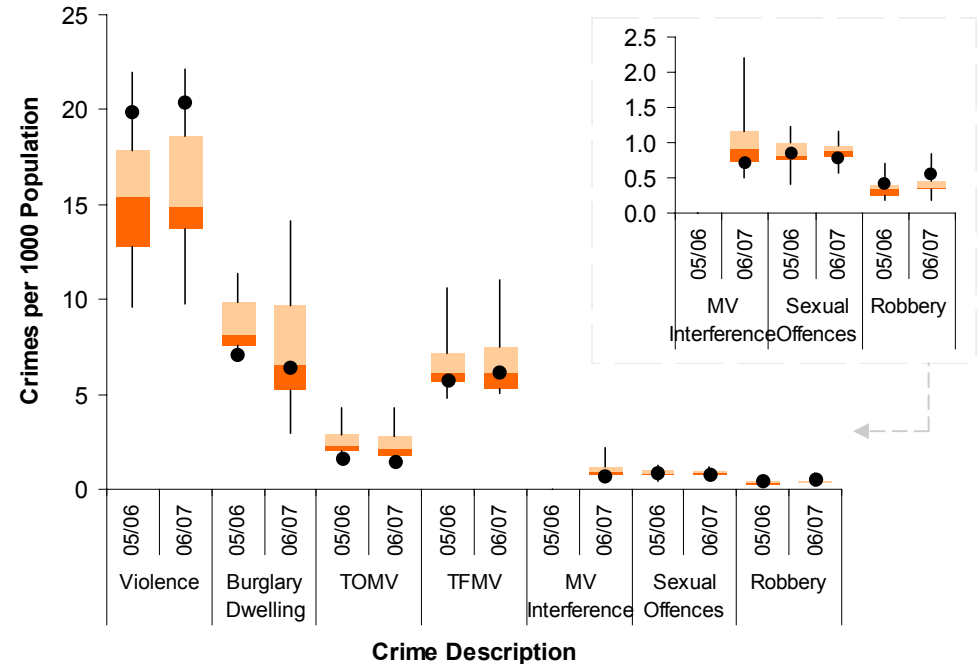
Crime types contributing to this increase include Violence against the person (increase of nearly 4%, 85 crimes), Theft from Motor Vehicles (increase of 9%, 62 crimes) and Robbery (increase of 37%, 18 crimes).

Despite an overall increase, the level of Vehicle Interference recorded has reduced by nearly 21% (23 crimes).

The average rate of BCS Comparator Crime recorded for Stafford's most similar CDRP group was 48.0 during 2006/07, which is 4% higher than the rate recorded in Stafford.

The box plot diagram on the right compares the level of crime recorded in Stafford CDRP during 2005/06 and 2006/07 with the other members of the Most Similar (MS) family group. The graph shows the maximum and minimum values recorded across the group, as well as the inter-quartile range (highlighted in orange). The black point represents the level recorded in Stafford.

**Crime Recorded in Stafford CDRP in 06/07 and 05/06 Compared with the Most Similar CDRP Group**



**Violence against the Person** has increased by 85 crimes (almost 4%) during 2006/07 and Stafford remains within the top (worst) quartile when compared with the rest of the MS family group.

**Burglary Dwelling** has decreased by almost 9% (31 crimes) but there has been an even greater reduction in the MS group average, meaning that Stafford CDRP now in line with the family average, compared with being in the bottom quartile during 2005/06.

**Theft of Motor Vehicles (TOMV)** have reduced by 23 crimes (11%) during 2006/07 and Stafford has remained within the bottom (best) quartile.

## Stafford CDRP

**Theft from Motor Vehicles (TFMV)** have seen an increase of 62 crimes (9%) during 2006/07. There has also been an increase in the MS group average, but this was by just 0.3%. Stafford CDRP is now equal to the average level of the family group, for Theft from Motor Vehicles.

**Vehicle Interference** has decreased by nearly 21% during 2006/07 and the CDRP is within the bottom (best) quartile.

**Sexual Offences** have reduced by 6 offences (6%) between the two years, placing Stafford within the bottom quartile. There has been a reduction overall in the gap between the best and the worst performing CDRPs within the MS family group.

**Robbery** has seen an increase of 18 crimes (nearly 37%) during 2006/07 and this has placed Stafford within the top quartile when compared with peers.

## Staffordshire Moorlands CDRP

The following table shows the number of crimes recorded in Staffordshire Moorlands during 2006/07 and compared with 2005/06.

