

Introduction

Crime and disorder and the perception of crime are key factors in influencing quality of life for residents in Dorset. This report is one of a series of reports in LG Inform based on a single collection, the aim is to provide users with quick and easy access to all the metrics contained in the collection and present this in a variety of charts, tables and maps. Users may wish to use the report in its entirety or select individual elements to download or reuse in their own LG Inform reports. This report provides an overview of the different types of police recorded crime in Dorset for the year ending 2015 Q3 (rolling) taken from the Police recorded crime survey. Data in this report is updated quarterly (March, July, October and January).

Police recorded crime figures cover selected offences that have been reported to and recorded by the police. Crime figures are supplied by the 43 territorial police forces of England and Wales, and the British Transport Police, via the Home Office, to the Office for National Statistics (ONS). The coverage of police recorded crime is defined by the Notifiable Offence List (NOL), which includes a broad range of offences, from murder to minor criminal damage, theft and public order offences. The NOL excludes less serious offences that are dealt with exclusively at magistrates' courts. This report covers data taken from the police recorded crime figures, it is important to highlight that it does not include data from the British Transport police as no specific location is recorded.

Data covered in this report is based on a 12 month period, collected as calendar quarter. Police recorded crime figures are based on the year in which the crime was recorded not the year in which it was committed.

There are known issues with police recorded crime data resulting in a degree of undercounting across crime types and police forces, therefore, this report doesn't provide a full picture of crime in an area. Users wishing to explore crime levels in their area should also use the Crime survey for England and Wales (CSEW; previously known as the British Crime survey) which is a face to face victimisation survey in which residents of households in England and Wales are asked about their experiences of a selected number of offences in the 12 months prior to the interview. For the latest findings please visit <http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/rel/crime-stats/crime-statistics/year-ending-march-2015/stb-crime-march-2015.html>.

In a small number of cases data is not published at local authority level but at a combined crime partnership level, therefore no data will be displayed for them in this report. If you wish to view the full data you can visit <http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/taxonomy/index.html?nscl=Crime>

Using this report

When using / interpreting data from this report it is important to understand:

- The most recent mid year population estimates have been used to calculate the rates per 1,000 population used in the charts and as a result areas with small populations may be prone to exaggeration, therefore when comparing with areas such as the Isles of Scilly and the City of London interpret the results with caution.
- The last equivalent period refers to the same 12 month period in the previous year e.g. Q2 2015 will be compared to Q2 2014.
- In all charts, tables and text a rank of 1 is the lowest crime rate of the chosen comparison group.

Executive summary

The map below shows in the twelve months to end of 2015 Q3 (rolling) Dorset had recorded 36.76 crimes per 1000 people, this ranks Dorset 1 out of 27 in All English county local authorities. Dorset had the lowest number of offences 36.76 crimes per 1000 people in this quarter with Northamptonshire having the largest number at 66.62 crimes per 1000 people offences. The number of offences in Dorset had increased from 34.69 crimes per 1000 people in the last equivalent period, this can be seen in the chart below.

Top five crimes in Dorset in 2015 Q3 (rolling)

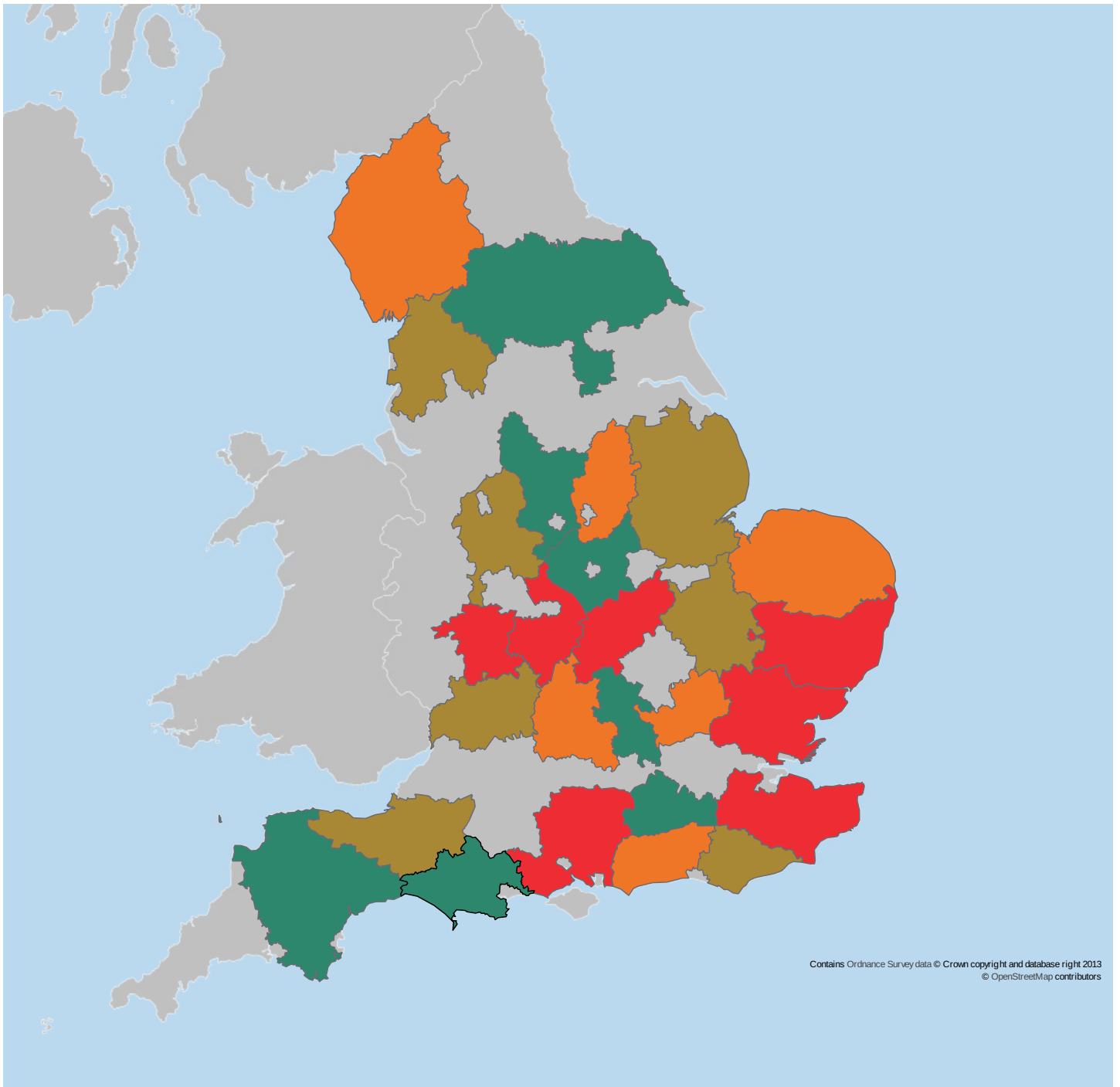
1. Crime - Other theft offences recorded - quarterly
2. Crime - Violence against the person - without injury offences recorded - quarterly
3. Crime - Violence against the person - with injury offences recorded - quarterly
4. Crime - Burglary in a building other than a dwelling offences recorded - quarterly
5. Crime - Shoplifting offences recorded - quarterly

