

# Magistrates' Court Bulletin

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## Summary

### During Jan – Mar 2010:

There were 1,124 scheduled magistrates' sittings of which:

Criminal	751
Youth	129
Family	244

There were 57 additional magistrates' sittings of which:

Criminal	51
Youth	2
Family	4

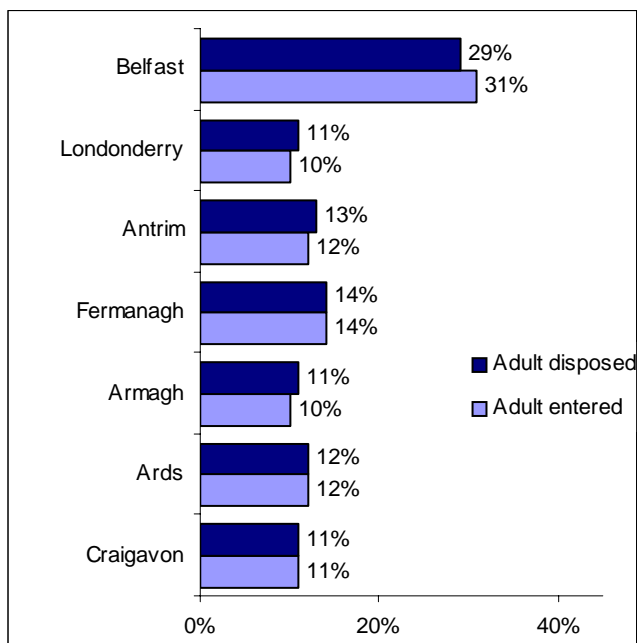
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Criminal	57
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15,412 new adult criminal defendants were received in court and 13,460 adult defendants were disposed of during the period. (Figure 1)

The majority of prosecutions disposed in the adult court were brought by PSNI/ PPS.

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



The volume of adult business was highest in the Division of Belfast.

The average waiting time in the adult criminal court from first hearing to disposal was 5 weeks. (Figure 2)

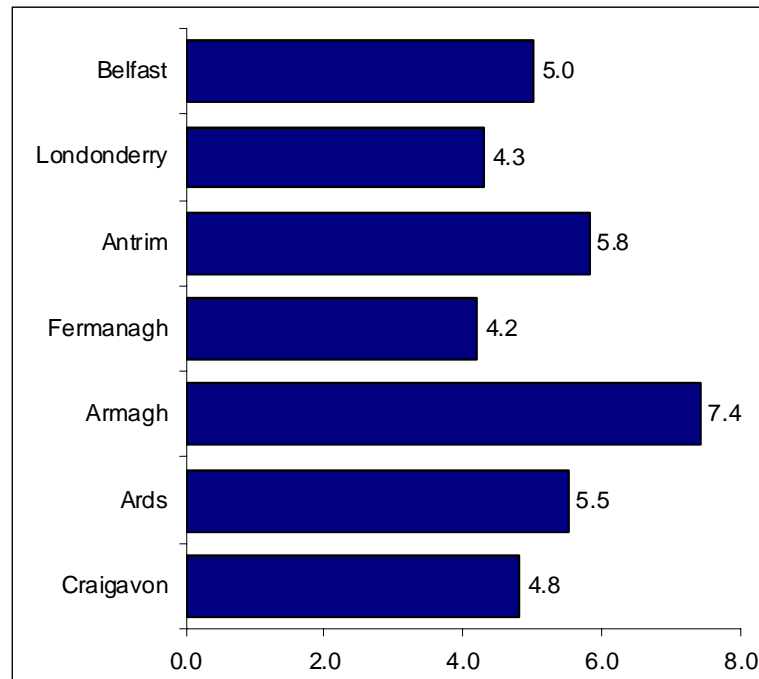
980 new defendants were entered in the youth court and 777 youth defendants were disposed of in the youth court.

The average waiting time in the youth court from first hearing to disposal was 10 weeks.

1,666 new civil applications were entered and 1,438 civil applications were disposed of.

The average length of time for a case to progress through the civil court was 7 weeks from date of issue to disposal.

