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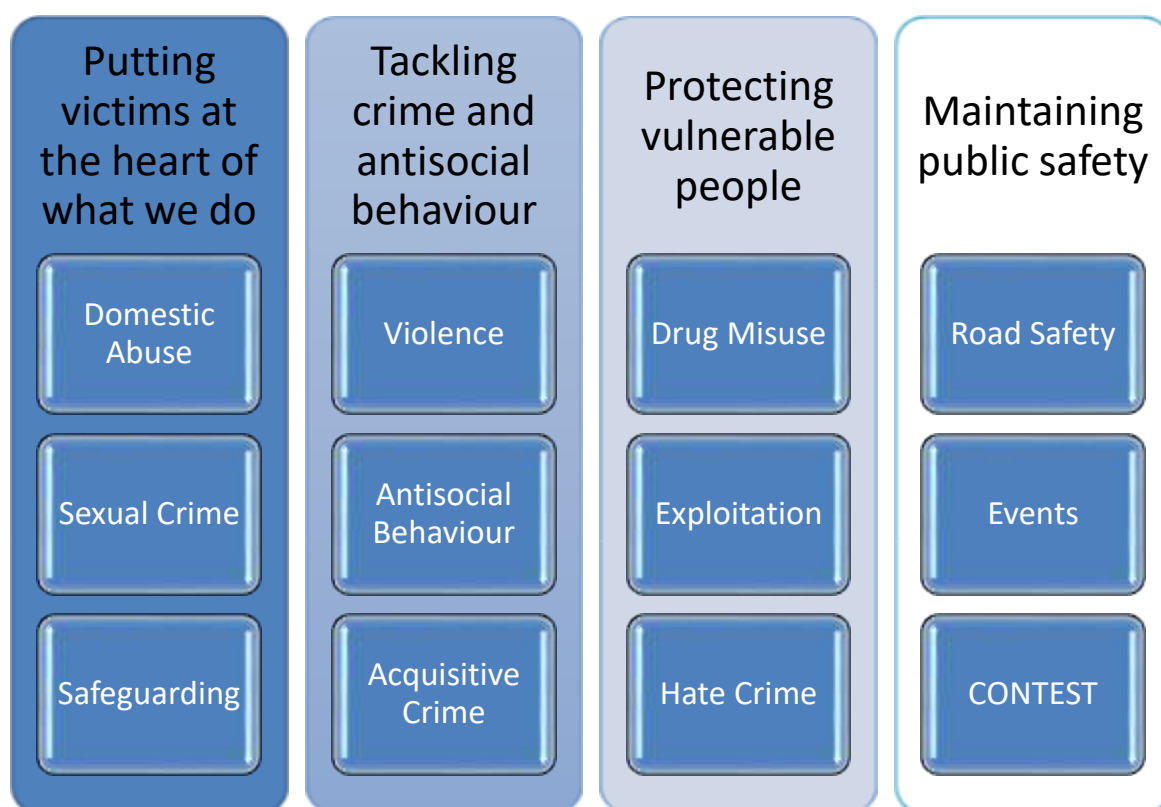
Introduction and overview of Policing Objectives

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 Angus Council and were previously 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 Angus Council Community Safety and Public Protection Services Committee. This report covers the period from 1st October 2019 to 31st December 2019, however will focus on Year to Date (YTD) data from 1 April 2018 to 30 September 2018

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 work and utilise specialist resources internally and externally. By ensuring our staff are trained we work hard to ensure our victims feel confident and supported in the service we provide.

Outcome 1 - Domestic Abuse

Police attended 111 more domestic incidents year to date in Angus. This has resulted in an increase of 158 crimes in comparison to last year, with the Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018, accounting for 50 of these crimes. Nationally there has been an increase in domestic related incidents and crime.

Domestic abuse remains at the forefront of the day to day work for officers in Angus. Each case is discussed on a daily basis, to ensure the offender is placed before the courts at the earliest opportunity. If a perpetrator is released, the work continues with a minimum of two visits to the offender and a welfare check carried out on the victim.

There are currently 6 individuals in Angus who are subject to proactive enforcement by the local Domestic Abuse Investigation Unit and the National Domestic Abuse Task Force as part of the MATAC process.

Outcome 2 – Sexual Crime

Overall group 2 figures are slightly below in comparison to the previous year, but still above the 5 year average. There have been decreases in rape and sexual assault, however threatening to disclose intimate images has seen a significant increase.

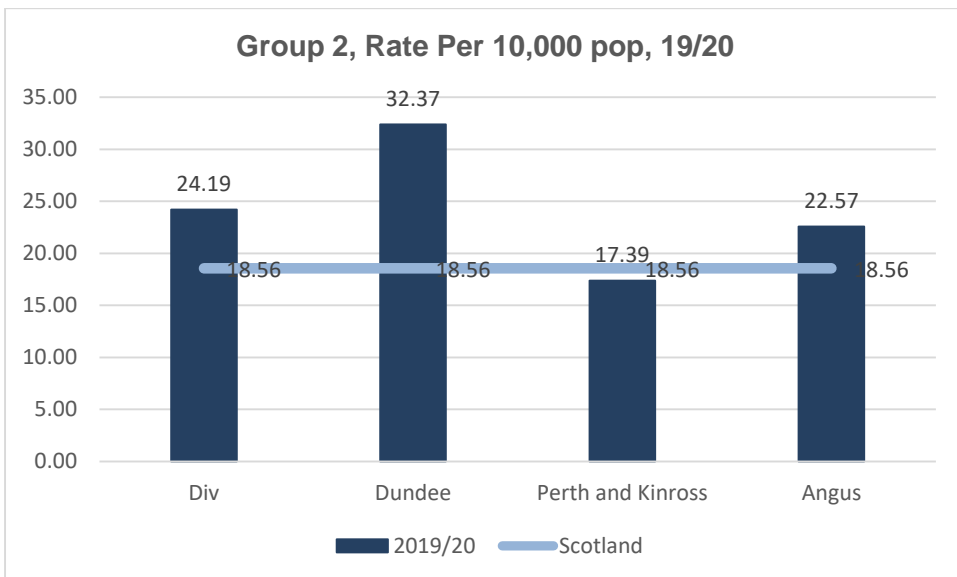
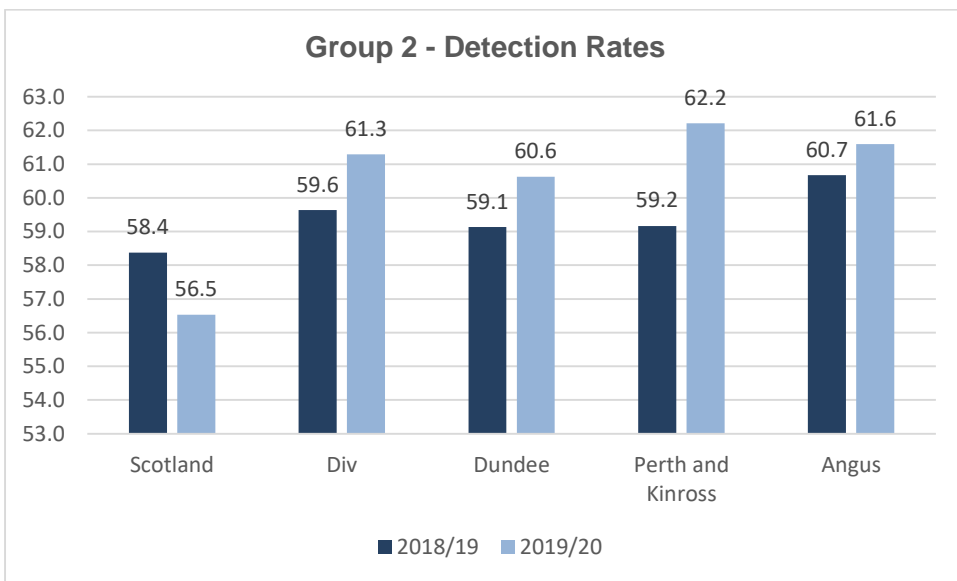
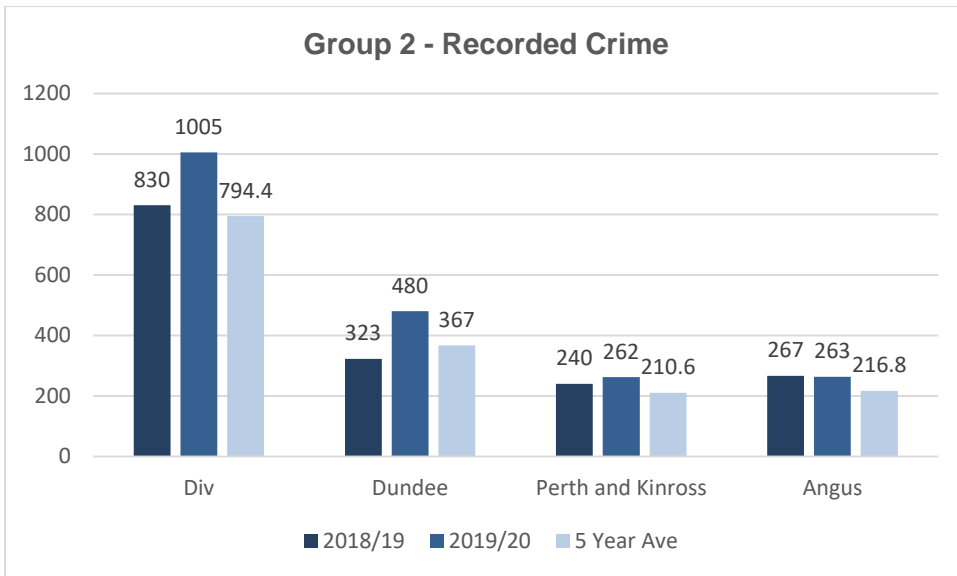
This increase against the 5 year trend is seen around the country. It is known that increases in recorded group 2 crime are down to increases in online sexual crimes, increases in reporting of non-recent crimes and increased recording of sexual offences against children, particularly between peer groups of older children.

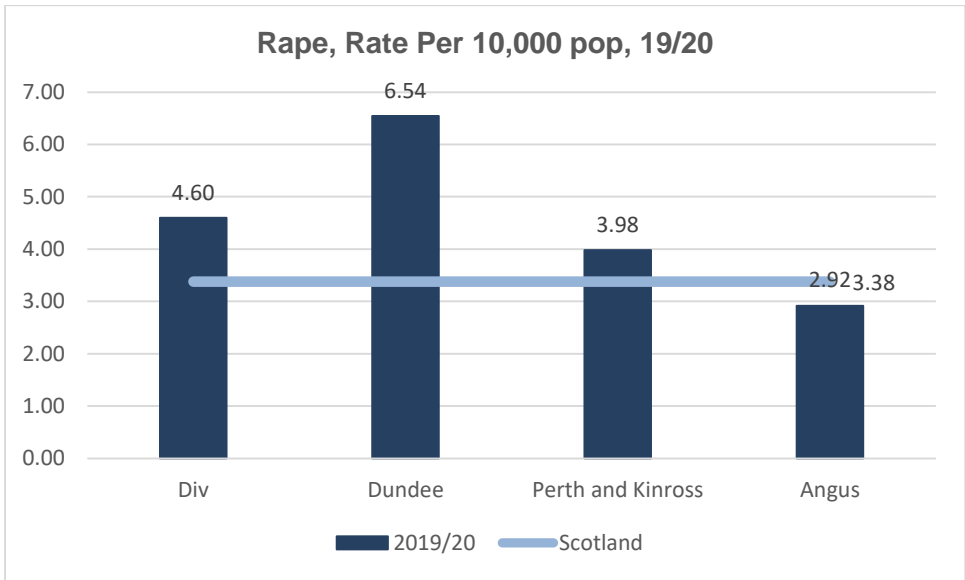
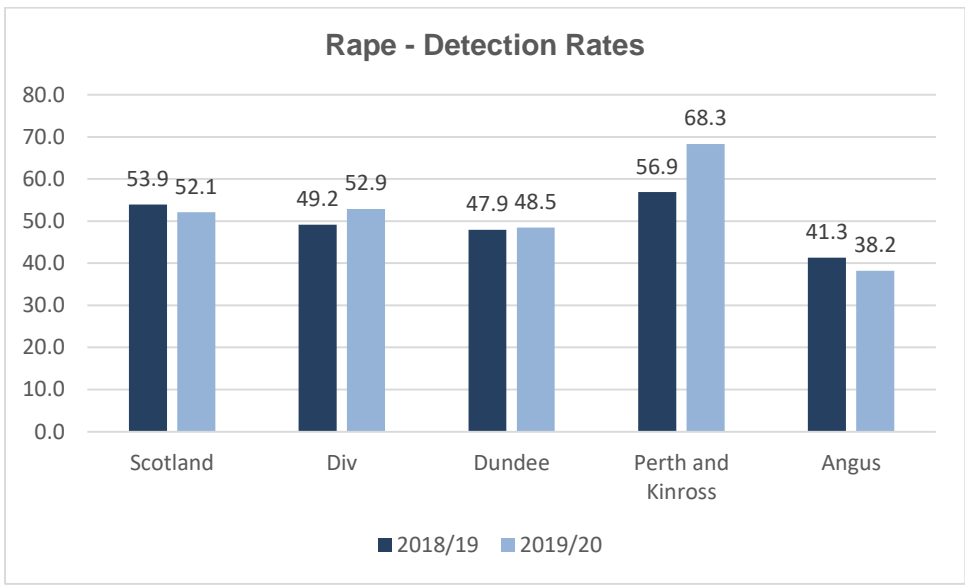
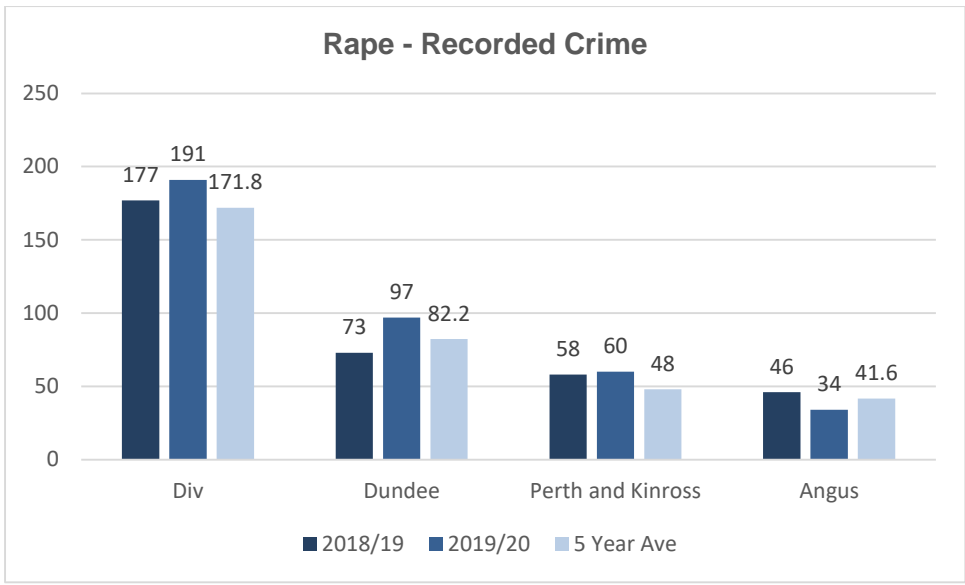
The detection rate is slightly above last year at 61%.

Ongoing reviews are taking place of the effectiveness of the team set up to address increases in non-recent crime. Our focus on Child Sexual Exploitation has led to increased awareness, identification and recording of crimes against older children.

With regard to online crime, Tayside has one of the few police teams in Scotland dedicated to online sexual crime, and we recently experienced positive feedback from a HMICS led inspection into online sexual crime.

Prevention and interventions have been a key focus of the Tayside children's service collaborative who have made online risks to children a priority. Several areas of innovative practice, training and public education using social and other forms of media have been tested.





Outcome 3 – Safeguarding

This is an area that continues to grow across Scotland and is a hugely diverse area involving missing persons, concern calls, vulnerability, adult and child protection.

