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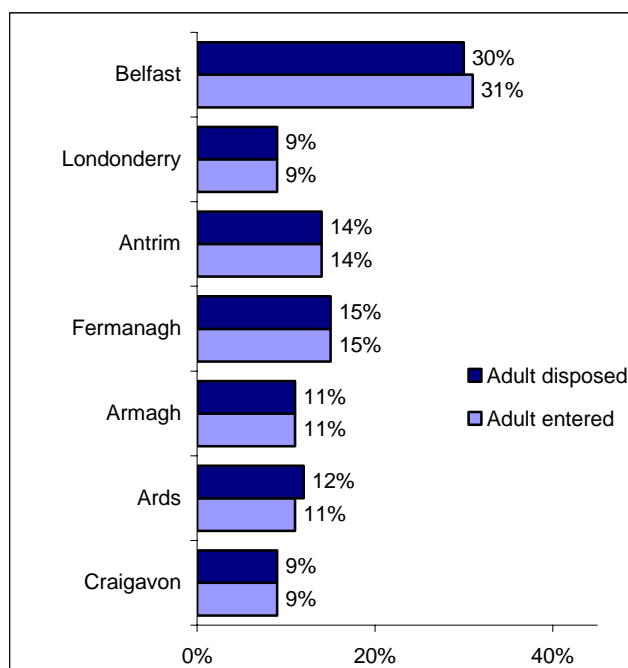
The roll out of the new court operations system called the Integrated Court Operations System (ICOS) has been completed throughout the divisions. Caution should be taken when comparing figures with previous quarters. For further advice on the differences between the current figures and previous quarters,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

# Summary

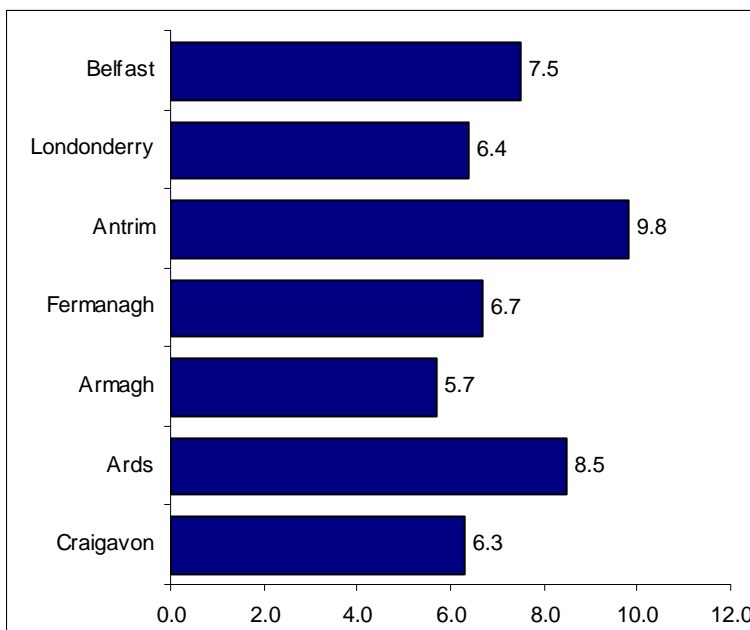
## During Apr - Jun 2008:

