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The roll out of the new court operations system called the Integrated Court Operations System (ICOS) has been completed throughout the divisions. Caution should be taken when comparing figures with previous quarters. For further advice on the differences between the current figures and previous quarters, please contact the NICtS. Figures are run from an administrative database and may change due to late returns and further validations.

Summary

During Jan – Mar 2008:

- There were 1,019 scheduled magistrates' sittings of which:
 - Criminal – 653
 - Youth – 116
 - Family – 250
- There were 84 additional magistrates' sittings of which:
 - Criminal – 75
 - Youth – 4
 - Family – 5
- There were 54 special magistrates' sittings of which:
 - Criminal – 54
- 12,939 new adult criminal defendants were received in court and 13,236 adult defendants were disposed of during the period.
- Just over seven out of ten of the prosecutions disposed in the adult court were brought by the police/PPS.
- The volume of adult business was highest in the Division of Belfast.
- The average waiting time in the adult criminal court for the corporate target of first hearing to disposal was 8 weeks and overall, 76% were on target.
- 719 new defendants were entered in the youth court and 864 youth defendants were disposed of in the magistrates' court.
- The average waiting time in the youth court for the corporate target (first hearing to finding – 12 weeks) was 11 weeks and 69% were on target.
- 1,666 new civil applications were entered and 947 civil applications were disposed of.
- The average length of time for a case to progress through the civil court was 13 weeks from date of issue to disposal.

Figure 1: Percentage of adults entered and disposed of in the court divisions

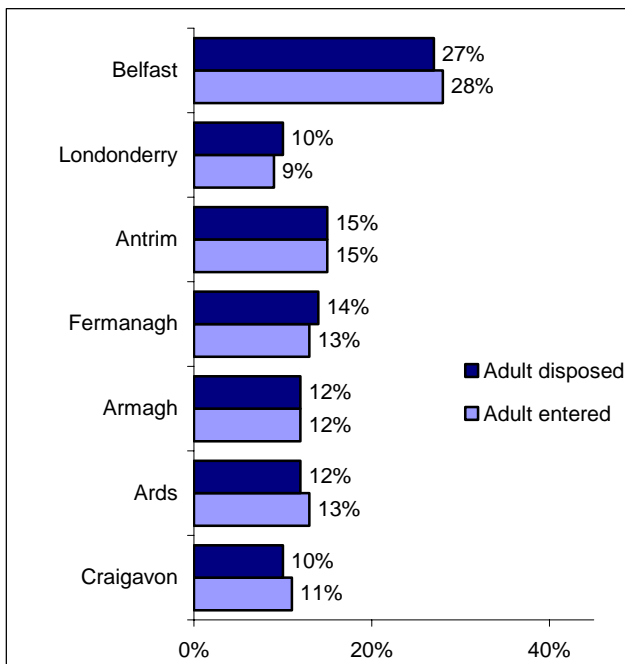
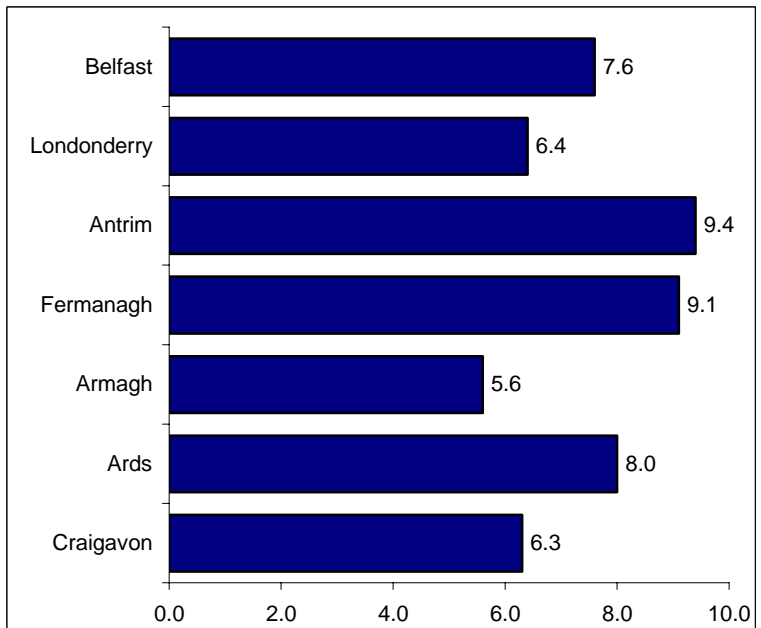