Top five crimes in Dorset in the last equivalent period

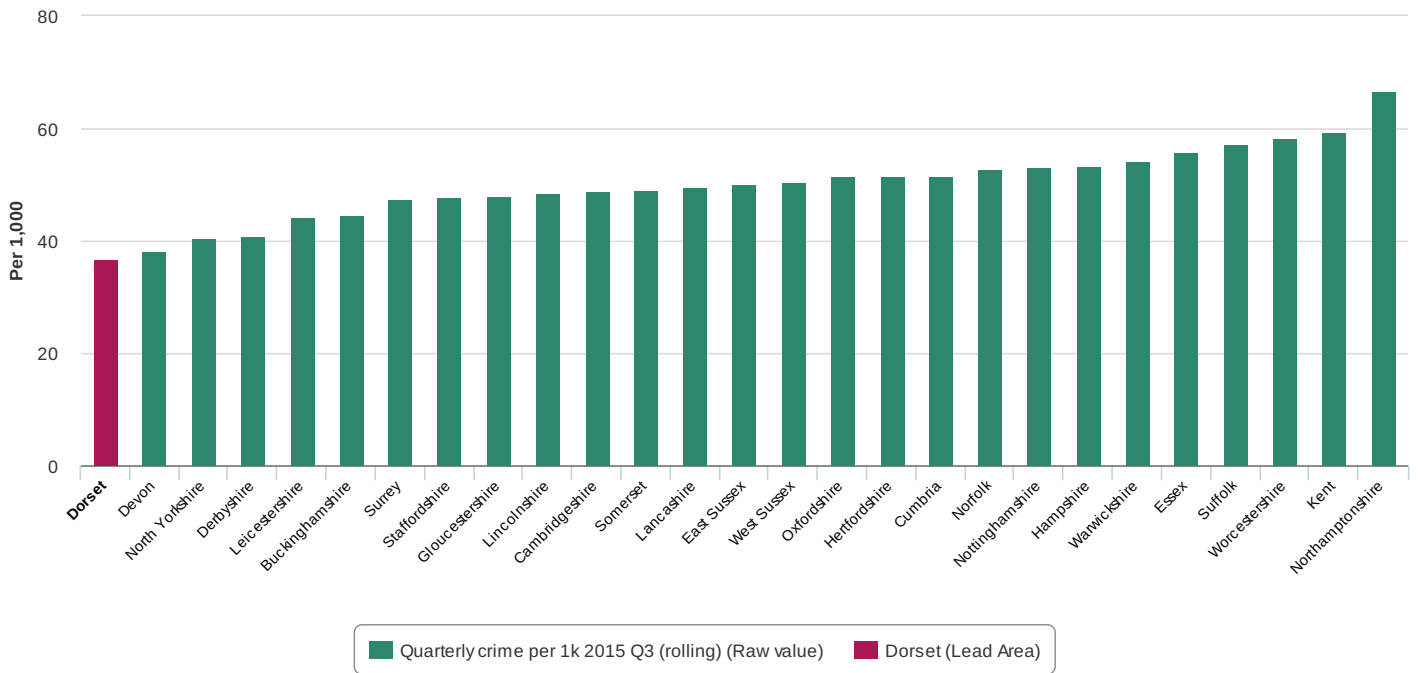
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5. Crime - Shoplifting offences recorded - quarterly

Crime - Total recorded offences (excluding fraud) for Dorset & All English county local authorities for year ending 2015 Q3 (rolling)