In this quarter, Police in Angus dealt with 126 missing person incidents in Angus. This is a decrease of 32% from the same period last year. The Missing Person Coordinator for Tayside Division reviews each missing person incident and progresses with internal and external partners to provide expert support. Often these incidents are resolved quickly and do not require an intensive Missing Person Enquiry. However they remain resource intensive initially for local officers who are required to remain dedicated to the enquiry until the person is traced.

Angus officers also dealt with 477 concern calls, which is a decrease of 14% for the same quarter last year. These are wide ranging in nature, age/gender demographic and geography within the county.

Angus LPA officers continue to provide early intervention work with youths identified as being at risk through becoming missing people or veering into criminality. A young person is engaged in a range of diversionary activities on a one to one basis, whilst encouraging safer life choices. Three youths were identified through the VPD /child concern submission system due to the number of submissions over a 30 day period, or level of risk the young person was placing themselves in. Local community officer intervention was discussed and agreed with the young people, their parents and the Social Workers involved with the family. The number of recorded incidents and concern reports for all these youths has dropped considerably and in 2 cases there have been no further incidents/ submissions.

Local Community Policing Teams identified gaps in early intervention and youth work provision and through discussion, the newly formed Angus Youth Concerns Group were able to establish that Hillcrest Futures had funding and youth workers in place, but were not receiving referrals from other agencies including Police.

Processes were put in place for early intervention referrals from Police and other agencies which have resulted in an increase of individuals being referred to services including “Streets Ahead” Service. This deals with drug and alcohol support within the Community for ages 12-24. They also provide Intensive Support service to persons aged 12-16 and a dedicated harm worker who will also work alongside pharmacies in Angus, aimed at age 16-plus.

An example of improved co-operation between agencies include a young person reported missing to Police being identified as currently supported by a youth worker. The youth worker was in a position to liaise with Police, assisting to locate the young person. This reduced demand on local Police and provided excellent consistent support to the young person during a period of crisis.

The Safe Place initiative is a national model which has been promoted throughout Scotland with the aim of identifying suitable premises and providing training for staff regarding how they can impact on the life of the vulnerable members of our community. They are able to provide a place of safety for people to attend when feeling vulnerable.

Angus was identified as an area where Communities would benefit from this service and as such Community Policing Teams have delivered inputs to local businesses and services. In June 2019 there were 3 identified premises; during this quarter, we have increased provision to 26 premises in Angus with further premises to be identified to sign up to this initiative.

Local Community Policing Teams continue to support the effective FAST referral system in relation to protecting adults from financial harm and scams. Angus CPT have held several pop up events at sheltered housing complexes, banks and at Angus Health Fair. Partnership work and information shared with other agencies identified persons at risk of financial harm, leading to joint and single agency visits being carried out and referrals submitted where appropriate.

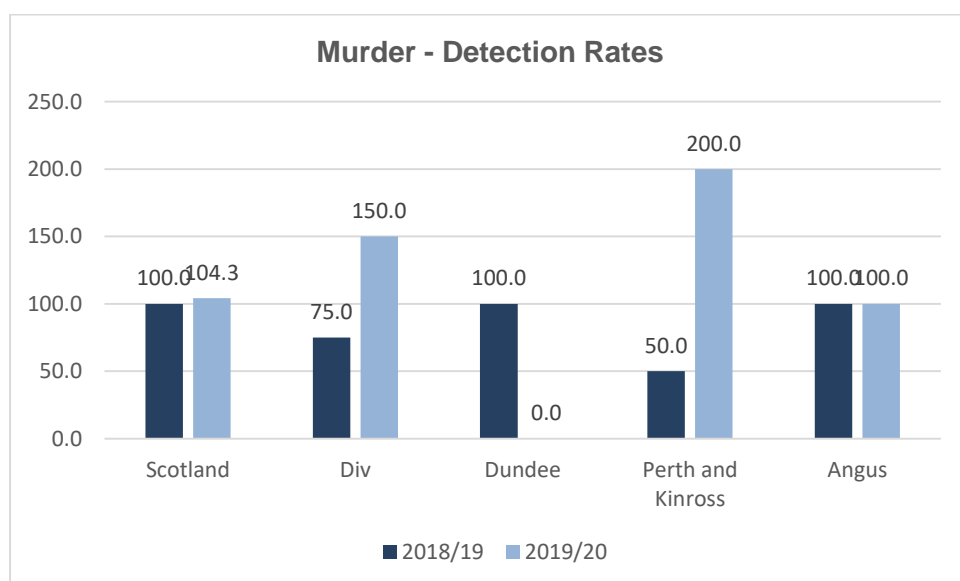
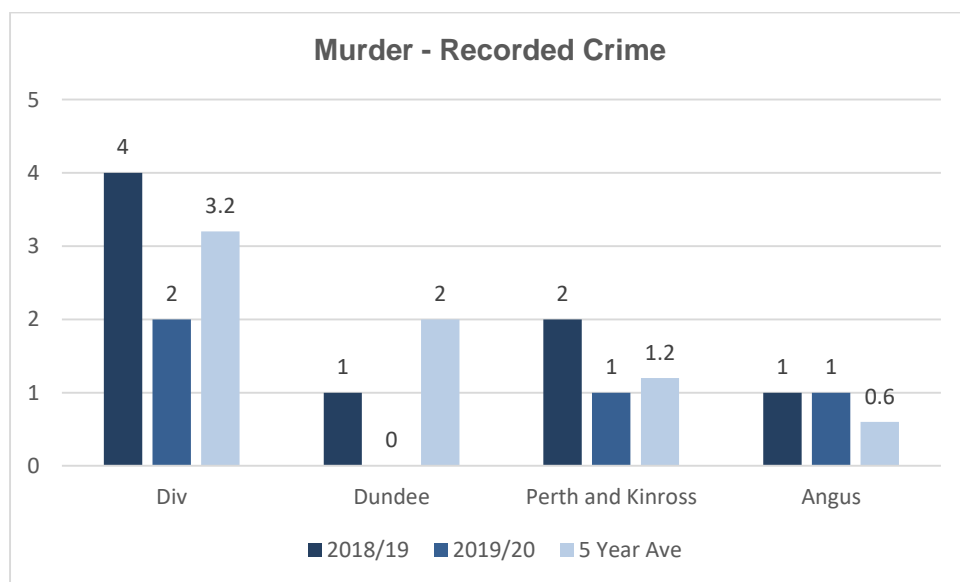
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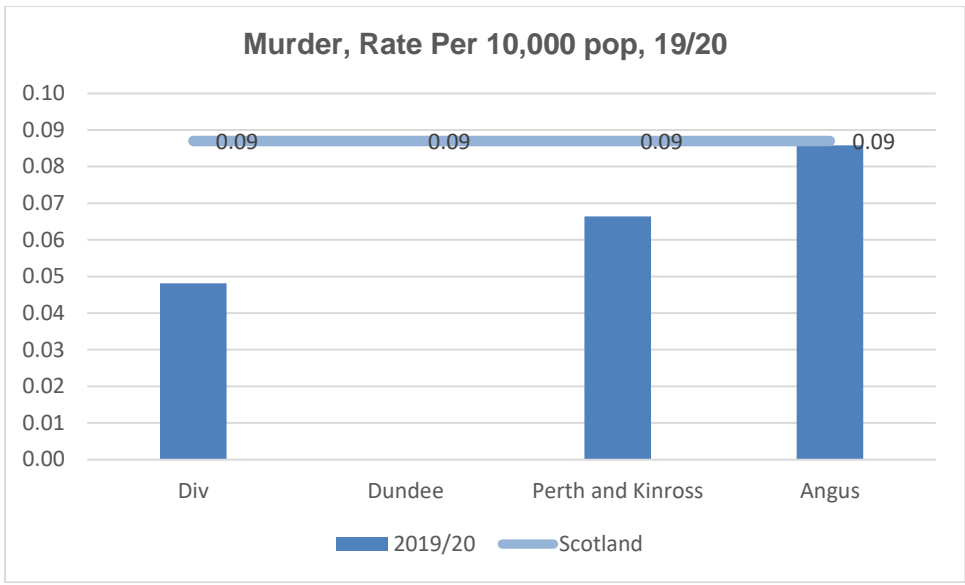
It is recognised that through early intervention and an early response we can prevent escalation and crime occurring and we work hard with partners to achieve this.

Outcome 1 – Violence

Murder

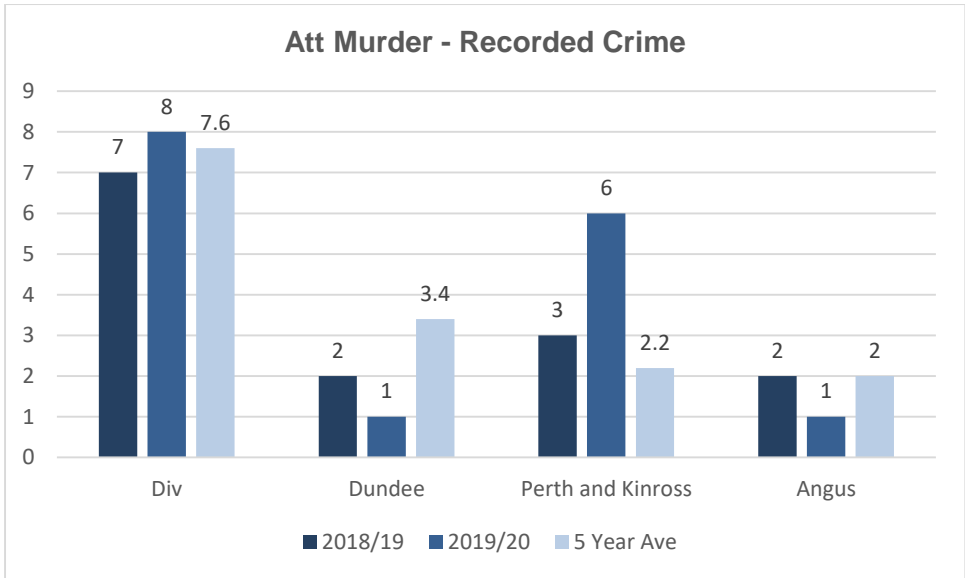
There have been no murders in Angus during this quarter.

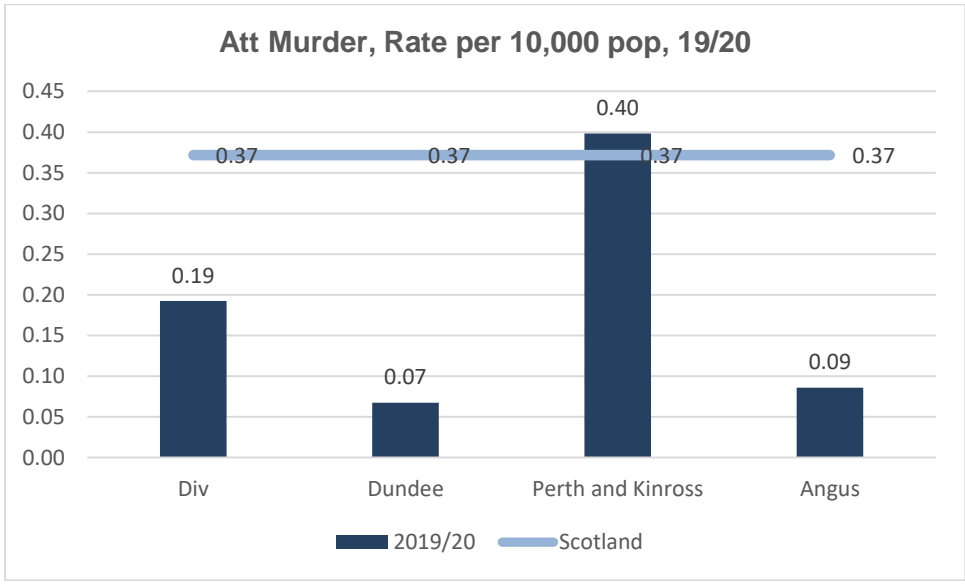
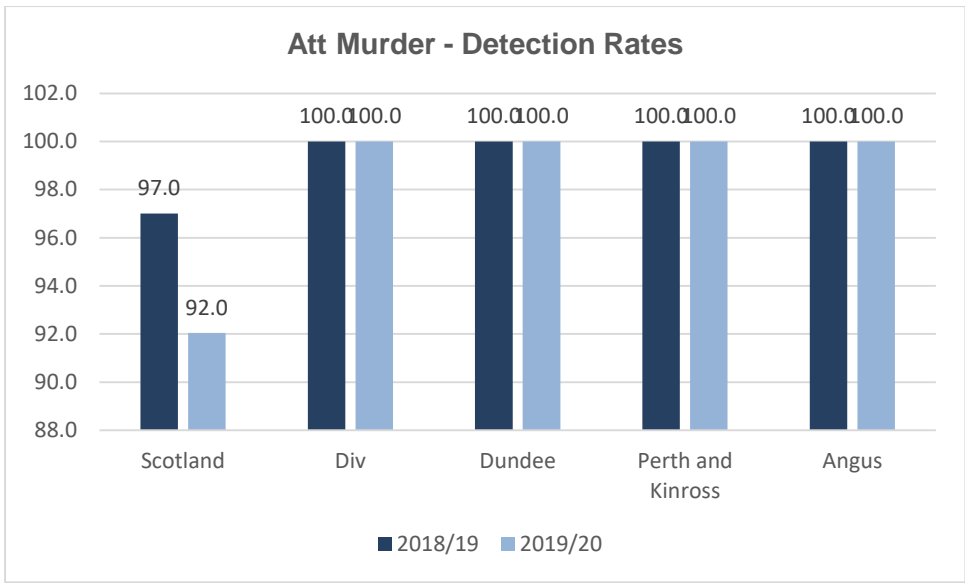




Attempted Murder

There have been no attempted murders in Angus during this quarter.





Serious Assaults

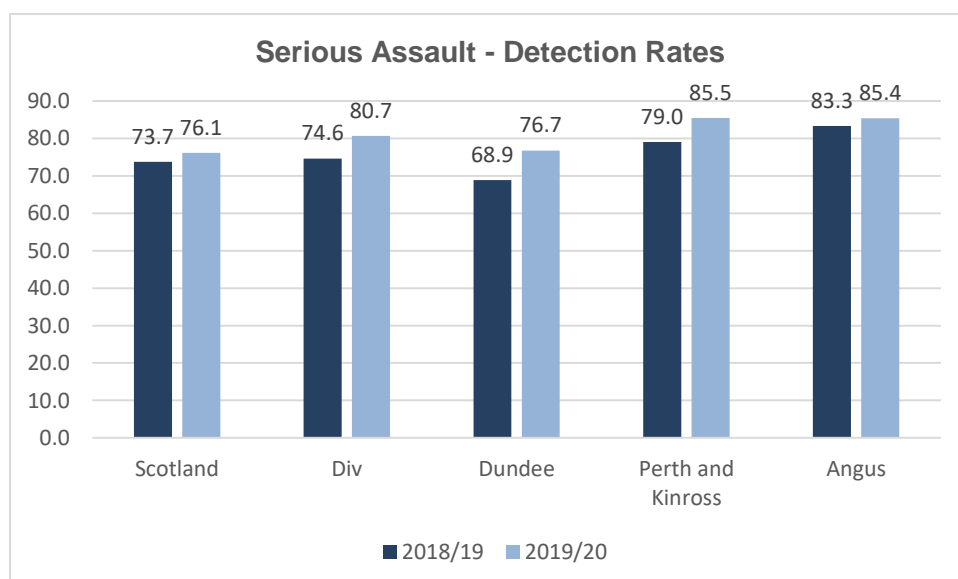
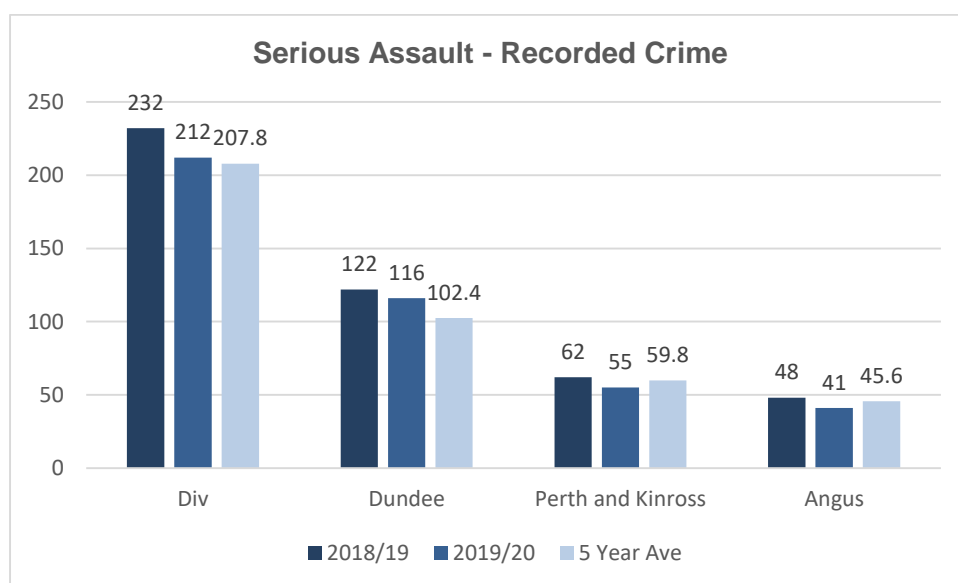
Serious Assaults are now below the levels recorded last year. This is an improving picture as the numbers recorded in the first half of the year were up on 2018/2019.