Description	2005/06		2006/07		% Change
	Actual	Rate	Actual	Rate	
Violence against the Person	1,601	17.0	1,541	16.3	-3.7%
Burglary Dwelling	269	6.9	208	5.3	-22.7%
Theft from Motor Vehicles	675	7.2	506	5.4	-25.0%
Theft of Motor Vehicles	262	2.8	208	2.2	-20.6%
Vehicle Interference	181		136	1.4	-24.9%
Sexual Offences	57	0.6	82	0.9	43.9%
Robbery	27	0.3	24	0.3	-11.1%
<b>BCS Comparator Crime</b>	<b>4,637</b>	<b>49.2</b>	<b>3,959</b>	<b>41.8</b>	<b>-14.6%</b>

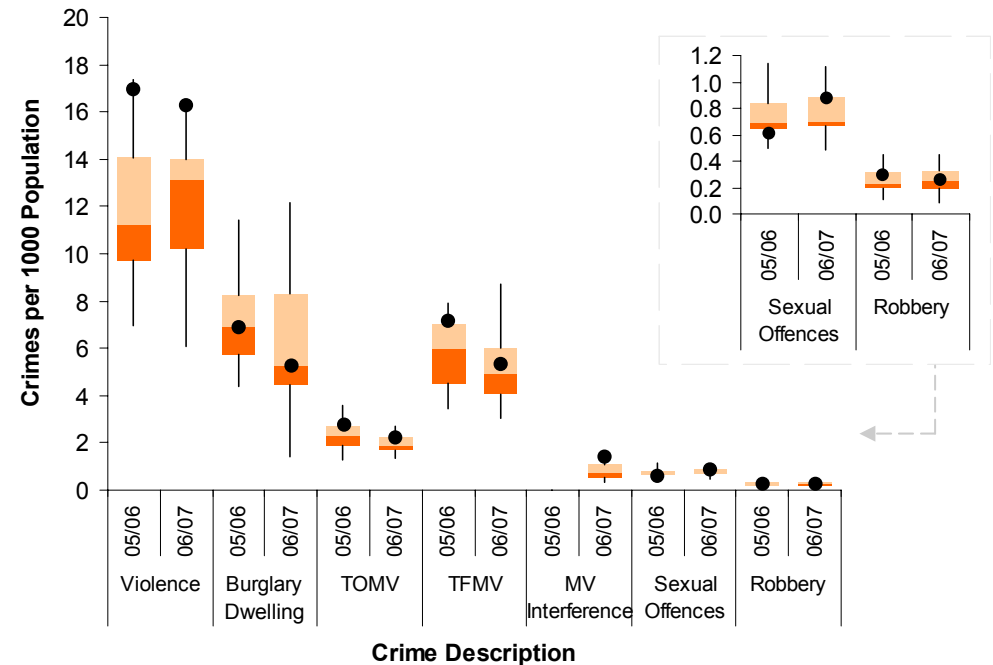
Overall, there has been a decrease of nearly 15% in BCS Comparator Crime during 2006/07, equal to 678 fewer crimes. The only crime type to see an increase was Sexual Offences, with 25 more crimes recorded during the last 12 months.

The largest decrease was in Theft from Motor Vehicles, with 169 fewer offences recorded in Staffordshire Moorlands during 2006/07.

The average rate of BCS Comparator Crime recorded for Staffordshire Moorland's most similar CDRP group was 36.7 during 2006/07, which is 12% below the rate recorded in Staffordshire Moorlands.

The box plot diagram on the right compares the level of crime recorded in Staffordshire Moorlands during 2005/06 and 2006/07 with the other members of the Most Similar (MS) family group. The graph shows the maximum and minimum values recorded across the group, as well as the inter-quartile range (highlighted in orange). The black point represents the level recorded in Staffordshire Moorlands.

**Crime Recorded in Staffs Moorlands CDRP in 06/07 and 05/06  
Compared with the Most Similar CDRP Group**



**Violence against the Person** has decreased by 60 crimes (almost 4%) during 2006/07, however, Staffordshire Moorlands now has the highest level of Violence out of the 15 most similar CDRPs. This is despite an overall increase in the MS group average of 17%.

**Burglary Dwelling** has decreased by almost 23% (61 crimes) but there has been a similar reduction in the MS group average, meaning that Staffordshire Moorlands is still in line with the average level. The box plot shows that the spread between the best and worst performing CDRPs has increased over the last 12 months.