Figure 2: Waiting times in weeks in adult magistrates' courts (1st hearing to disposal)



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Table 1.1: Scheduled court sitting days & average court sitting times in the magistrates' courts by division & venue

		Adult criminal day		Youth criminal day		Family day	
		Number of court sitting days	Average court sitting time	Number of court sitting days	Average court sitting time	Number of court sitting days	Average court sitting time
Belfast	Laganside	177	3:07:56	38	3:28:17	69	2:58:33
	Total	177	3:07:56	38	3:28:17	69	2:58:33
Londonderry	Limavady	13	3:54:13		.		.
	Magherafelt	13	4:41:09	4	2:16:15	1	3:05:00
	Londonderry	45	4:00:26	9	3:32:13	20	4:02:30
	Total	71	4:06:45	13	3:08:50	21	3:59:45
Antrim	Antrim	19	3:17:44	6	1:15:00	5	3:15:00
	Ballymena	24	4:44:10	5	5:42:00	18	2:53:53
	Larne	12	4:06:15	2	2:40:00	7	3:05:00
	Coleraine	30	4:50:50	6	2:48:20	11	2:48:38
	Total	85	4:21:50	19	3:03:41	41	2:56:57
Fermanagh & Tyrone	Dungannon	40	4:07:02	5	3:28:00	4	4:57:30
	Strabane	27	3:19:48	3	3:15:00		.
	Omagh	26	4:35:46	6	2:58:20	12	3:46:40
	Enniskillen	25	4:09:00	5	3:33:00	3	3:05:00
	Total	118	4:02:58	19	3:17:53	19	3:55:00
Armagh & South Down	Armagh	13	4:30:46	3	2:18:20	3	2:00:00
	Banbridge	12	5:01:15	2	4:45:00		.
	Newry	27	4:44:26	5	2:47:00	19	2:45:31
	Total	52	4:44:54	10	3:02:00	22	2:39:19
Ards	Bangor	19	4:11:03		.	6	3:02:30
	Downpatrick	22	5:20:54	6	3:00:00	3	4:09:40
	Newtownards	40	2:55:06		.	42	1:58:55
	Total	81	3:52:31	6	3:00:00	51	2:14:05
Craigavon	Lisburn	34	4:06:58	6	3:33:20	11	3:12:43
	Craigavon	35	2:58:13	5	2:15:00	16	2:20:00
	Total	69	3:32:06	11	2:57:43	27	2:41:28

Table 1.1: Scheduled court sitting days & average court sitting times in the magistrates' courts for Northern Ireland

	Adult criminal day		Youth criminal day		Family day	
	Number of court sitting days	Average court sitting time	Number of court sitting days	Average court sitting time	Number of court sitting days	Average court sitting time
Northern Ireland	653	3:49:42	116	3:13:45	250	2:55:06

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Table 1.2: Additional court sitting days & average court sitting times in the magistrates' courts by division & venue