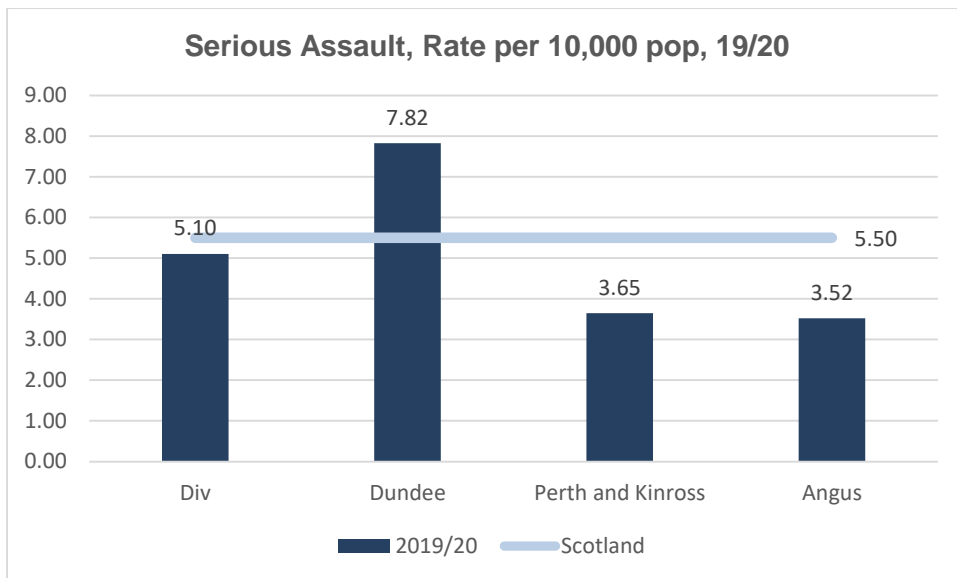
In the reporting period there were 7 crimes reported, 4 of which were detected. The three crimes which were undetected involved unco-operative complainers, who failed to engage during the investigation. In all but one of the crimes, alcohol was a contributory factor.

Two of the crimes committed were within licensed premises in Arbroath. CCTV evidence formed a significant part of the investigation and the importance of good systems and staff assistance ensured early identification of the persons responsible. Exclusion orders and strict bail conditions are requested for all crimes of violence within licensed premises.

The remaining crimes were committed in public streets, in Montrose and Arbroath.

The detection rate has increased and is 2.1% higher in comparison to last year.





Assaults

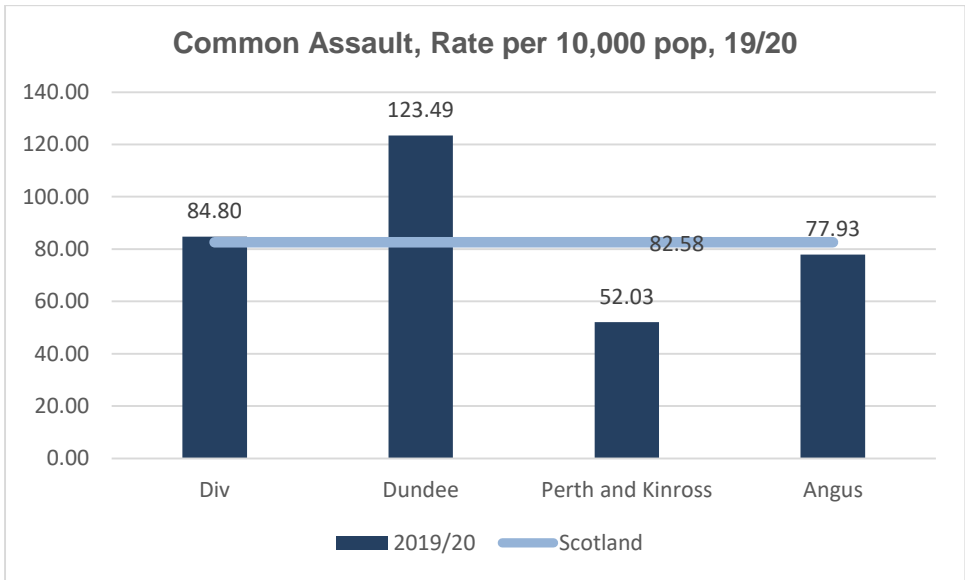
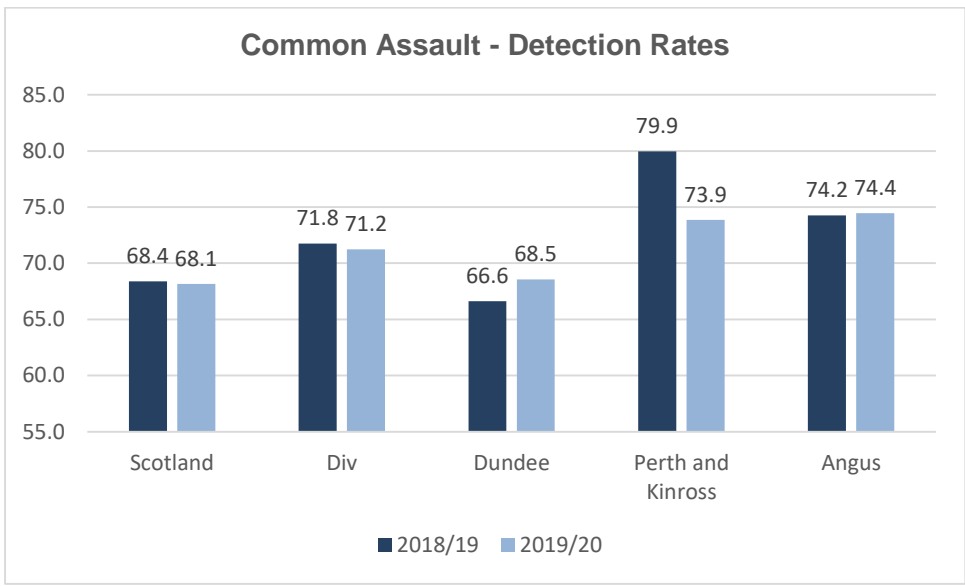
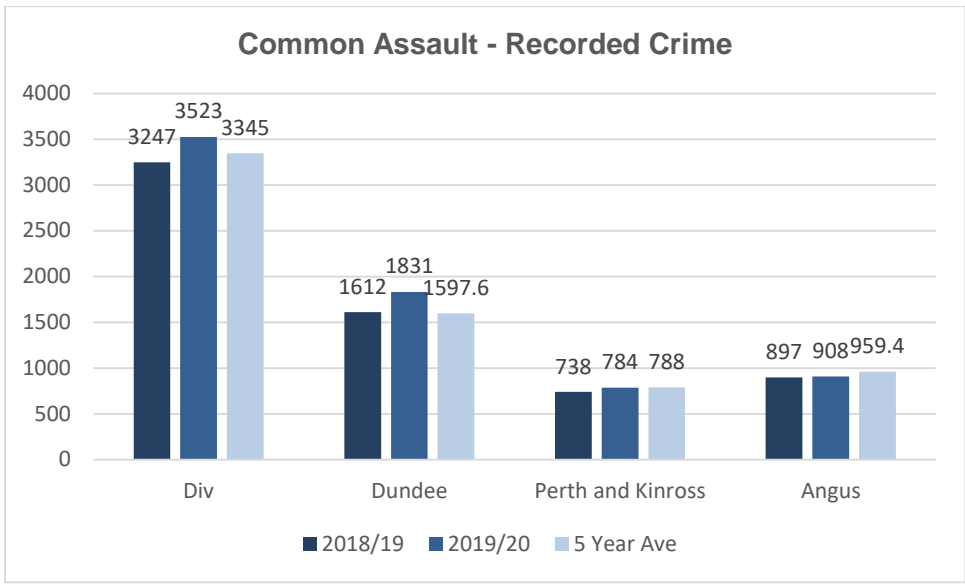
At the end of the second quarter, assaults were 64 crimes above. The reporting period has seen a decrease in the number of assaults committed as the violence picture improves. The number of crimes committed is now 11 over in comparison to last year to date, which is as a result of Emergency Workers being 16 crimes more than last year.

The increase of violence against emergency workers is a concern. An Inspector now debriefs officers involved in violent situations, to understand if there are any training gaps or learning to take from each incident, with a view to reducing the instances of violence.

An incident in October saw an officer attacked after he assisted a member of the public by conveying him to a relative's home in Angus. Without warning the officer was assaulted and a violent struggle ensued for a period of time until the officer's colleagues arrived to provide assistance and secure the individual involved.

Reductions in assault are assisted by repeat offenders being given custodial sentences and therefore removing them from the public for a period of time. Likewise the continued focus on domestic perpetrators means that offenders are put to the court at the earliest opportunity, to protect victims.

The detection rate has improved slightly to 74.4%.



Outcome 2 – Antisocial Behaviour

There has been a reduction in Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) of 7.1%.

In relation to ASB at Residential Property, a new process has been implemented in Angus between Police and housing providers, to jointly review and assess incidents relating to residential properties, on a monthly basis.

The process is 3 tiered. Low-level incidents are identified in Tier 1, where intervention is the remit of the housing providers; whilst Tier 3 incidents are the focus of joint action plans between Police and housing providers to prioritise and escalate as necessary. Tier 3 properties are discussed monthly, where tasks and actions are allocated between the agencies. These monthly meetings are attended by a Sergeant from the local Community Policing Team.

Currently, there are no live Anti Social Behaviour Orders (ASBOs) in Angus, but there has been a noticeable rise in the number of Acceptable Behaviour Agreements (ABAs) and Unacceptable Behaviour Notices (UBNs) being issued. This suggests the correct properties are being appropriately identified by this process. Tier 3 properties are those most likely to be considered for escalation to an ASBO. In December 2019, there were 24 addresses across the six localities in Angus assessed as Tier 3.

A significant number of ASB calls to Police, involve youths. The recently formed Youth Concerns Group (YCG) aims to address these issues and improve outcomes for those involved. Whilst Police lead this group, the partnership is multi-agency and includes third sector input.

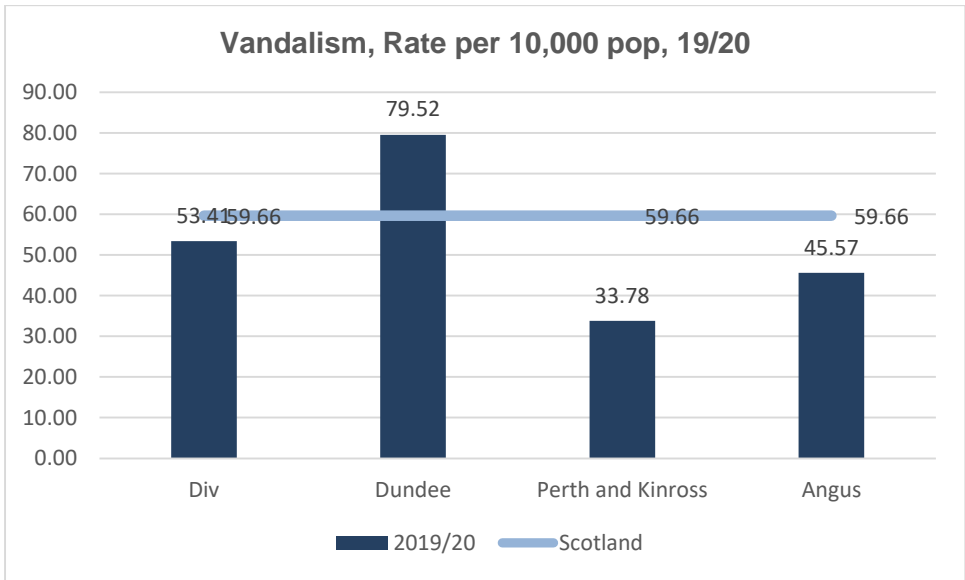
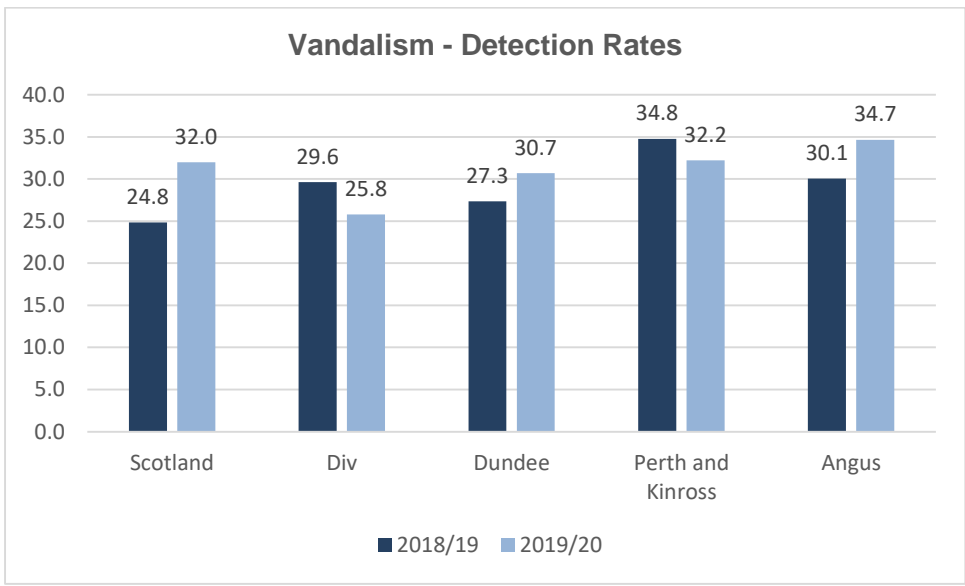
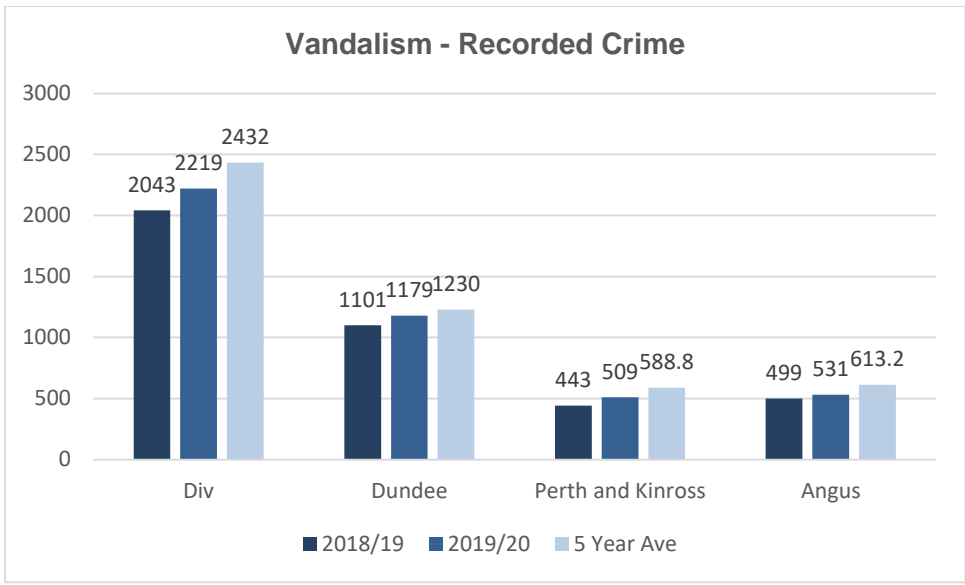
The collaboration with Hillcrest Futures through the YCG has resulted in submission of a funding application through the CORRA Foundation (Challenge Fund) in an attempt to secure funding for two outreach project workers, dedicated to working with youths in the Angus area.

