



Dundee City Council

Community Safety and Public Protection Committee

**DUNDEE LOCAL POLICING AREA
QUARTERLY POLICE REPORT**

1st July – 30th September 2019

**Report 392-2019 by Chief Superintendent Andrew Todd, Police
Scotland 'D' Division (Tayside)**

1. RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 It is recommended that members note and scrutinise this operational report.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The purpose of this report (Appendix A) is to provide information to the Committee regarding the performance of Police Scotland to facilitate local scrutiny.
- 2.2 Appendix A will provide information in relation to some of the work which has taken place within Dundee Local Policing Area.
- 2.3 The content in this report is for information purposes to allow Board Members to conduct their scrutiny responsibilities.

3. PERFORMANCE

- 3.1 Appendix A will provide updates on:
- Putting Victims at the Heart of What We Do
 - Tackling Crime and Antisocial Behaviour
 - Protecting Vulnerable People
 - Maintaining Public Safety

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1. There are no financial implications as a result of this report.

5. STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no staffing issues as a result of this report.

6. ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

6.1 This report does not have any impact on the environment.

7. SUMMARY

7.1 The attached report updates members regarding significant operational matters and performance of the local policing area.

8. COMPLIANCE

Is the proposal;

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| (a) Human Rights Act 1998 compliant? | YES |
| (b) Equality & Diversity compliant? | YES |



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Quarter 2 ending 30th September 2019
Chief Superintendent Todd



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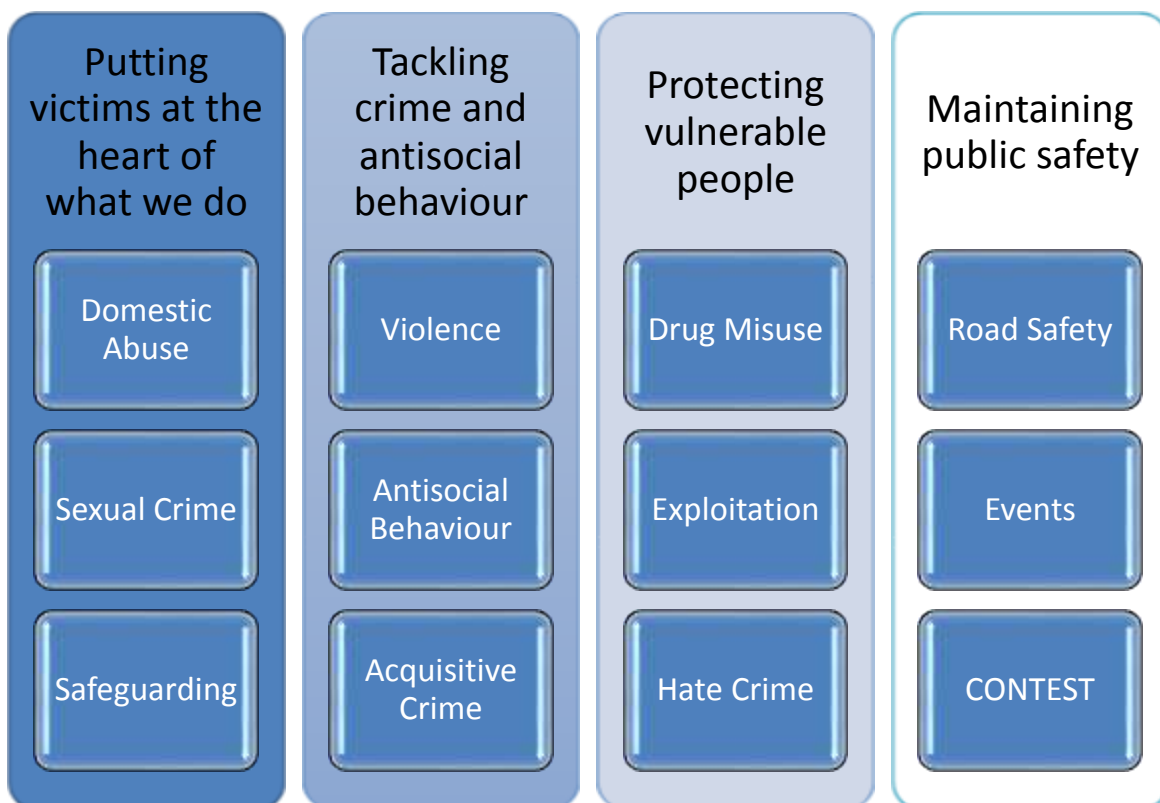
Introduction and overview of Policing Objectives

As from April 2013, the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 has required Divisional Commanders to produce and publish a Local Policing Plan (LPP) for each local authority area. The LPP clearly sets out the policing objectives for Dundee City and were presented to Community Safety and Public Protection Committee.

Performance in relation to the identified policing objectives and outcomes is monitored and reviewed at monthly Tasking and Delivery Meeting. Quarterly reports are produced to allow scrutiny by Dundee Council Community Safety and Public Protection Services Committee. This report covers the period 1st July 2019 to 30th September 2019 inclusive, however will focus on Year to Date (YTD) data from 1 April 2018 to 30 September 2018 and 1 April 2019 to 30 September 2019.

Data provided in this report is for information purposes to allow Board Members to conduct their scrutiny responsibilities.

This report will make reference to specific crimes mentioned underneath local outcomes, which we refer to as our control strategy.



The information contained within this document compliments Force Priorities and supports reporting through Community Planning Partnership structures.

Putting victims at the heart of what we do

Having a victim centred approach allows us to consider the needs of victims at all times, working with partners to ensure the response is appropriate allows us to ensure support and preventative work takes place. We continue to utilise specialist resources internally and externally by ensuring our staff are trained and we work hard to ensure our victims feel confident and supported in the service we provide.

Outcome 1 - Domestic Abuse

Activity

As of September 2019 Domestic Abuse crimes/offences are 10.8% higher (year to date) than last year (this equates to around 130 crimes). Patterns of Domestic Abuse have fluctuated locally and nationally however the enactment of the Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018 and the offence of a person engaging in an abusive course of conduct will result in higher recording rates. This is the result of an additional crime being recorded in certain circumstances where a course of conduct is considered.

Results

There are currently 10 individuals within Dundee subject to proactive enforcement by the local Domestic Abuse Team and the national Domestic Abuse Task Force. These perpetrators are identified by local MATAC processes.

Challenges

The introduction of the Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018 is a welcome piece of legislation however will challenge the ability of local policing to gather the required level of evidence, particularly in cases of coercive control which has taken place over a number of years. All Police Officers in Scotland are undergoing training to ensure they are properly equipped to understand and deal with this legislative change and the new offences will be the subject of training during the 16 days of activism later in 2019.

Outcome 2 – Sexual Crime

Activity

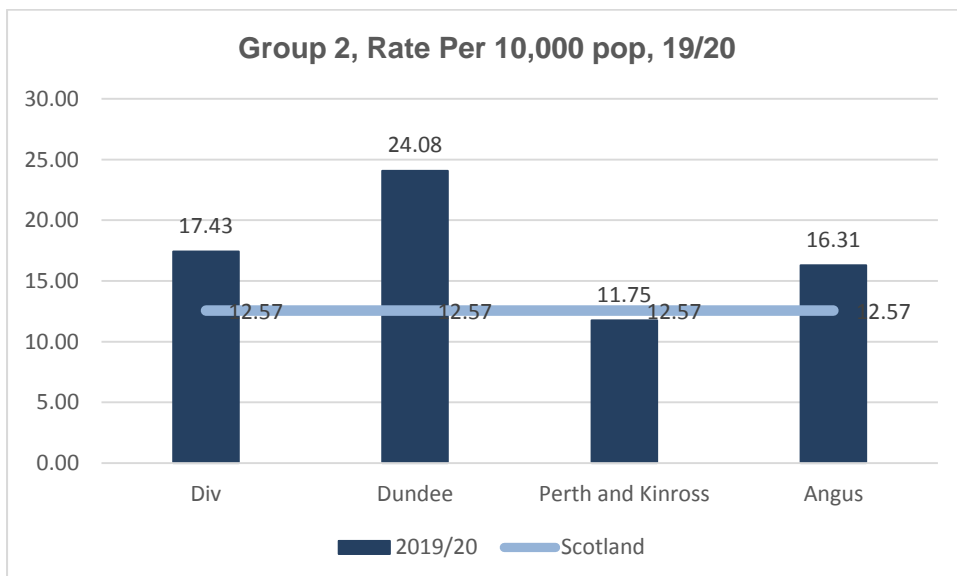
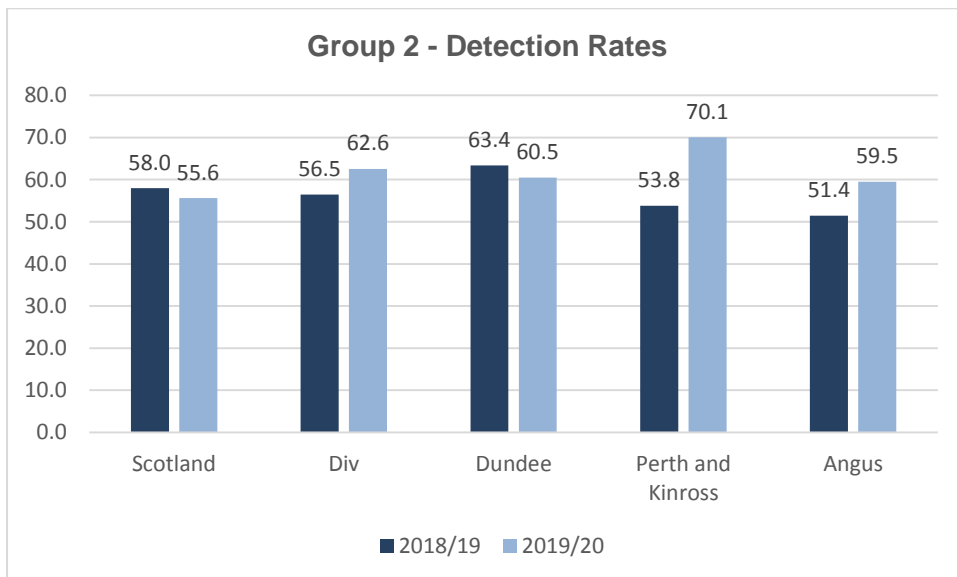
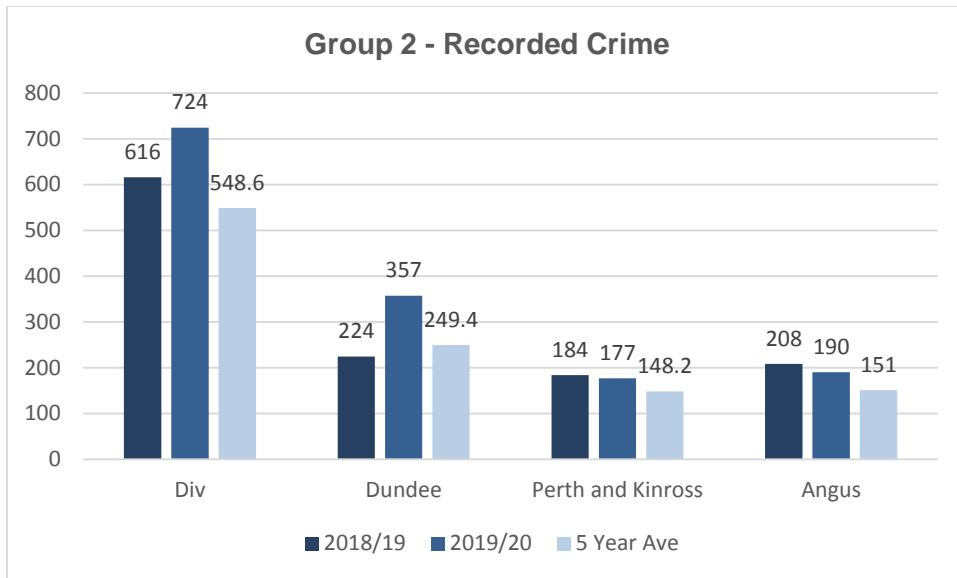
During the first and second quarters of 2019/20, the volume of Group 2 crime has increased by 48.7% in Dundee compared to last year – this is partly down to an increase in reported rapes and sexual assaults. Detection rates have increased significantly over the same period, contributing to an overall detection rate of 67.7%, higher than the equivalent figure in the same period of 2018/19.

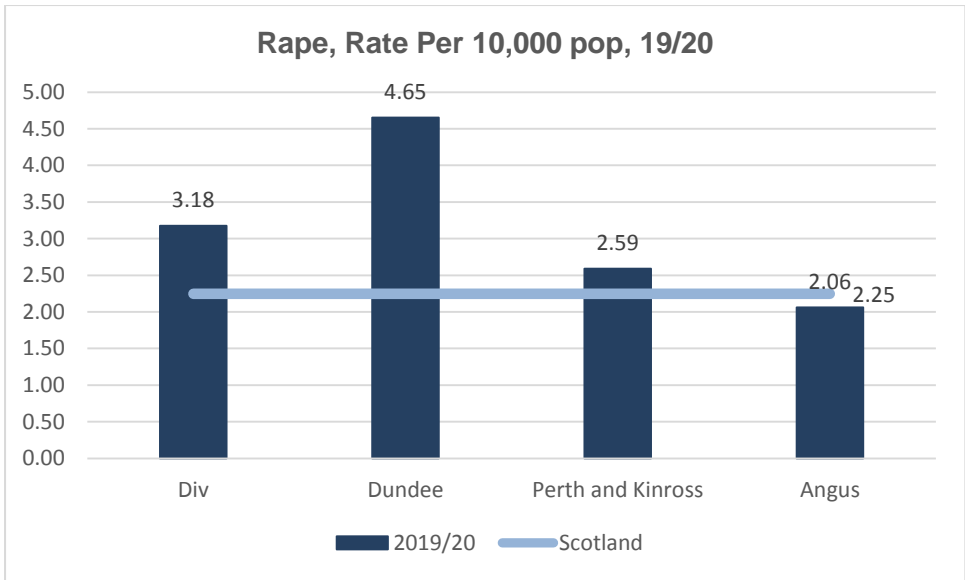
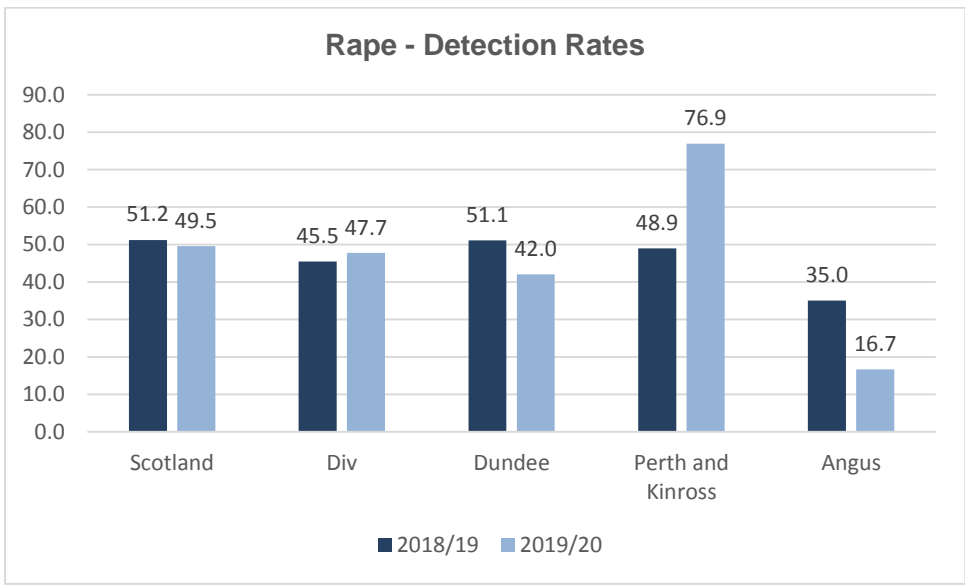
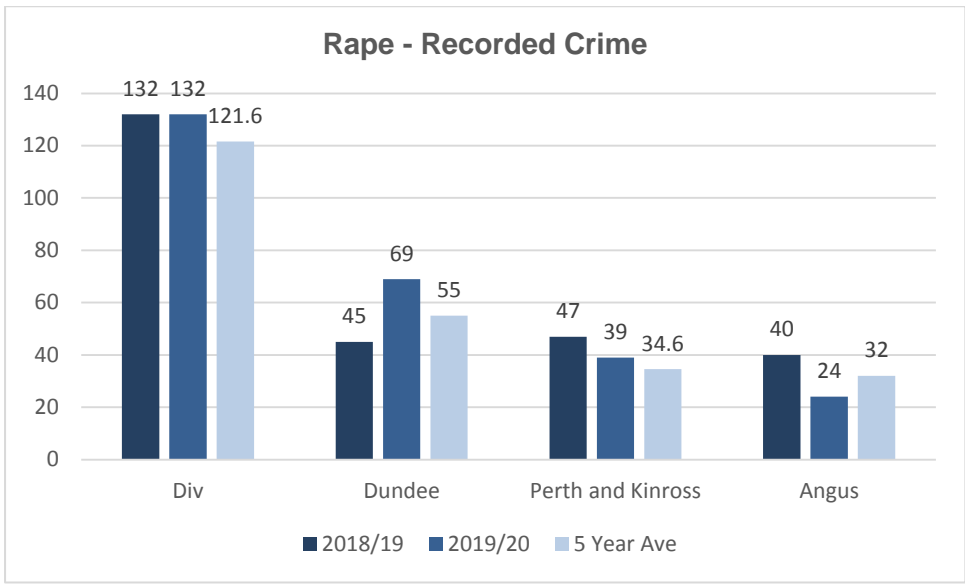
In April, 2019 a new Forensic Examination Suite was opened in Dundee, catering for adult victims of sexual crime across Tayside. This creates a one stop-shop for forensic examination and support and contains an anonymous referral option where victims are not ready to speak to Police. Services for child victims are provided at existing co-located centres.

