

Sussex Most Similar Force – Complaint Statistics 2006/07

Complaint Cases Recorded 2006/07

Police Force	2005/06	2006/07	% change from 2005/06
Sussex	333	428	29
Avon & Somerset	618	678	10
Devon & Cornwall	833	990	19
Dorset	283	326	15
Essex	616	738	20
Gloucestershire	287	303	6
England & Wales Total	26268	28998	10

Allegations Recorded Against Police Officers 2006/07

Police Force	All allegations recorded	Allegations against officers only	Allegations per 1000* officers	% change from 2005/06
Sussex	585	523	168	9
Avon & Somerset	1111	911	266	12
Devon & Cornwall	1390	848	241	22
Dorset	485	452	296	51
Essex	904	845	253	9
Gloucestershire	403	353	268	-9
England & Wales Total	45883	41302	291	14

*Police strength as at March 2007

Means by Which Allegations Completed 2006/07

Police Force	Investigated		Withdrawn		Dispensation		Local Resolution		Total
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Sussex	268	48	14	2	38	7	244	43	564
Avon & Somerset	387	37	96	9	110	11	445	43	1038
Devon & Cornwall	387	31	141	11	141	11	564	46	1233
Dorset	145	32	38	8	63	14	206	46	452
Essex	157	21	58	8	85	11	450	60	750
Gloucestershire	86	21	45	11	83	21	187	47	401
England & Wales Total	12683	30	5000	12	4334	10	19567	47	41584

Outcome of Completed Investigations 2006/07

Police Force	Substantiated		Unsubstantiated		Total
	N	%	N	%	N
Sussex	33	12	235	88	268
Avon & Somerset	48	12	339	88	387
Devon & Cornwall	31	8	356	92	387
Dorset	27	19	118	81	145
Essex	23	15	134	85	157
Gloucestershire	16	19	70	81	86
England & Wales Total	1389	11	11294	89	12683

Characteristics of Complainants

Status of Those Making Complaints 2006/07*

Police Force	Directly affected by conduct		Adversely affected by conduct		Representative		Witness		Total
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Sussex	369	94	18	5	5	1	0	0	392
Avon & Somerset	632	92	48	7	4	1	2	0	686
Devon & Cornwall	735	72	249	25	24	2	7	1	1015
Dorset	323	90	24	7	7	2	3	1	357
Essex	676	85	79	10	41	5	3	0	799
Gloucestershire	300	91	13	4	16	5	0	0	329
England & Wales Total	26230	88	2518	8	495	2	544	2	29787

* The figures in this table will not match the figures in the following tables in this section. This is because people may make complaints in different roles throughout the year. In such cases they will be counted twice in the table but not in the following sections.

Gender of Complainants 2006/07

Police Force	Female		Male		Other		Total
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Sussex	159	41	229	59	3	1	391
Avon & Somerset	227	33	453	66	2	0	682
Devon & Cornwall	420	42	580	58	4	0	1004
Dorset	119	33	235	66	2	1	356
Essex	275	35	484	61	37	5	796
Gloucestershire	114	35	212	65	2	1	328
England and Wales Total	10468	35	18744	63	425	1	29637

Age of Complainants 2006/07

Police Force	17 and below		18-29		30-39		40-49		50-59		60+		Unknown		Total
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Sussex	7	2	49	13	88	23	88	23	50	13	31	8	78	20	391
Avon & Somerset	28	4	122	18	132	19	129	19	62	9	26	4	183	27	682
Devon & Cornwall	13	1	120	12	137	14	184	18	103	10	77	8	370	37	1004
Dorset	15	4	75	21	76	21	78	22	51	14	32	9	29	8	356
Essex	24	3	80	10	82	10	120	15	44	6	27	3	419	53	796
Gloucestershire	20	6	68	21	65	20	79	24	44	13	29	9	23	7	328
England and Wales Total	1135	4	5444	18	5678	19	5362	18	2435	8	1325	4	8258	28	29637