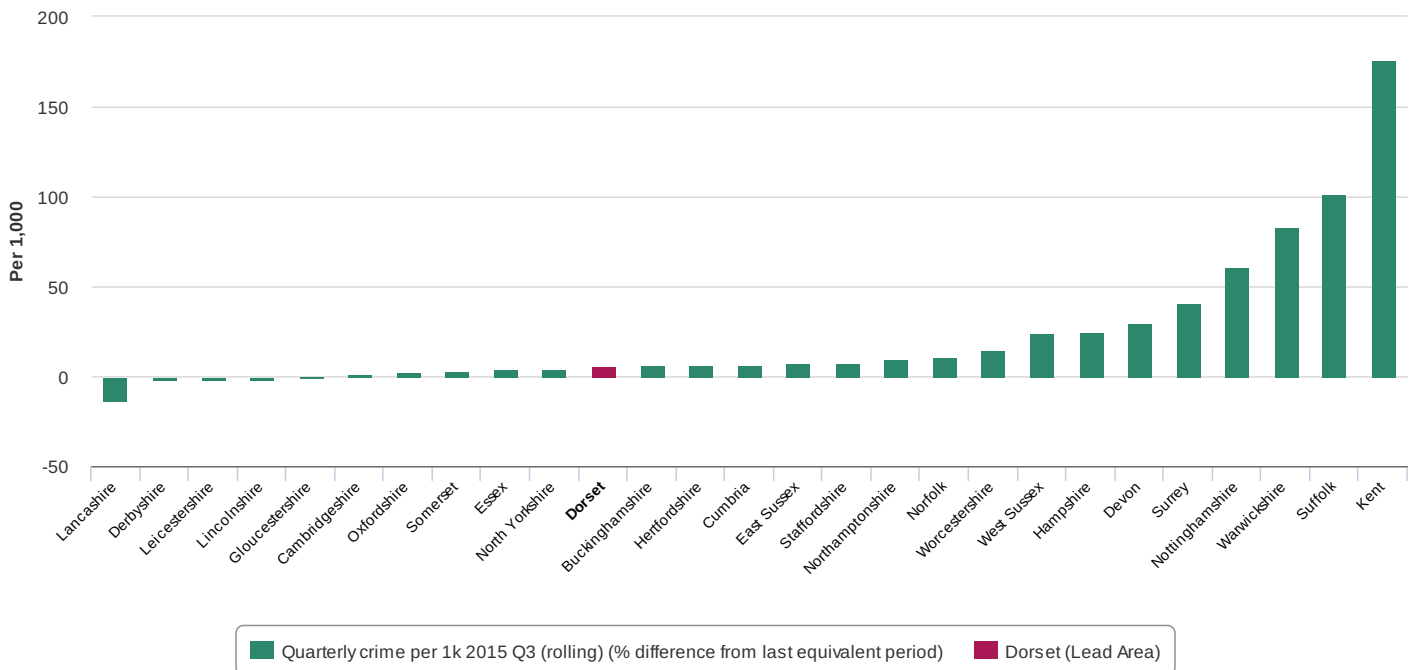
(Quantiles of All English county local authorities)



Crime - Total recorded offences (excluding fraud) for Dorset & All English county local authorities for year ending 2015 Q3 (rolling)



Crime - Total recorded offences (excluding fraud) (% difference from last equivalent period) for Dorset & All English county local authorities for year ending 2015 Q3 (rolling)



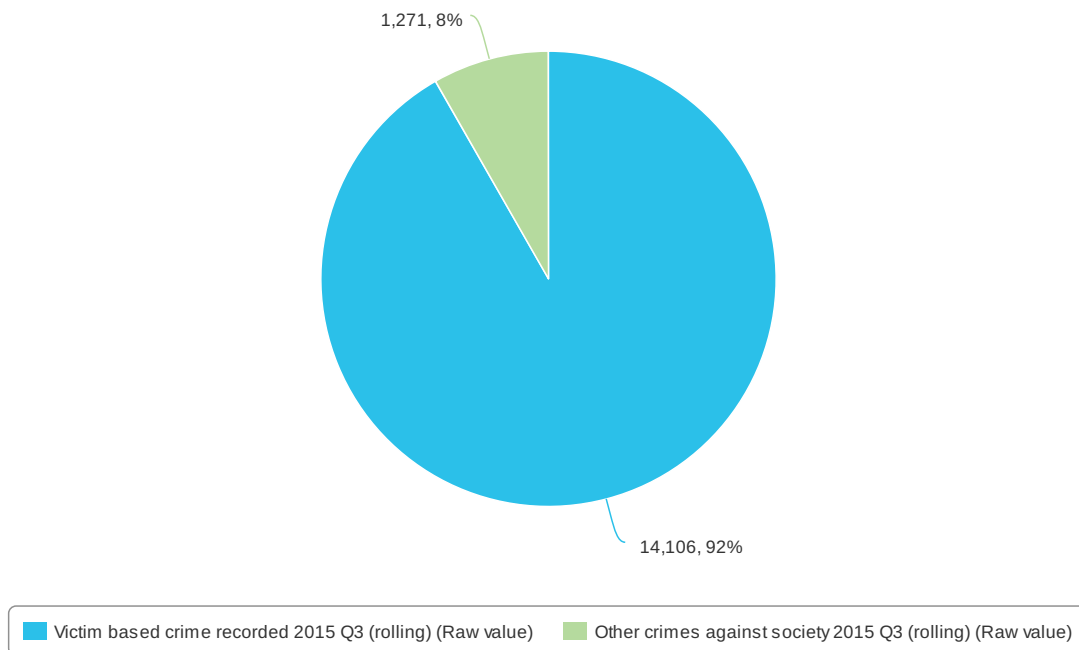
Victim based crime

Victim based crime includes: violence against the person (homicide, violence with injury and violence without injury), sexual offences, robbery, theft offences (burglary in a dwelling, burglary in a building other than a dwelling, vehicle offences, theft from the person, bicycle theft, shoplifting and all other theft offences) and criminal damage and arson offences.