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



**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	241	03:27:37	36	04:01:25	66	03:26:44
	Total	241	03:27:37	36	04:01:25	66	03:26:44
Londonderry	Limavady	16	04:35:18				
	Magherafelt	15	03:45:00	4	01:58:45		
	Londonderry	48	04:44:24	9	03:31:40	20	03:38:45
	Total	79	04:31:17	13	03:03:04	20	03:38:45
Antrim	Antrim	20	04:42:30	6	02:17:30	6	03:51:40
	Ballymena	26	03:12:18	6	01:55:00	15	04:17:20
	Larne	13	02:56:32	3	01:51:40	6	03:35:50
	Coleraine	39	04:31:55	6	03:43:20	11	03:26:49
	Total	98	04:00:18	21	02:31:54	38	03:52:06
Fermanagh & Tyrone	Dungannon	40	03:59:00	5	02:58:00	9	04:30:33
	Strabane	23	02:52:36	3	02:26:40		
	Omagh	30	03:34:20	5	03:48:00	12	04:17:55
	Enniskillen	22	04:48:43	5	02:53:00	3	03:33:00
	Total	115	03:48:47	18	03:05:16	24	04:17:02
Armagh & South Down	Armagh	18	04:27:34	4	01:50:00	2	02:20:00
	Banbridge @Newry	15	04:32:20	3	03:18:20		
	Newry	36	04:27:38	5	02:59:00	18	04:15:00
	Total	69	04:28:38	12	02:40:50	20	04:03:30
Ards	Bangor	20	03:52:15			5	02:12:00
	Downpatrick	24	05:19:22	5	04:17:00	2	04:02:30
	Newtownards	42	03:00:50	11	02:48:38	39	02:26:09
	Total	86	03:51:27	16	03:16:15	46	02:28:48
Craigavon	Lisburn	34	04:30:17	7	02:46:25	12	05:10:50
	Craigavon	29	04:25:41	6	02:40:00	18	02:51:56
	Total	63	04:28:10	13	02:43:27	30	03:47:30

**Table1.1a: 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	751	03:55:14	129	03:12:10	244	03:31:15

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.

**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
Londonderry	Limavady	1	02:40:00				
	Londonderry	1	01:00:00				
	Total	2	01:50:00				
Antrim	Antrim	2	01:52:30				
	Ballymena	1	00:15:00			1	01:20:00
	Coleraine					1	00:05:00
	Total	3	01:20:00			2	00:42:30
Fermanagh & Tyrone	Dungannon	6	03:36:40	1	02:30:00		
	Omagh	2	02:15:00				
	Enniskillen	1	04:05:00	1	02:00:00		
	Total	9	03:21:40	2	02:15:00		
Armagh & South Down	Armagh	3	03:58:20				
	Newry	5	03:46:00				
	Total	8	03:50:37				
Ards	Downpatrick	9	04:47:33				
	Newtownards	14	01:38:34			1	04:30:00
	Total	23	02:52:31			1	04:30:00
Craigavon	Lisburn	2	00:05:00			1	02:10:00
	Craigavon	4	02:40:00				
	Total	6	01:48:20			1	02:10:00

**Table 1.2a: 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	51	02:51:20	2	02:15:00	4	02:01:15

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.

**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	00:31:00
	Total	10	00:31:00
Antrim	Ballymena	7	00:32:51
	Total	7	00:32:51
Fermanagh & Tyrone	Omagh	10	01:22:00
	Total	10	01:22:00
Armagh & South Down	Newry	10	00:44:30
	Total	10	00:44:30
Ards	Newtownards	10	00:34:00
	Total	10	00:34:00
Craigavon	Lisburn	5	00:31:00
	Craigavon	5	00:34:00
	Total	10	00:32:30

**Table 1.3a: 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	57	00:43:20

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.