If successful, the project aims, through its preventative work, to:

- Make young people's voices heard
- Provide outreach services for children and young people in marginalised situations
- Establish contact and provide support to young people and their families as early as possible
- Provide advice and support regarding risk taking behaviour, and through referrals, counselling where necessary

It is anticipated the YCG would become the steering group for this resource.

There has been a slight increase in recorded vandalisms, but the detection rate has also increased in line with this. A recent series of shop windows damaged in Forfar High Street, has contributed to the increase. Despite investigation and a media appeal for information, those crimes are undetected.



Alcohol and Licencing

The Festive Policing Plan was well received in Angus. Visits to licensed premises were increased, with guidance and support being provided to licensees and their staff, including door staff.

Community officers engaged with local publicans, using indicators such as Cocaine wipes, to remind licensees of their responsibilities.

Initiatives such as "Challenge 25" (which encourages anyone over 18 but under 25, to carry acceptable ID), were promoted during these visits. Posters and leaflets were also distributed at pubs and off-sales in an effort to deter under-age drinkers.

Despite this, Fixed Penalty Notices were issued to two people in Angus, for consuming alcohol in a Designated Place.

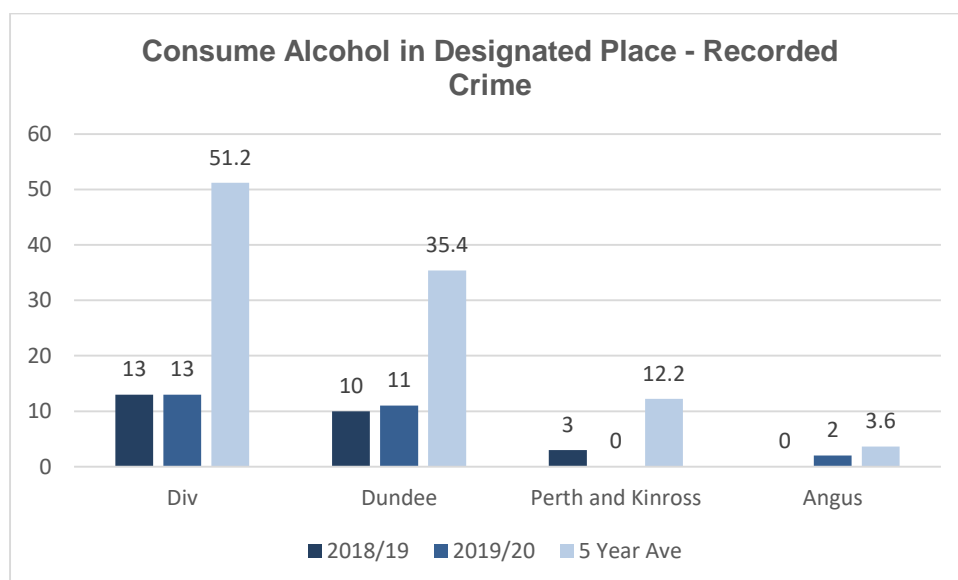
Divisional Licensing have been busy during this quarter and carried out a number deployments around Angus.

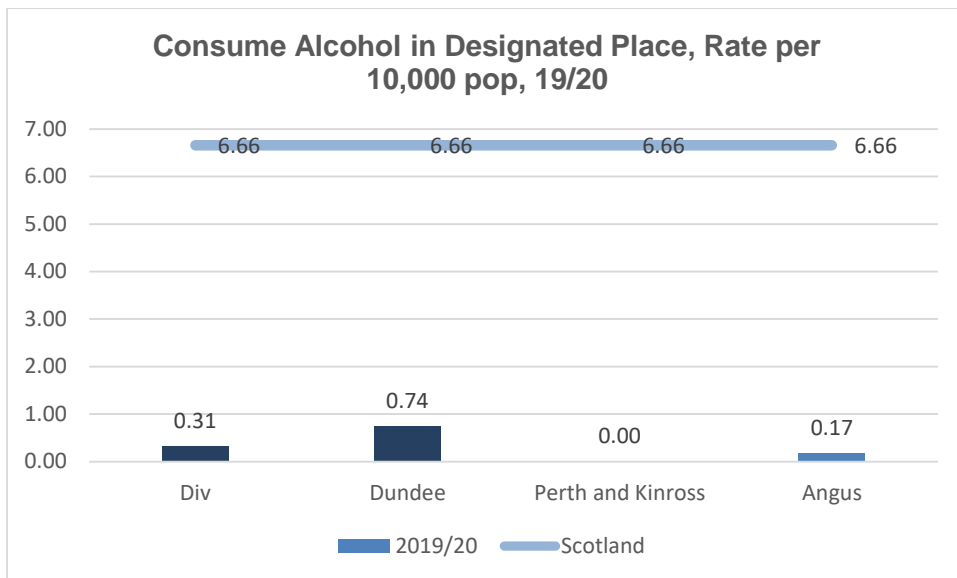
These including a day of action on Taxis in October across the county. No licensing offences were detected.

Also in October Divisional Licensing worked with HMRC and Immigration in a joint operation and detected offences on a Licensed Premises in Forfar resulting in 3 arrests.

In December the festive season saw licensed premises visits by Angus Officers supported by Divisional Licensing across the county to promote responsible behaviour and public safety.

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





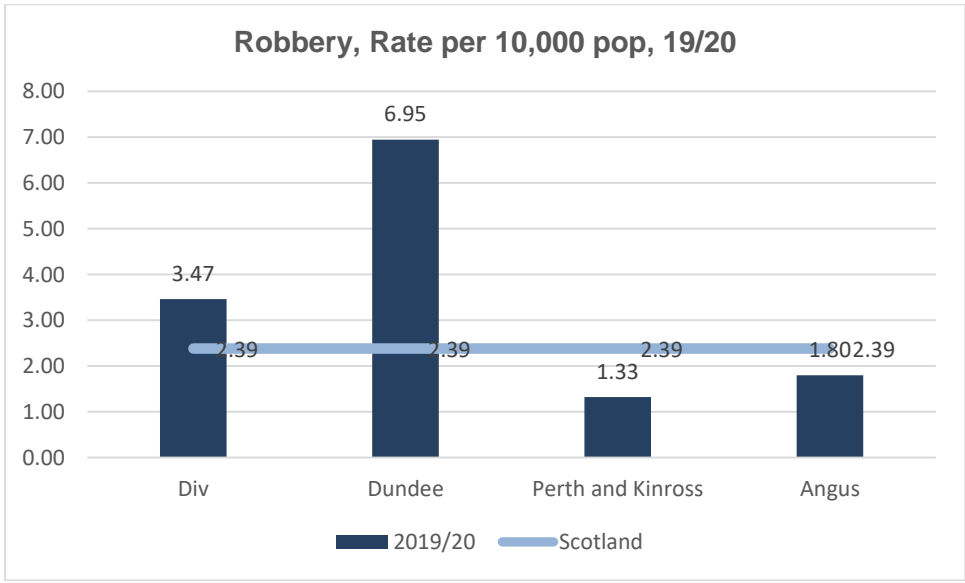
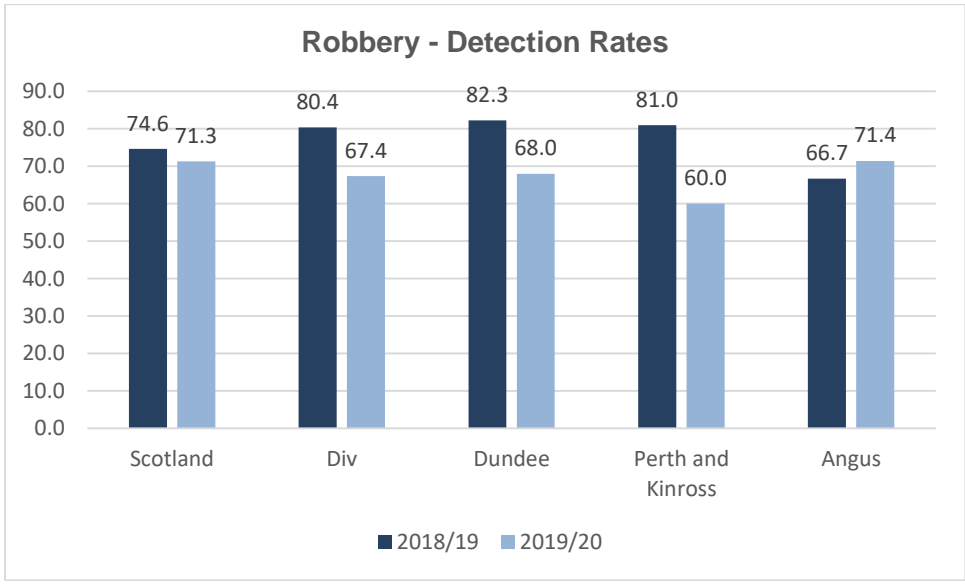
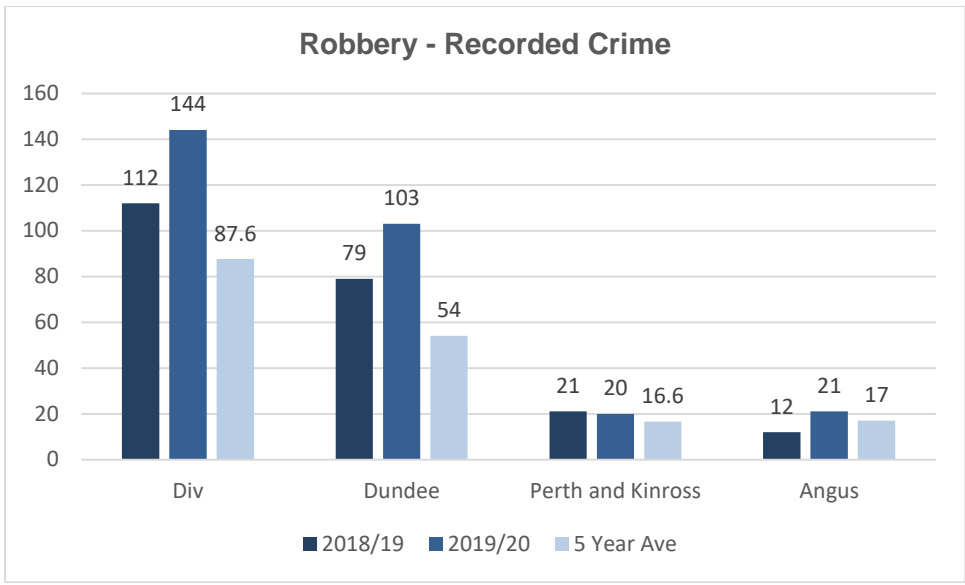
Outcome 3 – Acquisitive Crime

Robbery

There were 5 robberies reported during this recording period - four of these crimes were detected. There was insufficient evidence to detect the remaining offence, despite the suspect being identified. In all incidents, drugs featured, either having been used by the offenders and victims, or violence was used by offenders attempting to recover debts for drugs purchased. In four of the crimes recorded, the person(s) responsible were known to the victims.

Robberies year to date are now 9 over in comparison to last year. The detection rate is 71.4% an increase of almost 5% in comparison to last year.

Robbery within Angus continues to be a crime that more often than not is committed by individuals that are known to each other. Often victims are fearful to engage with Police or to identify those responsible. Therefore, significant enquiry is often needed to identify and detect those responsible. Crimes of this nature remain a priority, and are rigorously enquired into by well-trained Officers, supported by CID.



Domestic housebreaking / Sneak in Type Thefts

There has been an increase in domestic housebreakings, including attempted housebreakings.

A significant number of these crimes have occurred in more urban settings and spread across the Local Policing Area. These crimes tend to be opportunistic with little planning, the means of overcoming the security of the property are often crude, such as kicking open a door, or breaking a window and items with a lower value are stolen.

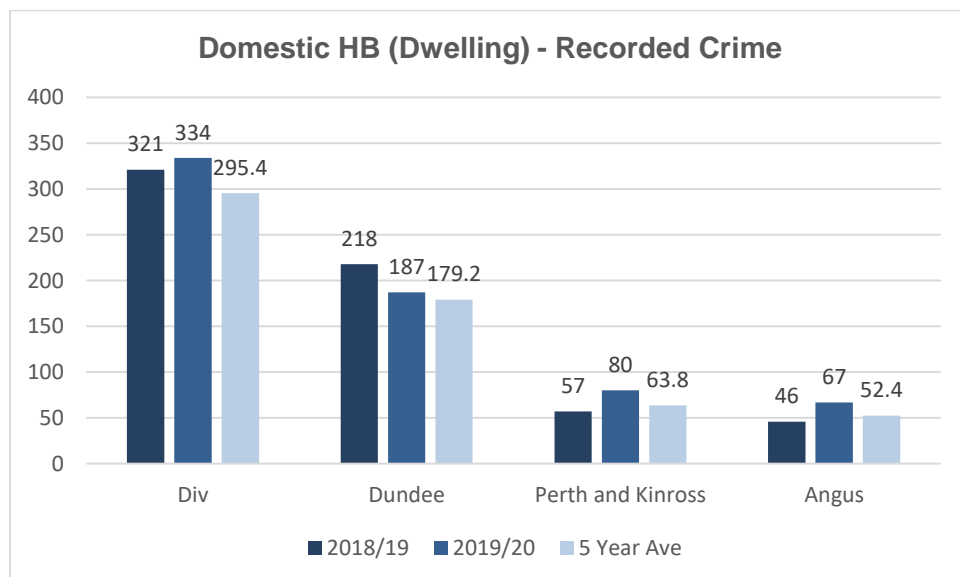
In Carnoustie there were three crimes of housebreaking reported both to domestic and commercial properties. These crimes occurred over two separate nights. Directed patrols led to the perpetrator being disturbed attempting to commit further crime. A male from Arbroath was identified and arrested for these Offences.