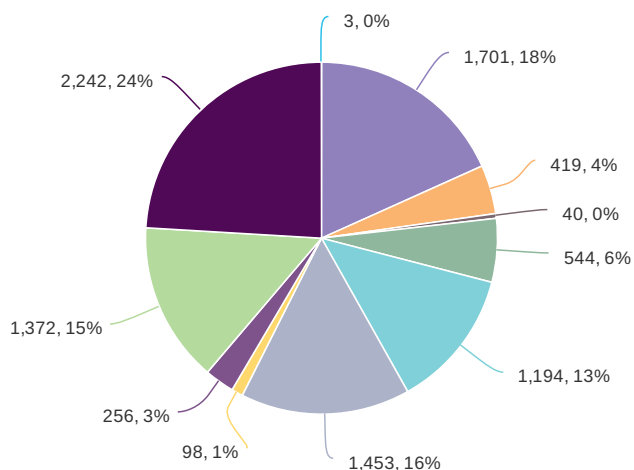
In the pie chart below you can see in 2015 Q3 (rolling) Dorset had 14,106 victim based offences and 1,271 other crimes against society offences.

In 2015 Q3 (rolling) Dorset had recorded 33.72 victim based offences, this ranked Dorset 2 out of 27 in All English county local authorities; increased from 31.84 crimes per 1000 people in the last equivalent period.

Crime - Victim based crime and Other crimes against society for Dorset for year ending 2015 Q3 (rolling) (count of offences)



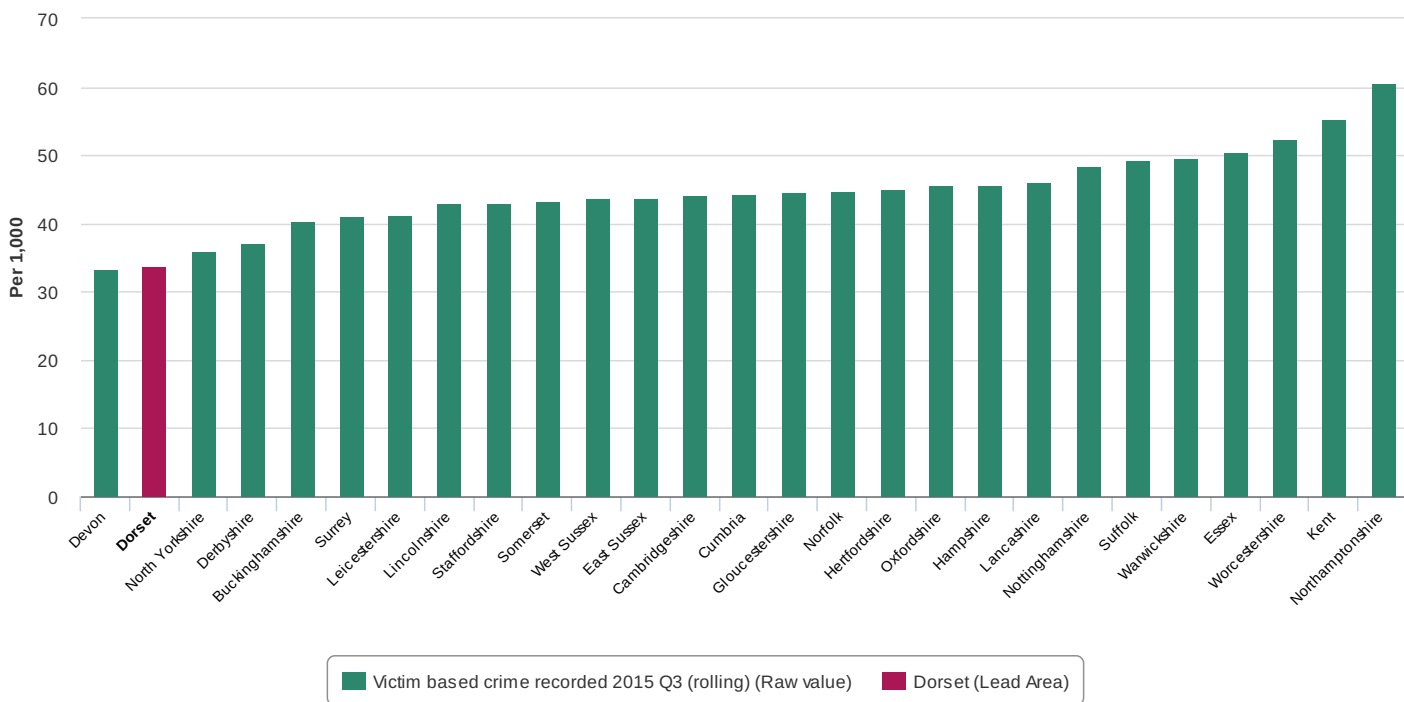
Crime - Victim based crime for Dorset for year ending 2015 Q3 (rolling) (count of offences)