Challenges

Historical crimes represent 19% of the total crimes reported in Dundee. In order to respond to the rising demand from historical sexual crimes, a non-recent sexual crime team was launched on 17th

July 2019 under the leadership of a Detective Inspector. This will improve standards of investigation in historic cases where evidence gathering can be more difficult.





Outcome 3 – Safeguarding

Police Scotland focuses activity to support and improve operational delivery, making Scotland a safe place to live, work and visit. Strong local community and partner relationships have been built to deliver better outcomes for people and build public confidence.

Activity

Preventions and Interventions Department staff are involved in a range of work streams, each with an identified Lead Officer, around the highest impact Vulnerability impacting on the Division including Suicide/Mental Health, Fatal/Non-Fatal Drug Overdoses, Anti-Social Behaviour, Repeat Callers, Missing Persons and crime/harm prevention.

To facilitate joint working with LPAs to deal with these issues, a 'Case Officer' model has been implemented. Interventions officers are allocated individual cases to work in partnership with LPA officers, to support more effective partnership working, share best practice and develop intervention plans to reduce demand and vulnerability. A daily tasking and coordination process is in place to identify individuals or incidents of note and opportunities for early and effective intervention.

Ongoing work in Divisional Preventions by the Divisional Missing Person Coordinator includes:

Promotion of the Purple Alert APP and Herbert Protocol to families/carers and those working with individuals with dementia. Purple Alert, launched by Alzheimer Scotland, allows a person suffering from dementia to be registered on a free APP which provides community alerts in relation to a person with dementia if they are reported missing and allows the sharing information which could help return vulnerable people home safely. The app, which is available on iPhone and Android, uses GPS technology to send an alert to all users within a 30-mile radius. Incidents involving people suffering from dementia are reviewed and where appropriate the next of kin or most appropriate relative is contacted in person by telephone and in writing highlighting the Purple Alert scheme and providing them with information on how to register and use the APP. The Purple Alert scheme has also been highlighted and shared with Local Authorities and partner agencies including Community Alarms and private residential care establishments.

Work is ongoing with partners in the NHS in relation to missing patient protocols and procedures.

Training inputs have been delivered to Local authority staff and other relevant agencies, including foster carers, in relation to the Missing Person National Framework. Work is also ongoing to develop a working practice for Missing within mainstream education for all Local Authorities.

The Divisional Missing Person Coordinator attends multiagency fortnightly meetings in relation to missing person incidents involving Looked after Children in Dundee. There are also daily reviews of missing person incidents.

Results

In the second quarter, Police dealt with 345 missing person incidents. Often these incidents are resolved quickly and do not require full missing person enquiries. Dundee Officers also dealt with 1446 concern calls during the second quarter.

Challenges

Mental Health is a resource intensive area in which Police in Dundee are performing an increasing role. Police continue to work closely to improve efficiency in dealing with persons in crisis.

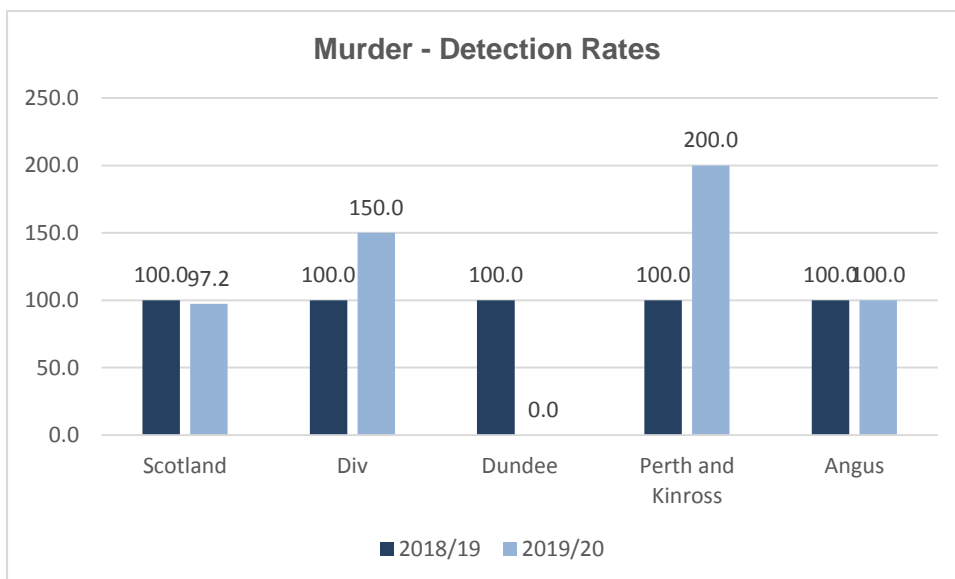
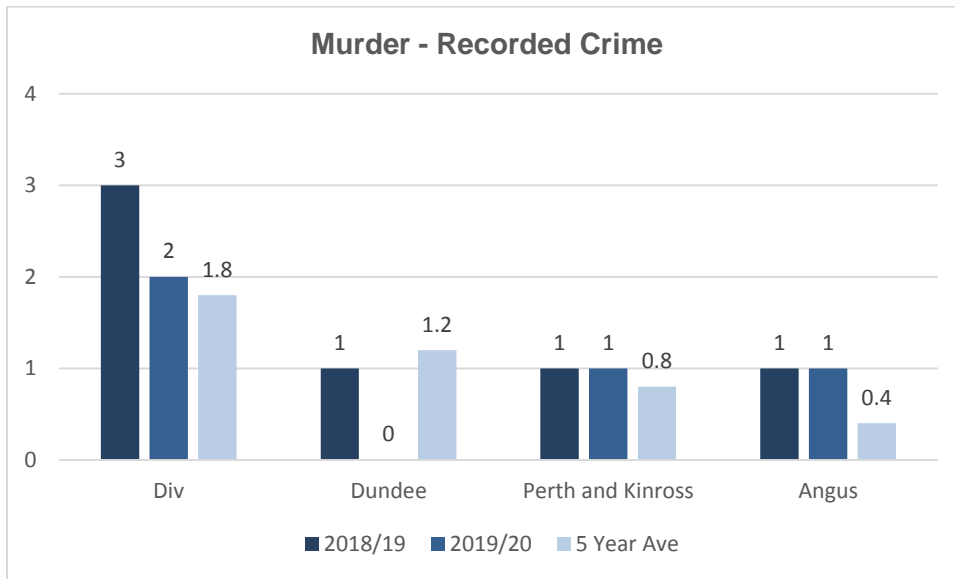
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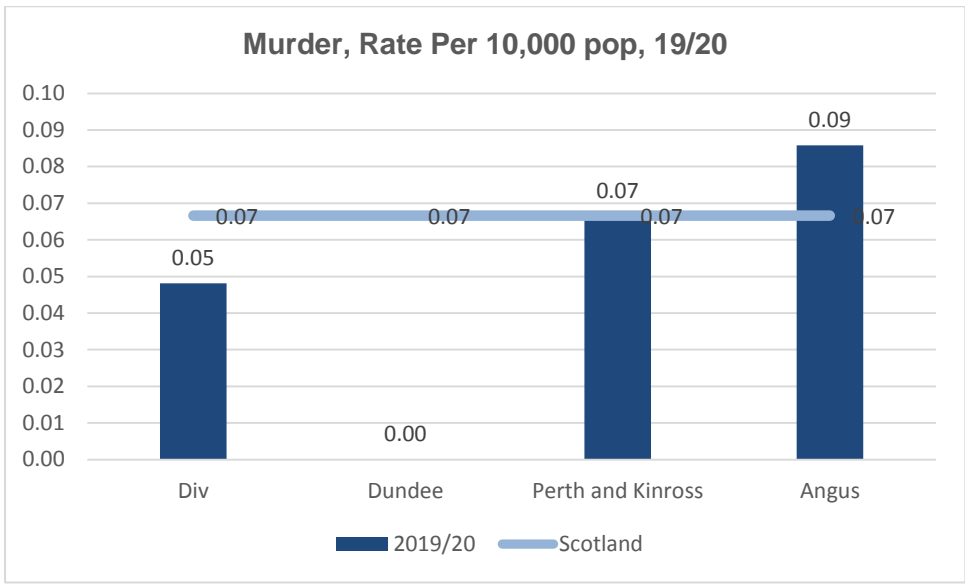
It is recognised that through early intervention and an early response we can prevent escalation and crime occurring and we work hard with partners to achieve this.

Outcome 1 – Violence

Murder

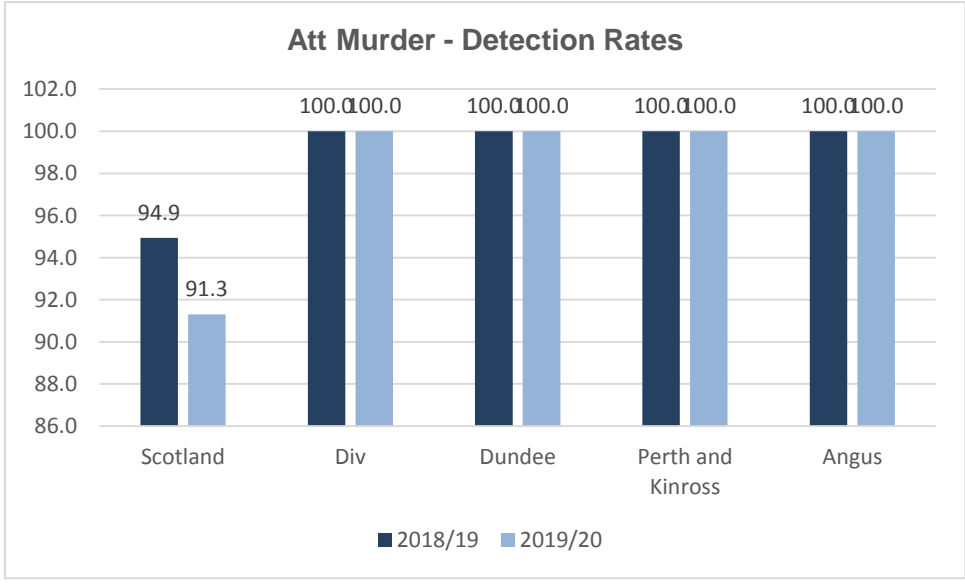
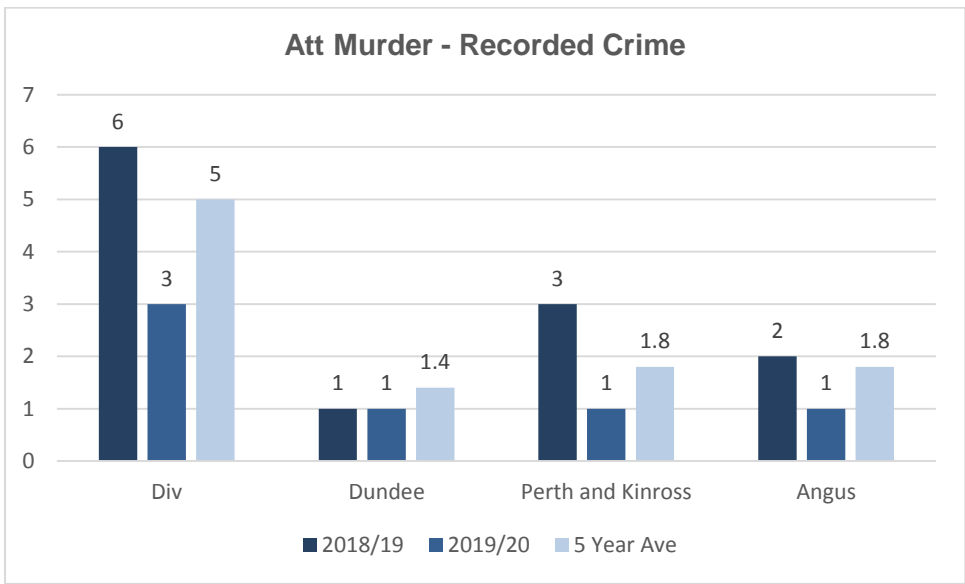
There have been no murders in Dundee during this reporting period.

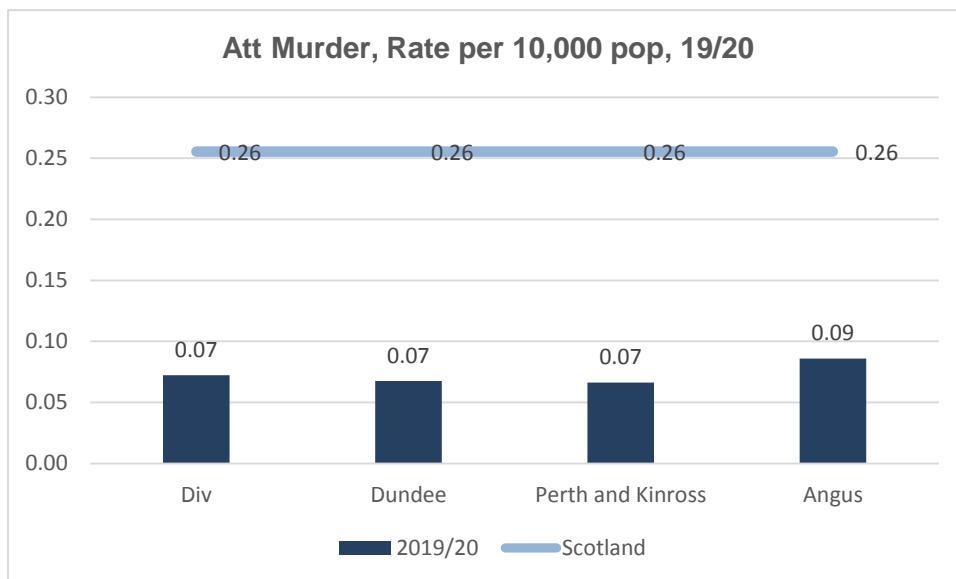




Attempted Murder

There have been no attempted murders have been recorded during this reporting period.





Serious Assaults

Activity

34 Serious assaults have been recorded during this reporting period, this is a reduction from the previous quarter and years numbers although 6 crimes above the 5 year average.

Police deploy on Centre Safe activity every week, this focuses upon early intervention and prevention around city centre locations working in conjunction with licensed premises and the Safe Zone Bus to identify vulnerability and prevent crimes from occurring this is supported by staff operating public space CCTV.

Only 2 of the crimes recorded were linked to licensed premises although around half had alcohol recorded as an aggravator.

Proactive use of intelligence, has led to a number of disruption notices and Threat to Harm/Life packages being progressed during this period. The purpose of these notices is to warn individual's they may be targeted and to put appropriate safeguards in place whilst trying to prevent individuals from becoming involved in criminal activity through recorded warnings.

The preventions and intervention team, accompanied by local community officers continue to deliver preventative inputs including 'No Knives Better Lives' to young people across the city.

A Tayside Inspector through Scottish Government Funding has been seconded to the Violence Reduction Unit to look as better ways of tackling violence.

Results

Detection rate is 78.9% this is an improvement of 3% from the previous year, but a slight decrease upon the previous quarter. All undetected serious assaults are reviewed by a CID supervisors to ensure all appropriate lines of investigation are considered.