- There were 1,061 scheduled magistrates' sittings of which:
  - Criminal – 677
  - Youth – 125
  - Family – 259
- There were 88 additional magistrates' sittings of which:
  - Criminal – 83
  - Family – 5
- There were 63 special magistrates' sittings of which:
  - Criminal – 63
- 14,055 new adult criminal defendants were received in court and 13,699 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 7 weeks and overall, 77% were on target.
- 689 new defendants were entered in the youth court and 800 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 13 weeks and 62% were on target.
- 1,910 new civil applications were entered and 1,145 civil applications were disposed of.
- The average length of time for a case to progress through the civil court was 9 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 (1<sup>st</sup> 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	192	3:13:29	39	2:58:40	67	3:07:05
	Total	192	3:13:29	39	2:58:40	67	3:07:05
Londonderry	Limavady	17	3:00:35		.	1	2:35:00
	Magherafelt	16	3:12:48	3	3:35:00		.
	Londonderry	42	4:29:10	9	3:20:00	22	4:17:02
	Total	75	3:52:48	12	3:23:45	23	4:12:36
Antrim	Antrim	18	3:33:59	6	1:19:10	6	2:12:30
	Ballymena	23	4:18:28	6	3:59:10	18	2:24:20
	Larne	14	3:31:25	3	2:11:40	5	2:36:00
	Coleraine	26	5:04:48	6	4:18:20	12	3:00:25
	Total	81	4:15:19	21	3:03:34	41	2:34:35
Fermanagh & Tyrone	Dungannon	40	4:41:22	6	3:04:10	4	5:21:15
	Strabane	22	3:39:19	3	3:20:00		.
	Omagh	25	4:30:48	6	2:35:50	14	4:00:00
	Enniskillen	23	3:44:20	6	3:25:50	3	2:30:00
	Total	110	4:14:38	21	3:04:31	21	4:02:37
Armagh & South Down	Armagh	21	3:56:11	6	1:30:50		.
	Banbridge	12	4:22:39	2	4:55:00	1	3:30:00
	Newry	35	4:22:25	6	3:43:20	19	3:27:22
	Total	68	4:14:22	14	2:56:47	20	3:27:30
Ards	Bangor	20	4:10:15		.	6	2:55:00
	Downpatrick	20	4:48:15	6	2:42:30	3	3:55:00
	Newtownards	39	2:51:01		.	45	2:11:06
	Total	79	3:40:45	6	2:42:30	54	2:21:45
Craigavon	Lisburn	36	3:48:53	6	3:25:50	14	4:06:47
	Craigavon	36	3:28:20	6	3:24:10	19	2:11:18
	Total	72	3:38:36	12	3:25:00	33	3:00:18

**Table 1.1a: 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	677	3:47:08	125	3:04:25	259	3:03:31

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

		Adult criminal day		Family day	
		Number of court sitting days	Average court sitting time	Number of court sitting days	Average court sitting time
Belfast	Laganside	6	3:26:20	1	1:40:00
	Total	6	3:26:20	1	1:40:00
Londonderry	Magherafelt	1	5:00:00		.
	Total	1	5:00:00		.
Antrim	Ballymena	7	1:57:08	1	1:00:00
	Coleraine	12	3:02:30		.
	Total	19	2:38:25	1	1:00:00
Fermanagh & Tyrone	Dungannon	10	4:38:30		.
	Omagh	9	4:35:00		.
	Enniskillen	1	4:45:00		.
	Total	20	4:37:15		.
Armagh & South Down	Armagh	9	3:58:53		.
	Newry	5	2:15:48		.
	Total	14	3:22:04		.
Ards	Bangor	1	1:00:00		.
	Downpatrick	10	3:18:30		.
	Newtownards	11	1:55:00	3	0:38:20
	Total	22	2:30:27	3	0:38:20
Craigavon	Craigavon	1	3:55:00		.
	Total	1	3:55:00		.

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

	Adult criminal day		Family day	
	Number of court sitting days	Average court sitting time	Number of court sitting days	Average court sitting time
Northern Ireland	83	3:18:23	5	0:55:00

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	0:54:12
	Total	10	0:54:12
Antrim	Ballymena	12	0:54:25
	Larne	1	1:24:01
	Coleraine	1	1:24:01
	Total	14	0:58:38
Fermanagh & Tyrone	Strabane	1	1:24:01
	Omagh	9	0:36:46
	Total	10	0:41:30
Armagh & South Down	Newry	9	0:49:53
	Total	9	0:49:53
Ards	Newtownards	8	0:49:45
	Total	8	0:49:45
Craigavon	Lisburn	9	0:52:33
	Craigavon	3	1:16:00
	Total	12	0:58:25