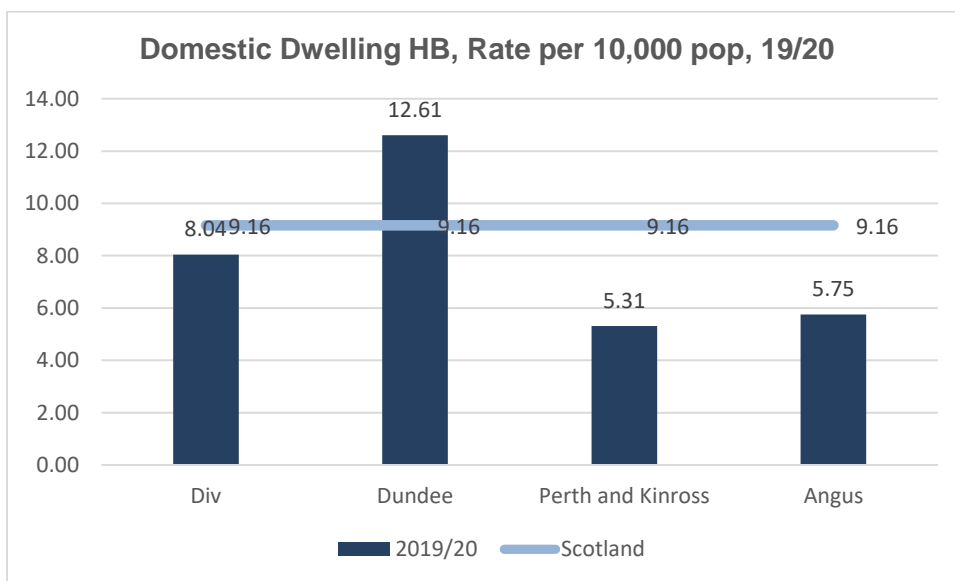
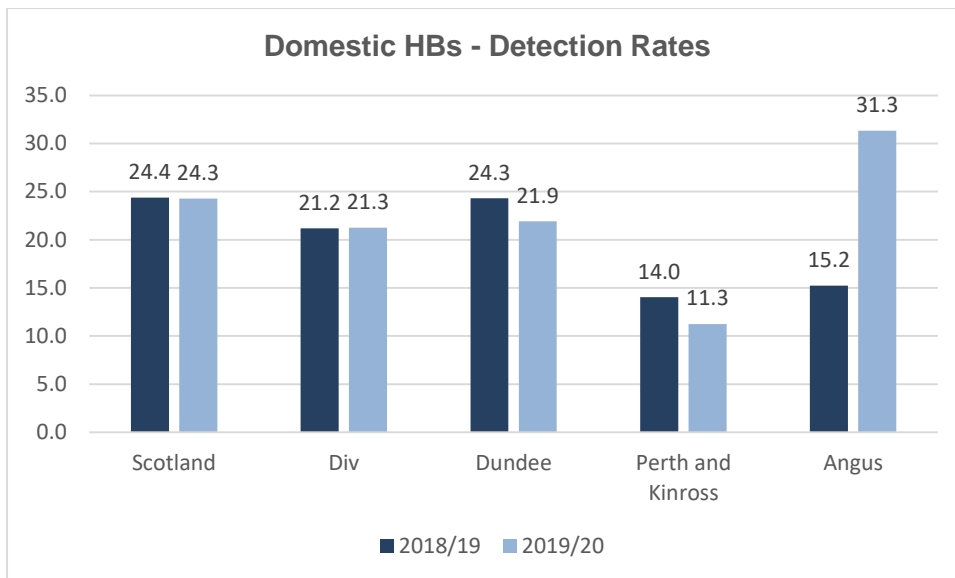
In Forfar and Kirriemuir there were a number of commercial premises which were subject to criminality, including the theft of motor vehicles. The crimes were linked to individuals who were committing cross-border crime in the Tayside and Fife areas. Following investigation and with assistance of CID Officers, two males were detected and reported for these offences.

In Arbroath a report was received of a Theft Housebreaking which occurred within a domestic dwelling, where a safe and a significant amount of cash was stolen. Investigation identified a local male as responsible.

In many instances there are no witnesses to crimes of Housebreaking and little evidence left at a scene to identify a perpetrator. Both private and public CCTV can greatly assist in identifying offenders. This continues to be a highly personal crime for victims and is considered a priority by the Local Policing Area.

The detection rate is strong in Angus.



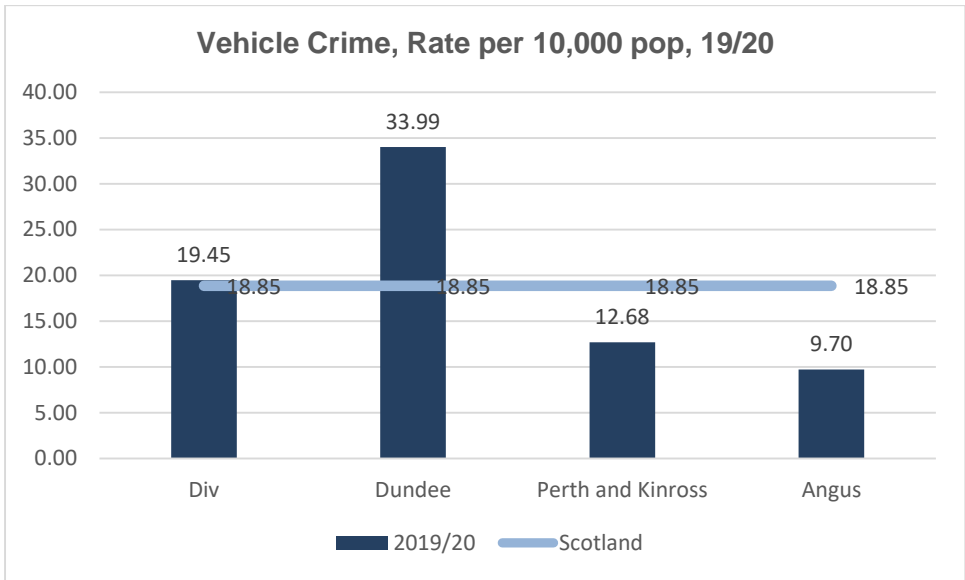
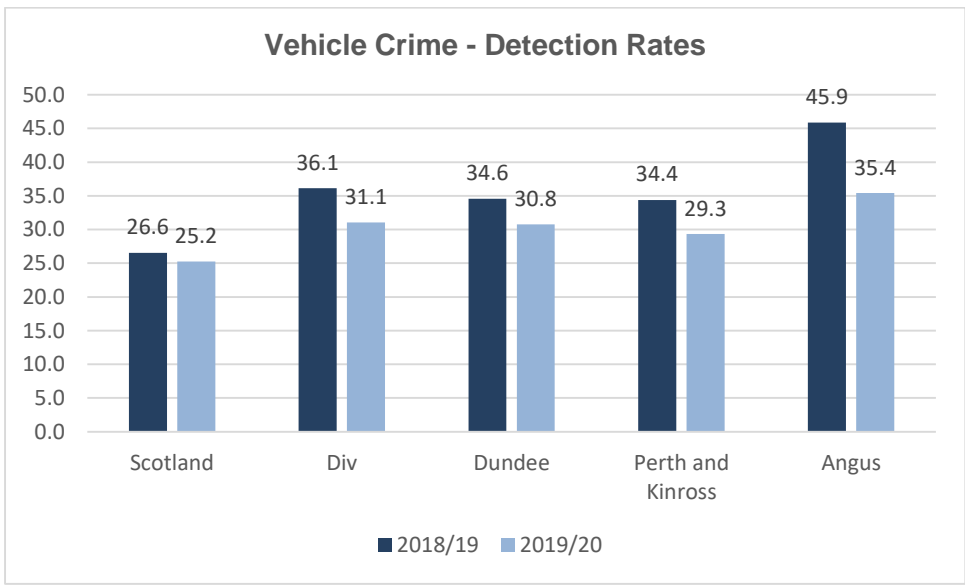
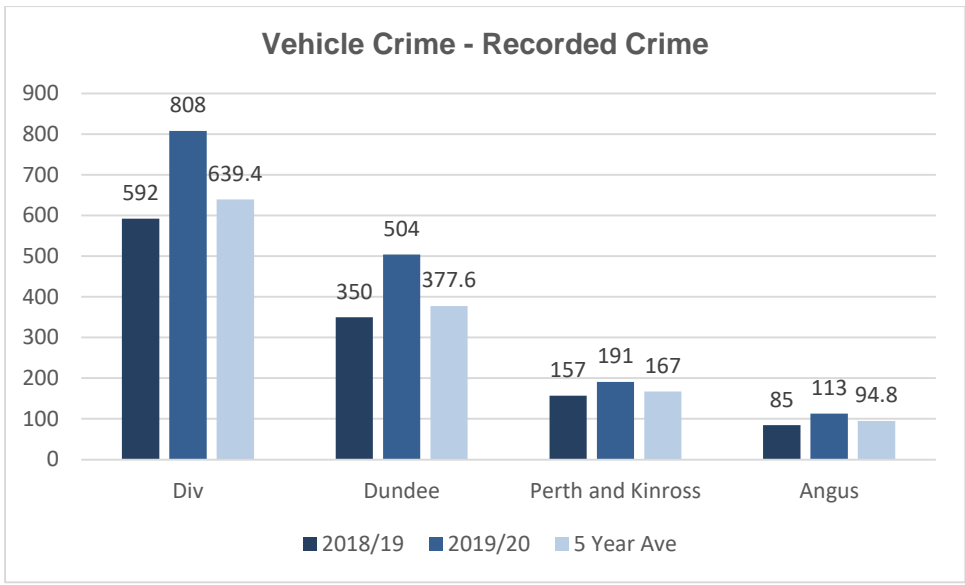


Motor Vehicle Crime

A spate of thefts from insecure vehicles was experienced in Arbroath. A male who had previously been arrested and reported for like offences was again detected and arrested for carrying out 5 thefts from motor vehicles. The male received a significant custodial sentence.

In Carnoustie four males, not from the Angus area, were disturbed and arrested by officers following seven separate thefts reported to vehicles parked within the public street or driveways. All four were arrested and reported for these crimes along with various Road Traffic and Criminal Justice Offences.

Acquisitive Crime continues to be committed by travelling criminals and repeat opportunist offenders. Vigilance by the community is often the key to detecting crimes of these natures by reporting suspicious activity within their communities. Within Angus we continue to carry out high profile roads patrols and road checks within the rural areas to detect, disrupt and deter travelling criminals.



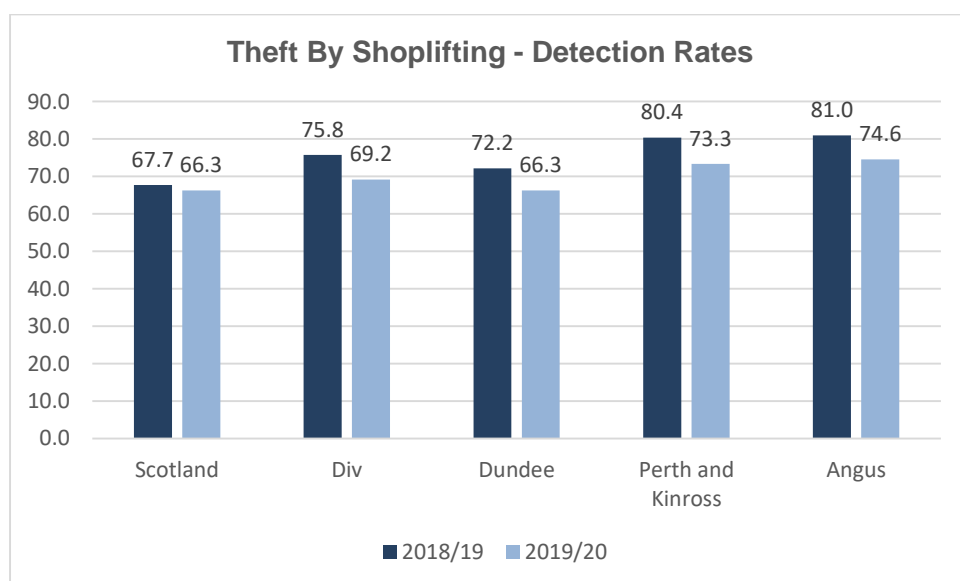
Theft by Shoplifting

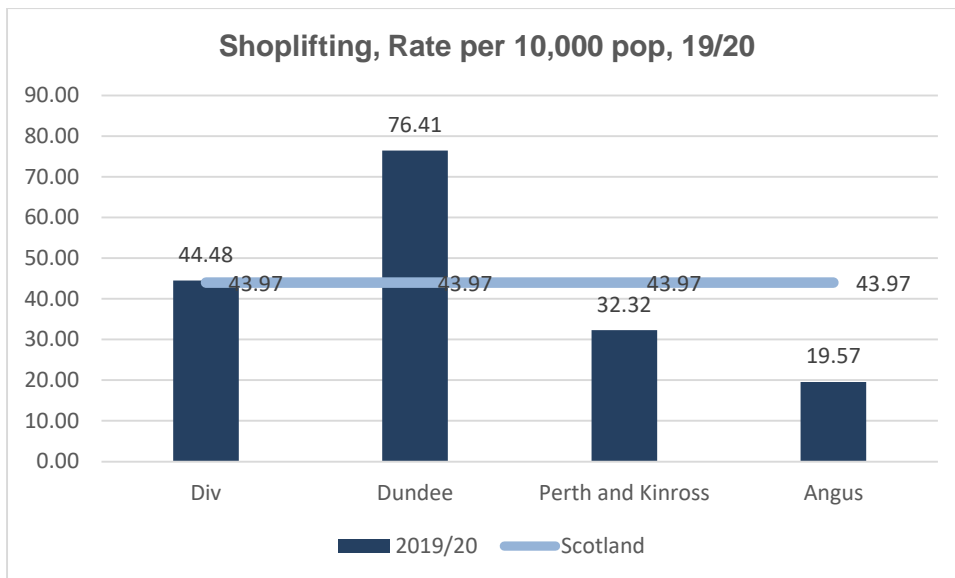
There has been a slight increase in theft by shopliftings noted within the local policing area within the last quarter. The majority of the offences have occurred within the Arbroath area where repeat offenders have been active in the town centre. This increase has been dealt with in a robust fashion by local Officers who have arrested Offenders, requesting bail conditions from the court to prevent repetition of the crimes and protect local businesses.

A male and female from the Arbroath area were detected for committing four theft by shoplifting offences in Arbroath and Carnoustie. Both were arrested prior to being released on bail.

A male was arrested having committed four shoplifting Offences within Arbroath in four days. He was arrested and due to pending cases for similar crimes he received a notable custodial sentence.

Within Montrose a male was arrested and detected having committed six offences between Montrose and Arbroath. Given the male had on going pending cases for violence and dishonesties he was given a substantial custodial sentence.





Fraud

There has been an increase in recorded Fraud crimes in Angus. A vast majority of these crimes will subsequently be classed as out with the Angus area, as the location of the crime is the point of gain, which in scam type fraud is often abroad.

A number of these crimes relate to online scams where property or services are offered and then not delivered. These scams often target vulnerable individuals who are then often difficult to engage with due to feeling embarrassed at having been duped.