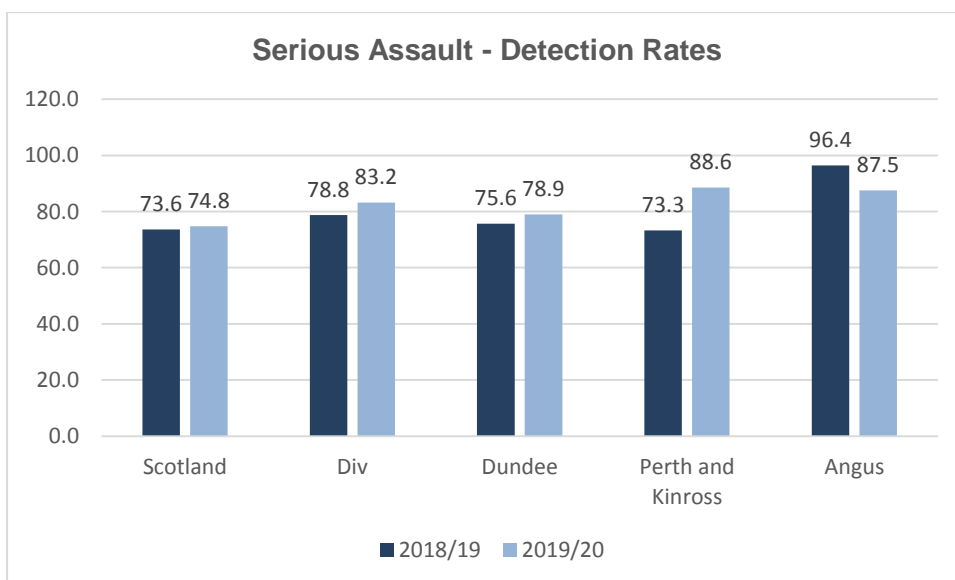
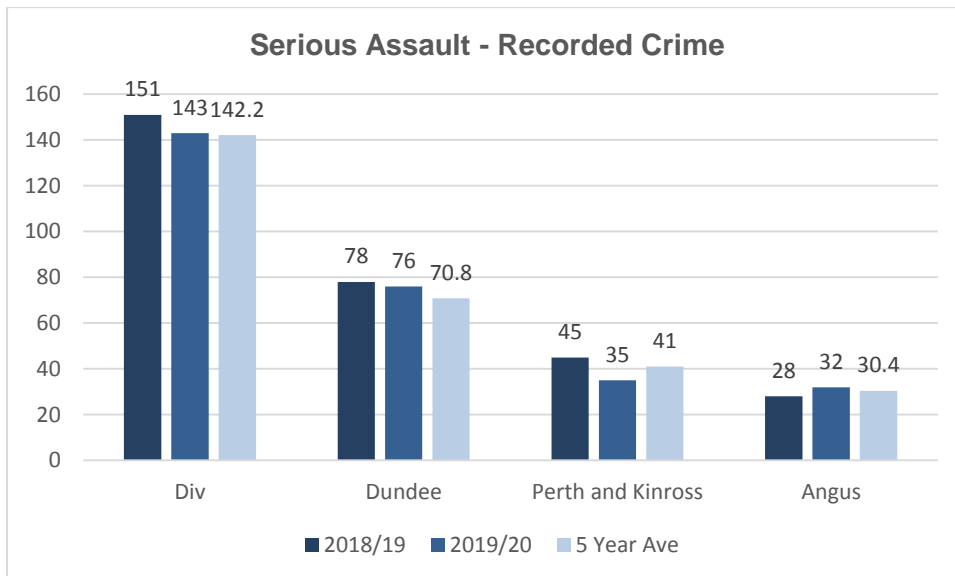
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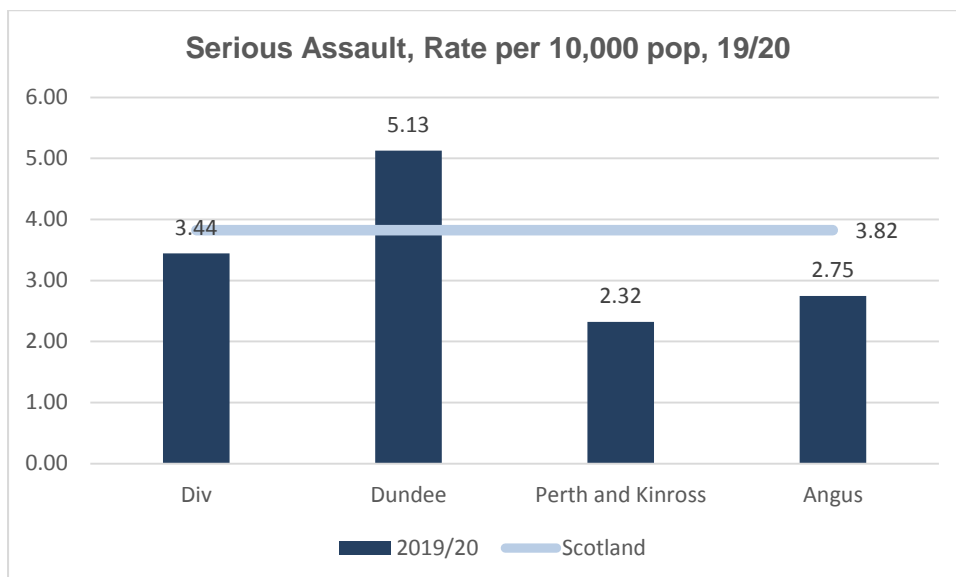
Over 50% of the crimes recorded have occurred indoors, a number of which have domestic aggravators this is a challenging to tackle.

Not all serious assaults have involved the use of weapons many have involved a head-butt or a punch or push resulting in serious injury.

When weapon have been used it has often been the nearest item to hand such as a bottle, kitchen knife and on one occasion a shower head. Only one incident involved the use of a knuckle duster.

Two of the serious assaults are connected these are assessed to be linked to the sale and supply of controlled drugs, the persons responsible have been identified as individuals from England who have links to County Line drug dealing activity, this has been a particular challenging investigation due the fear of reprisal.





Assaults

Assaults continue to demand high Policing activity in Dundee. On a daily basis violent perpetrators are targeted and associated crimes investigated by local resources including specialised resources.

Activity

Dundee Local Policing Area regularly revises weekend patrols to ensure that prolific offenders are targeted. In addition we continually review outstanding crimes and warrants with a view to targeting those offenders.

A large proportion of assaults continue to have alcohol as a contributory factor and weekend resourcing have well established preventative operations in place.

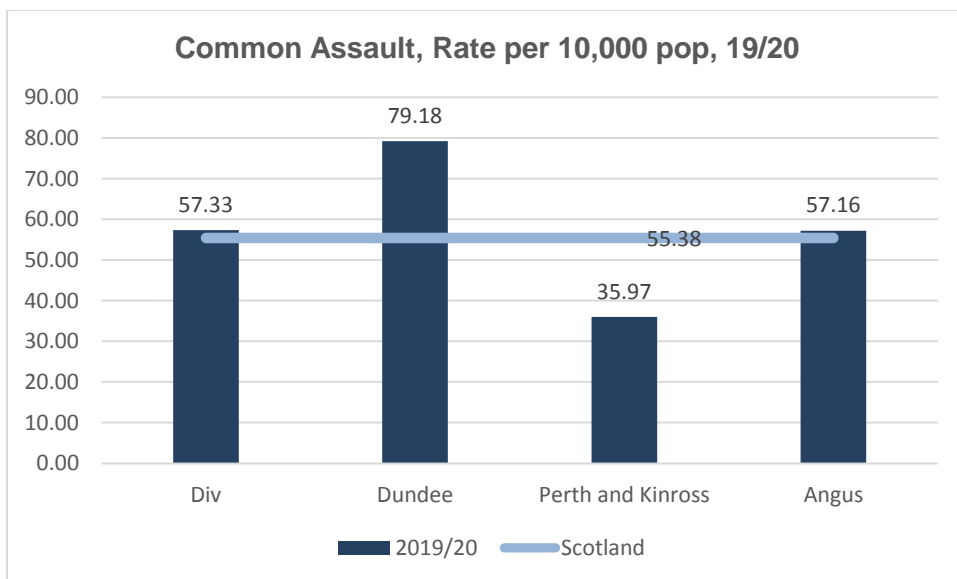
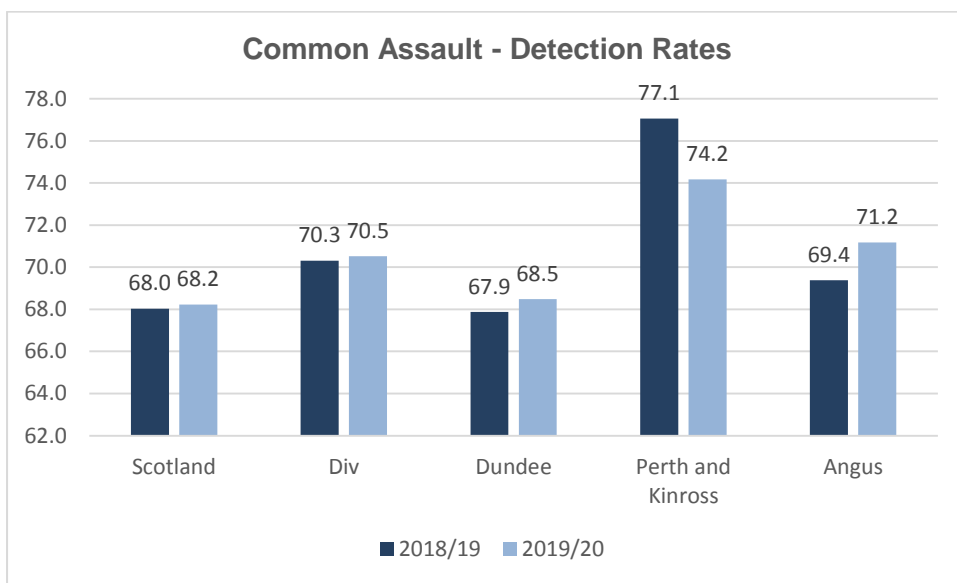
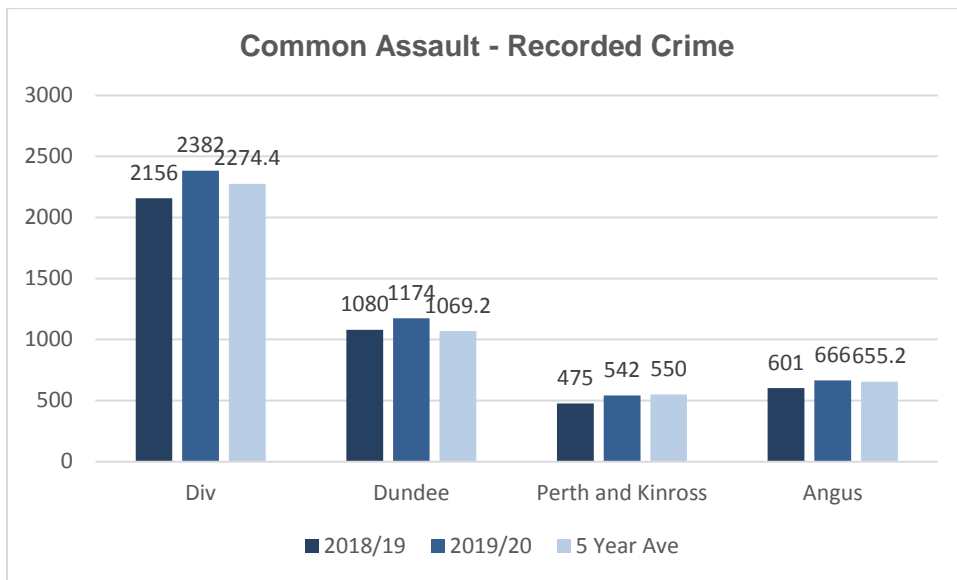
During the period under review 641 common assaults were recorded. An increase since the previous review and slightly above the 5 year average. The detection rate relatively unchanged around 68%. This is consistent with the average detection rate across Scotland.

Challenges

Domestic Abuse continues to present a challenge and we continue to work with partners to address this. All officers in the Dundee area have been given additional 'Domestic Matters' training.

On occasions, persons involved in assaults are unwilling to engage with Police which affects the Police investigation and can lead to crimes going undetected.

Assaults which are committed within licenced premises are reviewed on a daily basis and where appropriate, Exclusion Orders are requested to prevent offenders returning to certain locations.



Outcome 2 – Antisocial Behaviour

Vandalisms

Activity

The number of vandalisms reported during the reporting period was 384. This is a decrease since the last period under review and below the 5 year average. Detection rates are currently 32% which is an increase since the last review period and in line with the national average.

Occurrences continue to be relatively evenly spread across the city with vehicles again being targeted.

A number of youth projects are on-going jointly between Dundee Community Officers and our partners in Education to divert those youths who may become involved in disorder and petty crime. Longhaugh Community Team have engaged with North East Angus and delivered a 6 week 'Junior Cop Programme' in collaboration with Scottish Fire Service and Dundee Council. This course was delivered to all P5 pupils to:

Build positive relationships between Police and children in local communities.

Support partner working between schools and other agencies within the public sector.

Provide opportunities to develop breadth and application in learning about safety and respect.

Support learners to develop the skills and knowledge required to make positive choices.

Community Officers also worked with young people to tackle the issue of fire setting. Working in collaboration with Scottish Fire Service and young people at North East Campus Dundee Community Officers developed a hard hitting Fictional Fire Safety Video which has been shared across the Local Policing Area.

The Community Wardens continue to be a fantastic asset and during the quarter have continued to work closely with local officers across Dundee where youths have been involved in antisocial behaviour. High visibility patrols and community engagement has been ongoing to address issues and provide public reassurance. A number of youths have been reported for low level criminality as a result.

Community Officers recently undertook a Freshers week safety awareness sessions at both Universities and delivered inputs to school pupils regarding responsible use of Social Media.

Following consultation with staff at Grove Academy, community officers delivered supportive and preventive sessions to pupils regarding drugs, violence and Anti-Social Behaviour. Further sessions are planned and at other schools as part of ongoing community officer engagement.

In August a 'Give a day to Policing' was carried out. Dundee Officers conducted patrols in the Lochee area with Joe Fitzpatrick, speaking to locals and attending low level ASB calls. This allowed positive engagement with the community and MSP Fitzpatrick to see how the introduction of the new mobile device has enhanced the productivity and responsiveness of officers.

Jenny Marra also spent the day with officers at West Bell Street involved in meetings and speaking with officers who provide support from a number of Divisional and National departments.

Results

During the period under review, noteworthy detections include a male who was identified having damaged 20 parked vehicles and unconnected, a female who was identified as having damaged 7 vehicles at a different location.

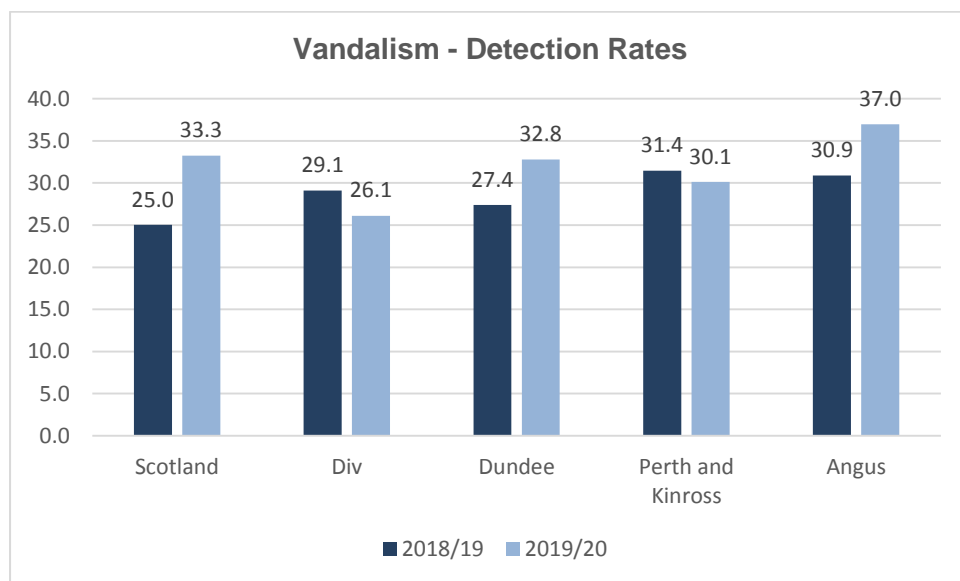
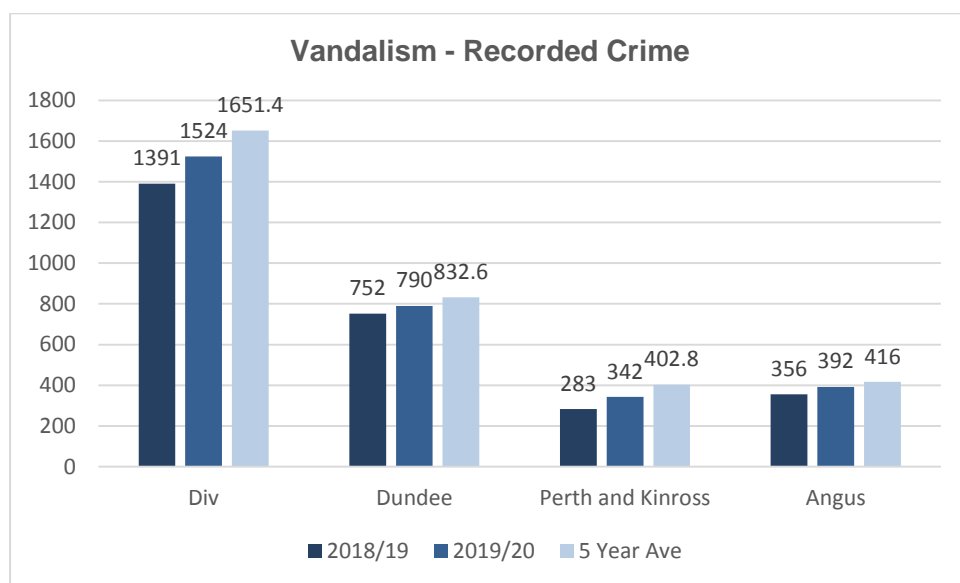
Scottish Fire and Rescue reported to local media in August that this collaborative approach had 'dramatically' reduced deliberate fire rates in Dundee.

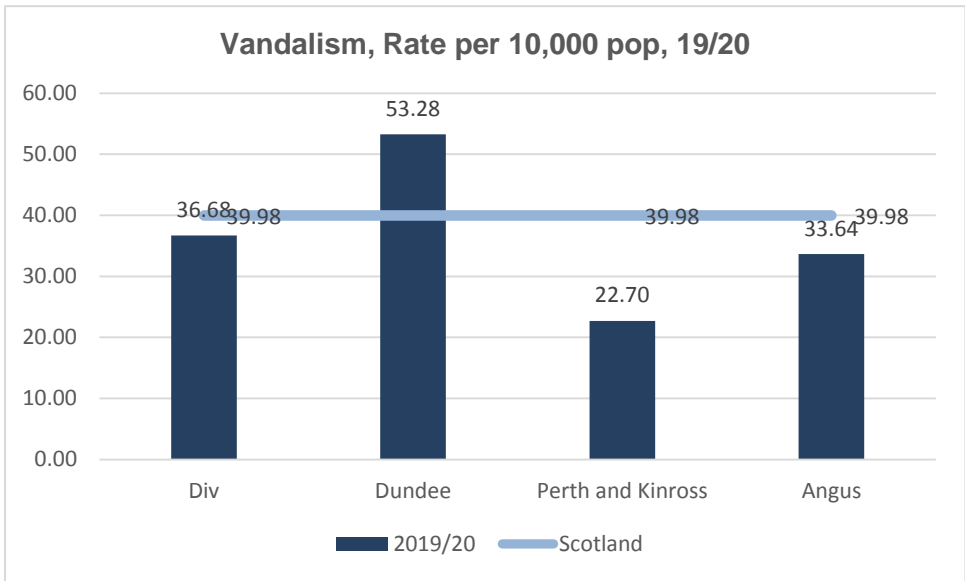
They further reported that 34 deliberate fires had been set during the period compared to 153 over the same summer quarter last year.