## Staffordshire Moorlands CDRP

**Theft of Motor Vehicles (TOMV)** have reduced by 54 crimes (21%) during 2006/07, which is 9 percentage points better than the average reduction achieved by the MS family group. Due to this reduction, Staffordshire Moorlands is no longer within the top (worst) quartile for Theft of Motor Vehicles.

**Theft from Motor Vehicles (TFMV)** have decreased by 25% (169 fewer crimes) during 2006/07 and the CDRP has moved from the top to the third quartile and is now just over the average level. This is despite a reduction in the MS group average.

**Vehicle Interference** has also decreased by 25% during 2006/07, however Staffordshire Moorlands is now the CDRP to record the highest level of offences within the MS group.

**Sexual Offences** has seen the largest increase within the CDRP of 25 offences (44%) and Staffordshire Moorlands is now within the top quartile. During 2005/06 the CDRP was placed within the bottom quartile; this movement appears to be due to the increase in Staffordshire Moorland's performance, rather than any changes to other members of the MS group.

**Robbery** has decreased by 11% (3 crimes) during 2006/07, which is contrary to the performance of the MS group average, which has seen an increase of nearly 10%.

## South Staffordshire CDRP

The following table shows the number of crimes recorded in South Staffordshire CDRP during 2006/07 and compared with 2005/06.

Description	2005/06		2006/07		% Change
	Actual	Rate	Actual	Rate	
Violence against the Person	1,347	12.8	1,369	13.0	1.6%
Burglary Dwelling	330	7.7	340	8.0	3.0%
Theft from Motor Vehicles	707	6.7	647	6.1	-8.5%
Theft of Motor Vehicles	250	2.4	265	2.5	6.0%
Vehicle Interference	104		76	0.7	-26.9%
Sexual Offences	75	0.7	66	0.6	-12.0%
Robbery	87	0.8	50	0.5	-42.5%
<b>BCS Comparator Crime</b>	<b>3,940</b>	<b>37.4</b>	<b>3,937</b>	<b>37.4</b>	<b>-0.1%</b>

There has been a reduction of 0.1% in BCS Comparator Crime during 2006/07, equal to 3 fewer crimes.

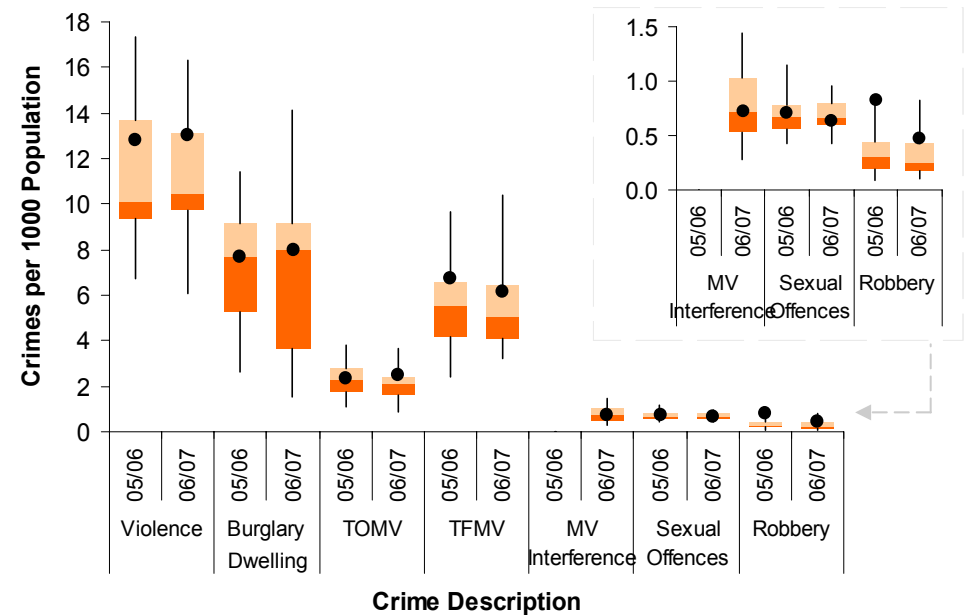
The crime types to see an increase were Violence, with 22 more crimes recorded during the last 12 months, Burglary Dwelling with an increase of 10 and Theft of Motor Vehicles with an increase of 15.

The largest reduction was in Robbery, which has decreased by 37 offences across South Staffordshire CDRP.