**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	63	0:52:47

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

		PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Fixed penalty	Total
Belfast	Laganside Courts	2932	1348	74	4354
	Division total	2932	1348	74	4354
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	480	199	17	696
	Limavady Court Office	180	51	6	237
	Magherafelt Court Office	194	77	11	282
	Division total	854	327	34	1215
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	406	130		536
	Coleraine Court Office	627	172	33	832
	Ballymena Court Office	342	96	24	462
	Larne Court Office	119	61		180
	Division total	1494	459	57	2010
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	419	85	21	525
	Strabane Court Office	159	66	11	236
	Enniskillen Court Office	300	108	13	421
	Dungannon Court Office	595	271	19	885
	Division total	1473	530	64	2067
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	205	171	8	384
	Banbridge Court Office	240	54	2	296
	Newry Court Office	653	201	19	873
	Division total	1098	426	29	1553
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	452	155	43	650
	Downpatrick Court Office	327	91	15	433
	Bangor Court Office	352	96	12	460
	Division total	1131	342	70	1543
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	470	216	19	705
	Lisburn Court Office	407	159	41	607
	Division total	877	375	60	1312

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

	PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Fixed penalty	Total
Northern Ireland	9859	3808	388	14055

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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	2896	1099	73	4068
	Division total	2896	1099	73	4068
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	481	158	16	655
	Limavady Court Office	186	48	6	240
	Magherafelt Court Office	210	73	11	294
	Division total	877	279	33	1189
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	401	119	1	521
	Coleraine Court Office	594	168	32	794
	Ballymena Court Office	338	105	25	468
	Larne Court Office	96	68	2	166
	Division total	1429	460	60	1949
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	447	91	23	561
	Strabane Court Office	178	64	11	253
	Enniskillen Court Office	264	123	12	399
	Dungannon Court Office	583	260	19	862
	Division total	1472	538	65	2075
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	221	168	8	397
	Banbridge Court Office	215	43	2	260
	Newry Court Office	639	184	19	842
	Division total	1075	395	29	1499
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	463	165	39	667
	Downpatrick Court Office	396	86	17	499
	Bangor Court Office	353	95	11	459
	Division total	1212	346	67	1625
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	465	210	19	694
	Lisburn Court Office	393	165	42	600
	Division total	858	375	61	1294

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	9819	3492	388	13699

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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	7.21	6.93	.58	7.51
	Total	7.21	6.93	.58	7.51
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	9.78	5.57	.55	6.12
	Limavady Court Office	7.06	6.15	.57	6.72
	Magherafelt Court Office	8.42	6.14	.73	6.88
	Total	8.88	5.83	.60	6.43
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	7.04	5.51	.74	6.25
	Coleraine Court Office	10.26	11.47	1.48	12.94
	Ballymena Court Office	8.28	9.40	.53	9.93
	Larne Court Office	8.65	4.97	.69	5.67
	Total	8.78	8.82	.98	9.80
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	8.44	5.26	.60	5.86
	Strabane Court Office	8.32	5.54	.53	6.07
	Enniskillen Court Office	7.98	3.84	.45	4.29
	Dungannon Court Office	20.93	7.54	.87	8.41
	Total	13.61	5.99	.68	6.66
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	10.03	5.46	.46	5.92
	Banbridge Court Office	6.64	3.26	.53	3.79
	Newry Court Office	7.78	5.74	.36	6.10
	Total	8.19	5.24	.41	5.65
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	10.60	5.26	.81	6.07
	Downpatrick Court Office	9.39	12.14	.86	13.01
	Bangor Court Office	11.88	5.87	1.33	7.20
	Total	10.60	7.50	.97	8.47
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	10.80	4.29	.65	4.94
	Lisburn Court Office	8.74	7.23	.76	7.99
	Total	9.86	5.63	.70	6.33