Work will continue to educate young people in Dundee and to deter offenders and detect anti-social behaviour.

Challenges

Competing demands present significant challenges to officers involved in youth diversionary work and projects. Community Officers will continue to work collaboratively with partners.





Consumption of alcohol

Our licensing unit continue to work with both on and off sales premises to promote responsible drinking. We will work together with our partners and schools to prevent, deter and detect underage drinking and youth disorder across the city, and support the direction of young people towards diversionary activities.

Activity

Dundee Safe and Ferry Safe are the operations that see the deployment of officers in the city centre of Dundee and Broughty Ferry focussing on the night time economy. Officers are deployed with the latest intelligence and carry out licensing checks and proactive patrols in the respective areas.

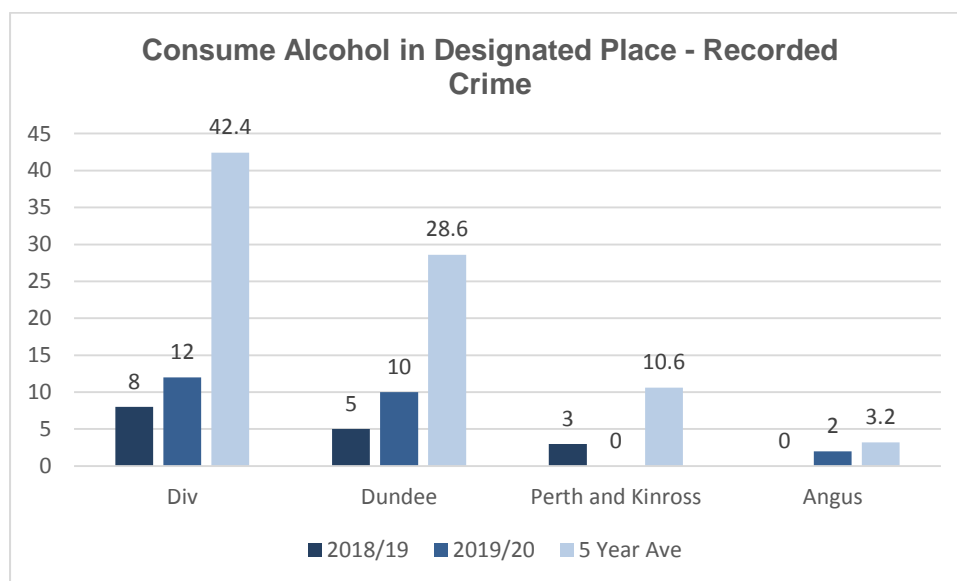
Consumption of alcohol continues to present minimal issues to Dundee Policing which is reflected in the figures below.

Results

Active engagement with licensees, security staff and patrons is encouraged. This community based approach has significantly improved over a number of years in Dundee and Broughty Ferry.

Challenges

Despite competing demands in other areas of Policing, Officers will continue to work with licensees and engage with members of the community to educate and deter offenders.



Outcome 3 – Acquisitive Crime

Activity

49 crimes classified as robberies during this quarter this is a significant increase upon both year to date and 5 year average figures. These investigations can often be complex and can place substantial demands upon investigative resources. Often these crimes can involve un-cooperative victims and witnesses.

During this reporting period a number of premises including retail and a public house have been targeted.

A Jewellers was targeted in September resulting this the theft of high value items. This investigation is being led by a Senior Investigating Officer from the Criminal Investigation Department with enquiries indicating this was a pre-planned robbery with the persons responsible being from out with Scotland.

A Hardware shop in the city was targeted by a female offender in May 2019, this was reported to police in July 2019, a named female sought.

A Newsagents has been subjected to two incidents both involving different suspects. The suspects for the most recent robbery has been arrested and the other has been identified, there are known known links between the offenders.

A Public House was also targeted, the Criminal Investigation Department with support from Dundee Community Investigation Department continue to progress this investigation.

Results

Detection rates have reduced during this reporting period in comparison to the previous year's figures, this is not unusual when there is spike in reported crime as it can often take more time for investigation to progress to the point of detection.

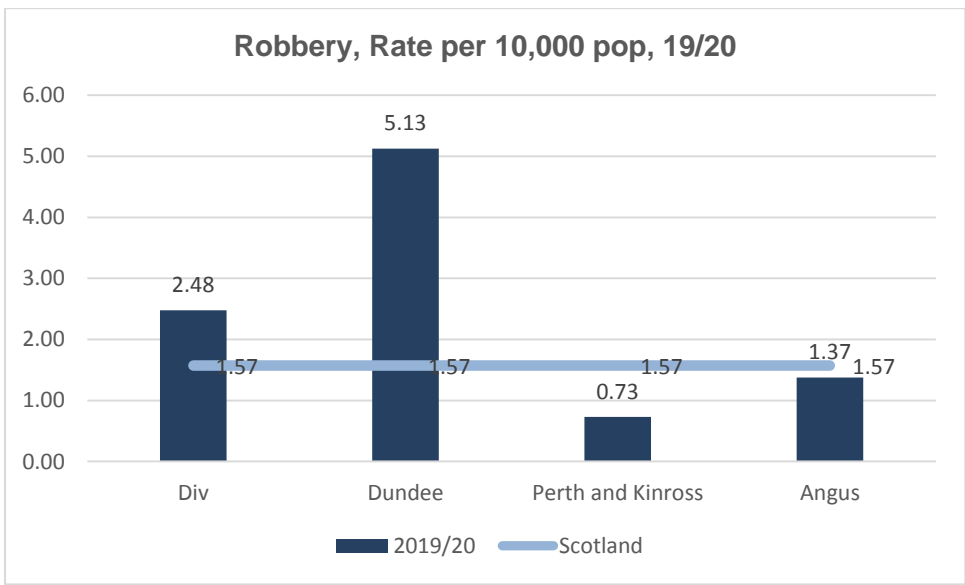
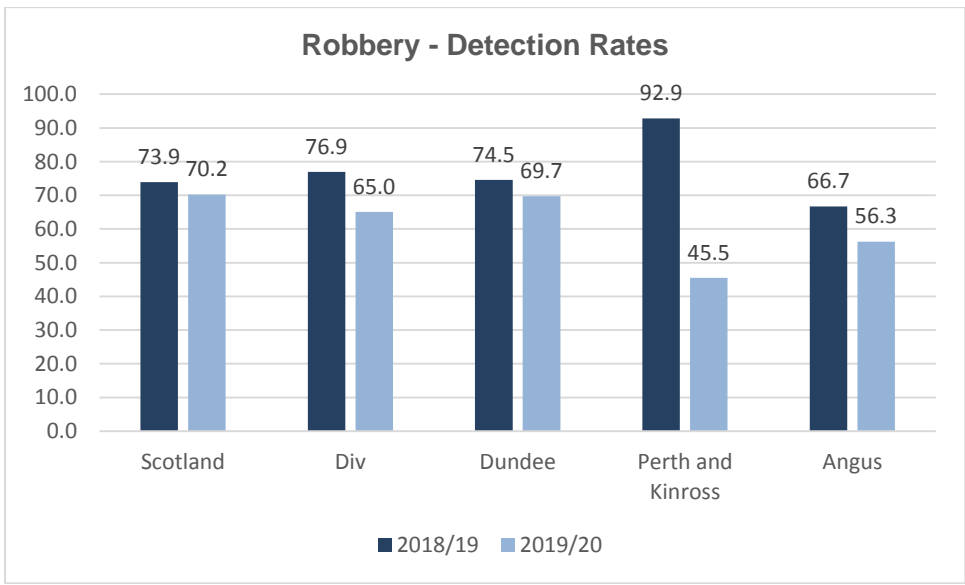
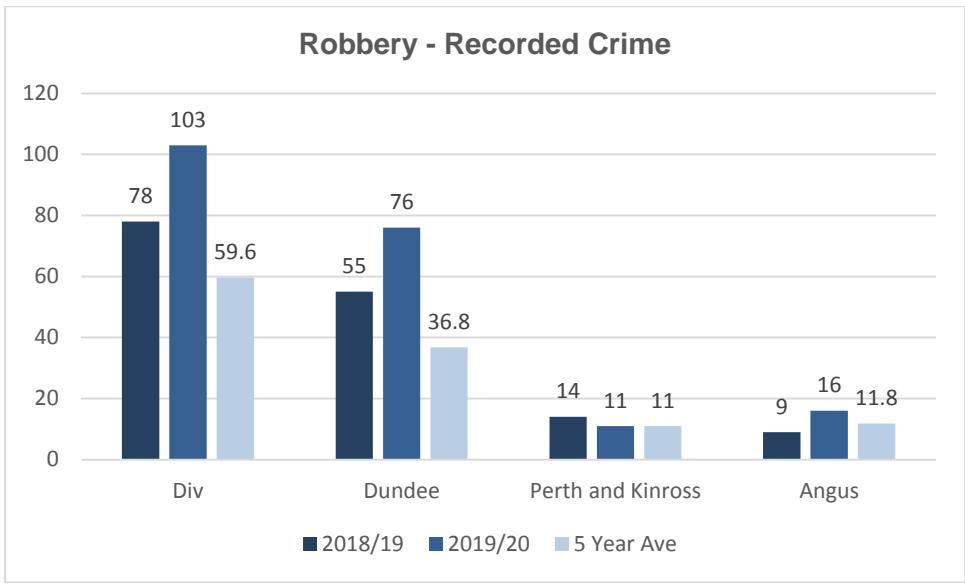
Challenges

Not all crimes of Robbery involve the use of weapons more often than not these can be opportunistic crimes perpetrated by persons who have other vulnerability markers including use of alcohol, or drugs.

The prevalence of female offenders continues to feature. There are often a variety of complex contributory factors including health, social and personal circumstances.

3 of the crimes recorded have been thoroughly investigated and it has been established that No Crime has occurred these will be re classified, the person reporting these crimes have been sign posted to support services to receive support around their individual needs.

There is around a 50% split as to where Robberies occur with both indoor and outdoor loci featuring. Analysis has been carried out with no particular hot spot identified.



Domestic Housebreaking

Activity

There has been a decrease of domestic housebreakings with 74 recorded crimes during the period under review. The detection rate is around 24% which is slightly below the national average.

Housebreaking to residential premises is particularly distressing and local officers appreciate the impact that this can have. Allowing members of our communities to feel safe in their home is a priority for Police Scotland.

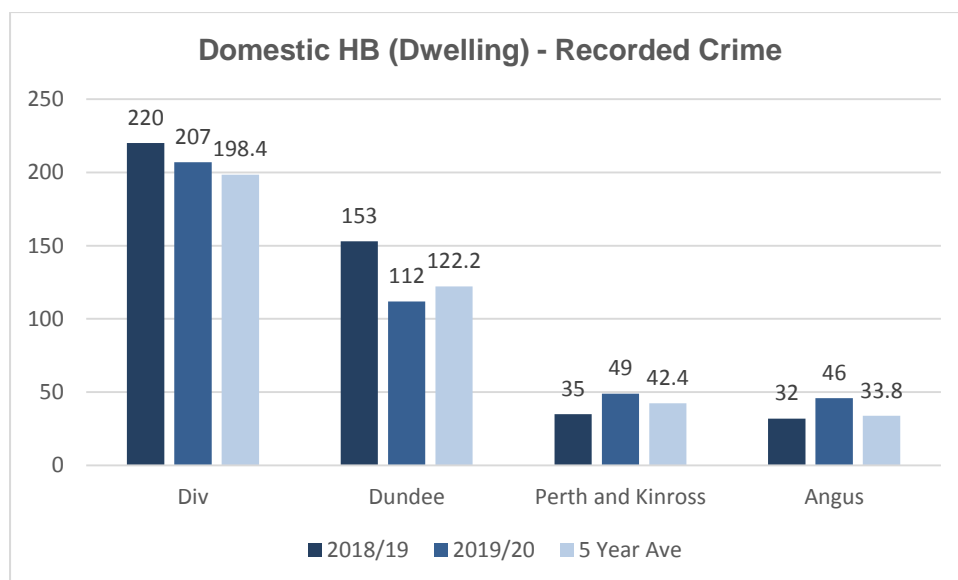
We will continue to focus our activities on those involved in this type of criminal activity and assist members of the public to recover from crime and provide preventative advice to householders and local businesses.

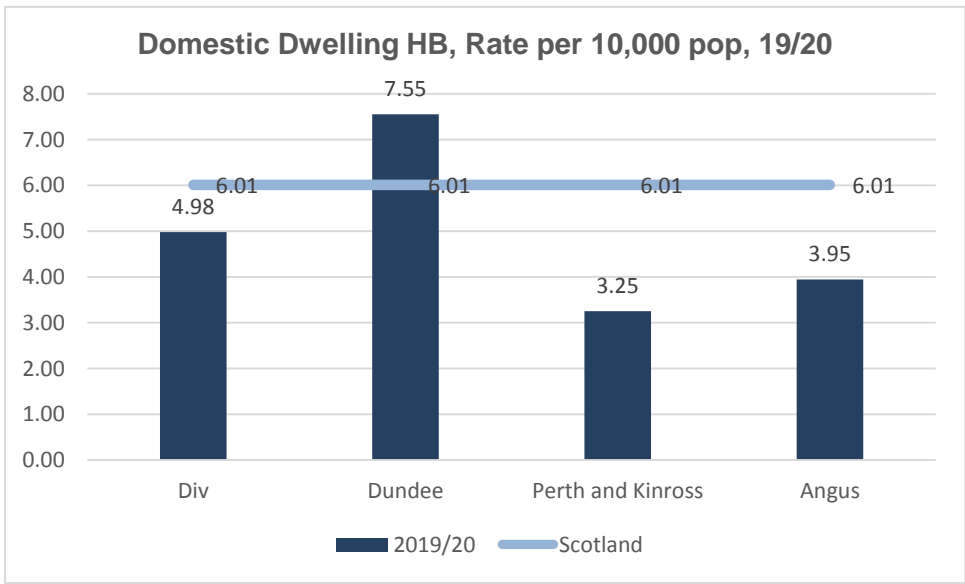
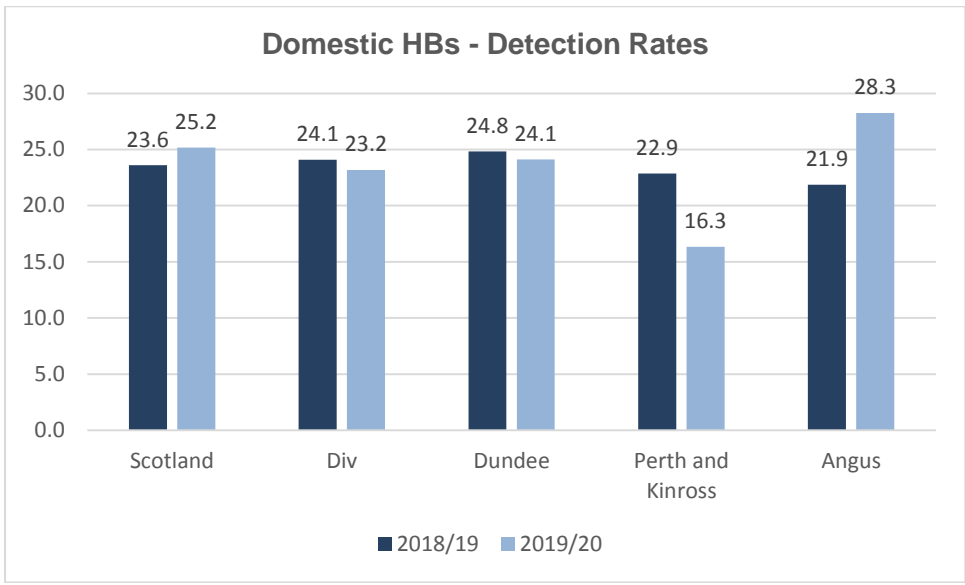
Results

During this period there have been positive results including a recovery of £1800 worth of stolen property from an address broken into in Bonnybank Road, Dundee, and detection of a theft by housebreaking in Muirfield Crescent, Dundee and detection of a theft by housebreaking in Shamrock Street, Dundee.

Challenges

Maintaining levels of police activity and ensuring that the overall position is improved. Regular meetings take place between neighbouring Local Area Policing and neighbouring Divisions to ensure that potential offenders are identified and information is shared.





Motor vehicle crime

Activity

Overall, vehicle crime has increased slightly with 187 crimes being recorded. The detection rate remains consistently around 31%.

Opportunist thefts of property continue to increase and Crime Prevention advice is regularly delivered through our Media department, urging members of the public not to leave valuable items on display within vehicles.