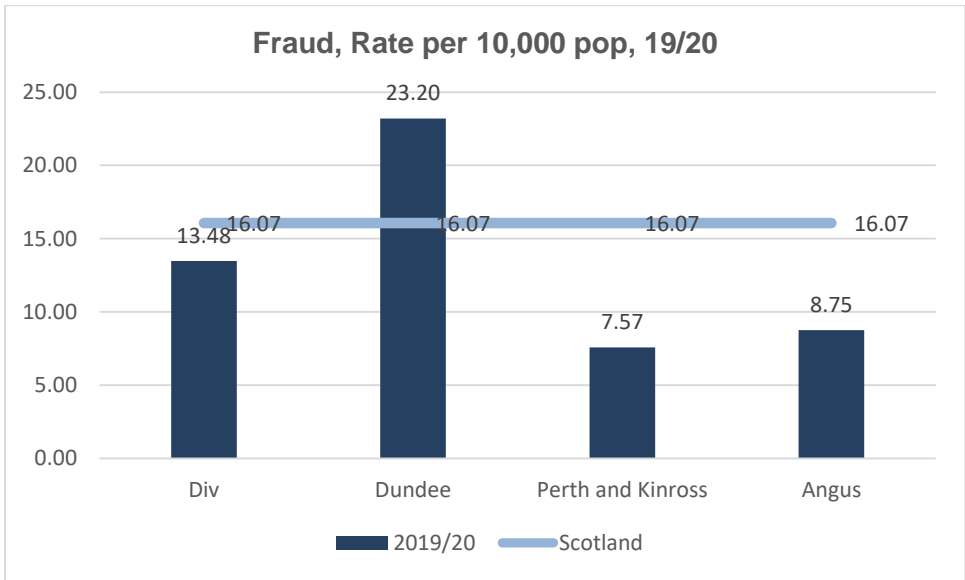
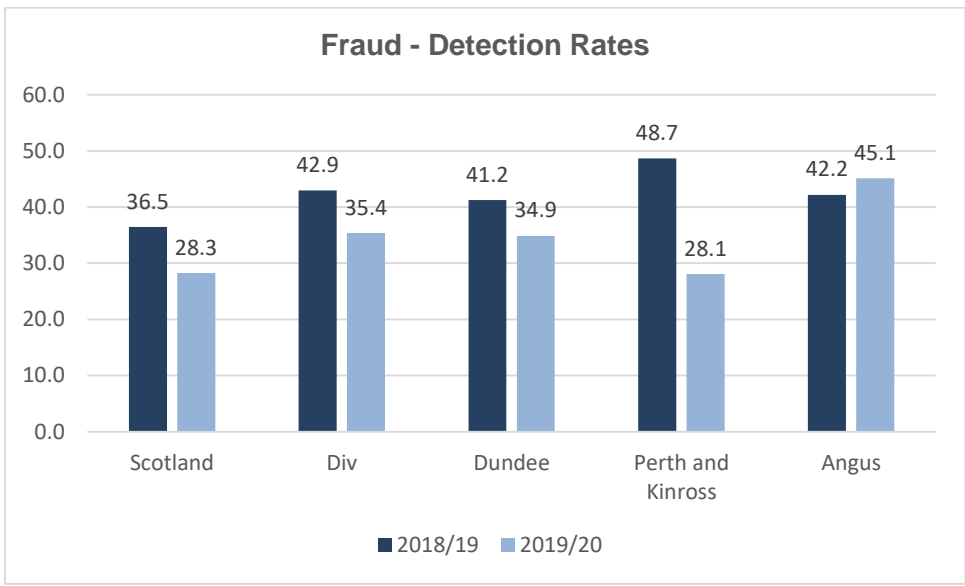
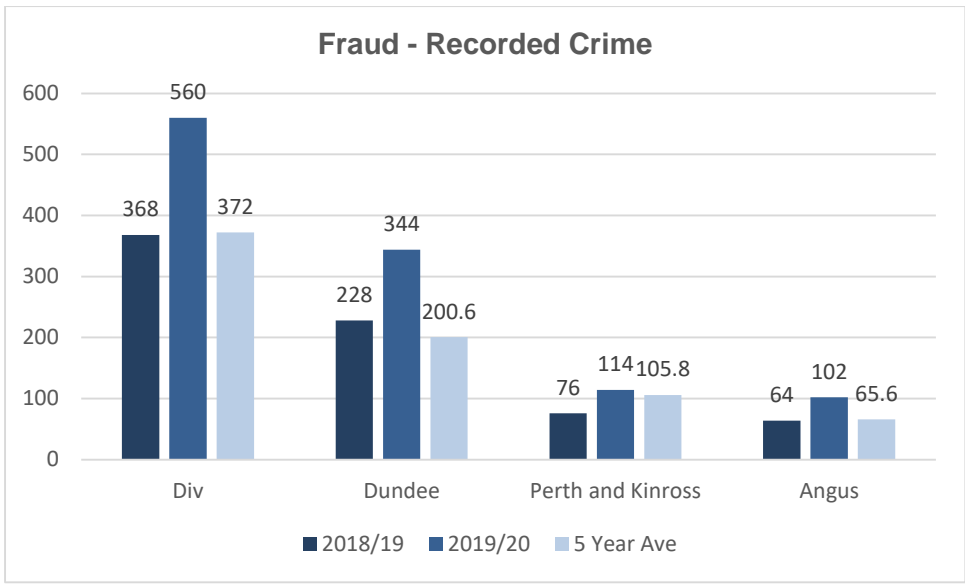
There has been significant work done in recent times to increase public knowledge of scams and to continue to reinforce the message not to disclose personal information unless to a trusted source.

This awareness has also filtered through to the Community and can be seen in a recent instance where shop staff within Arbroath contacted Police as they were concerned for an elderly female who was purchasing large amounts of music vouchers within the store. This prompt action prevented the female being defrauded out of a significant amount of money.

Financial Harm continues to be an integral part of our Preventions and Interventions Hub. There are excellent working relationships with banks within Angus and this work including the banking protocol continues to prevent a number of individuals losing significant amounts of cash to scammers.

The Banking protocol has continued to provide financial safeguards to potential victims of scammers and other financial crime. In October, the banking protocol prevented a vulnerable male from withdrawing £23,000, which he would have lost to scammers,

Throughout this period, there have been have a further 6 successful banking protocol activations in Angus, which have prevented attempted transfers/withdrawals of around £95,000. The victims were mostly elderly, and one male had been a previous victim of scamming, during which he had lost £22,500. Bank of Scotland were aware of this and were particularly vigilant, demonstrating the impact the initiative can have.



Protecting vulnerable people

Outcome 1 – Drug Misuse - Possession of drugs

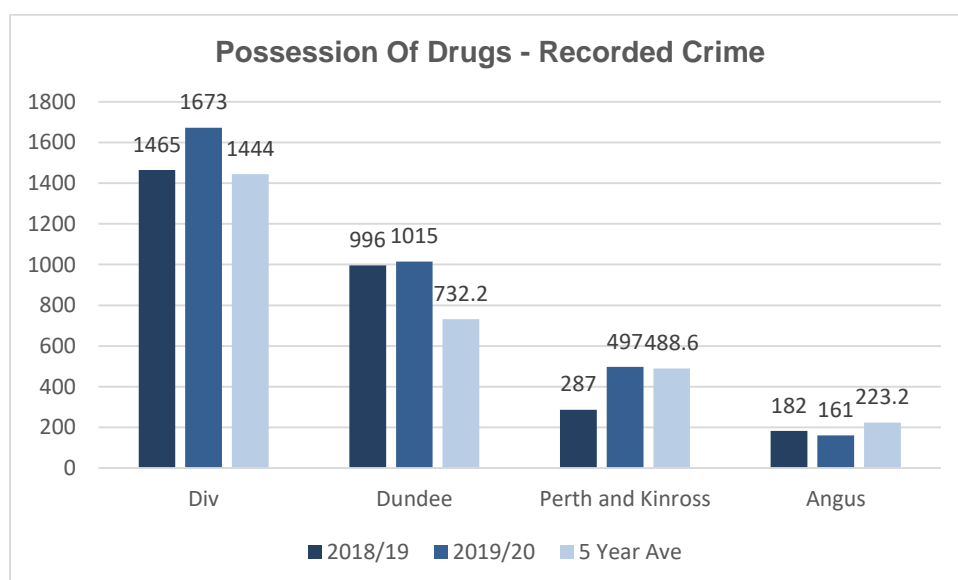
There continues to be a number of people being detected within the LPA whilst in possession of controlled drugs. The most common substance found is cannabis in its many forms. There have also been recoveries of heroin and cocaine.

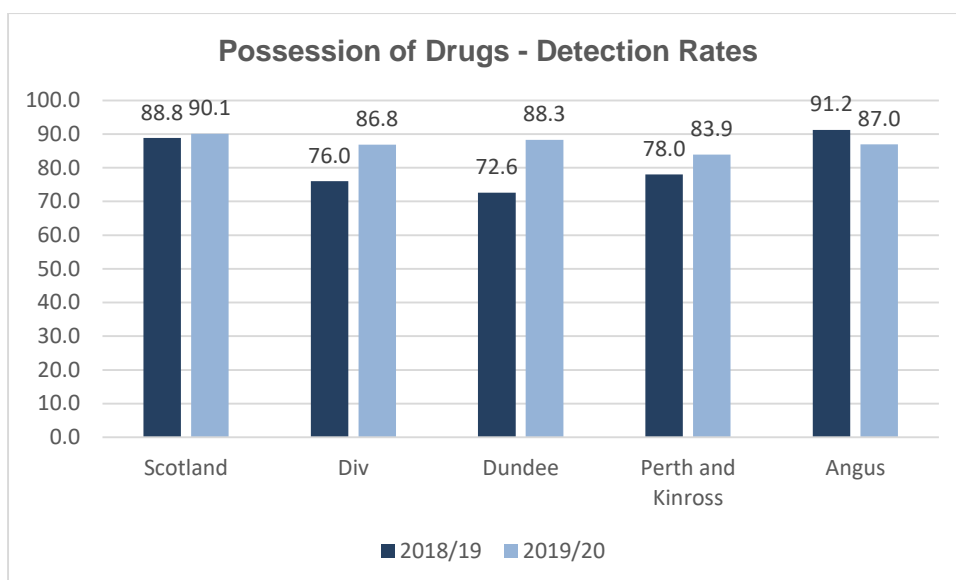
Many of the possession recoveries are as a result of proactive work carried out by local Officers fully utilising their statutory stop and search powers. Drug recoveries and activity by Officers is spread across the Local Policing area. Local Officers are also supported in this work by Officers within CID, Road Policing and Pro-active units.

In Forfar, officers on patrol had cause to stop a vehicle being driven in an erratic manner. As a result a male was arrested for a number of Road Traffic Offences. On being searched he was found to be in possession of a quantity of cocaine for which he was reported to the PF.

In Arbroath, officers became aware of a male acting in an erratic manner within the Town Centre. On being traced he was appropriately searched and found to be in possession a quantity of Heroin with associated paraphernalia. He was subsequently reported for the Offences discovered.

In Monifieth, officers were on patrol when they had cause to speak with a male whom they believed to be in possession of controlled drugs. Following a search approximately £90 of heroin was recovered. The male was reported to the Procurator Fiscal.





Drug Misuse - Supply of drugs

Enforcement action and the execution of drugs search warrants continues to be carried out by officers across Angus. Enforcement relies on up to date intelligence from the local Communities. Drug enforcement action within Angus is led mainly by the Community Investigation Unit (CIU) however officers from all areas will also apply for and enforce warrants.

Serious and Organised crime is targeted by Organised Crime and Counter Terrorism Unit (OCCTU) who operate nationally across all the local authority areas. The CIU are regularly called upon to collaboratively in support of OCCTU.

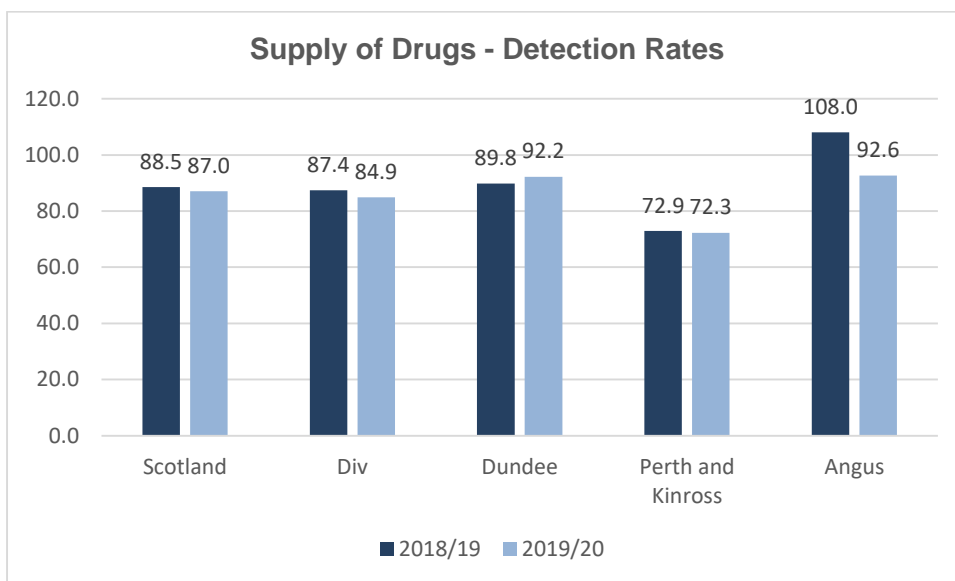
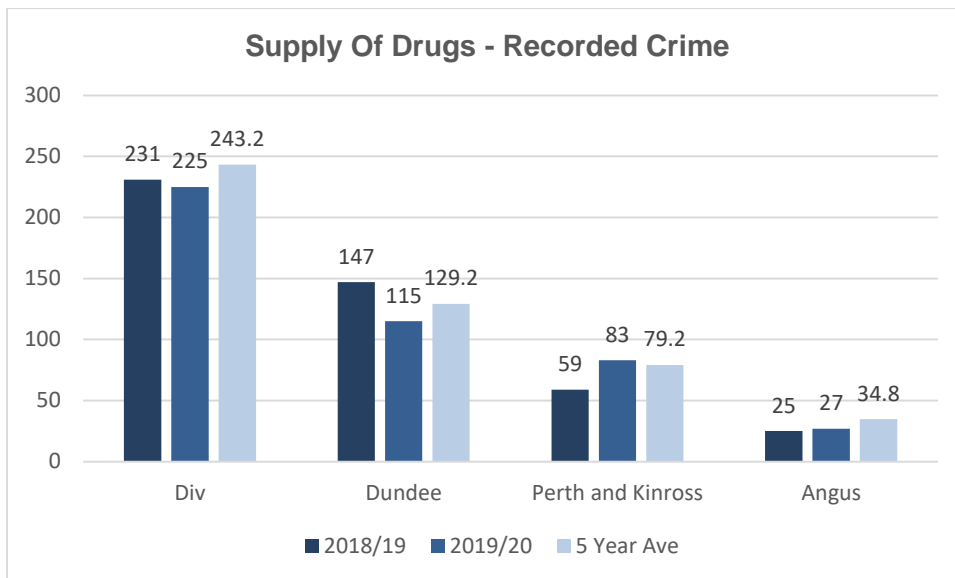
Within the reporting period a drugs search warrant was executed by the CIU within Arbroath following reports of a possible cultivation within an address. Approximately £1660 worth of harvested cannabis was recovered and one male was reported for Misuse of Drugs Act offences.

When officers were carrying out an unrelated enquiry at an address in Brechin, the circumstances raised suspicions about a potential cannabis cultivation within the property. A drug search warrant was obtained and entry gained. A significant cannabis cultivation was discovered with an estimated £116,000 worth of cannabis recovered. A male was arrested and appeared from custody on various drug related charges.

In Montrose, Officers received intelligence about a female who was in possession of a quantity of heroin. She was subsequently traced in Montrose town centre and £1100 of heroin recovered from her.

Work is continually on going in Angus to obtain reliable and credible intelligence that shapes and drives enforcement through the application and execution of drugs search warrants. Officers continue to appropriately use statutory search powers where appropriate to detect and report those who continue to supply drugs within our communities.

With some drug types such as cocaine it continues to be a challenge to obtain intelligence and information to allow enforcement action. Work continues in this area, particularly around the night time economy where such recreational drugs are often supplied and used.



Outcome 2 –Exploitation

Whilst there is no notable intelligence of relevance to Angus in this quarter, the Division has been working with the National Human Trafficking team to monitor the impact of Operation Filibeg, a national operation designed to identify and disrupt the trafficking of Vietnamese nationals in Scotland, a trend which has been growing considerably. Two Vietnamese nationals have been identified in Tayside however it has been established that Angus has not been the primary location into which they have been trafficked or exploited. They have arrived in the area to keep them safe having sought support from local and national organisations.

Online Sexual Crime

Nationally and internationally, the risk of online sexual crime is on the rise. This trend in recorded crime is also seen locally, however discussions are ongoing about the robustness of current crime recording systems having the ability to produce meaningful problem profiles. It is clear however that rising recorded group 2 crime is due to increases in cyber enabled offending, and at particular risk are children and young people.

The Scottish Government has recently published a report from the Expert Group on Preventing Sexual Offending Involving Children and Young People, which highlights that more understanding is

needed to understand in clearer terms what preventions and awareness raising activities are effective. Angus, Dundee and Perth and Kinross Councils have already collaborated on this issue and under the guise of the Children's Services Collaborative. As a result, training has been commissioned for first responders and other professionals. Research is being undertaken from further educational establishments and a programme of social media based and face to face training programmes for young people, parents and professionals, has been launched.

The policing Division has created an online sexual crime team who provide expertise and deal with intelligence packages received about subjects who access Indecent Images of Children. Officers are seconded to this team from local policing areas to ensure knowledge is returned to local policing.

Outcome 3 –Hate Crime

Hate crime has reduced by 7.7% in comparison to the previous year. There have been no identified trends within the Angus area. A number of the recorded offences have been as a result of persons abusing police officers after arrest, with alcohol and drugs a major factor in the behaviour of the offender.

A proactive approach is taken to hate crime in order to make sure that it is recognised and addressed properly. Incidents that are found to be non-criminal but are perceived to be motivated by hate are recorded. All hate related information is analysed to identify recurring trends or issues. After consideration an appropriate intervention is identified and implemented.

All hate related incidents are reviewed on a daily basis. This allows for best practice to be established and opportunities for partnership working to be utilised. It also helps build up a picture of the hate crime landscape for Tayside which is essential in planning an approach.