		Adult criminal day		Youth criminal day		Family day	
		Number of court sitting days	Average court sitting time	Number of court sitting days	Average court sitting time	Number of court sitting days	Average court sitting time
Belfast	Laganside	8	2:50:00	2	3:35:00	1	2:25:00
	Total	8	2:50:00	2	3:35:00	1	2:25:00
Londonderry	Londonderry	1	0:30:00		.		.
	Total	1	0:30:00		.		.
Antrim	Antrim	1	2:30:00		.	1	0:10:00
	Ballymena	5	2:35:00		.	1	3:00:00
	Coleraine	2	3:30:00		.		.
	Total	8	2:48:07		.	2	1:35:00
Fermanagh & Tyrone	Dungannon	4	3:11:15		.		.
	Strabane	1	2:30:00		.		.
	Omagh	5	3:39:00		.	1	4:40:00
	Enniskillen	4	3:31:15	1	4:15:00		.
	Total	14	3:23:55	1	4:15:00	1	4:40:00
Armagh & South Down	Armagh	9	3:16:53		.		.
	Banbridge	4	3:53:45		.		.
	Newry	11	2:55:00		.		.
	Total	24	3:13:00		.		.
Ards	Downpatrick	6	3:50:00	1	2:00:00		.
	Newtownards	12	3:13:20		.	1	2:05:00
	Total	18	3:25:33	1	2:00:00	1	2:05:00
Craigavon	Craigavon	2	1:17:30		.		.
	Total	2	1:17:30		.		.

Table 1.2: Additional court sitting days & average court sitting times in the magistrates' courts for Northern Ireland

	Adult criminal day		Youth criminal day		Family day	
	Number of court sitting days	Average court sitting time	Number of court sitting days	Average court sitting time	Number of court sitting days	Average court sitting time
Northern Ireland	75	3:07:41	4	3:21:15	5	2:28:00

A court sitting day is counted as any day where the judiciary sit in court. It does not include time in chambers or days where the judiciary are sitting in chambers.

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Table 1.3: Special court sitting days & average court sitting times in the magistrates' courts by division & venue

		Adult criminal day	
		Number of court sitting days	Average court sitting time
Londonderry	Londonderry	10	0:46:24
	Total	10	0:46:24
Antrim	Ballymena	9	0:48:13
	Total	9	0:48:13
Fermanagh & Tyrone	Omagh	5	1:21:00
	Total	5	1:21:00
Armagh & South Down	Newry	8	0:50:00
	Total	8	0:50:00
Ards	Newtownards	12	0:51:40
	Total	12	0:51:40
Craigavon	Lisburn	6	0:49:50
	Craigavon	4	0:40:00
	Total	10	0:45:54

Table 1.3: Special court sitting days & average court sitting times in the magistrates' courts for Northern Ireland

	Adult criminal day	
	Number of court sitting days	Average court sitting time
Northern Ireland	54	0:51:31

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Table 2.1 Adult criminal defendants received in the magistrates' courts by division & venue

		PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Fixed penalty	Total
Belfast	Laganside Courts	2317	1251	65	3633
	Division total	2317	1251	65	3633
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	458	200	36	694
	Limavady Court Office	148	68	11	227
	Magherafelt Court Office	170	72	11	253
	Division total	776	340	58	1174
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	321	103	11	435
	Coleraine Court Office	581	245	23	849
	Ballymena Court Office	278	100	26	404
	Larne Court Office	129	52	15	196
	Division total	1309	500	75	1884
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	321	129		450
	Strabane Court Office	190	69	9	268
	Enniskillen Court Office	185	97	13	295
	Dungannon Court Office	495	186	36	717
	Division total	1191	481	58	1730
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	223	97	16	336
	Banbridge Court Office	162	45	9	216
	Newry Court Office	752	194	36	982
	Division total	1137	336	61	1534
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	491	133		624
	Downpatrick Court Office	404	115	9	528
	Bangor Court Office	395	78		473
	Division total	1290	326	9	1625
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	491	183	18	692
	Lisburn Court Office	388	249	30	667
	Division total	879	432	48	1359

Table 2.1 Adult criminal defendants received in the magistrates' courts in Northern Ireland

	PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Fixed penalty	Total
Northern Ireland	8899	3666	374	12939

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Table 2.2 Adult criminal defendants disposed of in the magistrates' court by division & venue

		PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Fixed penalty	Total
Belfast	Laganside Courts	2546	1026	65	3637
	Division total	2546	1026	65	3637
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	490	220	35	745
	Limavady Court Office	171	89	11	271
	Magherafelt Court Office	169	69	11	249
	Division total	830	378	57	1265
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	369	103	10	482
	Coleraine Court Office	512	231	23	766
	Ballymena Court Office	344	108	23	475
	Larne Court Office	131	53	13	197
	Division total	1356	495	69	1920
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	399	146		545
	Strabane Court Office	172	66	8	246
	Enniskillen Court Office	244	89	12	345
	Dungannon Court Office	553	188	34	775
	Division total	1368	489	54	1911
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	236	91	16	343
	Banbridge Court Office	224	60	9	293
	Newry Court Office	748	180	34	962
	Division total	1208	331	59	1598
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	463	149		612
	Downpatrick Court Office	375	114	9	498
	Bangor Court Office	363	69		432
	Division total	1201	332	9	1542
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	476	171	18	665
	Lisburn Court Office	445	223	30	698
	Division total	921	394	48	1363

Table 2.2 Adult criminal defendants disposed of in the magistrates' court in Northern Ireland

	PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Fixed penalty	Total
Northern Ireland	9430	3445	361	13236

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Table 2.3: Average waiting times in the adult magistrates' courts by division & venue

		Summons to first hearing (weeks)	First hearing to finding (weeks)	Finding to disposal (weeks)	First hearing to disposal (weeks)
Belfast	Laganside Courts	7.60	6.91	.67	7.58
	Total	7.60	6.91	.67	7.58
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	12.20	6.20	.71	6.91
	Limavady Court Office	9.55	5.09	.54	5.64
	Magherafelt Court Office	8.45	5.11	.36	5.47
	Total	10.88	5.75	.60	6.35
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	8.02	6.78	.32	7.10
	Coleraine Court Office	7.73	8.56	1.08	9.63
	Ballymena Court Office	8.14	12.39	1.05	13.44
	Larne Court Office	7.96	3.81	.49	4.30
	Total	7.93	8.56	.82	9.38
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	7.30	8.53	.93	9.46
	Strabane Court Office	7.83	5.58	.70	6.28
	Enniskillen Court Office	8.45	7.20	1.05	8.24
	Dungannon Court Office	7.92	9.02	1.04	10.06
	Total	7.83	8.12	.97	9.08
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	10.65	4.75	.60	5.35
	Banbridge Court Office	12.25	5.98	.47	6.46
	Newry Court Office	10.03	5.23	.27	5.50
	Total	10.57	5.27	.38	5.64
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	10.13	5.13	.90	6.04
	Downpatrick Court Office	9.56	9.80	1.06	10.85
	Bangor Court Office	11.85	5.91	1.34	7.25
	Total	10.41	6.88	1.07	7.95
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	9.18	4.62	.54	5.16
	Lisburn Court Office	9.72	6.45	.99	7.44
	Total	9.46	5.55	.77	6.32

Bench warrants, adjourned generally and deferred sentences excluded

Table 2.3: Average waiting times in the adult magistrates' courts in Northern Ireland

	Summons to first hearing (weeks)	First hearing to finding (weeks)	Finding to disposal (weeks)	First hearing to disposal (weeks)
Northern Ireland	8.88	6.87	.75	7.62

Bench warrants, adjourned generally and deferred sentences excluded

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Table 2.4: Performance against target in the adult magistrates' courts by division & venue

		Corporate plan target adult	
		On target	Over target
Belfast	Laganside Courts	75%	25%
	Total	75%	25%
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	79%	21%
	Limavady Court Office	79%	21%
	Magherafelt Court Office	81%	19%
	Total	79%	21%
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	78%	22%
	Coleraine Court Office	74%	26%
	Ballymena Court Office	61%	39%
	Larne Court Office	84%	16%
	Total	73%	27%
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	67%	33%
	Strabane Court Office	78%	22%
	Enniskillen Court Office	70%	30%
	Dungannon Court Office	73%	27%
	Total	71%	29%
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	82%	18%
	Banbridge Court Office	79%	21%
	Newry Court Office	81%	19%
	Total	81%	19%
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	79%	21%
	Downpatrick Court Office	66%	34%
	Bangor Court Office	77%	23%
	Total	74%	26%
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	83%	17%
	Lisburn Court Office	75%	25%
	Total	79%	21%