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	9.32	6.72	.70	7.41

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
<b>Belfast</b>	<b>Laganside Courts</b>	76%	24%
	<b>Total</b>	76%	24%
<b>Londonderry</b>	<b>Londonderry Court Office</b>	82%	18%
	<b>Limavady Court Office</b>	80%	20%
	<b>Magherafelt Court Office</b>	78%	22%
	<b>Total</b>	81%	19%
<b>Antrim</b>	<b>Antrim Court Office</b>	79%	21%
	<b>Coleraine Court Office</b>	65%	35%
	<b>Ballymena Court Office</b>	68%	32%
	<b>Larne Court Office</b>	79%	21%
	<b>Total</b>	71%	29%
<b>Fermanagh and Tyrone</b>	<b>Omagh Court Office</b>	80%	20%
	<b>Strabane Court Office</b>	76%	24%
	<b>Enniskillen Court Office</b>	86%	14%
	<b>Dungannon Court Office</b>	78%	22%
	<b>Total</b>	80%	20%
<b>Armagh and South Down</b>	<b>Armagh Court Office</b>	81%	19%
	<b>Banbridge Court Office</b>	88%	12%
	<b>Newry Court Office</b>	81%	19%
	<b>Total</b>	82%	18%
<b>Ards</b>	<b>Newtownards Court Office</b>	79%	21%
	<b>Downpatrick Court Office</b>	55%	45%
	<b>Bangor Court Office</b>	78%	22%
	<b>Total</b>	72%	28%
<b>Craigavon</b>	<b>Craigavon Court Office</b>	84%	16%
	<b>Lisburn Court Office</b>	74%	26%
	<b>Total</b>	80%	20%

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
<b>Northern Ireland</b>	77%	23%

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	867			867
All Sexual Offences	185			185
All Burglary Offences	86			86
All Robbery Offences	22			22
All Theft Offences	505			505
All Fraud and Forgery Offences	88	52		140
All Criminal Damage Offences	238			238
All Offences Against the State	30			30
All Other Offences	726	84		810
All Drug Offences	290	1		291
All Motoring Offences	4784	216		5000
All Non-Police Offences	106	3079	388	3573
Combination of charges	1892	60		1952
<b>Total</b>	<b>9819</b>	<b>3492</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>13699</b>

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

	PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Fixed penalty	Total
Committed to	480			480
Plea of guilty on all charges	4209	747		4956
All charges withdrawn	1738	941	6	2685
Fixed penalty default			382	382
Plea not guilty - found guilty on at least one charge	2985	1689		4674
Plea not guilty - acquitted on all charges	407	115		522
<b>Total</b>	<b>9819</b>	<b>3492</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>13699</b>

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

		PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Fixed penalty	Total
Belfast	Laganside Courts	174	11		185
	Division total	174	11		185
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	49			49
	Limavady Court Office	5			5
	Magherafelt Court Office	16			16
	Division total	70			70
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	17			17
	Coleraine Court Office	30	2		32
	Ballymena Court Office	36	4		40
	Larne Court Office	13			13
	Division total	96	6		102
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	29	1		30
	Strabane Court Office	23			23
	Enniskillen Court Office	19			19
	Dungannon Court Office	39			39
	Division total	110	1		111
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	9			9
	Banbridge Court Office	5			5
	Newry Court Office	29	1		30
	Division total	43	1		44
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	30	2	2	34
	Downpatrick Court Office	28			28
	Bangor Court Office	46	2		48
	Division total	104	4	2	110
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	23			23
	Lisburn Court Office	44			44
	Division total	67			67

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

	PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Fixed penalty	Total
Northern Ireland	664	23	2	689