**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	3517	1181	61	4759
	Division total	3517	1181	61	4759
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	746	213	10	969
	Limavady Court Office	234	49	1	284
	Magherafelt Court Office	263	56	8	327
	Division total	1243	318	19	1580
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	418	105	7	530
	Coleraine Court Office	549	205	19	773
	Ballymena Court Office	339	69	8	416
	Larne Court Office	100	31	3	134
	Division total	1406	410	37	1853
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	418	103	27	548
	Strabane Court Office	213	69	7	289
	Enniskillen Court Office	328	84	13	425
	Dungannon Court Office	620	217	7	844
	Division total	1579	473	54	2106
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	254	90	3	347
	Banbridge Court Office	273	61	2	336
	Newry Court Office	648	203	13	864
	Division total	1175	354	18	1547
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	690	129	26	845
	Downpatrick Court Office	473	47	8	528
	Bangor Court Office	408	62	7	477
	Division total	1571	238	41	1850
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	611	190		801
	Lisburn Court Office	642	244	30	916
	Division total	1253	434	30	1717

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

	PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Fixed penalty	Total
Northern Ireland	11744	3408	260	15412

**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	2893	988	58	3939
	Division total	2893	988	58	3939
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	619	199	10	828
	Limavady Court Office	234	44	1	279
	Magherafelt Court Office	251	46	10	307
	Division total	1104	289	21	1414
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	401	93	7	501
	Coleraine Court Office	539	202	19	760
	Ballymena Court Office	304	70	8	382
	Larne Court Office	91	36	3	130
	Division total	1335	401	37	1773
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	377	98	27	502
	Strabane Court Office	186	59	7	252
	Enniskillen Court Office	299	88	13	400
	Dungannon Court Office	499	210	7	716
	Division total	1361	455	54	1870
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	226	94	3	323
	Banbridge Court Office	245	48	2	295
	Newry Court Office	613	203	13	829
	Division total	1084	345	18	1447
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	588	132	27	747
	Downpatrick Court Office	328	50	8	386
	Bangor Court Office	376	56	7	439
	Division total	1292	238	42	1572
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	521	178		699
	Lisburn Court Office	511	209	26	746
	Division total	1032	387	26	1445

**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	10101	3103	256	13460

**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	6.05	4.47	.50	4.97
	Total	6.05	4.47	.50	4.97
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	6.19	3.48	.79	4.26
	Limavady Court Office	5.14	4.32	.41	4.73
	Magherafelt Court Office	6.66	3.69	.50	4.19
	Total	6.08	3.69	.65	4.34
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	6.51	3.88	.35	4.23
	Coleraine Court Office	6.45	7.21	.40	7.61
	Ballymena Court Office	6.89	4.71	.28	4.98
	Larne Court Office	5.17	3.02	.81	3.83
	Total	6.46	5.43	.39	5.82
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	6.63	4.17	.37	4.54
	Strabane Court Office	5.48	3.06	.44	3.50
	Enniskillen Court Office	6.79	2.95	.55	3.50
	Dungannon Court Office	5.93	3.93	.65	4.58
	Total	6.25	3.67	.53	4.20
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	5.21	7.00	.69	7.69
	Banbridge Court Office	5.91	5.79	.29	6.09
	Newry Court Office	6.79	7.07	.61	7.67
	Total	6.26	6.79	.56	7.35
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	7.26	3.35	.59	3.94
	Downpatrick Court Office	7.82	6.81	.54	7.35
	Bangor Court Office	7.49	5.52	1.13	6.65
	Total	7.46	4.80	.73	5.53
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	6.67	3.58	.53	4.11
	Lisburn Court Office	6.56	4.74	.76	5.51
	Total	6.61	4.18	.65	4.83

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	6.38	4.66	.55	5.22

Bench warrants, adjourned generally and deferred sentences excluded

**Table 2.4: 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	880	3		883
All Sexual Offences	250			250
All Burglary Offences	114			114
All Robbery Offences	38			38
All Theft Offences	613			613
All Fraud and Forgery Offences	84	118		202
All Criminal Damage Offences	230			230
All Offences Against the State	14			14
All Other Offences	790	172		962
All Drug Offences	359			359
All Motoring Offences	4535	151		4686
All Non-Police Offences	70	2353	256	2679
All Breach	141	265		406
Combination of charges	1983	41		2024
Total	10101	3103	256	13460

**Table 2.5: Outcome of adult defendants disposed of by business area**

	PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Fixed penalty	Total
Committed to the Crown Court	452			452
Plea of guilty on all charges	4615	765		5380
All charges withdrawn	2011	954	5	2970
Fixed penalty default			251	251
Plea not guilty - found guilty on at least one charge	2628	1234		3862
Plea not guilty - acquitted on all charges	395	150		545
Total	10101	3103	256	13460