Bench warrants, adjourned generally and deferred sentences excluded.
Corporate target: first hearing to disposal (9 weeks)

Table 2.4: Performance against target in the adult magistrates' courts in Northern Ireland

	Corporate plan target adult	
	On target	Over target
Northern Ireland	76%	24%

Bench warrants, adjourned generally and deferred sentences excluded.
Corporate target: first hearing to disposal (9 weeks)

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Table 2.5: Number and type of charges brought for adult defendants disposed of by business area

	PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Fixed penalty	Total
All Offences Against the Person	792	1		793
All Sexual Offences	195			195
All Burglary Offences	102			102
All Robbery Offences	34			34
All Theft Offences	468			468
All Fraud and Forgery Offences	67	39		106
All Criminal Damage Offences	259			259
All Offences Against the State	10			10
All Other Offences	747	36		783
All Drug Offences	327	1		328
All Motoring Offences	4506	180		4686
All Non-Police Offences	132	3132	361	3625
Combination of charges	1791	56		1847
Total	9430	3445	361	13236

Table 2.6: Outcome of adult defendants disposed of by business area

	PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Fixed penalty	Total
Committed to the Crown Court	457			457
Plea of guilty on all charges	4170	709		4879
All charges withdrawn	1741	1057	12	2810
Fixed penalty default			349	349
Plea not guilty - found guilty on at least one charge	2649	1558		4207
Plea not guilty - acquitted on all charges	413	121		534
Total	9430	3445	361	13236

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Table 3.1 Youth defendants received in the magistrates' courts by division & venue

		PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Total
Belfast	Laganside Courts	183	10	193
	Division total	183	10	193
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	24	2	26
	Magherafelt Court Office	4	1	5
	Division total	28	3	31
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	8		8
	Coleraine Court Office	37	2	39
	Ballymena Court Office	33	2	35
	Larne Court Office	14	1	15
	Division total	92	5	97
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	28		28
	Strabane Court Office	10		10
	Enniskillen Court Office	22		22
	Dungannon Court Office	35		35
	Division total	95		95
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	12	1	13
	Banbridge Court Office	3		3
	Newry Court Office	38	2	40
	Division total	53	3	56
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	53	1	54
	Downpatrick Court Office	44		44
	Bangor Court Office	50	1	51
	Division total	147	2	149
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	39	1	40
	Lisburn Court Office	55	3	58
	Division total	94	4	98

Table 3.1 Youth defendants received in the magistrates' courts in Northern Ireland

	PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Total
Northern Ireland	692	27	719

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Table 3.2 Youth defendants disposed of in the magistrates' courts by division & venue

		PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Total
Belfast	Laganside Courts	263	12	275
	Division total	263	12	275
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	46	3	49
	Limavady Court Office	1		1
	Magherafelt Court Office	5	1	6
	Division total	52	4	56
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	16		16
	Coleraine Court Office	35	3	38
	Ballymena Court Office	42		42
	Larne Court Office	14	2	16
	Division total	107	5	112
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	31		31
	Strabane Court Office	16		16
	Enniskillen Court Office	26		26
	Dungannon Court Office	35	1	36
	Division total	108	1	109
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	12	1	13
	Banbridge Court Office	5		5
	Newry Court Office	24	2	26
	Division total	41	3	44
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	51	1	52
	Downpatrick Court Office	49		49
	Bangor Court Office	51		51
	Division total	151	1	152
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	52	1	53
	Lisburn Court Office	58	5	63
	Division total	110	6	116

Table 3.2 Youth defendants disposed of in the magistrates' courts in Northern Ireland

	PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Total
Northern Ireland	832	32	864

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Table 3.3: Average waiting times in the youth magistrates' courts by division & venue