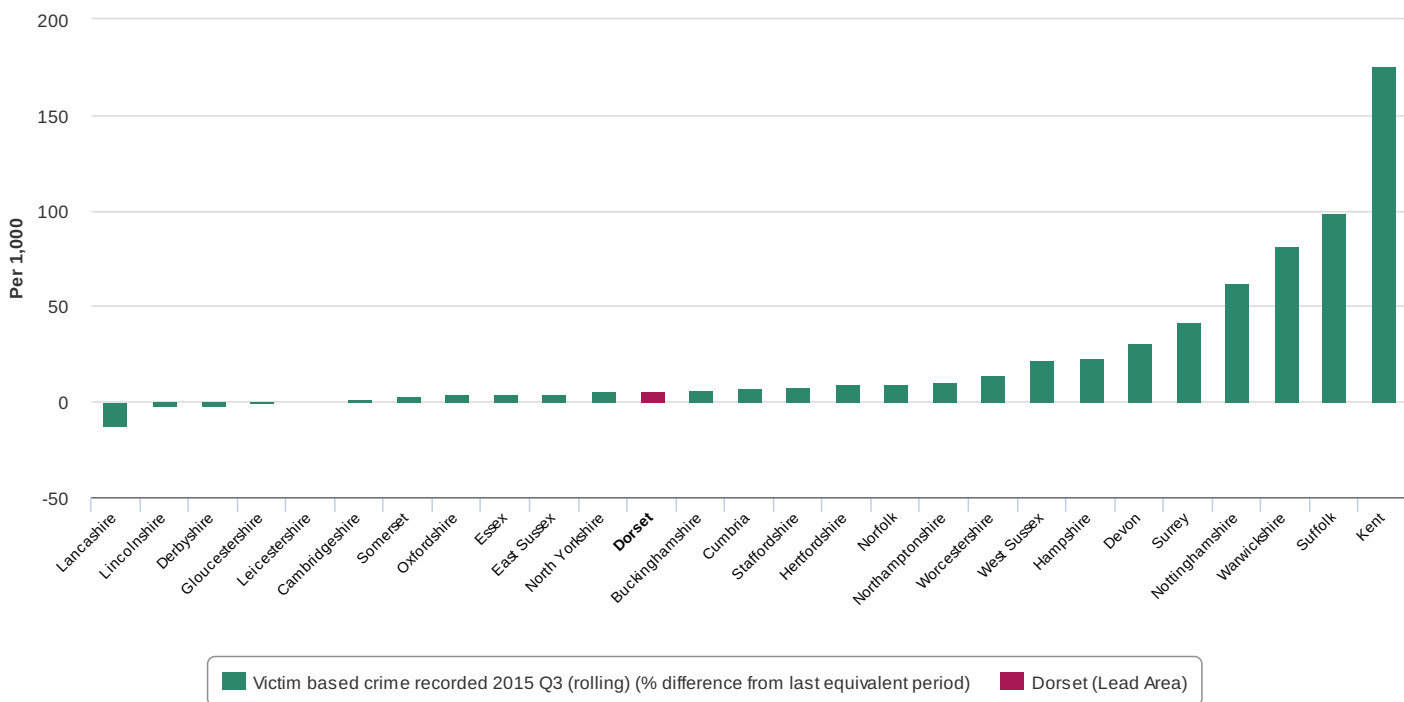
- Homicide offences recorded 2015 Q3 (rolling) (Raw value)
 ■ Violence against the person - with injury offences 2015 Q3 (rolling) (Raw value)
- Sexual offences 2015 Q3 (rolling) (Raw value)
 ■ Robbery offences 2015 Q3 (rolling) (Raw value)
 ■ Burglary in a dwelling 2015 Q3 (rolling) (Raw value)
- Offences against vehicles 2015 Q3 (rolling) (Raw value)
 ■ Burglary in a building other than a dwelling 2015 Q3 (rolling) (Raw value)
- Theft from the person offences recorded 2015 Q3 (rolling) (Raw value)
 ■ Bicycle theft offences recorded 2015 Q3 (rolling) (Raw value)
- Shoplifting offences recorded 2015 Q3 (rolling) (Raw value)
 ■ Other theft 2015 Q3 (rolling) (Raw value)

The bar charts below show victim based recorded crimes in Dorset & All English county local authorities and the percentage difference from the last equivalent period.

Crime - Victim based crime recorded for Dorset & All English county local authorities for year ending 2015 Q3 (rolling)