The average rate of BCS Comparator Crime recorded for South Staffordshire's most similar CDRP group was 34.8 during 2006/07, which is 7% lower than the rate recorded in South Staffordshire.

The box plot diagram on the right compares the level of crime recorded in South Staffordshire CDRP during 2005/06 and 2006/07 with the other members of the Most Similar (MS) family group. The graph shows the maximum and minimum values recorded across the group, as well as the inter-quartile range (highlighted in orange). The black point represents the level recorded in South Staffordshire.

**Crime Recorded in South Staffs CDRP in 06/07 and 05/06  
Compared with the Most Similar CDRP Group**



**Violence against the Person** has increased by 22 crimes (almost 2%) during 2006/07 and South Staffordshire is now within the top (worst) quartile when compared with the rest of the MS family group. There has also been a slight increase in the MS group average, but a reduction in the gap between the best and the worst performing CDRPs.

**Burglary Dwelling** has seen an increase of 3% (10 crimes) but there has been a similar increase across MS group, meaning that South Staffordshire has remained just above the group average.

**Theft of Motor Vehicles (TOMV)** have increased by 15 crimes (6%) during 2006/07 and South Staffordshire is now within the top quartile when compared with peers. The family average has decreased by just over 10% during the same period.

## South Staffordshire CDRP

**Theft from Motor Vehicles (TFMV)** have decreased by 60 crimes (8.5%) during 2006/07 and South Staffordshire CDRP is no longer within the top (worst) quartile.

**Vehicle Interference** has reduced by 28 crimes (nearly 27%) during 2006/07 and South Staffordshire CDRP is equal to the MS family average.

**Sexual Offences** in South Staffordshire have decreased by 12% (9 crimes) during 2006/07, which is better than the reduction achieved by the MS family average. The inter-quartile range for the whole family has decreased in 2006/07, meaning that the gaps between the best and worst performance CDRPs has reduced.

**Robbery** has seen a large reduction, of nearly 43% (37 offences) during 2006/07. South Staffordshire is still within the top (worst) quartile, but is now just 12% above the MS group average, compared with being the worst performing CDRP in the family during 2005/06.

## Lichfield CDRP

The following table shows the number of crimes recorded in Lichfield District during 2006/07 and compared with 2005/06.

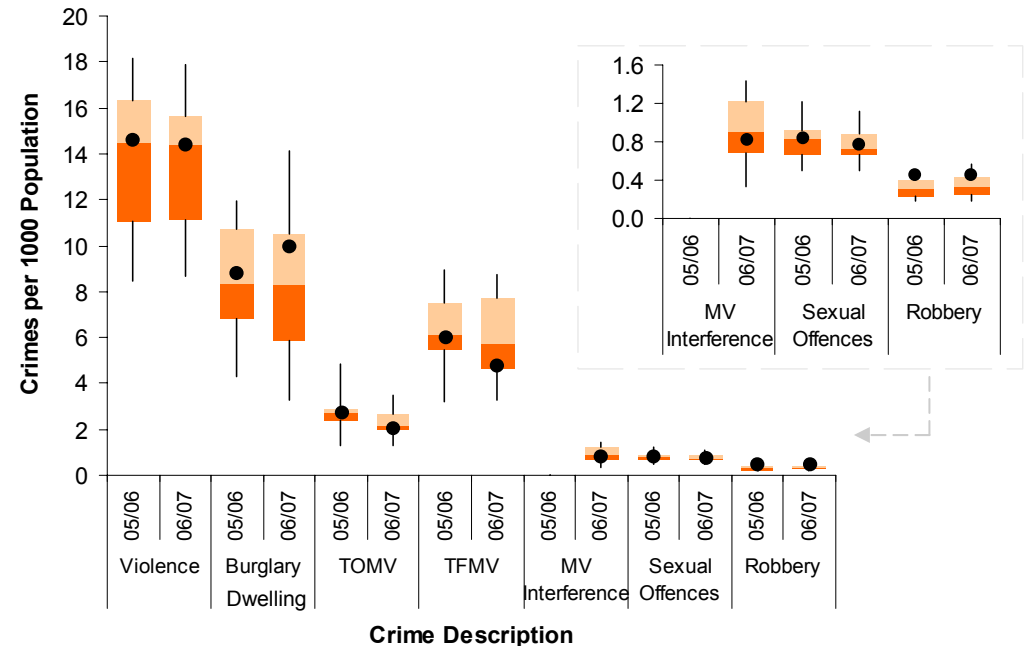
Description	2005/06		2006/07		% Change
	Actual	Rate	Actual	Rate	
Violence against the Person	1,380	14.6	1,375	14.4	-0.4%
Burglary Dwelling	334	8.8	385	10.0	15.3%
Theft from Motor Vehicles	566	6.0	455	4.8	-19.6%
Theft of Motor Vehicles	257	2.7	199	2.1	-22.6%
Vehicle Interference	86		77	0.8	-10.5%
Sexual Offences	77	0.8	73	0.8	-5.2%
Robbery	43	0.5	43	0.5	0.0%
<b>BCS Comparator Crime</b>	<b>3,735</b>	<b>39.5</b>	<b>3,539</b>	<b>37.1</b>	<b>-5.2%</b>