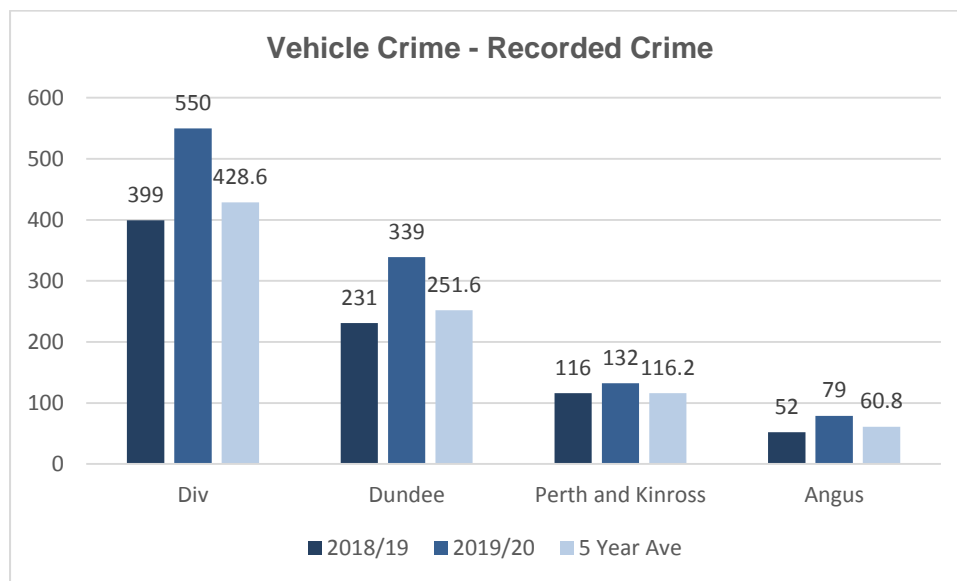
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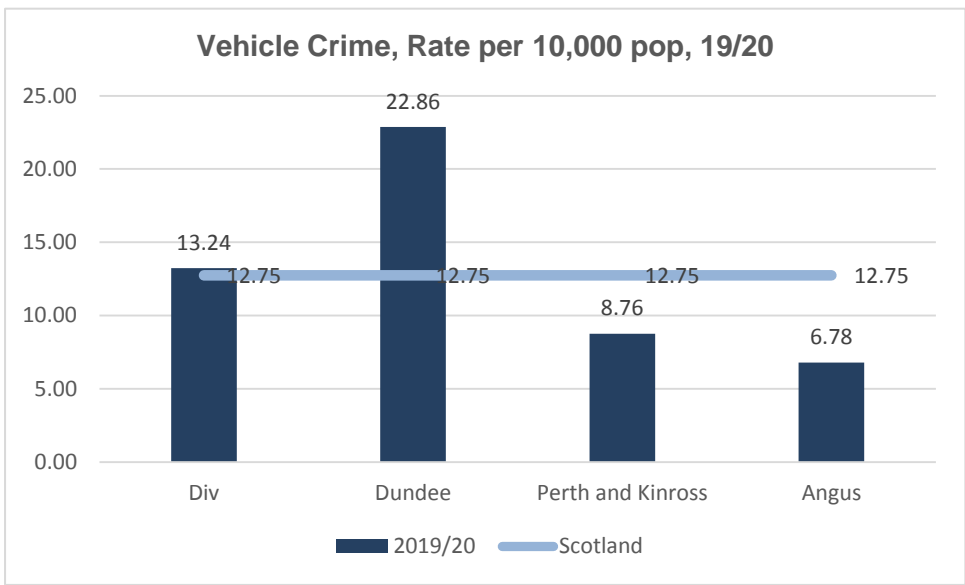
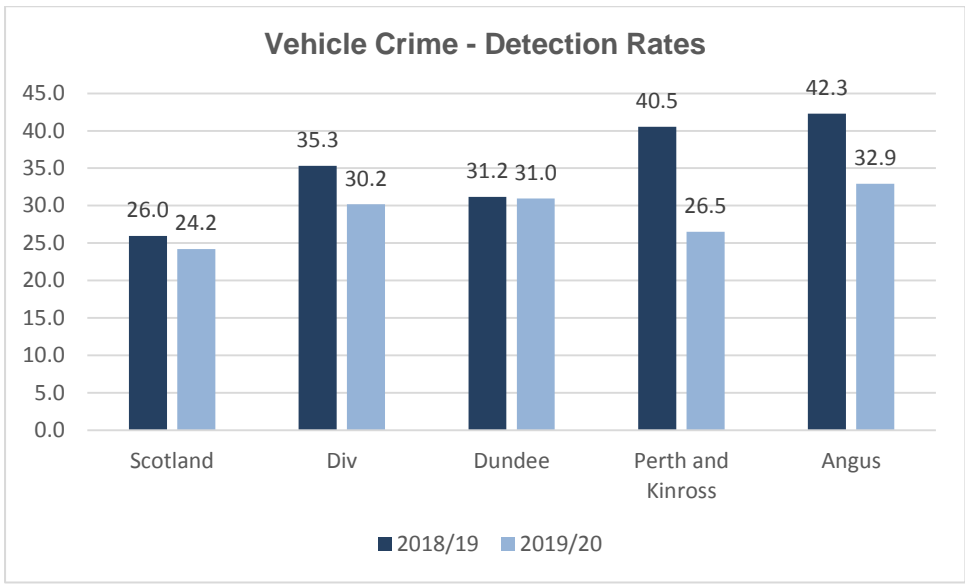
During the period under review, officers continue to work in collaboration to detect offences and deter offending. This activity has led to a number of positive results including:

A male was apprehended for a series of 50 thefts from vehicles in the Kirkton / Strathmartine areas of Dundee and another for 6 crimes in Annan Terrace, Dundee.

Challenges

Crimes of this nature are often spontaneous and spread across the Local Policing Area. We continue to deliver key prevention advice and to patrol areas identified through crime analysis.





Theft by Shoplifting:

Activity

A review of shopliftings across the City was carried out and an action plan was put in place. Work was carried out to identify repeat locations and repeat offenders were targeted.

A total of 413 shoplifting offences recorded in Dundee LPA in the review period.

A total of 103 commercial locations reported shoplifting crimes to the police, of which 55 were repeat locations (2 or more shopliftings reported).

12 locations reported 10 or more shoplifting offences, and together these locations accounted for almost one-half (204 offences) of all shoplifting in the LPA. 6 of these locations were in the City Centre area; and 6 were supermarkets out with the city centre.

The City Centre generated 40% (166 offences) of shoplifting offences in the LPA.

Results

130 offenders were detected over the review period accounting for 243 (59%) of recorded offences.

40 offenders were repeat offenders, within the review period, accounting for 2 or more offences.

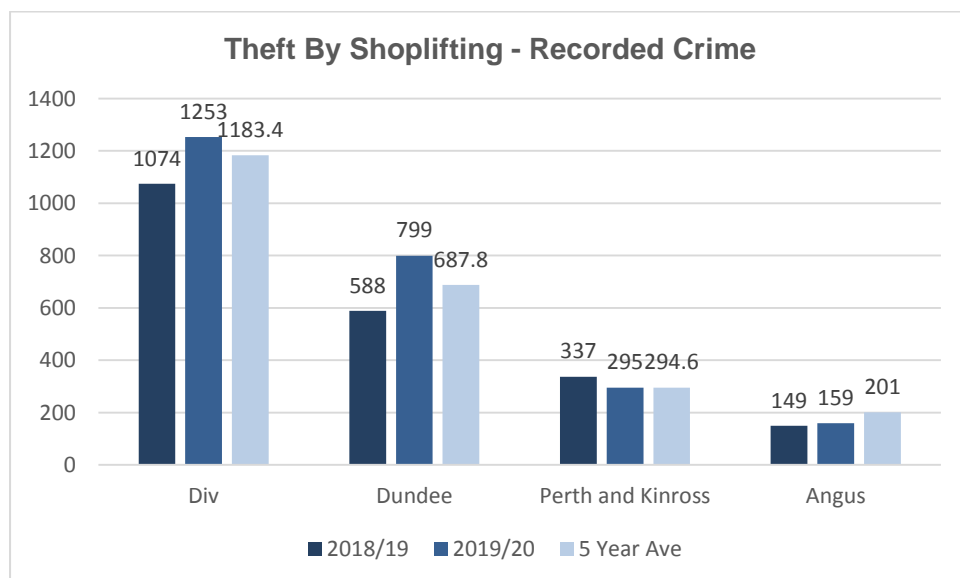
These repeat offenders accounted for 153 shoplifting offences, or 37% of all recorded offences.

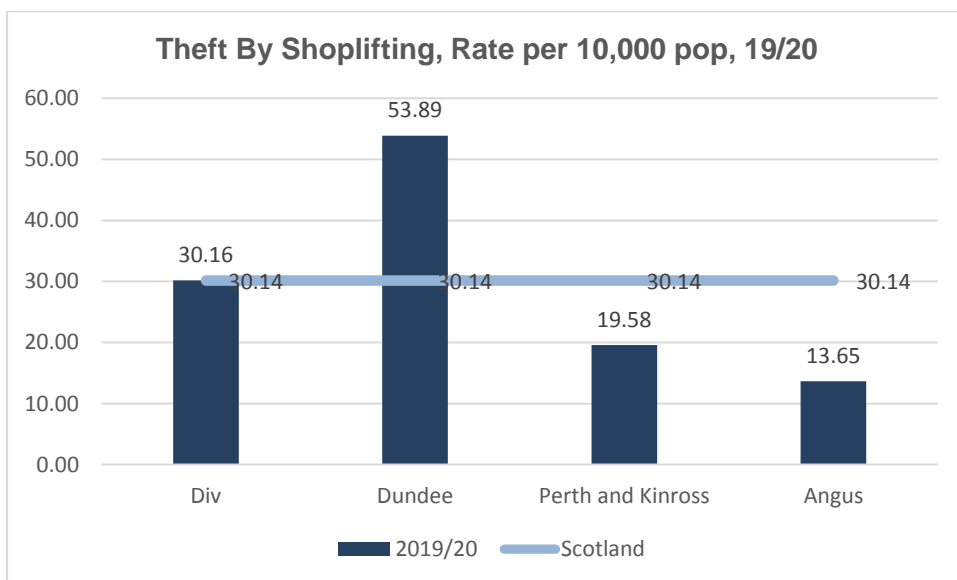
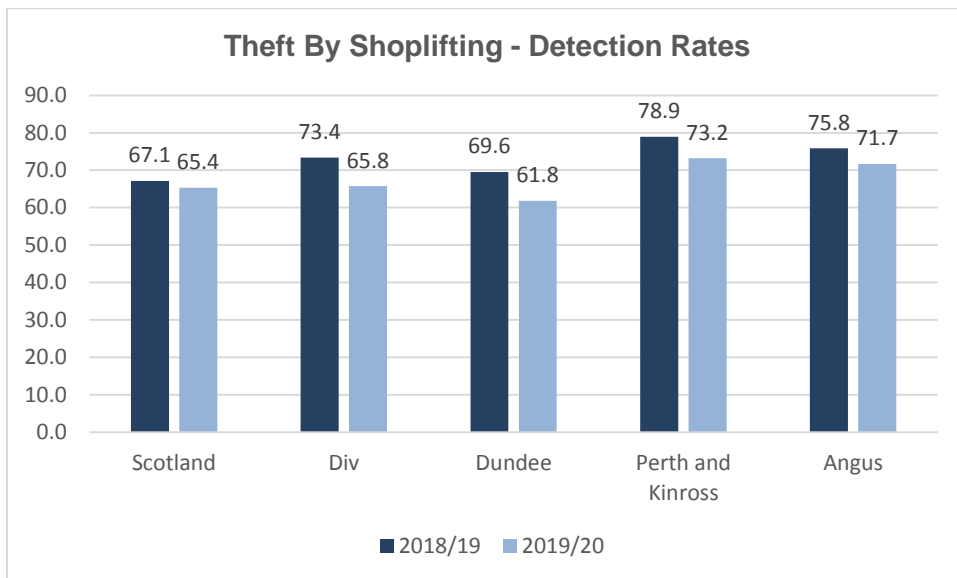
The highest volume repeat offender was detected for 24 offences over the 3 month period; however he stands out amongst the other repeat offenders as particularly prolific. The next highest offenders had been detected for 11 offences.

Overall, 7 repeat offenders were detected for 5 or more shoplifting offences in the review period.

Challenges

The volume of crime committed provided a significant demand to local Policing. However, focused patrols, targeting of repeat locations and targeting of repeat offenders is contributing towards improvement in this area.





Fraud:

Activity

There continues to be a sharp rise in the number of Frauds reported, these can take many guises from online activity, telephone scams, banking transfers, purchase of vouchers, bogus callers, to people not receiving goods having made payment.

Local officers continue to work with banking institutions through a banking protocol to identify people with vulnerability whether that be age or other susceptibility, who seek to withdraw large sums of cash without a purpose or whilst under duress by a third party.

Some frauds have been committed by a person known to victims including family member or and carer.

Safeguard checks are in place to share information with partners to ensure victims who are assessed as not having the ability to safeguard themselves or their finances from further criminal acts are provided with appropriate support as many do not meet the threshold for Adult Support and Protection measures.

Following some reported incidents and as a preventative approach, During September leaflet drops with Community Wardens to over 500 houses St Marys, Ardler and Kirkton areas warning members of the public regarding email scammers.

Our Community Policing Teams have delivered a number of safety talks to sheltered housing complexes regarding personal safety, bogus workmen and scammers.

Results

Frauds have risen to 235 in comparison to 148 for the year to date number a further increase from the 5 year average figure of 131.2. This is an increase of 87 crimes since the previous reporting period.

The detection rate remains low at 34.5% in comparison to the year to date figure of 43% but this is an increase upon the previous reporting period's figures of 28.2%. This is not an unexpected picture given the significant increase in demand to investigate crimes of this nature, which generally take time to investigate.

Police Scotland in conjunction with Trading Standards ran a successful campaign 'Shut Out Scammers' earlier this years to raise awareness of the tactics deployed by those that commit door step crime, it is not unusual to see a rise in reporting after campaigns of this nature.

A number of officers in Dundee have received additional training to allow them to better respond to crimes of this nature, and where appropriate information is shared with Trading Standards to ensure all legislative frameworks are used to prosecute / target those responsible.

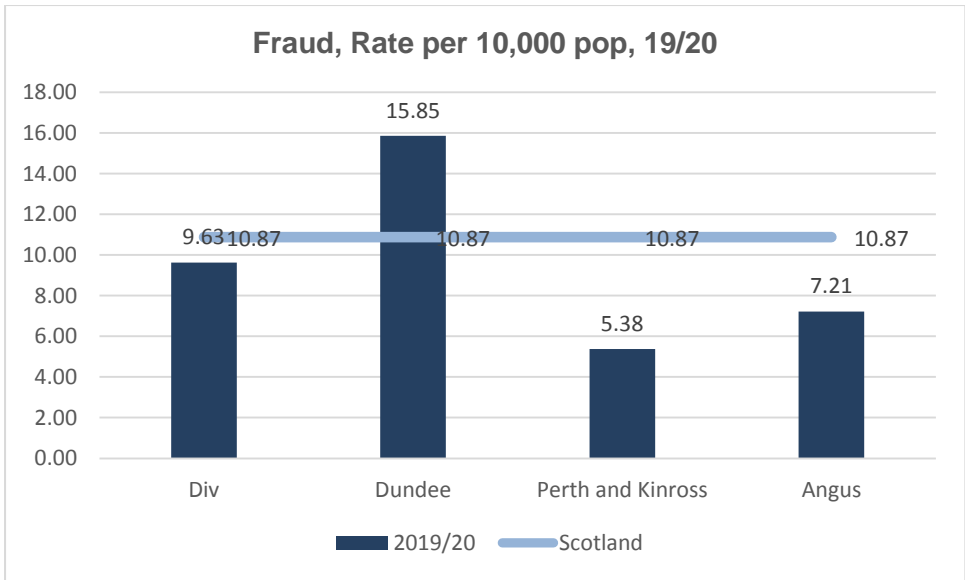
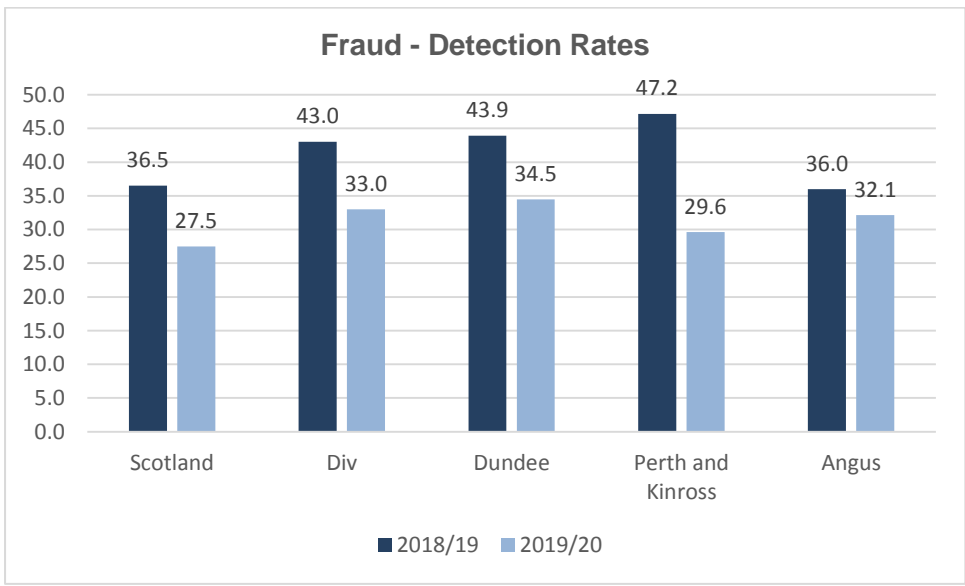
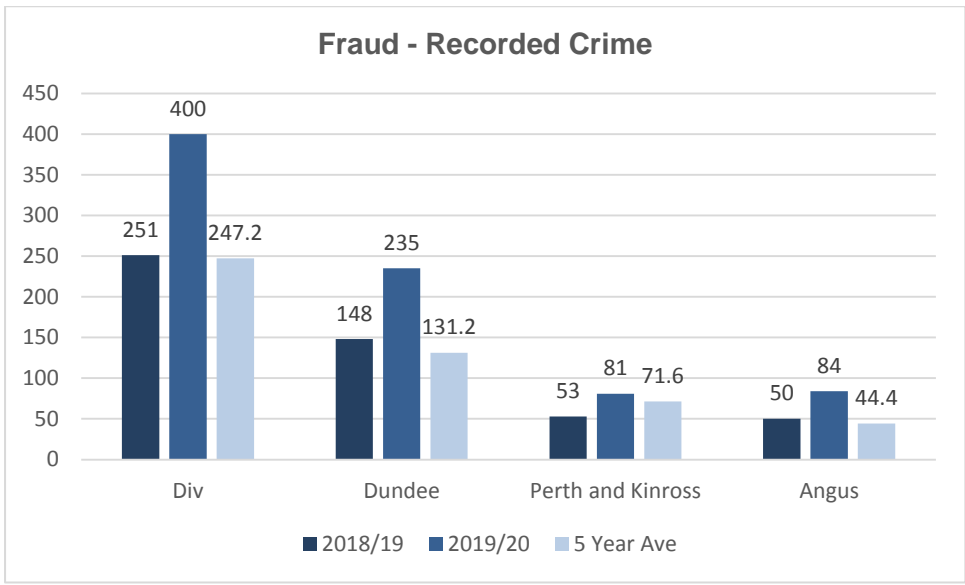
Challenges

It is expected crimes of this nature will continue to rise, as criminals become more and more sophisticated in their methods through the use of technology.