		Summons to first hearing (weeks)	First hearing to finding (weeks)	Finding to disposal (weeks)
Belfast	Laganside Courts	5.12	9.13	3.02
	Total	5.12	9.13	3.02
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	4.89	8.72	4.74
	Limavady Court Office	1.71	22.00	.00
	Magherafelt Court Office	7.81	9.76	2.69
	Total	5.17	9.11	4.40
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	5.34	9.71	3.88
	Coleraine Court Office	8.57	19.99	2.24
	Ballymena Court Office	5.18	15.19	5.89
	Larne Court Office	6.48	8.34	.50
	Total	6.35	15.18	3.98
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	6.31	11.99	3.02
	Strabane Court Office	6.26	11.08	4.55
	Enniskillen Court Office	8.29	14.64	1.43
	Dungannon Court Office	7.83	10.20	4.74
	Total	7.22	11.82	3.50
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	6.35	18.97	1.83
	Banbridge Court Office	5.06	4.11	5.80
	Newry Court Office	6.66	8.52	1.99
	Total	6.37	10.47	2.46
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	17.03	12.93	4.90
	Downpatrick Court Office	7.58	14.22	2.89
	Bangor Court Office	8.41	9.90	6.06
	Total	11.08	12.31	4.65
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	7.39	7.05	3.69
	Lisburn Court Office	5.62	12.27	3.89
	Total	6.63	9.30	3.78

Bench warrants, adjourned generally, deferred sentences and diversionary youth conference orders excluded.

Table 3.3: Average waiting times in the youth magistrates' courts in Northern Ireland

	Summons to first hearing (weeks)	First hearing to finding (weeks)	Finding to disposal (weeks)
Northern Ireland	6.97	10.96	3.69

Bench warrants, adjourned generally, deferred sentences and diversionary youth conference orders excluded.

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Table 3.4: Performance against target in the youth magistrates' courts by division & venue

		Corporate plan target youth	
		On target	Over target
Belfast	Laganside Courts	76%	24%
	Total	76%	24%
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	84%	16%
	Limavady Court Office		100%
	Magherafelt Court Office	50%	50%
	Total	78%	22%
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	62%	38%
	Coleraine Court Office	62%	38%
	Ballymena Court Office	56%	44%
	Larne Court Office	63%	38%
	Total	59%	41%
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	58%	42%
	Strabane Court Office	53%	47%
	Enniskillen Court Office	42%	58%
	Dungannon Court Office	79%	21%
	Total	61%	39%
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	44%	56%
	Banbridge Court Office	100%	
	Newry Court Office	83%	17%
	Total	76%	24%
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	58%	42%
	Downpatrick Court Office	56%	44%
	Bangor Court Office	69%	31%
	Total	61%	39%
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	80%	20%
	Lisburn Court Office	63%	37%
	Total	73%	27%

Bench warrants, adjourned generally, deferred sentences and diversionary youth conference orders excluded.
Corporate target: first hearing to finding (12 weeks)

Table 3.4: Performance against target in the youth magistrates' courts in Northern Ireland

	Corporate plan target youth	
	On target	Over target
Northern Ireland	69%	31%

Bench warrants, adjourned generally, deferred sentences and diversionary youth conference orders excluded.
Corporate target: first hearing to finding (12 weeks)

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Table 3.5: Number and type of charges brought for youth defendants disposed of by business area

	PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Total
All Offences Against the Person	132		132
All Sexual Offences	15		15
All Burglary Offences	41		41
All Robbery Offences	12		12
All Theft Offences	91		91
All Fraud and Forgery Offences	2		2
All Criminal Damage Offences	70		70
All Other Offences	82	9	91
All Drug Offences	18		18
All Motoring Offences	115		115
All Non-Police Offences	7	22	29
Combination of charges	247	1	248
Total	832	32	864

Table 3.6: Outcome of youth defendants disposed of by business area

	PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Total
Committed to the Crown Court	21		21
Plea of guilty on all charges	355	6	361
All charges withdrawn	250	10	260
Plea not guilty - found guilty on at least one charge	161	9	170
Plea not guilty - acquitted on all charges	45	7	52
Total	832	32	864

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Table 4.1 Civil applications received in the magistrates' court by division & venue