Employment Status of Complainants 2006/07

Police Force	Homemaker		Manual		Non-manual		Retired		Student		Unemployed		Unknown		Total
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Sussex	19	5	19	5	52	13	18	5	6	2	39	10	238	61	391
Avon & Somerset	28	4	83	12	148	22	14	2	30	4	87	13	292	43	682
Devon & Cornwall	39	4	210	21	107	11	68	7	18	2	96	10	466	46	1004
Dorset	10	3	57	16	72	20	19	5	20	6	35	10	143	40	356
Essex	13	2	89	11	137	17	27	3	20	3	61	8	449	56	796
Gloucestershire	16	5	75	23	74	23	20	6	22	7	43	13	78	24	328
England and Wales Total	973	3	4140	14	6372	22	1060	4	1319	4	3868	13	11905	40	29637

Ethnicity of Complainants 2006/07

Police Force	White		Asian		Black		Other		Unknown		Total
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Sussex	291	74	5	1	17	4	6	2	72	18	391
Avon & Somerset	472	69	25	4	47	7	22	3	116	17	682
Devon & Cornwall	744	74	9	1	12	1	9	1	230	23	1004
Dorset	294	83	7	2	12	3	9	3	34	10	356
Essex	374	47	10	1	23	3	24	3	365	46	796
Gloucestershire	285	87	10	3	14	4	5	2	14	4	328
England and Wales Total	17981	61	1521	5	2020	7	738	2	7377	25	29637

Characteristics of those Subject to Complaints

Status of those Subject to a Complaint 2006/07¹

Police Force	Police Officer ranks ²		Police Staff including Traffic Wardens and CSOs		Contracted staff		Special Constables		Total
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Sussex	531	90	48	8	2	0	11	2	592
Avon & Somerset	786	93	45	5	2	0	16	2	849
Devon & Cornwall	744	86	105	12	0	0	17	2	866
Dorset	315	87	34	9	3	1	9	2	361
Essex	747	89	11	1	59	7	26	3	843
Gloucestershire	295	88	34	10	3	1	3	1	335
England and Wales Total	30608	93	1518	5	248	1	421	1	32795

¹ The figures in this table will not match the figures in the following tables in the is section. This is because individuals may hold different ranks when subject to more than one complaint. In such cases they will be counted twice in this table but not in the following tables.

² Figures do not include complaints made against officers of ACPO rank.

Gender of those Subject to a Complaint 2006/07

Police Force	Female		Male		Unknown		Total
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Sussex	132	22	442	75	17	3	591
Avon & Somerset	128	16	610	78	44	6	782
Devon & Cornwall	167	19	694	80	5	1	866
Dorset	65	18	291	81	3	1	359
Essex	171	20	610	73	60	7	841
Gloucestershire	82	25	249	75	1	0	332
England and Wales Total	6411	20	25643	79	520	2	32574

Age of those Subject to a Complaint 2006/07

Police Force	19 and below		20-29		30-39		40-49		50+		Unknown		Total
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Sussex	0	0	180	30	219	37	127	21	36	6	29	5	591
Avon & Somerset	1	0	189	24	300	38	195	25	35	4	62	8	782
Devon & Cornwall	0	0	155	18	325	38	305	35	76	9	5	1	866
Dorset	2	1	91	25	151	42	88	25	24	7	3	1	359
Essex	3	0	237	28	281	33	200	24	46	5	74	9	841
Gloucestershire	2	1	92	28	126	38	88	27	23	7	1	0	332
England and Wales Total	51	0	8631	26	12297	38	8557	26	1440	4	1598	5	32574

Ethnicity of those Subject to a Complaint 2006/07

Police Force	White		Asian		Black		Other		Unknown		Total
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Sussex	546	92	1	0	1	0	5	1	38	6	591
Avon & Somerset	691	88	3	0	4	1	9	1	75	10	782
Devon & Cornwall	818	94	0	0	2	0	3	0	43	5	866
Dorset	355	99	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	1	359
Essex	754	90	3	0	1	0	0	0	83	10	841
Gloucestershire	319	96	2	1	1	0	8	2	2	1	332
England and Wales Total	29199	90	612	2	318	1	460	1	1985	6	32574