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

		PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Fixed Penalty	Total
Belfast	Laganside Courts	323	24		347
	Division total	323	24		347
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	87			87
	Magherafelt Court Office	16			16
	Division total	103			103
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	32		2	34
	Coleraine Court Office	50	4	1	55
	Ballymena Court Office	21	2		23
	Larne Court Office	2	1		3
	Division total	105	7	3	115
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	35			35
	Strabane Court Office	15			15
	Enniskillen Court Office	26			26
	Dungannon Court Office	50	3	1	54
	Division total	126	3	1	130
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	17	1		18
	Banbridge Court Office	7			7
	Newry Court Office	26			26
	Division total	50	1		51
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	58	2		60
	Downpatrick Court Office	59			59
	Bangor Court Office	32	4		36
	Division total	149	6		155
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	39	1		40
	Lisburn Court Office	39			39
	Division total	78	1		79

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

	PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Fixed Penalty	Total
Northern Ireland	934	42	4	980

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

		PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Fixed Penalty	Total
Belfast	Laganside Courts	232	12		244
	Division total	232	12		244
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	88	1		89
	Magherafelt Court Office	6			6
	Division total	94	1		95
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	31	1	2	34
	Coleraine Court Office	40	2	1	43
	Ballymena Court Office	32	5		37
	Larne Court Office	3			3
	Division total	106	8	3	117
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	27			27
	Strabane Court Office	15			15
	Enniskillen Court Office	25			25
	Dungannon Court Office	28	1	1	30
	Division total	95	1	1	97
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	12			12
	Banbridge Court Office	11			11
	Newry Court Office	25			25
	Division total	48			48
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	47	1		48
	Downpatrick Court Office	33			33
	Bangor Court Office	33	4		37
	Division total	113	5		118
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	34	1		35
	Lisburn Court Office	23			23
	Division total	57	1		58

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

	PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Fixed Penalty	Total
Northern Ireland	745	28	4	777

**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	4.28	5.67	2.77
	Total	4.28	5.67	2.77
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	3.98	5.65	3.87
	Magherafelt Court Office	6.33	14.67	1.83
	Total	4.15	6.28	3.73
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	8.02	3.94	1.94
	Coleraine Court Office	10.41	7.24	3.46
	Ballymena Court Office	4.24	7.58	.39
	Larne Court Office	3.29	15.50	6.00
	Total	7.71	6.62	2.22
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	6.95	11.61	1.42
	Strabane Court Office	4.17	2.64	2.30
	Enniskillen Court Office	4.77	10.55	4.41
	Dungannon Court Office	5.88	3.75	1.90
	Total	5.66	7.84	2.52
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	3.53	5.43	2.20
	Banbridge Court Office	4.10	14.13	4.40
	Newry Court Office	3.86	5.05	1.56
	Total	3.84	7.41	2.43
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	7.18	6.34	3.43
	Downpatrick Court Office	5.95	8.74	7.08
	Bangor Court Office	6.08	7.96	3.20
	Total	6.48	7.53	4.40
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	5.19	8.76	4.40
	Lisburn Court Office	4.54	5.53	2.37
	Total	4.97	7.66	3.71

Bench warrants, adjourned generally and deferred sentences 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	5.21	6.76	3.13

Bench warrants, adjourned generally and deferred sentences excluded

**Table 3.4: Number and type of charges brought for youth defendants disposed of by business area**

	PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Fixed Penalty	Total
All Offences Against the Person	119			119
All Sexual Offences	13			13
All Burglary Offences	41			41
All Robbery Offences	3			3
All Theft Offences	84			84
All Criminal Damage Offences	58			58
All Other Offences	75	1		76
All Drug Offences	20			20
All Motoring Offences	89			89
All Non-Police Offences	3	2	4	9
All Breach	3	24		27
Combination of charges	237	1		238
Total	745	28	4	777