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

As previously highlighted, six new Angus "Keep Safe" places trained in January 2020. At present there are nearly thirty Keep Safe premises in Angus, which is up substantially from three that we had last May.

There will be an increase in Third Party Reporting Centres across Tayside. Two in Angus are being considered, Dundee & Angus College campus at Arbroath and The Learning Tree, also in Arbroath

PSYV in Angus have been trained in Hate Crime awareness. They are now aware of what constitutes a Hate Crime / Incident and how to report this.

Other supported events include Holocaust Memorial Day (January 27th 2020) with Police attending various organised events across Tayside. Material relating to this campaign and hate crime has been shared with education leads at all three councils. This material promotes hate crime awareness and supports non Police forums available to report hate incidents.

The National Hate Crime Campaign is scheduled for March 2nd for four weeks.

Maintaining public safety

Outcome 1 – Road Safety

During the period under review Tayside Division have implemented a fresh approach in response to Road Safety. Our efforts will be coordinated under the principles of Operation CEDAR (Challenge, Educate, Detect and Reduce), a road safety strategy which has been successfully delivered in both the north east of Scotland and the Highlands and Islands. CEDAR will build on established road safety practices and provide a focus for agencies across Tayside to work together to make our roads safer for all.

Operation CEDAR

The principles of Operation CEDAR will be applied in the following ways across Tayside, linked to priority areas of focus:

Challenge	Build effective partnership working and methods to develop new and innovative ways to improve road safety. Improve information sharing and analysis to support an evidence-led approach
Educate	Deliver and evaluate educational initiatives to driver and road user behaviour, making effective use of media opportunities to highlight CEDAR and the work of the forum
Detect	Provide an intelligence-led and multi-agency approach to enforcement, supported by analytical products, to make the best use of available resources
Reduce	Ensure all road safety education, engineering and enforcement activity is focused on having the maximum positive impact on reducing the number of people killed and seriously injured

The implementation of Operation CEDAR across Tayside and delivery of our Action Plan provides an opportunity to contribute to a consistent approach across the north of Scotland. It will refocus our efforts to further improve safety on Tayside's roads and promote active travel.

Road Safety enforcement continues to be carried out as part of routine business by the Road Policing Unit in Angus 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 RPU 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 a number of priority locations have been identified within in Angus which were subject to focussed operation activity.

There have been no fatalities in Angus LPA for the period under review, although there have been two serious collisions involving adults.

No children were fatally injured or seriously injured during this quarter throughout the LPA.

For the period under review a total of 5993 vehicles were stopped in the Tayside division with a number of offences being detected and reported whilst a number of offenders were warned in respect of other road traffic contraventions.

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 of which are delivered successfully through a number of mediums and campaigns.

Speeding

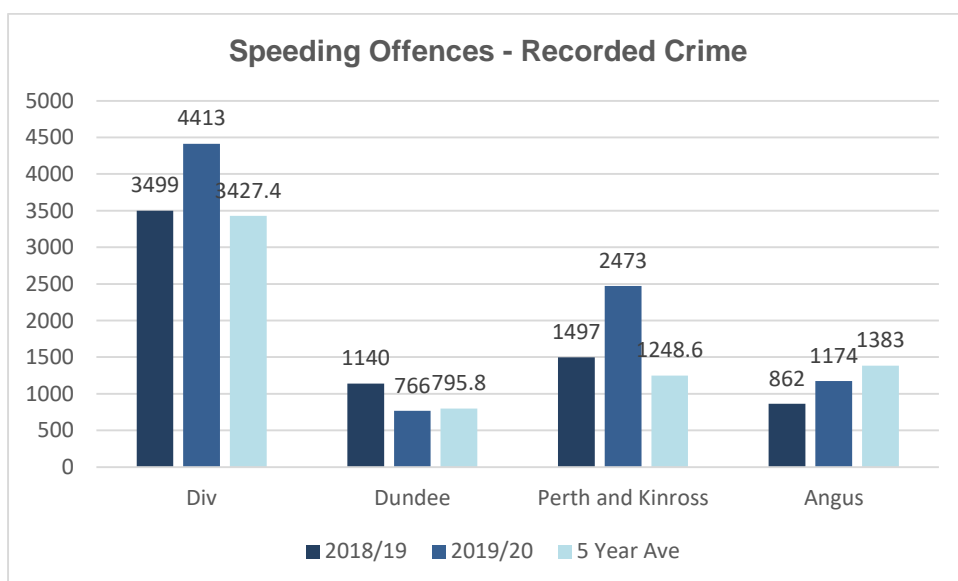
In comparison to the previous year, speeding offences in Angus have increased by 36.2%. This is attributable to the focused operational activity on not only the priority routes but also focused patrols on routes which are deemed to have speeding issues and have been identified through a number of community based engagements.

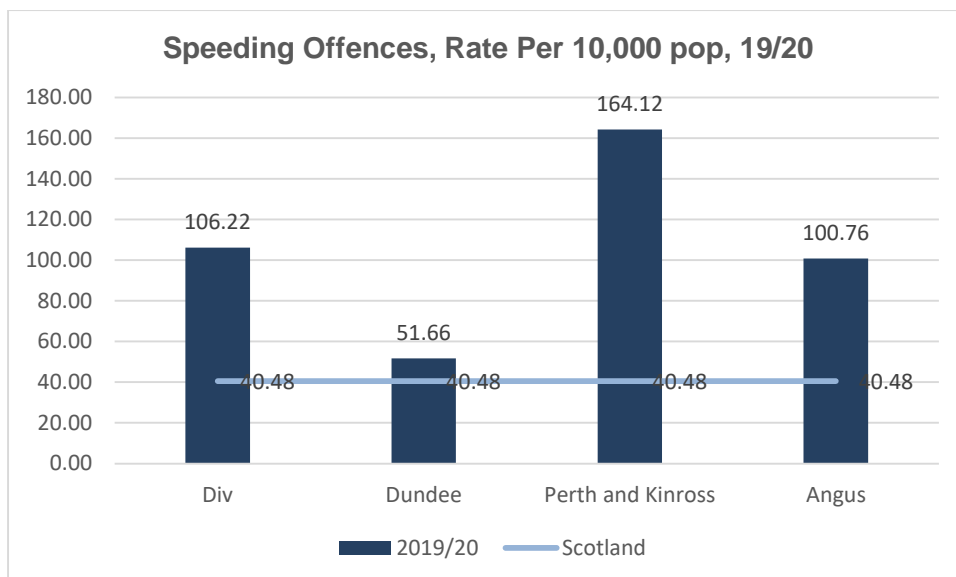
Between 9 November 2019 and 15 November 2019 Police Scotland held The Speed, seatbelt and mobile Phone campaign which had dedicated officers from both the Road Policing Unit, Safety camera Unit and divisional officers who specifically targeted road users who contravene legislation.

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

Year to date 1174 speeding offences were detected in Angus, the following instance being the most notable where a vehicle was detected travelling at 80mph exceeding 50mph on A92, enquiry is still ongoing to trace driver.

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, often perception of speed is the issue rather than road users exceeding the speed limit. Modified vehicles which are significantly louder than a standard motor vehicle and also effect the perception of speed.





Drink, Drug offences including failure to provide specimen of breath

Year to date, Drink, Drug offences in Angus has increased by 63.9% compared to the same period of last year, this is a significant rise and well above the 5 year average.

Between 1st December 2019 and 2nd January 2020, Police Scotland held The Festive Drink & Drug Drive Campaign which saw dedicated officers from both the Road Policing Unit and divisional officers specifically target road users who drive whilst under the influence.

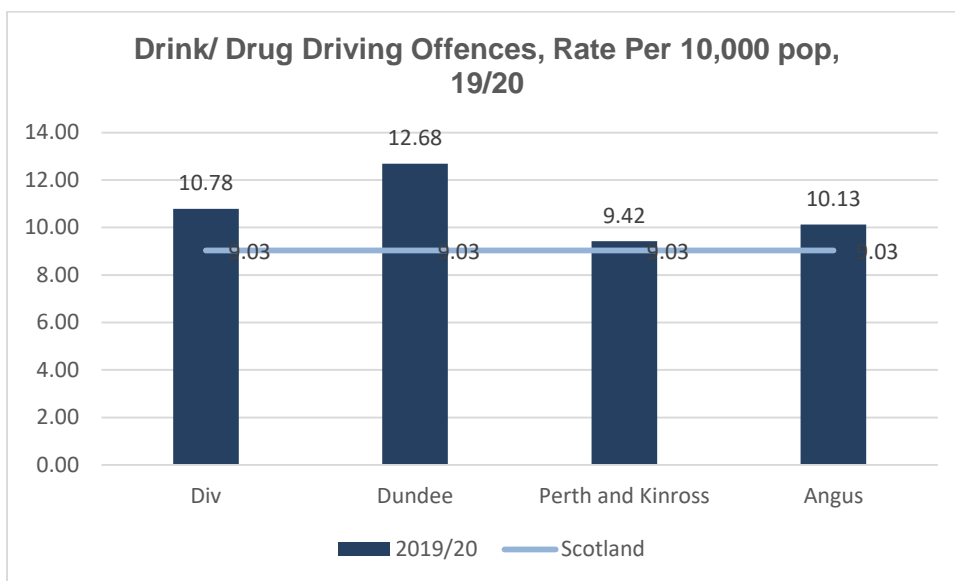
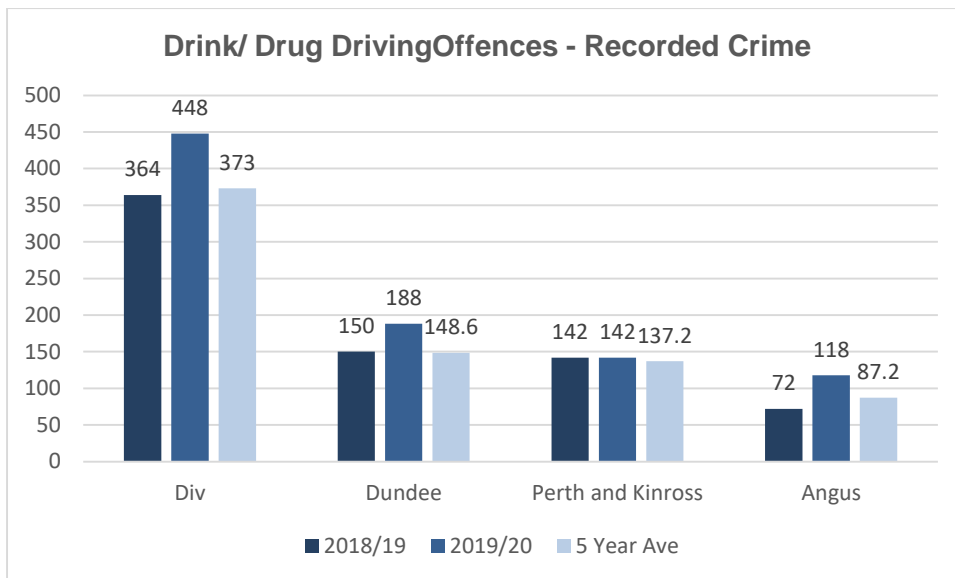
Focus was not only targeting offenders driving immediately after consuming alcohol or drugs, but also focusing on offender's drive the morning after being under the influence.

Effective use of the media to raise awareness and to actively encourage changes in driving attitudes and behaviour. A number of media appeals were released throughout the duration of the Campaign.

The new drug wipe testing kit featured heavily in the media and was prevalent throughout the duration of this campaign, it will continue to be an exceptionally effective tool in the continual fight against impaired driving.

During the period under review Tayside Division excelled with a total 2270 breath specimens recorded throughout the Division, a total of 118 drink/drug drive offences have been detected year to date within Angus. It should be noted these figure include drivers who failed to provide a specimen for analysis.

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



Mobile phones

Mobile phone offences in Angus LPA have had a significant decrease of 81%.

Increased police patrols accompanied by numerous media campaigns which have highlighted the dangers of using a mobile device whilst driving a motor vehicle.

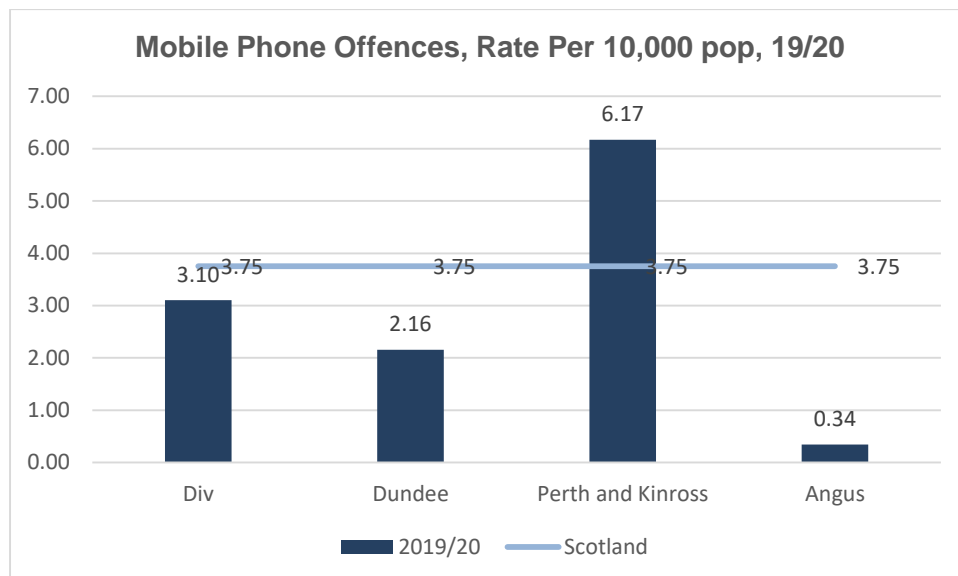
Positive Policing measures and public awareness of the dangers of utilising a mobile phone whilst driving are evident. It should be borne in mind when considering analytical data for the period under review, this figure is also significantly below the 5 year average.

Between 9 November 2019 and the 15 November 2019 Police Scotland held a Speed, Seatbelt and Mobile Phone Campaign which saw officers from the Road Policing Unit, Safety Camera Partnership and Angus target offenders using the roads. This was backed by a media campaign to raise awareness and to actively encourage changes in driving attitudes and behaviour.

The significant decrease is mirrored in the seatbelt statistics which evidences the success of the Speed, Seatbelt and Mobile Phone Campaign.

During the period under review only 5 offenders were detected and reported to the Procurator Fiscal for consideration.

It is clear through enforcement, education and media campaigns especially in the pre-driver and drivers between the ages of 17-25 category the message is having the required impact which is preventing contraventions. It is also evident that excellent advancements in technology is having an immeasurable effect on driver behaviour.