There have already been reports of fraudulent activity around the collapse of Thomas Cook reported across Scotland.

Fraud is often a complex crime to investigate, local officers have access to support from a National Economic Crime Unit.

A large number of crimes reported in Scotland have originated and have been committed by people out with the UK and NI.



Protecting vulnerable people

Outcome 1 – Drug Misuse

Possession drugs

Activity

For the second quarters there were 342 recorded crimes, a slight increase. The detection rate has also slightly increased to 91%.

Proactive work continues throughout the city. Local officers deal with those suspected of being in possession of controlled drugs on a regular basis.

Drug abuse is recognised as a significant issue and in addition to seizures of Cannabis, Heroin, Cocaine and Diazepam – non- prescribed drugs continue to be prevalent amongst persons using drugs in the community.

We recognise that drug misuse impacts on individuals, their families and their communities. Issues surrounding drugs misuse requires a cohesive approach from all partners to provide a wide range of service to users. Dundee Local Policing Area remain committed to this agenda and to work with partners to tackle this issue.

In September substance abuse inputs were delivered at Brown Street Mosque to raise awareness amongst the Muslim Community with regards to the dangers of drug abuse and the consequences of wider addictions. The inputs were delivered by Community Officers in conjunction with Children 1st, Addaction and the Integrated Substance Abuse Team. The input was well received and a request was received for further inputs for the night youth classes.

Results

Significant Policing activity is carried out to tackle this issue. Uniformed and plain clothes patrols take place throughout the city to detect those in possession of controlled drugs and those suspected to be actively engaged in the distribution.

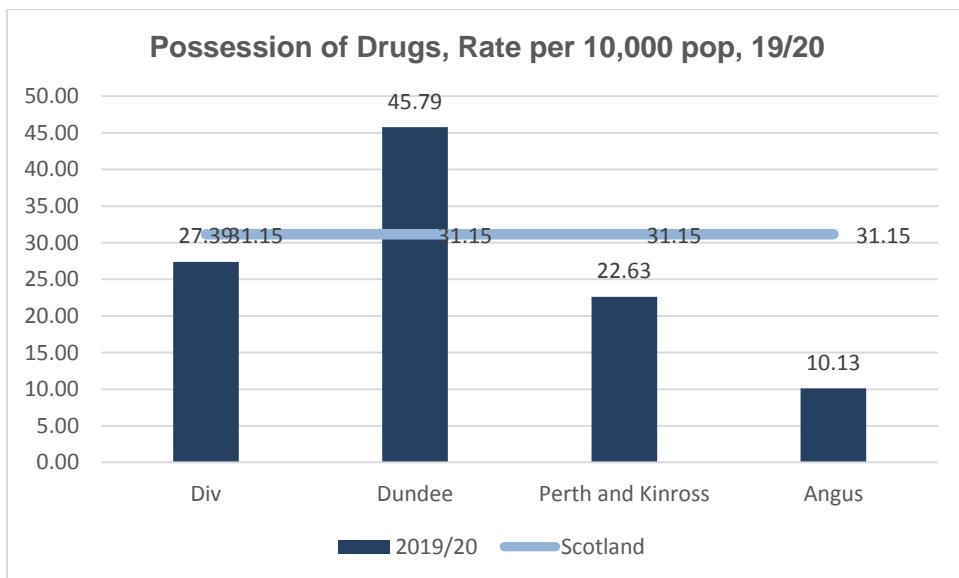
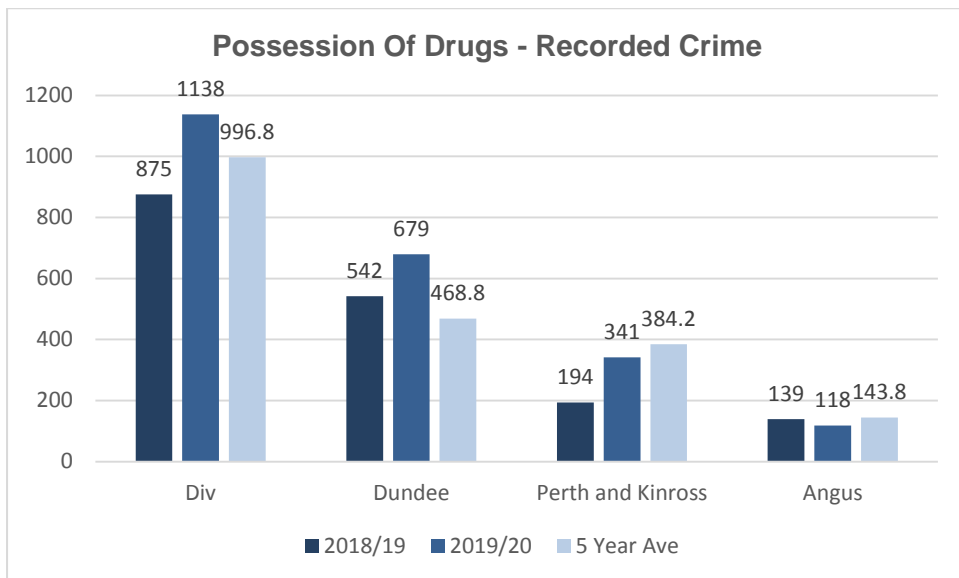
Officers carry out spontaneous patrols and also focused, intelligence led activity to detect and deter drug abuse.

Challenges

Drug related deaths continue to occur within our communities, indicative of the levels of abuse by users who are suspected to use more than one type of drug.

Early intervention and sharing of information with partners is vitally important. Work is ongoing with partners to support drug users and where possible prevent further misuse.

Officers require reasonable suspicion to search individuals for drugs. Seizing drugs is an important part of policing activity, however Dundee Local Policing Area recognises that prevention is key to supporting those affected.



Supply of drugs

Activity

Every opportunity is taken to gather and develop intelligence to tackle those involved in the supply of controlled drugs as often those involved have links to other crimes types including Serious Assaults, Robberies, Theft by Housebreaking and Theft by Shoplifting

This reporting period shows evidence of the work carried out by local officers, and the targeting of those involved in Serious and Organised Crime by both the Criminal Investigation Department and the National Organised Crime and Counter Terrorism Unit.

Results

The vast majority of these crimes have been discovered during proactive intelligence led policing only a couple have been as a result of police activity pertaining to unrelated matters.

There are 34 crimes recorded during this reporting period this includes concern in the supply of controlled drugs and possession with intent to supply charges. This is a reduction in activity in comparison to both the year to date and 5 year average figures. Given demands in other areas including increased number of Robberies it would not be unusual for pro-active activity to be affected.

The detection rate remains high at 90.5% an increase of over 5% in comparison to the year to date figure.

Drug types recovered during this period are in the main heroin, crack cocaine and tablets which are expected after laboratory analysis to be identified as benzodiazepine. All tablets recovered require submission to the Scottish Police Authority Laboratory to establish if they contain controlled drugs.

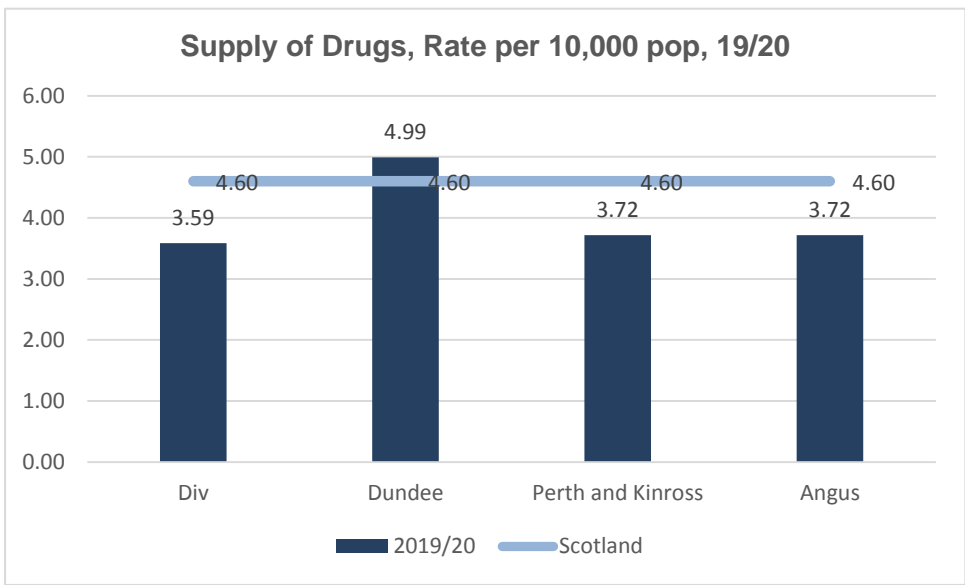
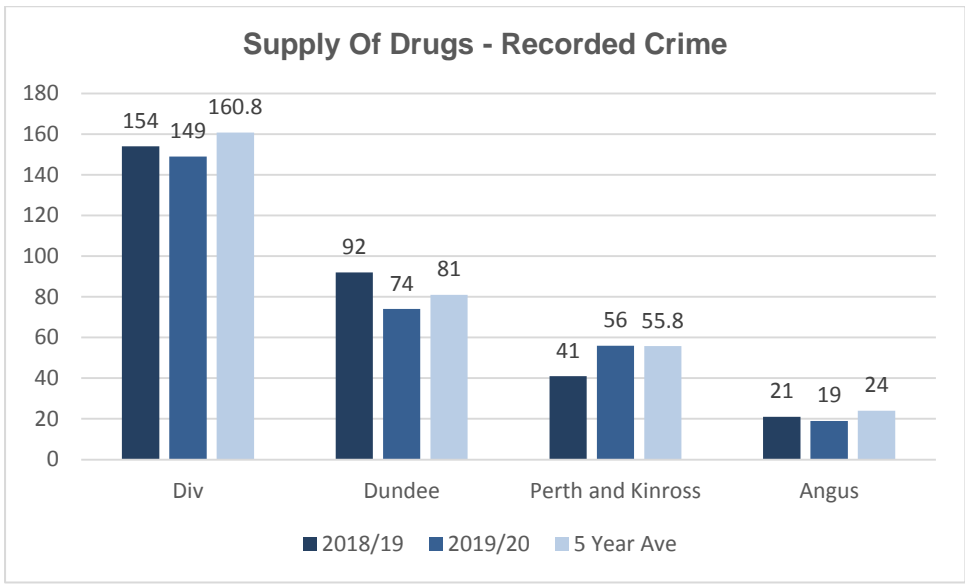
Offenders from Essex, Manchester and London have been arrested in the City for the supply of control drugs during this quarter. Upon release from Court each one has been granted bail with special conditions preventing them entering Scotland, it is assessed these individuals have links to organised crime.

Challenges

Recent times has seen the emergence of crack cocaine across the city, it is assessed this is being brought to the city by those who are involved in both County Line and Cuckooing activities.

County Lines activity is the practice of English based Organised Crime Groups, travelling to Scotland to sell class A drugs, using young or vulnerable people to deliver to customers. Closely related is Cuckooing, a term indicating the act of taking over a person's home by intimidation, exploitation or violence, to use as a safe house or accommodation for a drugs courier.

Work is ongoing to raise awareness of County Line and Cuckooing activities to a number of front line services, through the Health and Social Care Partnership and NHS.



Outcome 2 –Exploitation

Activity

An evaluation has been published of the RISE project, the partnership between Barnardo's Scotland and D Division of Police Scotland. It highlights the positive impact the project has had in its first two years and will now be launched in Fife and Glasgow areas. The service was recognised at a Parliamentary event in August 2019 by Maree Todd, Minister for Childcare and Early Years.

Results

Operation Aardwolfblue is an operation focusing on an organised crime group from Manchester involved in the exploitation of young people in Dundee and the supply of drugs. The operation resulted in the arrest of several nominals from Manchester, the safeguarding of child victims and prevention work being carried out at a Dundee hotel where crimes had occurred.

Officers from Dundee presented at the national Human Trafficking Conference in Scotland about the successful prosecution of a female Chinese national, convicted of the trafficking and exploitation of females across the Dundee area.

Challenges

An increase in County Lines and Cuckooing activity is being seen in Dundee and a programme of awareness raising is underway with partners.

Online Sexual Crime:

Activity

Part of the rise in Group 2 crime in Dundee can be attributed to online sexual abuse, particularly the Disclosure of intimate images. Within Dundee there has been an 86% increase in these type of crimes from the equivalent period in 2018/19.

Results

Many of these cases relate to the posting of intimate images on the website Mega. NZ, for which a 19 year old male has been arrested and reported.

Re-offending rates by Registered Sex Offenders remain low. During August 2019 a total number of 14 RSOs re-offended, committing a total of 20 offences, 1 of which was of a sexual nature (0.26% of average RSO population in community during the month). This offence was detected through Police proactivity and monitoring of the offender's internet use and devices.

Challenges

In an effort to better react to the impact and trauma caused to victims of online abuse, particularly children, the Tayside Regional Children's Services collaborative has commissioned a training programme from the Marie Collins Foundation for practitioners in Dundee, following successful evaluation of a similar programme in Perth and Kinross.

Outcome 3 – Hate Crime

Activity

Processes are in place to review hate crimes/incidents to ensure these are being recognised, recorded and investigated appropriately and that relevant opening/closing codes, aggravators are added to incidents and crime records.

A daily review is carried out of hate crimes/incidents in order to identify any emerging issues or repeat victims, repeat perpetrators or repeat locations so that appropriate interventions can be made which may include signposting to other agencies for support, follow-up visits, security advice, and delivery of advisory leaflets or posters for display. Some of the activity includes:

Local events held to increase public hate crime / incident awareness and third party reporting centres.

Evaluation of local third party reporting centres to establish best practice and training needs.

Evaluation of current Keep Safe places to establish any training needs or support required.

National Hate Crime Awareness Week ran between Saturday 12th – Saturday 19th October 2019. National Safer Communities, Equality and Diversity Unit delivered various events /activities for the week and used it as an opportunity to be active on social media/force intranet to raise more awareness of Hate Crime and other on-going work, including the National Hate Crime Conference, a National Community Advisor event, Hate Crime Champions and Tactical Advisor Training. Other sessions are planned

Increased partnership working to establish the best working practice with regards to the Gypsy/Traveller community.

Hate Crime Champion training was delivered by the National Diversity Unit in July with a further sixteen officers across the Division who are available to provide advice, support and assistance to colleagues in identifying and tackling the issues surrounding hate crime.

The Dundee Hate Incident Sub Group met on 04/09/2019 with all partners looking to improve Hate Crime awareness within Dundee.

Results

A survey is being developed that will be available electronically for the members of the LGBT community to complete. This will cover hate crime awareness as well as confidence in reporting incidents. The survey will only be deemed a success if members of this community complete it.

Results

Local events have been held to increase public hate crime / incident awareness and third party reporting centres including inputs to the Princes Trust and at the Tayside Deaf Hub.

Ongoing partnership working with the Terrence Higgins Trust. A survey is being developed that will be available electronically for the members of the LGBT community to complete. This will cover hate crime awareness as well as confidence in reporting incidents. Findings of this survey will allow for current practices to be reviewed and identified issues to be addressed.

Ongoing partnership working with Dundee University regarding this. As a student project, a class of third year students will survey and interview those associated with divisional centres to gather information. This will be fed back to Police Scotland with a view of establishing the best way to address any identified issues.

Letters sent out to all Keep Safe places to establish up to date contacts, training needs and support required. Premises requested to get back in touch with Police Scotland with update.

A Gypsy / Traveller Focus Group has been established. All three local councils are working with Police Scotland to establish best practice, current challenges and problem solving for issues such as illegal encampments.

Challenges

National Safer Communities Equality and Diversity Unit are reviewing third party reporting processes. It is acknowledged that current use of third party reporting centres is low and further awareness raising is required.

The challenge may be to obtain agreement for a consistent working practice across the three Local Authority Areas.

Maintaining public safety

Outcome 1 – Road Safety

The strategic aim in Dundee is to provide increased road policing. Road safety focuses on reducing road casualties in collaboration with partners, influencing driver and road user behaviour, as well as deterring and detecting all types of criminality on our roads.

Officers are proactive in our approach, carrying out checks and patrols to educate and enforcing the law where appropriate.

There have been no fatalities in Dundee for the period under review.

Dundee has seen a 38.5% increase in persons seriously injured as a result of road traffic collisions in the period under review compared to the same period 2018/19.

Similarly there has been 19% increase in persons sustaining slight injury as a result of a road traffic collision in the period under review compared to the same period 2018/19.