		Current Business Area		Total
		Domestic Proceedings	Family homes & Domestic Violence (Magistrates Court)	
Belfast	Laganside Courts	60	433	493
	Division total	60	433	493
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	21	169	190
	Limavady Court Office		16	16
	Magherafelt Court Office	5	11	16
	Division total	26	196	222
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	4	47	51
	Coleraine Court Office	16	61	77
	Ballymena Court Office	11	76	87
	Larne Court Office	7	17	24
	Division total	38	201	239
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	7	48	55
	Strabane Court Office	5	15	20
	Enniskillen Court Office	11	24	35
	Dungannon Court Office	10	34	44
	Division total	33	121	154
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	6	21	27
	Banbridge Court Office	2	7	9
	Newry Court Office	23	105	128
	Division total	31	133	164
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	14	90	104
	Downpatrick Court Office	11	58	69
	Bangor Court Office	5	47	52
	Division total	30	195	225
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	15	63	78
	Lisburn Court Office	17	69	86
	Division total	32	132	164

Table 4.1 Civil applications received in the magistrates' court in Northern Ireland

	Current Business Area		Total
	Domestic Proceedings	Family homes & Domestic Violence (Magistrates Court)	
Northern Ireland	250	1416	1666

Provisional figures

Table 4.2 Civil applications disposed in the magistrates' court by division & venue

		Current Business Area		Total
		Domestic Proceedings	Family homes & Domestic Violence (Magistrates Court)	
Belfast	Laganside Courts	48	155	203
	Division total	48	155	203
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	20	86	106
	Limavady Court Office	1	14	15
	Magherafelt Court Office	6	8	14
	Division total	27	108	135
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	3	44	47
	Coleraine Court Office	14	44	58
	Ballymena Court Office	17	47	64
	Larne Court Office	2	16	18
	Division total	36	151	187
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	4	17	21
	Strabane Court Office	2	12	14
	Enniskillen Court Office	12	13	25
	Dungannon Court Office	8	25	33
	Division total	26	67	93
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	7	13	20
	Banbridge Court Office		5	5
	Newry Court Office	13	44	57
	Division total	20	62	82
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	19	56	75
	Downpatrick Court Office	10	24	34
	Bangor Court Office	10	28	38
	Division total	39	108	147
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	16	48	64
	Lisburn Court Office	10	26	36
	Division total	26	74	100

Table 4.2 Civil applications disposed in the magistrates' court in Northern Ireland

	Current Business Area		Total
	Domestic Proceedings	Family homes & Domestic Violence (Magistrates Court)	
Northern Ireland	222	725	947

Provisional figures

Table 4.3: Average waiting times in the civil magistrates' courts by division & venue

		Date of issue to first hearing (weeks)	First hearing to disposal (weeks)
Belfast	Laganside Courts	3.02	8.49
	Total	3.02	8.49
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	3.15	8.60
	Limavady Court Office	2.53	8.40
	Magherafelt Court Office	3.76	9.93
	Total	3.14	8.72
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	2.46	7.80
	Coleraine Court Office	9.81	10.63
	Ballymena Court Office	5.96	13.94
	Larne Court Office	2.64	5.04
	Total	5.96	10.51
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	3.01	4.35
	Strabane Court Office	1.59	5.43
	Enniskillen Court Office	3.21	6.52
	Dungannon Court Office	2.70	4.12
	Total	2.74	5.02
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	3.94	9.35
	Banbridge Court Office	2.20	1.80
	Newry Court Office	2.49	4.32
	Total	2.82	5.39
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	3.83	13.60
	Downpatrick Court Office	3.34	18.86
	Bangor Court Office	2.46	6.70
	Total	3.36	13.03
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	2.72	7.65
	Lisburn Court Office	1.59	9.82
	Total	2.31	8.43

Table 4.3: Average waiting times in the civil magistrates' courts in Northern Ireland

	Date of issue to first hearing (weeks)	First hearing to disposal (weeks)
Northern Ireland	3.55	9.01