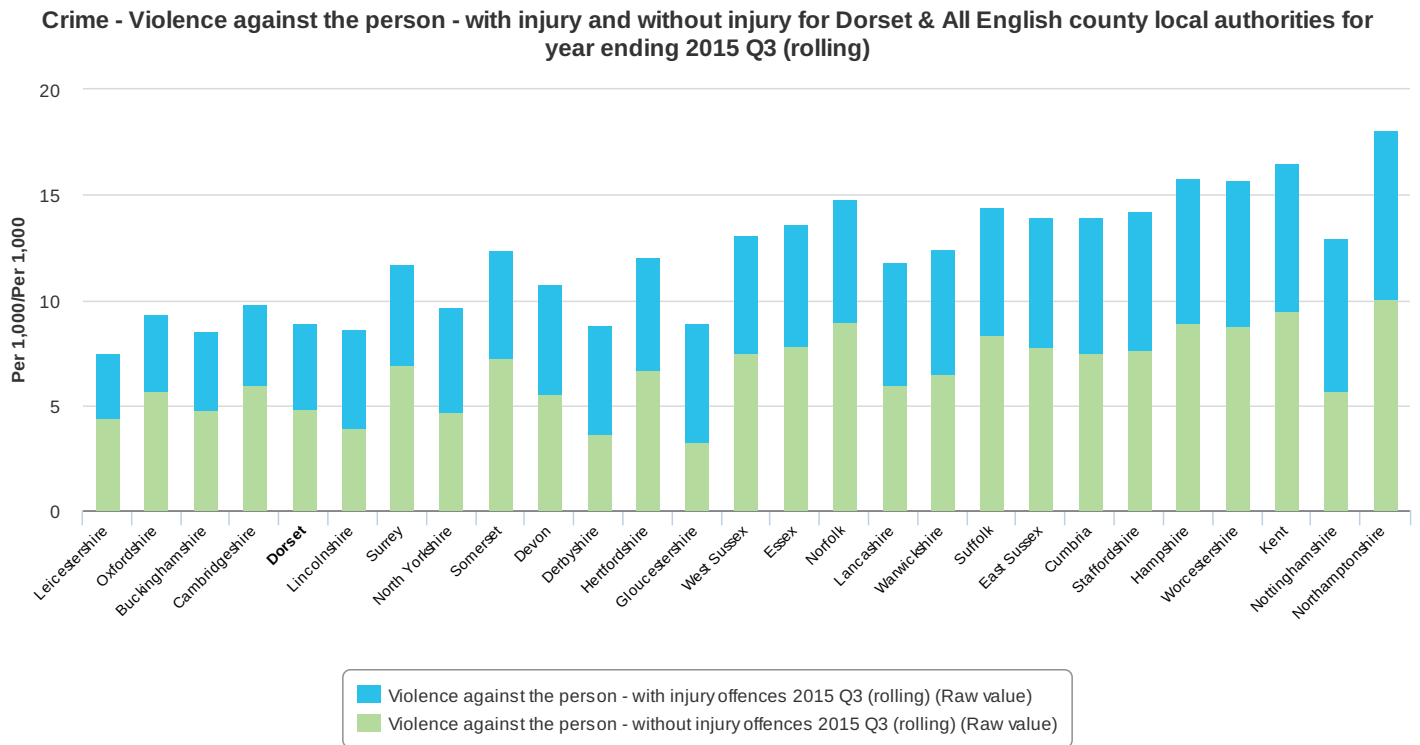


Crime - Victim based crime recorded for Dorset & All English county local authorities for year ending 2015 Q3 (rolling)



Violence against the person

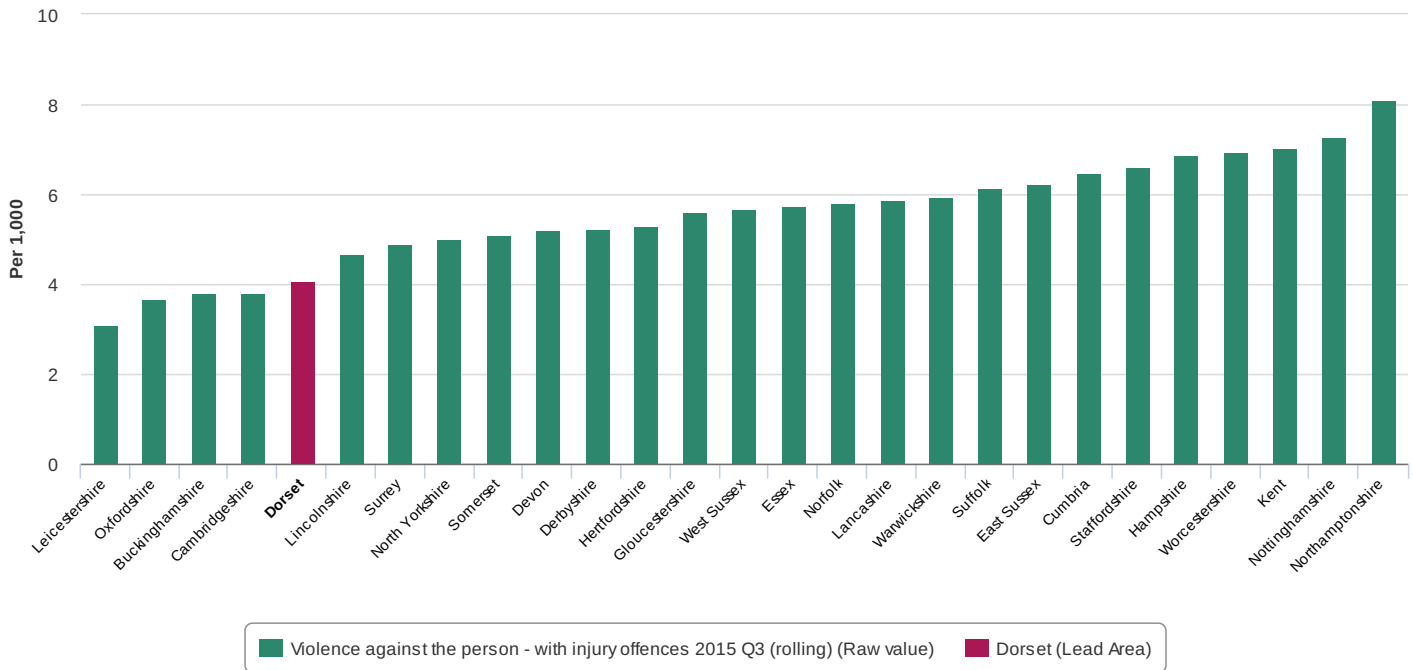
The bar chart below shows violence against the person recorded crime per 1000 persons for Dorset, in 2015 Q3 (rolling) 8.92 crimes per 1000 people were recorded. 4.07 crimes per 1000 people were with injury and 4.85 crimes per 1000 people without injury.



With injury

In 2015 Q3 (rolling) Dorset had recorded 4.07 crimes per 1000 people that were violence against the person with injury. Dorset was ranked 5 out of 27 in All English county local authorities. Leicestershire had the lowest number of offences 3.10 crimes per 1000 people in this quarter with Northamptonshire having the largest number at 8.09 crimes per 1000 people offences, this can be seen in the bar chart below. The number of offences in Dorset has increased from the last equivalent period when there were 3.81 crimes per 1000 people.