Overall, there has been a decrease of just over 5% in BCS Comparator Crime during 2006/07, equal to 196 fewer crimes. The only crime type to see an increase was Burglary Dwelling, with 51 more crimes recorded during the last 12 months. Although not showing a reduction, the number of Robbery offences recorded has remained unchanged. The largest decrease was in vehicle crime, with 111 fewer Thefts from Motor Vehicles and 58 less Thefts of Motor Vehicles recorded in Lichfield during 2006/07.

The average rate of BCS Comparator Crime recorded for Lichfield's most similar CDRP group was 41.4 during 2006/07, which is 12% above the rate recorded in Lichfield District.

The box plot diagram on the right compares the level of crime recorded in Lichfield during 2005/06 and 2006/07 with the other members of the Most Similar (MS) family group. The graph shows the maximum and minimum values recorded across the group, as well as the inter-quartile range (highlighted in orange). The black point represents the level recorded in Lichfield District.

**Crime Recorded in Lichfield CDRP in 06/07 and 05/06  
Compared with the Most Similar CDRP Group**



**Violence against the Person** has decreased by 5 crimes during 2006/07, and Lichfield CDRP is now equal to the Most Similar (MS) family average.

**Burglary Dwelling** has increased in eight out of the 15 members of the most similar family group, and this is reflected in the increased quartile ranges shown in the graph above. As a result of this overall increase, Lichfield CDRP is still within the inter-quartile range, but is now further away from the family average level and close to being in the top (worst) quartile.

**Theft of Motor Vehicles (TOMV)** have reduced by 58 crimes (23%) during 2006/07, which is 8 percentage points better than the average reduction achieved by the MS family group. Lichfield CDRP is now within the bottom quartile for this crime type.

## Lichfield CDRP

**Theft from Motor Vehicles (TFMV)** have decreased by 111 crimes (20%) during 2006/07 and Lichfield CDRP is now within the lower-end of the second quartile in the MS group. The inter-quartile range for the whole family has increased in 2006/07, meaning that the gaps between the best and worst performing CDRPs has increased.

**Vehicle Interference** has reduced by 9 crimes (nearly 11%) during 2006/07 and Lichfield District is below the MS group average by 10%.

The range of values recorded for **Sexual Offences** across the MS group have remained largely unchanged. Lichfield CDRP has recorded a reduction of 5% during 2006/07, which is slightly better than the overall reduction recorded by the MS group average.

**Robbery** has remained unchanged in Lichfield during 2006/07, however, the MS group average has increased by nearly 10%, meaning that Lichfield is no longer in the top (worst) quartile.

## Appendix A - Most Similar CDRP Family Groups

Each CDRP has been placed into a 'family group' consisting of 14 other CDRPs within England and Wales that have been deemed similar by iQuanta. Most similar groups are used with the aim of making fairer and more meaningful peer comparisons, as other districts within the county are often not directly comparable.

The most similar groups have been decided by analysing a number of social and demographic variables that have been proven to have a direct correlation with higher crime levels.