For the period under review Police Scotland conducted an Elderly Driver campaign which focussed on ageing drivers. Specific locations were identified whereby a team which included dedicated officers from the Road Policing Unit along with Safety camera Unit and a number of other partners attended and engaged with all age's providing education and information, the campaign received positive feedback.

Road Safety enforcement continues to be carried out as part of routine business by Dundee LPA. Focused patrol work will be complemented by the use of available technology and databases, intelligence target packages and specific tasking resulting from local Tasking & Coordinating processes to tackle criminality.

Local Policing and Road Policing Officers have been able to target driving behaviour which we believe will have the greatest impact on casualty reduction and address community concerns. Enforcement activity has concentrated on a wide range of driving behaviours including dangerous/careless driving, drink/drug driving to name but a few.

Based on strategic assessment three priority routes have been identified within Dundee LPA which were subject to focussed operation activity:

1. A90 Dundee to Aberdeen road
2. A923 Dundee to Coupar Angus road
3. A92 Dundee to Montrose road

Results

For the period under review a significant number of vehicles were stopped in the Tayside division with a number of offences being detected and reported. A number of offenders were warned in respect of other road traffic contraventions.

Challenges

Police resources are being challenged by the driving habits of vulnerable road users. However, we are committed to working effectively with partners locally to address these issues through education, enforcement, engineering, encouragement and evaluation all which are delivered successfully through a number of mediums and campaigns.

Speeding

DRPU have focussed operational activity on not only the priority routes but also on routes which are deemed to have speeding issues and have been identified through a number of community based engagements.

In August, Community Officers engaged with P6 pupils at St Peter and Paul Primary School and demonstrated the use of the speed gun. After being introduced to the 'Pop up Bairns' they were provided with important road safety advice.

Also in August a day of action was carried out in the Perth Road area targeting speeding around Harris Academy. Numerous vehicles were stopped and warnings issued where appropriate.

Activity

For the period under review, Police Scotland conducted a Motorcycle campaign which focussed on the education and enforcement. Numerous days of action were conducted throughout Tayside on a number of priority routes which allowed for positive engagement.

The campaign comprised of dedicated officers from both the Road Policing Unit, Safety camera Unit along with a number of other partners.

Effective use of the media to raise awareness and to actively encourage changes in driving attitudes and behaviour were also utilised.

Results

During the Motorcycle Campaign a number of motorcyclists were reported to the Procurator Fiscal for a variety of offences, although throughout the campaign education and engagement were of paramount importance.

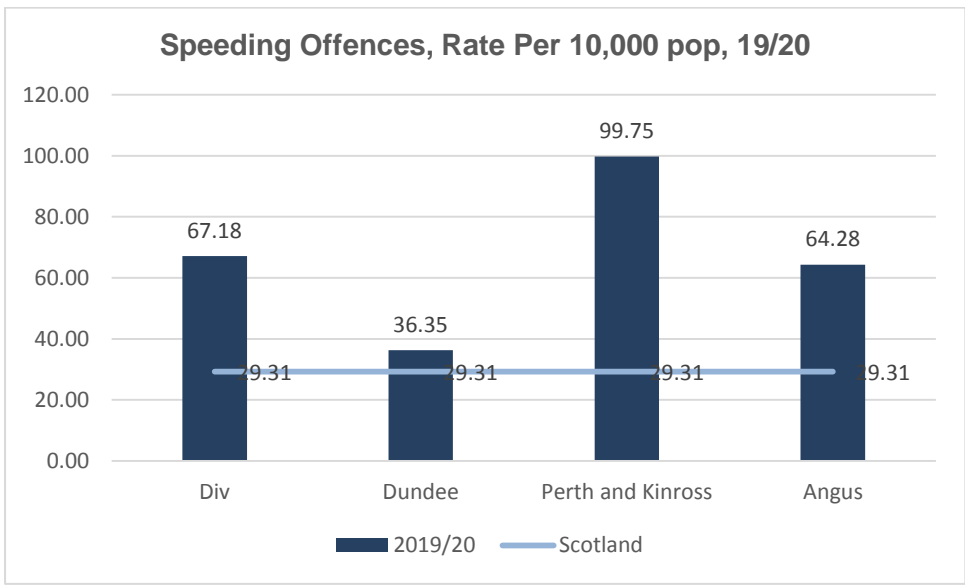
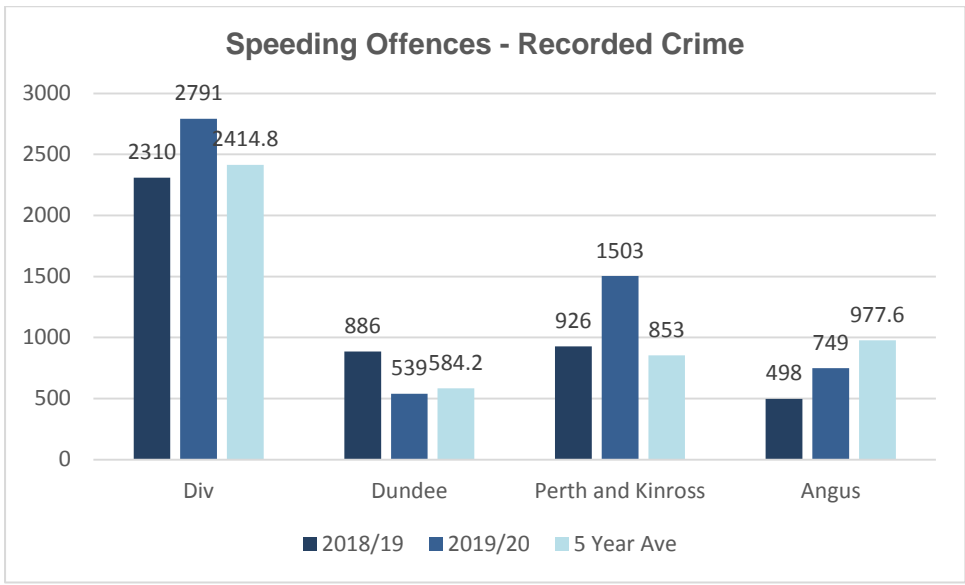
During the campaign a motorcycle was detected travelling 106 mph exceeding the 70 mph limit, the driver was subsequently reported to the Procurator Fiscal for the consideration of prosecution.

There was also a motorcar driver detected travelling at 70mph exceeding a 40mph limit who similarly was reported to the Procurator Fiscal for the consideration of prosecution.

Challenges

Police resources are being challenged by an increasing number of complaints received in relation to road users exceeding the speed limit. As a result of any complaint Police will carry out a percentile speed check to establish if there is indeed an issue.

Unfortunately a vast number of these checks highlight the perception of speed is the issue rather than road users exceeding the speed limit. The perception of speed can also be attributed to modified vehicles which are significantly louder than a standard motor vehicle.



Drink, Drug offences including failure to provide specimen of breath

During the period under review Drink and Drug offences in Dundee LPA remain a priority.

Activity

DRPU focus remains not only targeting offenders driving immediately after consuming alcohol or drugs, but also focusing on offender's who drive the morning after being under the influence.

A number of days of action were conducted within the Dundee area by DRPU with a significant number of vehicles stopped and breath tests carried out.

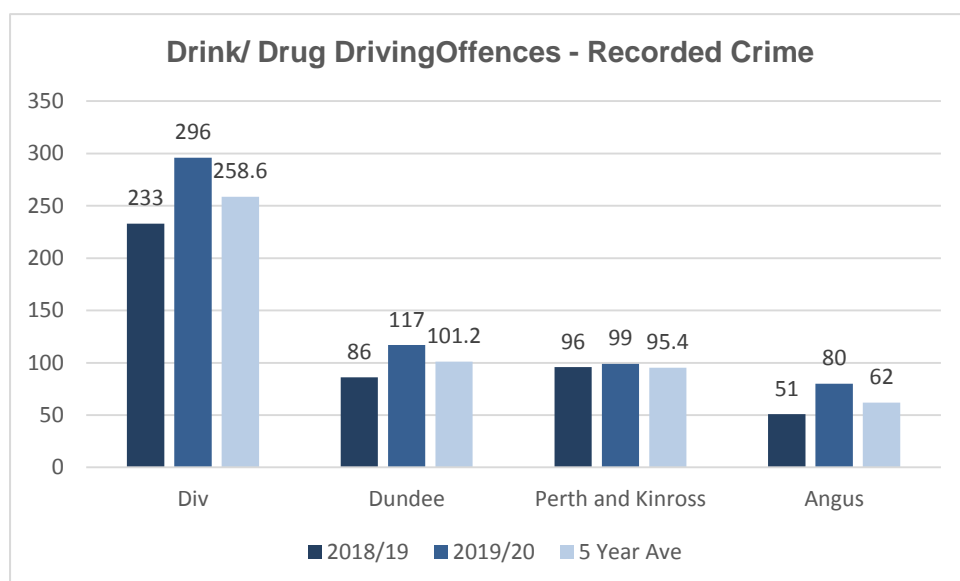
Effective use of the media to raise awareness and to actively the encourage changes in driving attitudes and behaviour remains a favourable and effective approach.

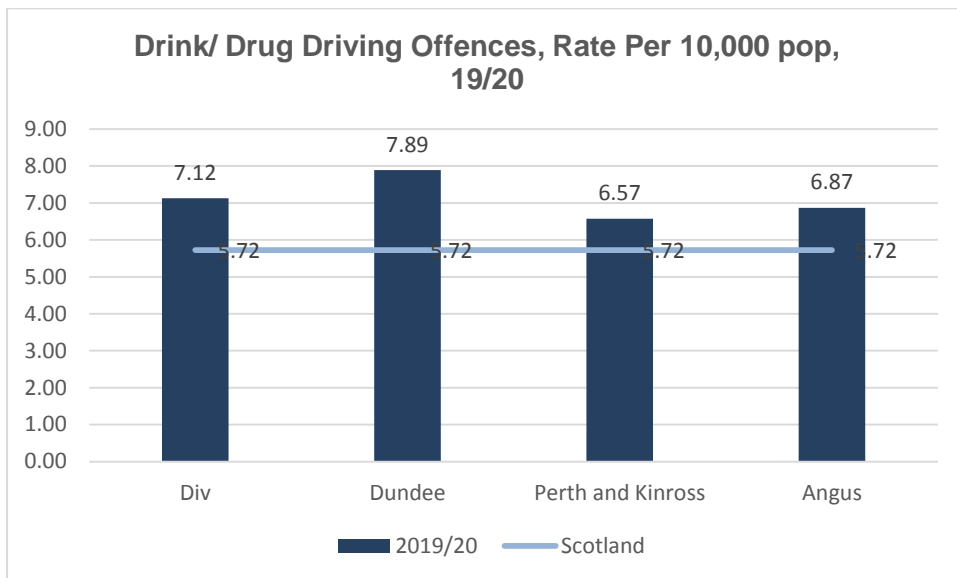
Results

During the period under review there were a significant number of negative breath specimens and a number of drink/drug drive offences were detected and reported to the Procurator Fiscal for the consideration of prosecution.

Challenges

Irrespective Police campaigns and reinforcement through varying mediums, evidence suggests the message does not appear to be hitting home and road users are continuing drive whilst under the influence which is completely unacceptable.

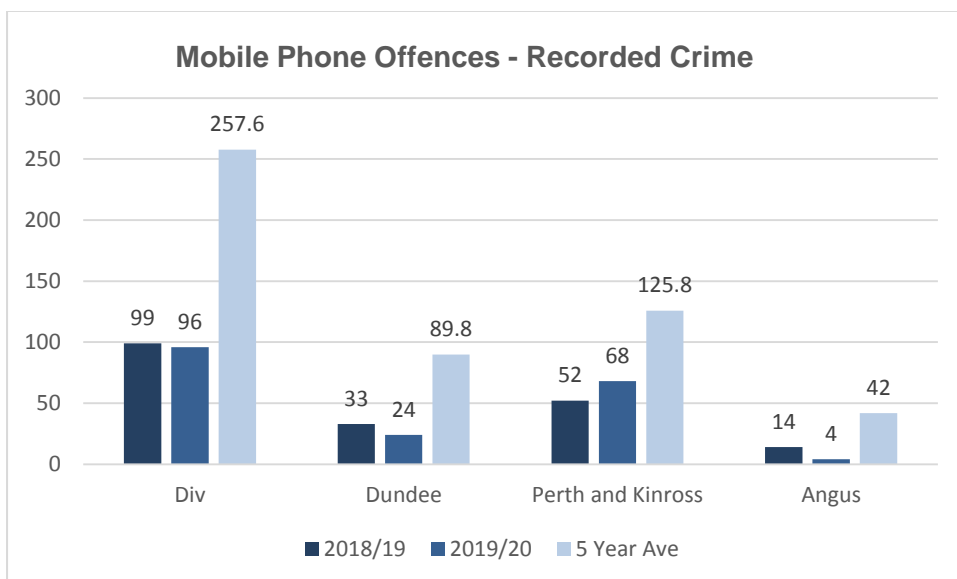


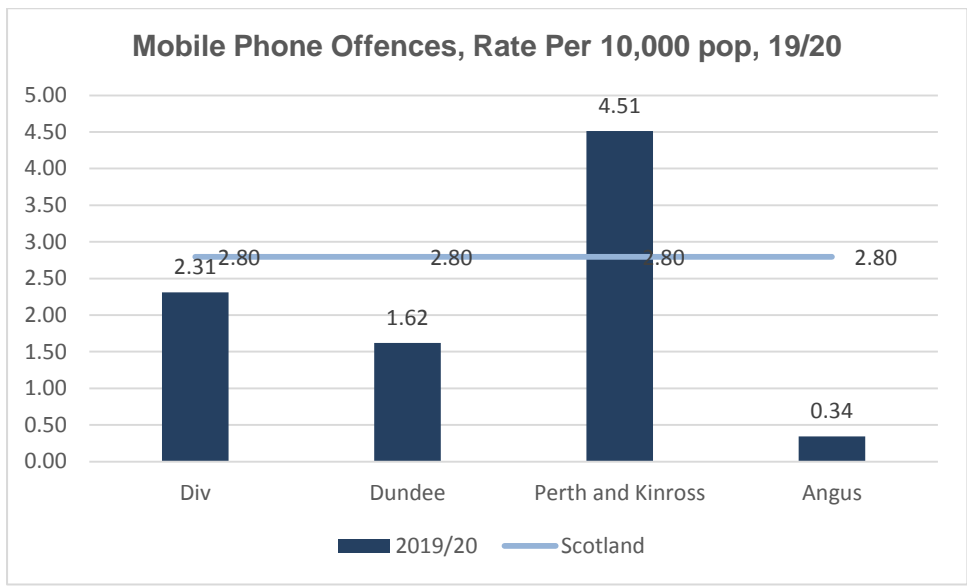


Mobile phones

Mobile phone offences remain a focussed priority in Dundee LPA.

No specific campaign or activity has been directed towards mobile phone offences, however DRPU officers will always deal robustly with drivers who fail to adhere to the law whilst delivering the consistent message of the consequences of distractions within the vehicle whilst driving.



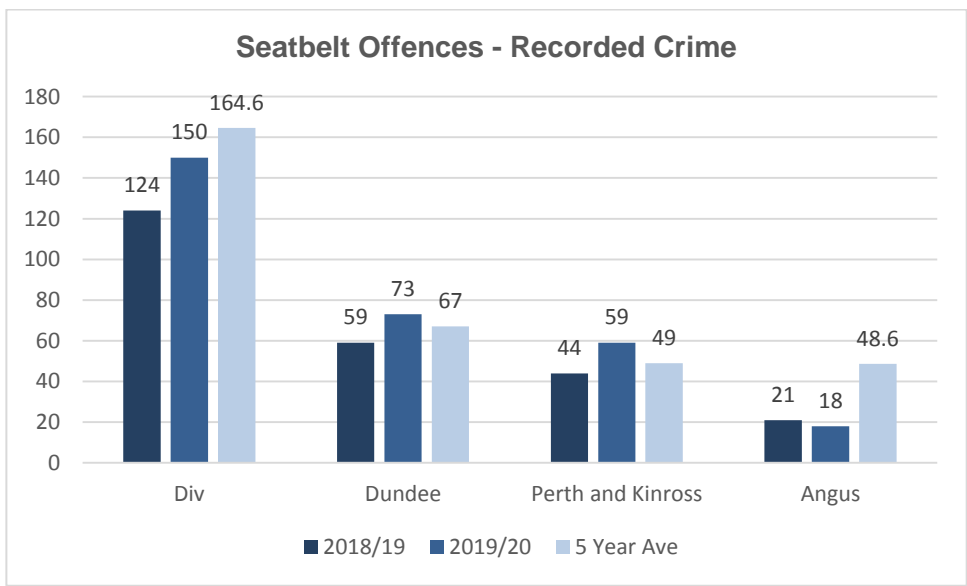


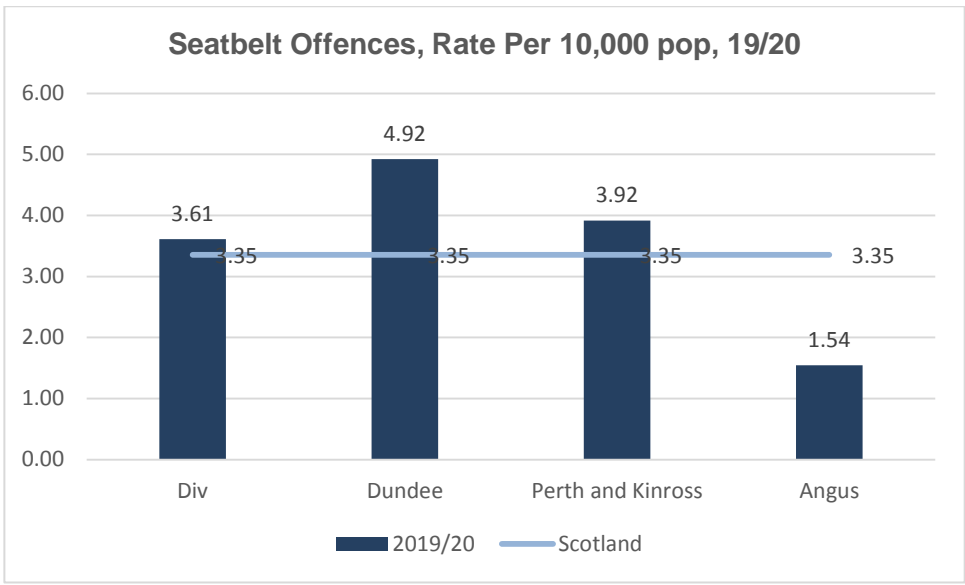
Seatbelts

Seatbelt offences remain a focussed priority in Dundee LPA.