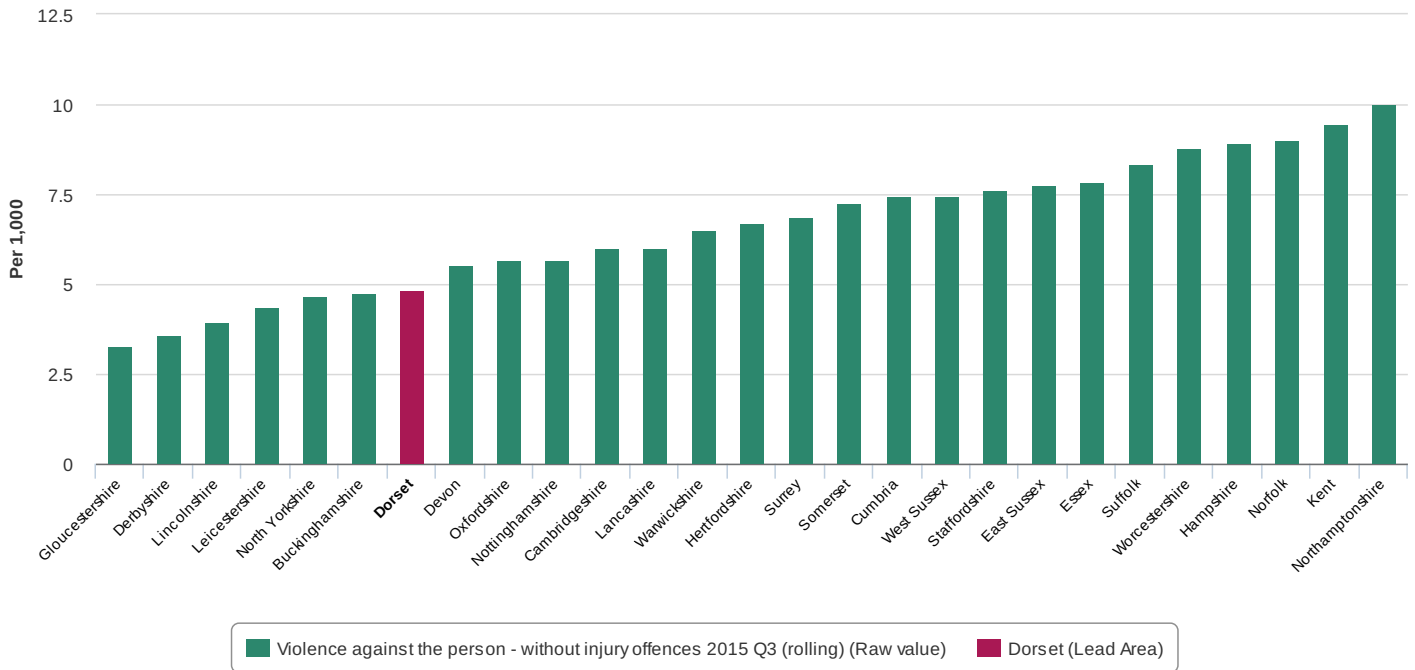
Crime - Violence against the person - with injury for Dorset & All English county local authorities for year ending 2015 Q3 (rolling)



Without injury

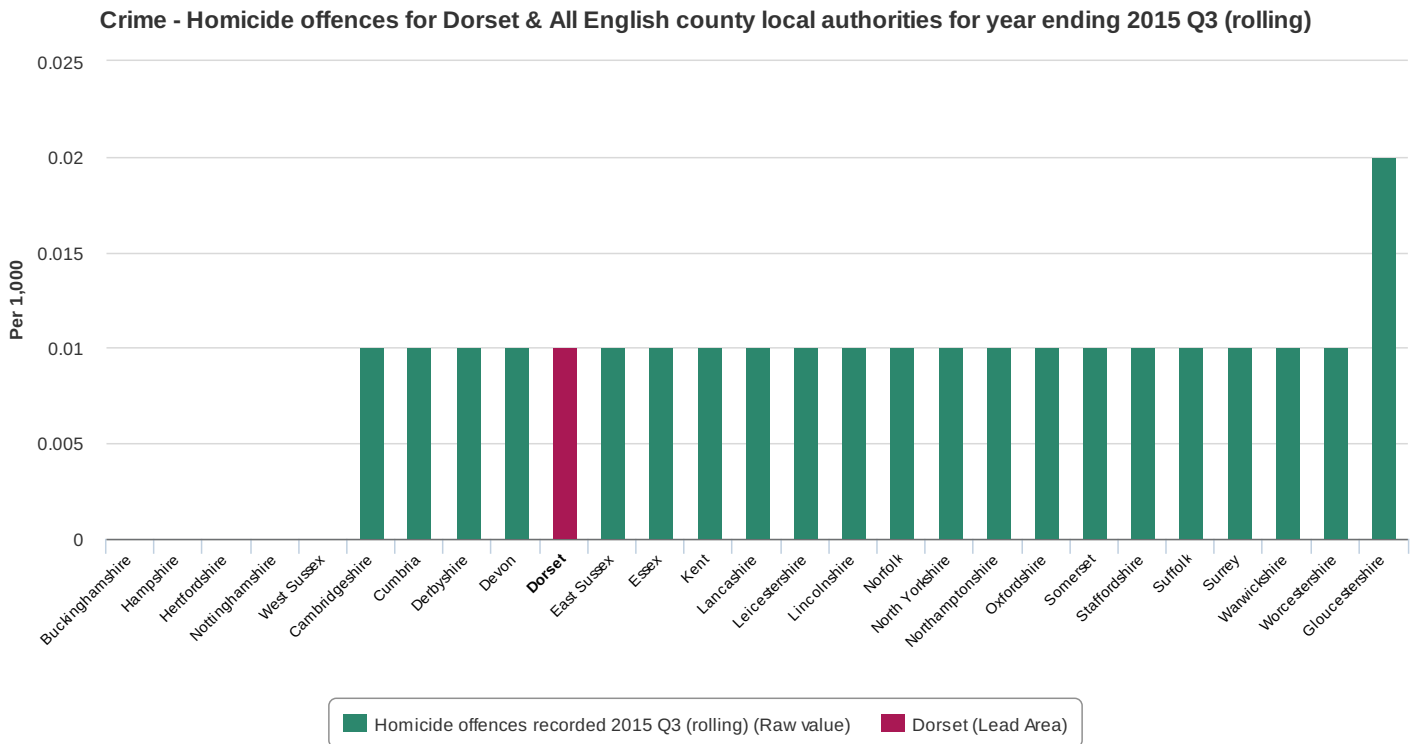
The bar chart below shows in 2015 Q3 (rolling) there were 4.85 crimes per 1000 people recorded as violence against the person without injury in Dorset. Dorset was ranked 7 out of 27 in All English county local authorities. Gloucestershire had the lowest number of offences 3.30 crimes per 1000 people in this quarter with Northamptonshire having the largest number at 10.01 crimes per 1000 people offences. The number of offences in Dorset has increased since the last equivalent period when there were 3.01 crimes per 1000 people.