These include:

- Percentage of young males (aged 16 to 24)
- Percentage of overcrowded households
- Percentage of single adult households
- Percentage of student households
- Proportion of population classified as ACORN category 5 ('Hard Pressed')
- Percentage of terraced houses
- Percentage of overcrowded households
- Percentage of population claiming unemployment related benefits
- Population sparsity
- Unemployment (total)
- Long-term unemployed young males
- Bars per hectare
- Daytime population
- Number of retail and leisure outlets
- Migration balance (overall change)
- Percentage of internal migrants (residents moving in)
- Domestic visitors

## Staffordshire MS CDRP Groups - Last Updated May 2006

*(The location after the CDRP is the police force area)*

### East Staffordshire

Crewe - Cheshire  
Kettering - Northamptonshire  
Rugby - Warwickshire  
Shrewsbury & Atcham - West Mercia  
South Worcestershire - West Mercia  
Amber Valley - Derbyshire  
Waveney - Suffolk  
Chorley - Lancashire  
Sedgemoor - Avon & Somerset  
Cherwell - Thames Valley  
High Peak - Derbyshire  
Swale - Kent  
Somerset East - Avon & Somerset  
Chelmsford - Essex

### Tamworth

Havant - Hampshire  
Dudley - West Midlands  
Cannock Chase - Staffordshire  
Walsall - West Midlands  
Mansfield - Nottinghamshire  
Stockport - Greater Manchester  
Rushmoor - Hampshire  
Redditch - West Mercia  
Nuneaton & Bedworth - Warwickshire  
Bury - Greater Manchester  
Warrington - Cheshire  
Wigan - Greater Manchester  
Sefton - Merseyside  
Basildon - Essex

### Lichfield District

Hinckley & Bosworth - Leicestershire  
Maldon - Essex  
Vale Royal - Cheshire  
Northwest Leicestershire - Leicestershire  
North Wiltshire - Wiltshire  
Selby - North Yorkshire  
Tewkesbury - Gloucestershire  
Tonbridge & Malling - Kent  
West Berkshire - Thames Valley  
Bromsgrove - West Mercia  
Stroud - Gloucestershire  
Staffordshire Moorlands - Staffordshire  
Flintshire - North Wales  
Seven Oaks - Kent

### Newcastle

Wrexham - North Wales  
East Staffordshire - Staffordshire  
Warrington - Cheshire  
Barnsley - South Yorkshire  
Ellesmere Port & Neston - Cheshire  
Colchester - Essex  
Broxtowe - Nottinghamshire  
Wakefield - West Yorkshire  
Chelmsford - Essex  
Chorley - Lancashire  
Crewe - Cheshire  
Chester - Cheshire  
Maidstone - Kent  
Telford & Wrekin - West Mercia

## **Staffordshire MS CDRP Groups**

*(The location after the CDRP is the police force area)*

### **Staffordshire Moorlands**

South Derbyshire - Derbyshire  
Maldon - Essex  
Tewkesbury - Gloucestershire  
Selby - North Yorkshire  
West Oxfordshire - Thames Valley  
Stroud - Gloucestershire  
South Oxfordshire - Thames Valley  
North Wiltshire - Wiltshire  
Forest of Dean - Gloucestershire  
Mid-Bedfordshire - Bedfordshire  
Lichfield - Staffordshire  
Babergh - Suffolk  
Melton - Leicestershire  
West Berkshire - Thames Valley

### **Cannock Chase**

Solihull - West Midlands  
Wyre Forest - West Mercia  
Rotherham - South Yorkshire  
Tamworth - Staffordshire  
Ashfield - Nottinghamshire  
Mansfield - Nottinghamshire  
Chesterfield - Derbyshire  
Erewash - Derbyshire  
Warrington - Cheshire  
Havant - Hampshire  
Dudley - West Midlands  
Nuneaton & Bedworth - Warwickshire  
Redditch - West Mercia  
Flintshire - North Wales

### **Stafford**

South Worcestershire - West Mercia  
South Kesteven - Lincolnshire  
Congleton - Cheshire  
East Riding of Yorkshire - Humberside  
Sedgemoor - Avon & Somerset  
Cherwell - Thames Valley  
Hinckley & Bosworth - Leicestershire  
Crewe - Cheshire  
Nthwest Leicestershire - Leicestershire  
Newark & Sherwood - Nottinghamshire  
West Lancashire - Lancashire  
East Staffordshire - Staffordshire  
Bassetlaw - Nottinghamshire  
Shrewsbury & Atcham - West Mercia

### **South Staffordshire**

Blaby - Leicestershire  
Maldon - Essex  
Lichfield - Staffordshire  
North Warwickshire - Warwickshire  
North East Derbyshire - Derbyshire  
Hinckley & Bosworth - Leicestershire  
Castle Morpeth - Northumbria  
South Derbyshire - Derbyshire  
Bromsgrove - West Mercia  
Selby - North Yorkshire  
Staffordshire Moorlands - Staffordshire  
Broadland - Norfolk  
Mid-Suffolk - Suffolk  
Rochford - Essex