**Table 3.5: Outcome of youth defendants disposed of by business area**

	PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Fixed Penalty	Total
Committed to the Crown Court	15			15
Plea of guilty on all charges	275	8		283
All charges withdrawn	287	6		293
Fixed Penalty default			4	4
Plea not guilty - found guilty on at least one charge	136	6		142
Plea not guilty - acquitted on all charges	32	8		40
<b>Total</b>	<b>745</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>777</b>

**Table 4.1 Number of civil applications received in the magistrates' court by division & venue**

		Current Business Area		Total
		Domestic Proceedings	Family Homes and Domestic Violence	
Belfast	Laganside Courts	38	484	522
	Division total	38	484	522
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	15	163	178
	Limavady Court Office		7	7
	Magherafelt Court Office	1	17	18
	Division total	16	187	203
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	8	32	40
	Coleraine Court Office	9	109	118
	Ballymena Court Office	8	49	57
	Larne Court Office	1	24	25
	Division total	26	214	240
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	2	65	67
	Strabane Court Office	6	20	26
	Enniskillen Court Office	3	26	29
	Dungannon Court Office	3	49	52
	Division total	14	160	174
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	1	18	19
	Newry Court Office	28	148	176
	Division total	29	166	195
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	18	113	131
	Downpatrick Court Office	6	49	55
	Bangor Court Office	2	33	35
	Division total	26	195	221
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	5	44	49
	Lisburn Court Office	4	58	62
	Division total	9	102	111

**Table 4.1 Number of civil applications received in the magistrates' court in Northern Ireland**

	Current Business Area		Total
	Domestic Proceedings	Family Homes and Domestic Violence	
Northern Ireland	158	1508	1666

**Table 4.2 Number of civil applications disposed in the magistrates' court by division & venue**

		Current Business Area		Total
		Domestic Proceedings	Family Homes and Domestic Violence	
Belfast	Laganside Courts	31	398	429
	Division total	31	398	429
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	11	138	149
	Limavady Court Office		6	6
	Magherafelt Court Office	1	13	14
	Division total	12	157	169
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	5	34	39
	Coleraine Court Office	11	94	105
	Ballymena Court Office	8	54	62
	Larne Court Office	1	16	17
	Division total	25	198	223
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	2	43	45
	Strabane Court Office	3	17	20
	Enniskillen Court Office	5	25	30
	Dungannon Court Office	8	44	52
	Division total	18	129	147
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	3	12	15
	Newry Court Office	17	121	138
	Division total	20	133	153
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	17	99	116
	Downpatrick Court Office	7	40	47
	Bangor Court Office	3	41	44
	Division total	27	180	207
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	7	44	51
	Lisburn Court Office	12	47	59
	Division total	19	91	110

**Table 4.2 Number of civil applications disposed in the magistrates' court in Northern Ireland**

	Current Business Area		Total
	Domestic Proceedings	Family Homes and Domestic Violence	
Northern Ireland	152	1286	1438

**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	1.67	6.57
	Total	1.67	6.57
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	1.94	2.84
	Limavady Court Office	1.43	6.50
	Magherafelt Court Office	1.65	2.86
	Total	1.90	2.97
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	2.04	4.18
	Coleraine Court Office	1.32	5.04
	Ballymena Court Office	1.96	5.10
	Larne Court Office	1.45	1.99
	Total	1.64	4.67
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	1.23	2.83
	Strabane Court Office	1.76	3.18
	Enniskillen Court Office	1.30	3.53
	Dungannon Court Office	1.51	2.56
	Total	1.41	2.93
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	1.62	5.13
	Newry Court Office	1.50	3.68
	Total	1.51	3.82
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	1.44	6.35
	Downpatrick Court Office	1.99	6.66
	Bangor Court Office	1.48	7.78
	Total	1.57	6.73
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	.90	8.55
	Lisburn Court Office	1.07	10.06
	Total	.99	9.36

**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	1.58	5.43

**Table 4.4 Outcome of applications under Family Homes & Domestic Violence Order in the magistrates' court in Northern Ireland**

	Granted	Dismissed or refused	Withdrawn	Vary discharge	Other	Total
Non molestation	756	212	206	73	3	1250
Occupation	7	2	7	1		17
Vary discharge non-mol occupation	1	6	6	7		20
<b>Total</b>	<b>764</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1287</b>

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