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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	211	10		221
	Division total	211	10		221
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	38			38
	Limavady Court Office	4			4
	Magherafelt Court Office	5			5
	Division total	47			47
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	13			13
	Coleraine Court Office	38			38
	Ballymena Court Office	44	4		48
	Larne Court Office	10			10
	Division total	105	4		109
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	35			35
	Strabane Court Office	16			16
	Enniskillen Court Office	23			23
	Dungannon Court Office	34			34
	Division total	108			108
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	10	1		11
	Banbridge Court Office	6			6
	Newry Court Office	53			53
	Division total	69	1		70
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	45	3	2	50
	Downpatrick Court Office	36			36
	Bangor Court Office	47	1		48
	Division total	128	4	2	134
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	39			39
	Lisburn Court Office	72			72
	Division total	111			111

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

	PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Fixed penalty	Total
Northern Ireland	779	19	2	800

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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	5.39	12.52	3.19
	Total	5.39	12.52	3.19
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	5.12	8.01	6.40
	Limavady Court Office	6.79	22.50	.00
	Magherafelt Court Office	9.74	2.60	5.20
	Total	5.78	8.06	5.93
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	8.13	10.35	1.00
	Coleraine Court Office	8.06	25.71	2.78
	Ballymena Court Office	5.09	12.18	4.80
	Larne Court Office	6.33	5.63	3.10
	Total	6.32	14.54	3.66
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	7.02	5.80	6.36
	Strabane Court Office	5.99	9.26	4.36
	Enniskillen Court Office	6.85	5.40	2.65
	Dungannon Court Office	40.21	15.22	3.67
	Total	18.28	9.43	4.62
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	6.33	9.76	2.05
	Banbridge Court Office	7.77	12.69	6.03
	Newry Court Office	5.37	8.96	4.97
	Total	5.69	9.36	4.64
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	8.12	11.62	3.14
	Downpatrick Court Office	8.94	20.19	1.49
	Bangor Court Office	6.88	15.22	5.38
	Total	7.94	15.29	3.42
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	7.08	12.59	1.43
	Lisburn Court Office	6.42	17.60	2.83
	Total	6.65	15.84	2.34

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	8.02	12.64	3.70

Bench warrants, adjourned generally and deferred sentences 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
<b>Belfast</b>	Laganside Courts	61%	39%
	<b>Total</b>	61%	39%
<b>Londonderry</b>	Londonderry Court Office	76%	24%
	Limavady Court Office	50%	50%
	Magherafelt Court Office	100%	
	<b>Total</b>	78%	23%
<b>Antrim</b>	Antrim Court Office	73%	27%
	Coleraine Court Office	71%	29%
	Ballymena Court Office	59%	41%
	Larne Court Office	89%	11%
	<b>Total</b>	67%	33%
<b>Fermanagh and Tyrone</b>	Omagh Court Office	83%	17%
	Strabane Court Office	67%	33%
	Enniskillen Court Office	86%	14%
	Dungannon Court Office	72%	28%
	<b>Total</b>	77%	23%
<b>Armagh and South Down</b>	Armagh Court Office	67%	33%
	Banbridge Court Office	60%	40%
	Newry Court Office	74%	26%
	<b>Total</b>	72%	28%
<b>Ards</b>	Newtownards Court Office	63%	37%
	Downpatrick Court Office	31%	69%
	Bangor Court Office	47%	53%
	<b>Total</b>	49%	51%
<b>Craigavon</b>	Craigavon Court Office	58%	42%
	Lisburn Court Office	40%	60%
	<b>Total</b>	47%	53%

Bench warrants, adjourned generally and deferred sentences 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
<b>Northern Ireland</b>	62%	38%

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

Provisional figures

Table 3.5: 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	124			124
All Sexual Offences	10			10
All Burglary Offences	42			42
All Robbery Offences	6			6
All Theft Offences	76			76
All Fraud and Forgery Offences	1			1
All Criminal Damage Offences	67			67
All Offences Against the State	2			2
All Other Offences	80	6		86
All Drug Offences	19			19
All Motoring Offences	106			106
All Non-Police Offences	2	13	2	17
Combination of charges	244			244
<b>Total</b>	<b>779</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>800</b>