No specific campaign or activity has been directed towards seatbelt offences, however DRPU officers will always deal robustly with drivers who fail to adhere to the law.

Similar to mobile phone offences the dangers of failing to wear a seatbelt is being accepted. Years of rigorous enforcement and numerous media campaigns highlighting the consequences are very impactive on modern day road users resulting in a high rate of people buckling up.





Outcome 2 – Events

Licensing

Police Scotland provide support in relation to a large number of events, including football, live music and horse racing across Tayside Division.

The overarching aim in relation to these events is to work with and in support of event organisers to ensure they are safe, secure and successful.

This is achieved through meticulous planning by Event Commanders who are supported by a Divisional Planning Team, meetings with event organisers in advance and during the event and through operational deployment on the day of the event.

As well as the foregoing safety aspects, Police are often present at events to ensure, where necessary, the activation of a contingency plan and thereafter the coordination of the resulting emergency services response.

Dundee hosted a number of these events. Key events are highlighted for the area below which emphasises the diversity of activity in the area, along with the total number of events where police have been deployed:

There have been a number of events that Divisional Licensing have supported the planning for and therefore deployed at, including Tom Jones Concert, Dundee 80s event and Oktoberfest. There were no licensing issues at any event. We are also pleased to report no policing issues at these events.

On 21st September Dundee Pride took place with an estimated 14,000 people in attendance over the course of the day. We are pleased to report that there were no issues at the event.

Divisional Licensing have deployed at a number of times operationally including a day of action on Taxis, Second Hand Dealer checks and also Trading Standards enforcement. These have resulted in some excellent positive results, including the recovery of over 120 bottles of non-duty paid alcohol from a Dundee premises.

Operational deployments on the back of weekly incidents reported to Divisional Licensing continue regularly.

Planning and support of future events continue.

Various football games involving Dundee United and Dundee have taken place since the commencement of the new season. Most of these games did not require policing with the exception of the Dundee derby on 30th August (3PS and 24PCs), and Dundee vs Aberdeen on 18th August in the BetFred Cup.

There were 2 Outdoor concerts in Slessor Gardens, Dundee.

Dundee Total deployment for period under review:

Police deployed to 20 events in total in the Dundee area with

1 Chief Inspector, 1 Inspector, 14 Sergeants and 128 Constables deployed over this period.

As a result of these events there were no arrests or policing issues, other than 11 ejections at the Dundee derby and 5 ejections at the Dundee vs Aberdeen match.

Outcome 3 – CONTEST

The risk of terrorism may not appear as apparent as other crimes in our community, however the threat is real and we need to be vigilant and encourage others to do likewise.

Contest is the UK Governments Counter Terrorism Strategy. It was first developed by the home office in 2003. The aim of the strategy is “to reduce the risk to the UK and its interests overseas from terrorism, so that people can go about their lives freely and with confidence.”

We will continue to contribute towards this strategy, focusing on the potential threat posed by both international and domestic terrorism through a partnership based action plan, supporting the specific elements of the 4P’s:

Protect – strengthening our borders, infrastructure, buildings and public spaces against an attack.

Prepare – Where an attack cannot be stopped, to reduce its impact by ensuring we can respond effectively.

Pursue – To disrupt or stop terrorist attacks.

Prevent – To stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism.

The Safer Communities Detective Chief Inspector leads the national Prevent Delivery Unit. This unit has resilience in each area of Scotland, with prevent delivery Inspectors based in Glasgow, Dundee and Edinburgh. With their teams, they work closely with key partners and, where relevant and effective, they integrate partner agencies into appropriate structures to decrease the levels of threat, risk and harm that exist in our communities.

During the period under review, the following activity has been ongoing in Dundee:

Port engagement visits carried out at various ports across Tayside including Dundee harbour and security advice provided.

Document awareness sessions were held for partners and relevant businesses in Tayside. The aim was to educate businesses on the security of legal documents and the necessity to ensure adequate checks are carried out when assessing them. A very well received and educational input for all attendees.

Extinction Rebellion briefing provided to LCLO’s including in Dundee. Extinction Rebellion (XR) is a UK-born international movement, which aims for nothing less than global civil disobedience to pressure governments across the world to act on climate breakdown and species extinctions.

ACT awareness ‘For Police eyes only’ briefing to frontline officers and police staff.

Continued engagement with MP’s in relation to Op Bridger and MSP’s in relation to Op Sandbed.

CONTEST briefing and general awareness training at various hotels across Dundee.

CONTEST briefing to staff at Scottish Enterprise, Dundee.

CONTEST briefing and WRAP (Workshop to raise Awareness of Prevent) for a variety of NHS staff at Ninewells hospital, Dundee.

CONTEST briefing to Princes Trust students in Dundee.

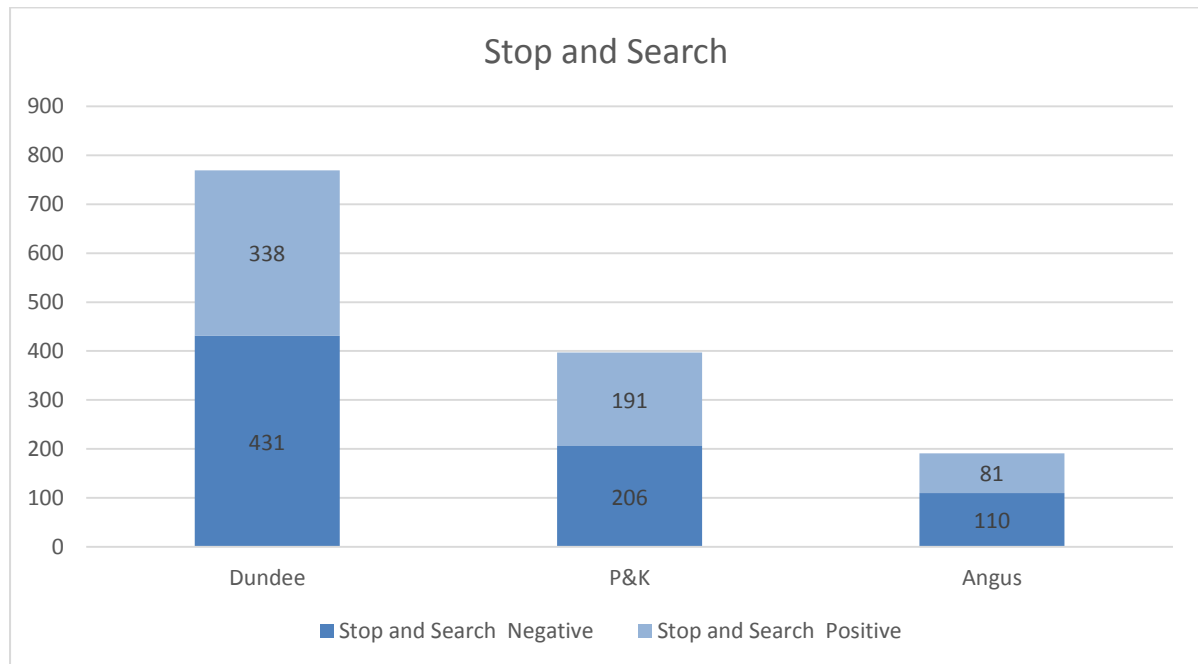
CONTEST briefing and engagement with Dundee Heritage Trust CEO at Discovery Point, Dundee.

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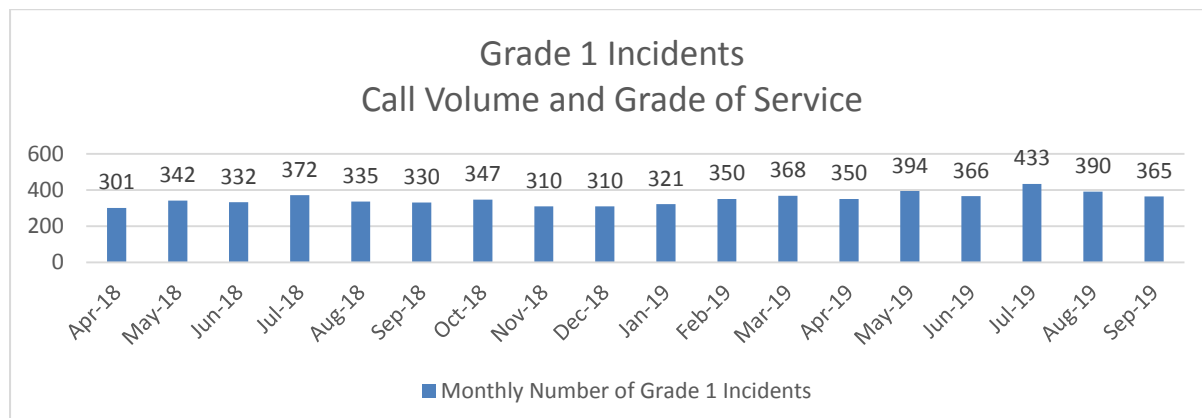
Stop and search

Dundee Local Policing Area continue to utilise intelligence led stop and search. This is an important policing aspect in dealing with some of the issues presented by drugs, violence and crimes of dishonesty.

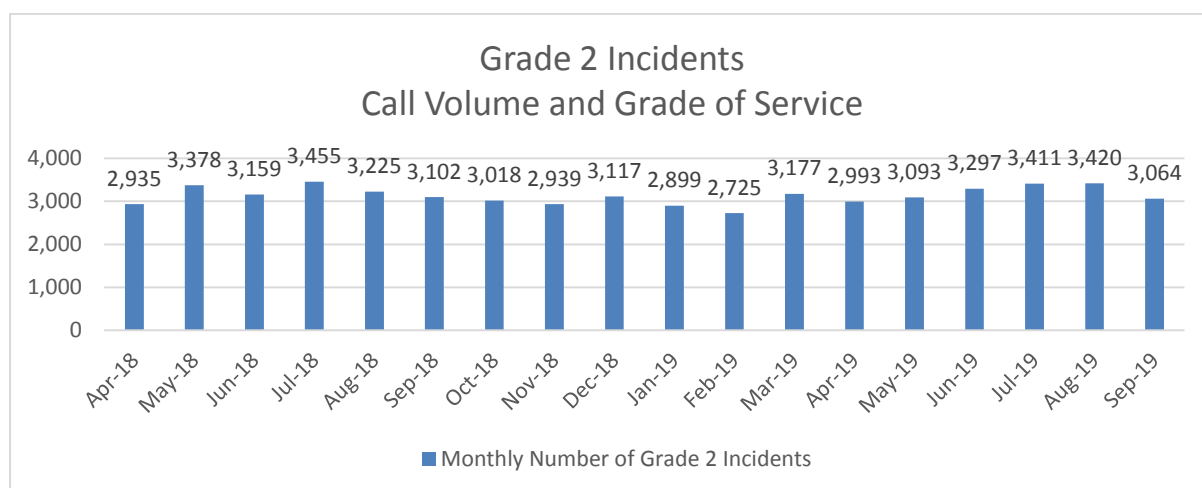
Searches conducted are on a statutory basis and a breakdown of negative and searches are as follows:



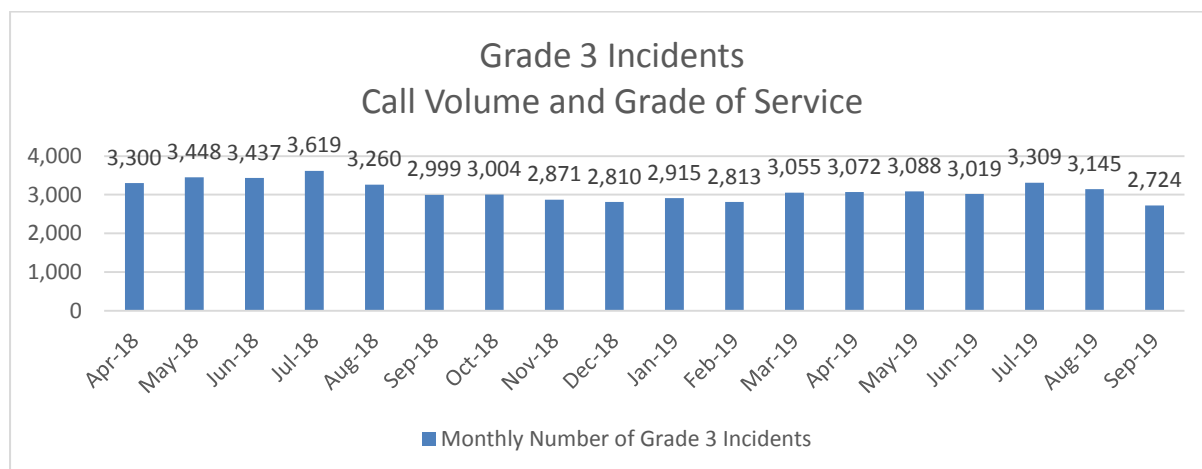
Data extracted from STORM Unity showing data from 00:00:00 on the first of each month until 23:59:59 on the last day of each month. Figures include all resourced incidents (except diary calls) including those which have been generated by police, e.g. pre planned events such as firearms operations or spontaneous deployment to deal with ongoing crime.



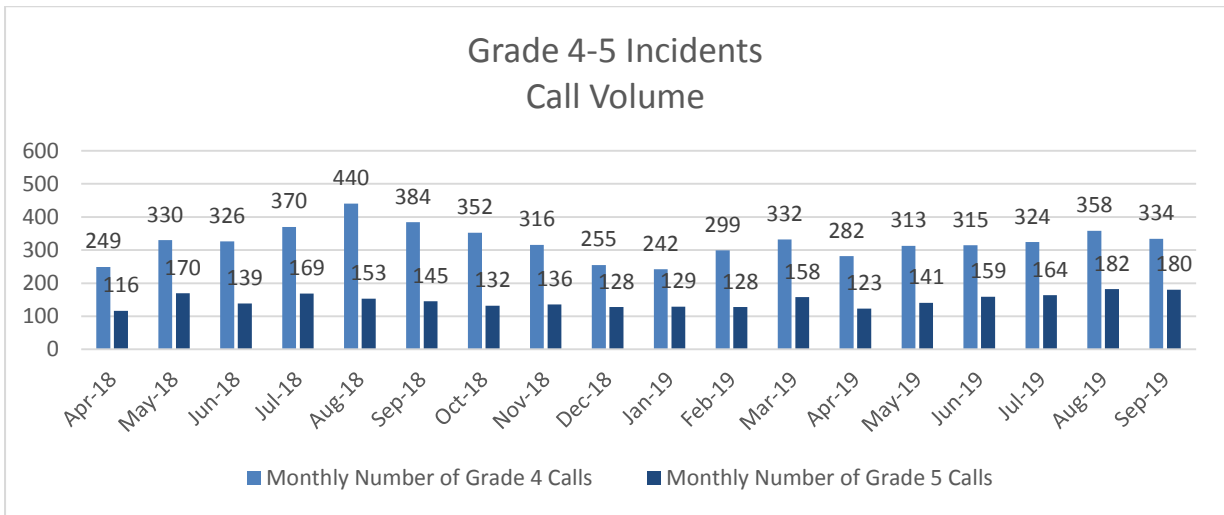
Grade 1: IMMEDIATE - An ongoing incident with an immediate or apparent threat to life or a serious crime in progress.



Grade 2: PRIORITY - Crime/Incident where there is a degree of importance or urgency associated with initial police action. Requires immediate attendance and would only be superseded by a grade 1 call.



Grade 3: STANDARD - Incident is not ongoing, however police attendance is required and the situation could be prejudiced by significant delay.



Grade 4: SCHEDULED - Crimes/Incidents which will not be prejudiced by a scheduled response, with police attendance at a mutually agreeable time.

Grade 5: NON - ATTENDANCE - Incidents that can be resolved by telephone or by some other which do not require police attendance.

Appendix

Rate 1 per 10,000 figures are based on the following population data:

| | Reporting Period ³ | | | | |
|-------------------------|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | 2015/16 | 2016/17 | 2017/18 | 2018/19 | 2019/20 |
| | Mid-year Population Estimate (Total Persons) ² | | | | |
| | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2016 |
| FORCE / SCOTLAND | 5 327 700 | 5 347 600 | 5 373 000 | 5 404 700 | 5 404 700 |
| Tayside | 412 160 | 413 800 | 415 040 | 415 470 | 415 470 |
| Angus | 116 290 | 116 740 | 116 900 | 116 520 | 116 520 |
| Dundee City | 148 100 | 148 130 | 148 210 | 148 270 | 148 270 |
| Perth and Kinross | 147 770 | 148 930 | 149 930 | 150 680 | 150 680 |

2 - Mid-year population data based on extracts from National Records for Scotland (<http://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/>), as at April 2016.

3 - Due to when population data are published it is necessary to use earlier mid-year estimates in some calculations. As soon as more current population data are available, the above table will be updated.