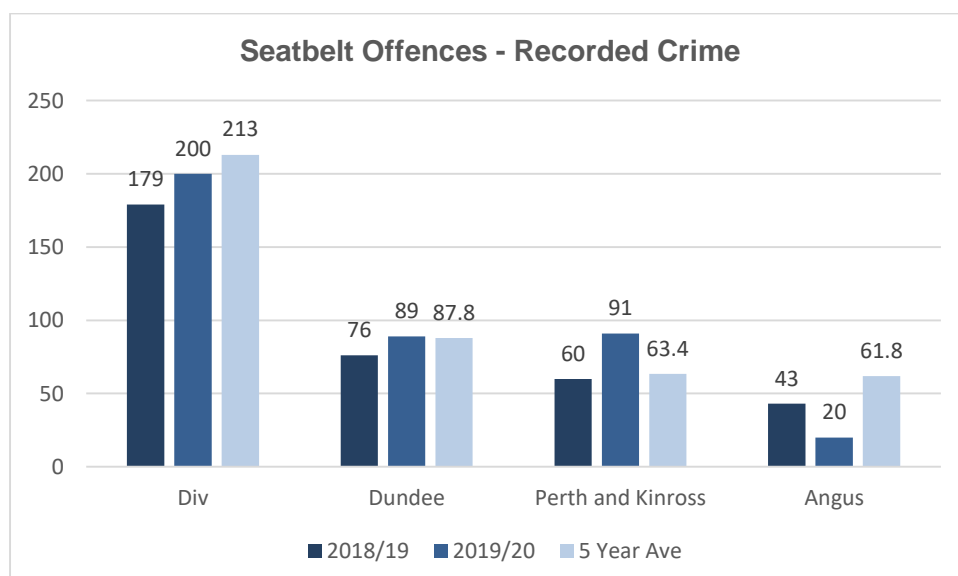
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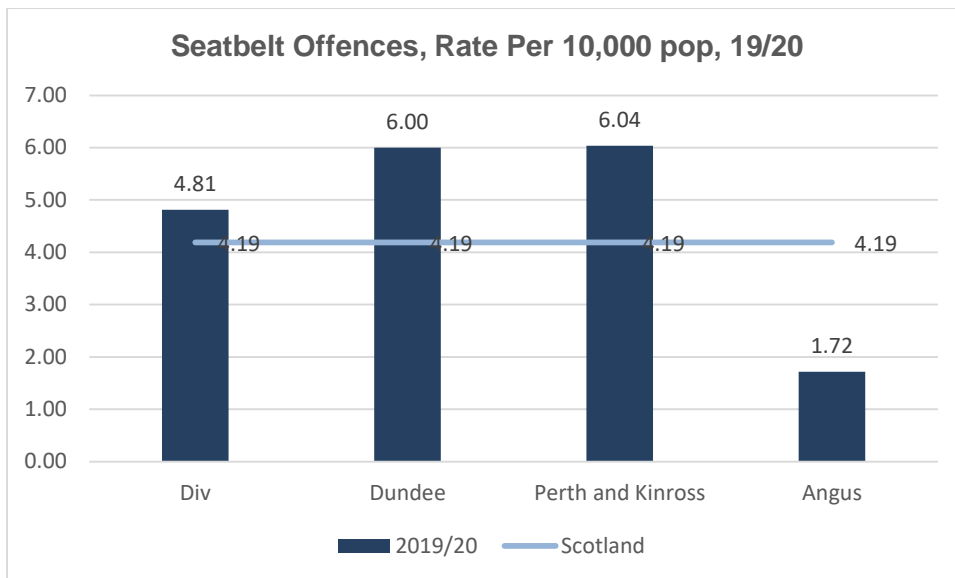
Seatbelt offences in Angus have decreased by 53.5% in comparison to last year.

The Road Policing Unit ran a Speed, Seatbelt and Mobile Phone Campaign between 9 November 2019 and the 15 November 2019. This campaign involved officers from the Road Policing Unit, Safety Camera Unit and Angus who targeted offenders contravening legislation.

20 seatbelt offences have been detected year to date in Angus, which is a reduction of 23 offences in comparison to the previous year.

Overall in Tayside Division 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 impactful on modern day road users resulting in a high rate of people buckling up.





Outcome 2 – Events

Police Scotland provide support in relation to a large number of events, including football, 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 Policing Lead who are supported by a Divisional Planning Team. Meetings are held with event organisers in advance and during the event, and also during the 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.

There have been a significant number of football matches across Angus that have been supported by Police including Arbroath vs Morton and Forfar vs Airdrie in October. In December both Dundee and Dundee Utd played at Arbroath. Each match continues to be categorised and assessed to ensure a proportionate Police response is provided.

Other Key events within the quarter were the various Fireworks displays, Remembrance Day Parades and Christmas Light switch on events across all the main towns which required a Policing presence.

Police also supported the general election with visits to Polling Stations and high profile politician visits.

The continued advanced planning and work with partners ensures events in Angus pass safely and generally without incident.

Outcome 3 – CONTEST

The Tayside Division Counter Terrorism Liaison Officer has engaged with all Angus MP's and MSP's in relation to security measures when within home Constituency areas.

CONTEST is the UK Government's Counter Terrorism Strategy. It was first developed by the Home Office in early 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."

CONTEST is split into four work streams that are known within the counter terrorism community as the 'four P's': *Prevent, Pursue, Protect, and Prepare*.

- **Pursue:** the investigation and disruption of terrorist attacks.
- **Prevent:** work to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism or extremism.
- **Protect:** improving our protective security to stop a terrorist attack.
- **Prepare:** working to minimise the impact of an attack and to recover from it as quickly as possible.

At present the national threat level is currently at SUBSTANTIAL.

A number of community officers are trained to be Local CONTEST Liason Officers (LCLOs), providing a capability to promote CONTEST.

This allows delivery of the strategy throughout the Angus community as part of daily business. With education being important, various school inputs took place across Angus, which included Hate crime / online safety briefing to Webster's High School, Kirriemuir pupils.

Engagement continues to be carried out in the county with key stakeholders such as Port Authority's in Montrose and Arbroath.

Due to the General Election within this quarter, work was carried out with all election candidates as part of the security and safety strategy of the election.

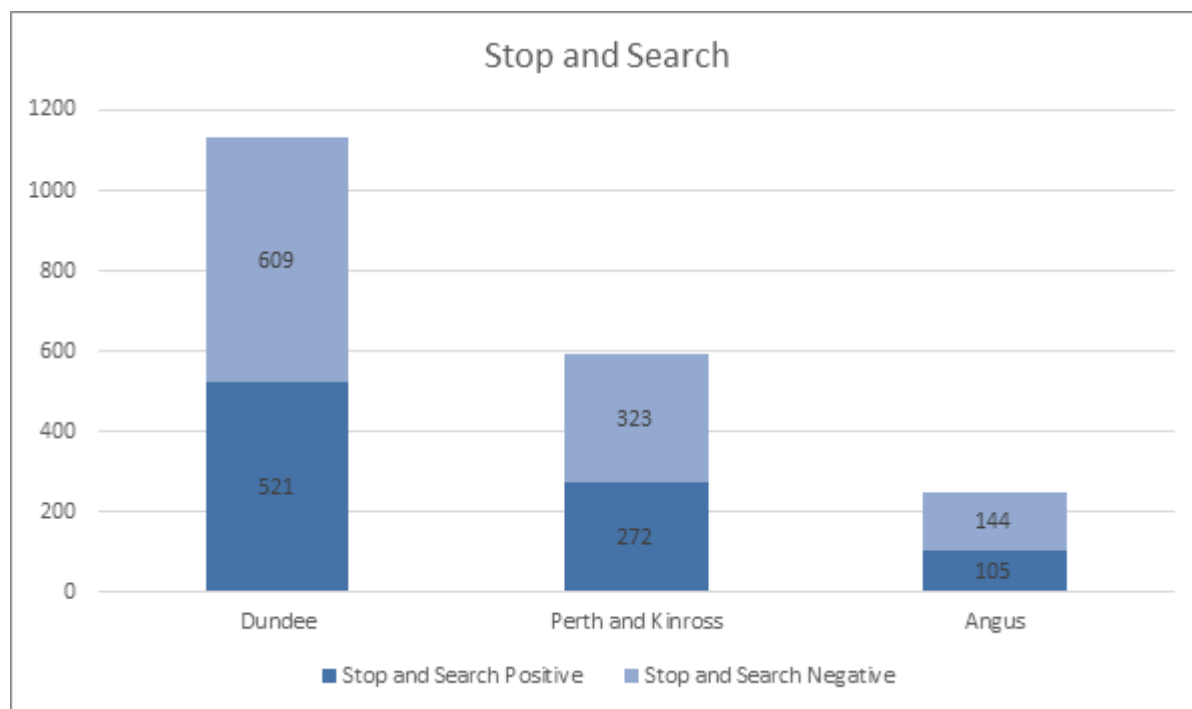
In October a multi-agency CONTEST Board meeting was held in Forfar with representation from Police, Local Authorities, SFRS, Scottish Government, Scottish Prison Service, and education. This multi-agency meeting is an opportunity for partners to discuss CONTEST related issues and ensure a joint approach is adopted in working towards reducing the risk of terrorism in our community.

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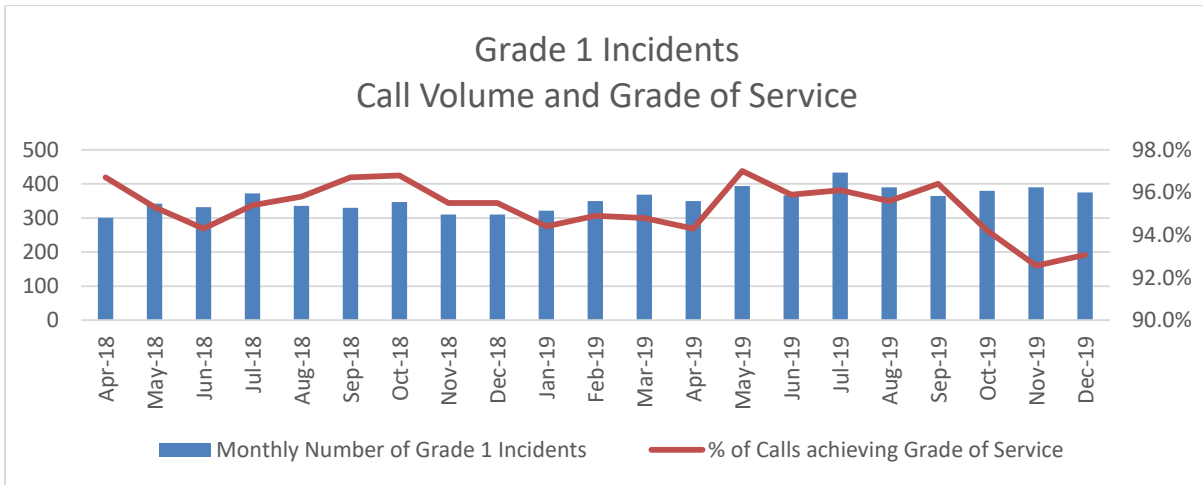
Stop and search

Angus Officers 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.

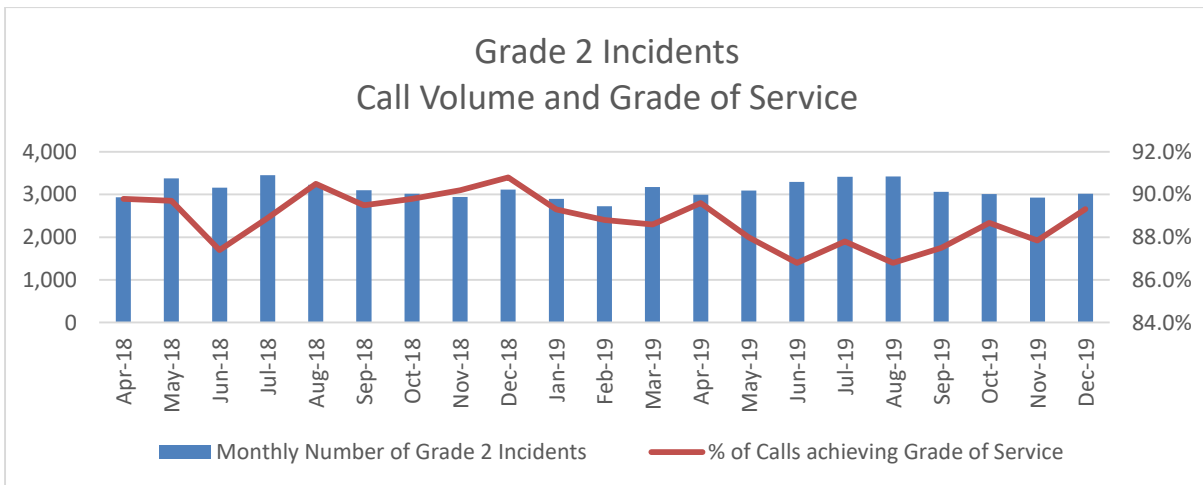
Searches conducted are on a statutory basis and a breakdown of negative and searches are as follows:



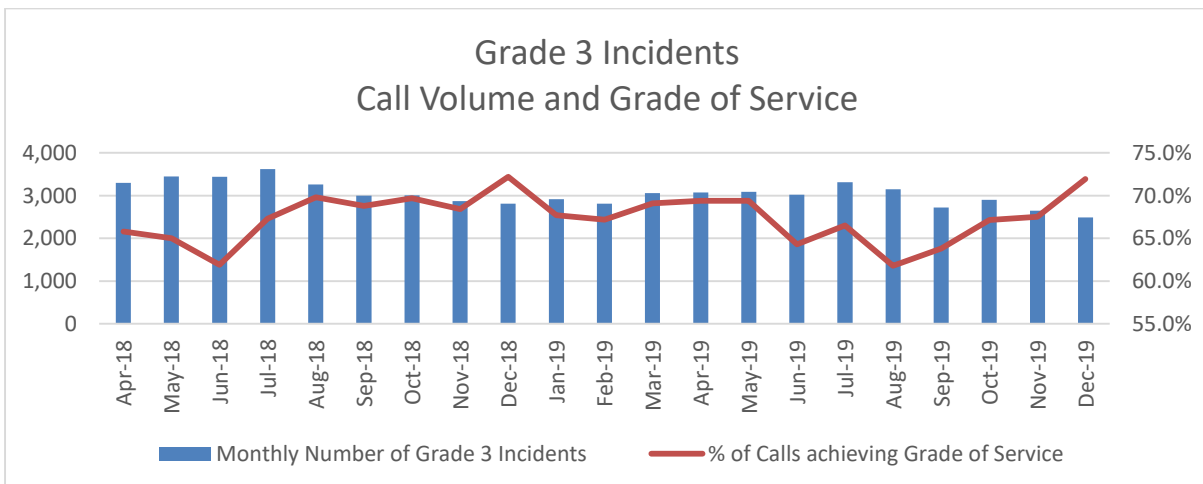
Data extracted from STORM Unity showing data from 00:00:00 on the first of each month until 23:59:59 on the last day of each month. Figures include all resourced incidents (except diary calls) including those which have been generated by police, e.g. pre planned events such as firearms operations or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



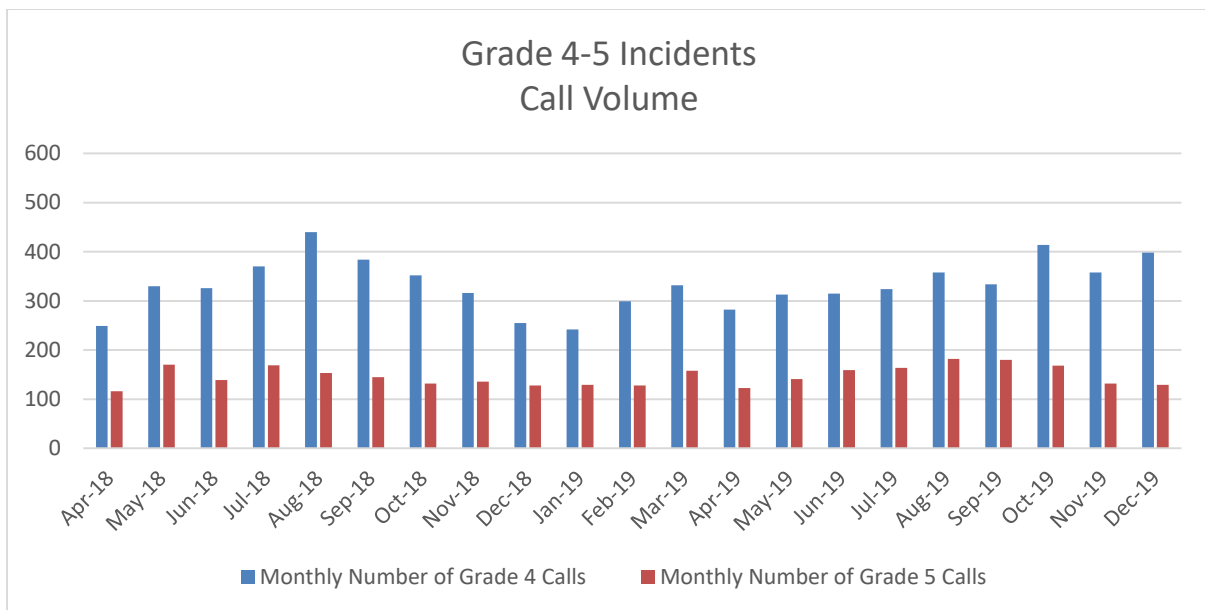
Grade 1: IMMEDIATE - An ongoing incident with an immediate or apparent threat to life or a serious crime in progress.



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.