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

	PSNI/PPS prosecution	Departmental prosecution	Fixed penalty	Total
Committed to the Crown	15			15
Plea of guilty on all charges	282	3		285
All charges withdrawn	239	9		248
Fixed penalty default			2	2
Plea not guilty - found guilty on at least one charge	191	3		194
Plea not guilty - acquitted on all charges	52	4		56
<b>Total</b>	<b>779</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>800</b>

Provisional figures

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

		Current Business Area		Total
		Domestic Proceedings	Fh&Dv (Magistrates Court)	
Belfast	Laganside Courts	54	469	523
	Division total	54	469	523
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	30	143	173
	Limavady Court Office	4	17	21
	Magherafelt Court Office	7	18	25
	Division total	41	178	219
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	5	47	52
	Coleraine Court Office	24	88	112
	Ballymena Court Office	13	65	78
	Larne Court Office	4	14	18
	Division total	46	214	260
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	8	60	68
	Strabane Court Office	4	27	31
	Enniskillen Court Office	8	22	30
	Dungannon Court Office	5	57	62
	Division total	25	166	191
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	9	22	31
	Banbridge Court Office	5	6	11
	Newry Court Office	36	105	141
	Division total	50	133	183
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	35	99	134
	Downpatrick Court Office	20	63	83
	Bangor Court Office	11	66	77
	Division total	66	228	294
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	17	96	113
	Lisburn Court Office	12	115	127
	Division total	29	211	240

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

	Current Business Area		Total
	Domestic Proceedings	Fh&Dv (Magistrates Court)	
Northern Ireland	311	1599	1910

Provisional figures

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

		Current Business Area		Total
		Domestic Proceedings	Fh&Dv (Magistrates Court)	
Belfast	Laganside Courts	44	209	253
	Division total	44	209	253
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	13	165	178
	Limavady Court Office	2	8	10
	Magherafelt Court Office	6	13	19
	Division total	21	186	207
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	2	35	37
	Coleraine Court Office	16	27	43
	Ballymena Court Office	15	43	58
	Larne Court Office	6	8	14
	Division total	39	113	152
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	7	41	48
	Strabane Court Office	3	13	16
	Enniskillen Court Office	8	18	26
	Dungannon Court Office	8	28	36
	Division total	26	100	126
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	8	16	24
	Banbridge Court Office	4	2	6
	Newry Court Office	26	71	97
	Division total	38	89	127
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	22	46	68
	Downpatrick Court Office	9	36	45
	Bangor Court Office	9	43	52
	Division total	40	125	165
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	9	46	55
	Lisburn Court Office	18	42	60
	Division total	27	88	115

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

	Current Business Area		Total
	Domestic Proceedings	Fh&Dv (Magistrates Court)	
Northern Ireland	235	910	1145

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	2.96	8.67
	Total	2.96	8.67
Londonderry	Londonderry Court Office	1.47	12.26
	Limavady Court Office	1.03	.80
	Magherafelt Court Office	3.05	6.11
	Total	1.59	11.14
Antrim	Antrim Court Office	1.65	4.80
	Coleraine Court Office	2.54	10.45
	Ballymena Court Office	2.31	9.41
	Larne Court Office	3.46	5.39
	Total	2.32	8.21
Fermanagh and Tyrone	Omagh Court Office	2.53	2.24
	Strabane Court Office	2.22	3.06
	Enniskillen Court Office	2.40	4.77
	Dungannon Court Office	1.41	3.69
	Total	2.14	3.28
Armagh and South Down	Armagh Court Office	2.61	7.30
	Banbridge Court Office	3.10	11.67
	Newry Court Office	2.00	5.20
	Total	2.16	5.90
Ards	Newtownards Court Office	2.99	10.54
	Downpatrick Court Office	2.97	15.16
	Bangor Court Office	1.88	5.94
	Total	2.64	10.38
Craigavon	Craigavon Court Office	1.74	7.47
	Lisburn Court Office	1.40	14.35
	Total	1.56	11.06

**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	2.26	8.65