Crime - Violence against the person - without injury for Dorset & All English county local authorities for year ending 2015 Q3 (rolling)



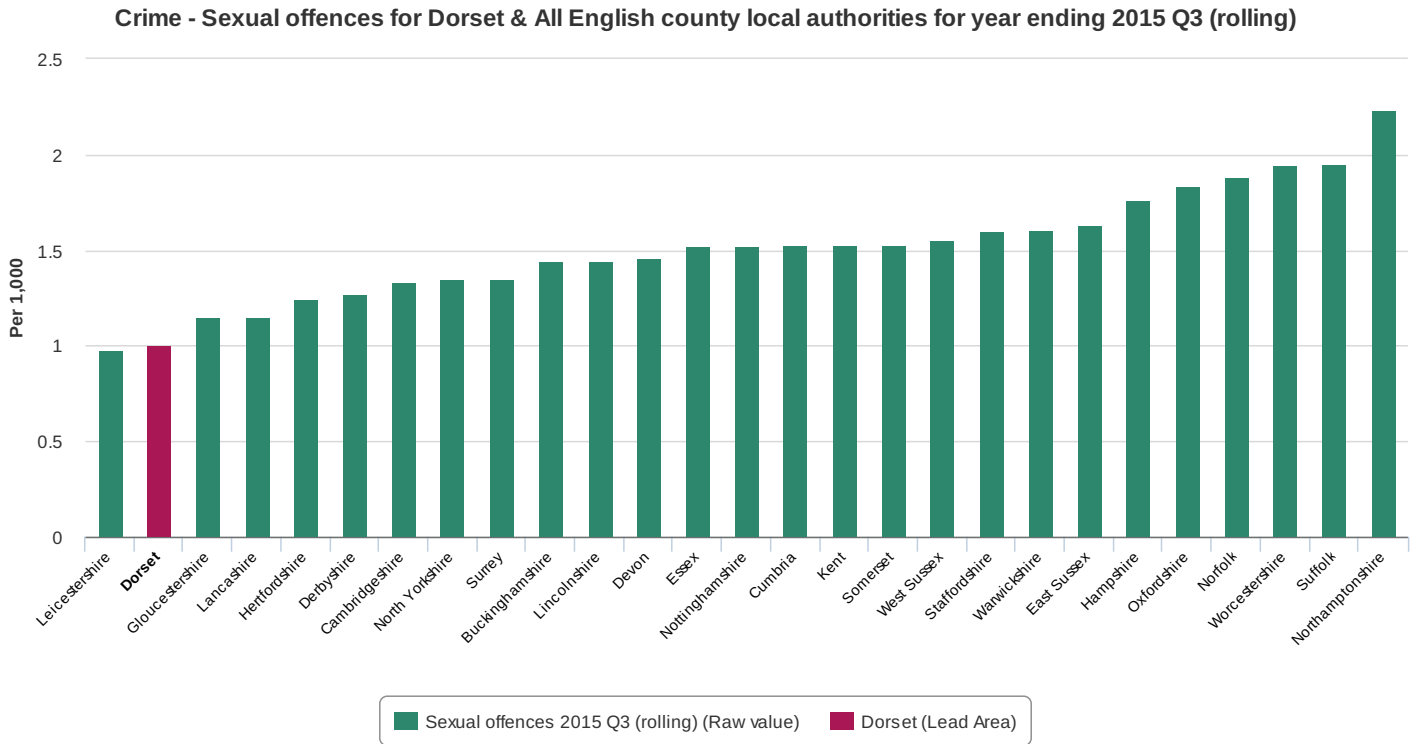
Homicide

Dorset had 3 crimes offence(s) for homicide in 2015 Q3 (rolling) compared with 184 offences in All English county local authorities as a total, the equivalent of 0.01 crimes per 1000 people. Buckinghamshire had the lowest number of offences 2 crimes in this quarter with Essex having the largest number at 17 crimes offences, this can be seen in the bar chart below. There are some authorities who did not have any homicide offences this quarter.



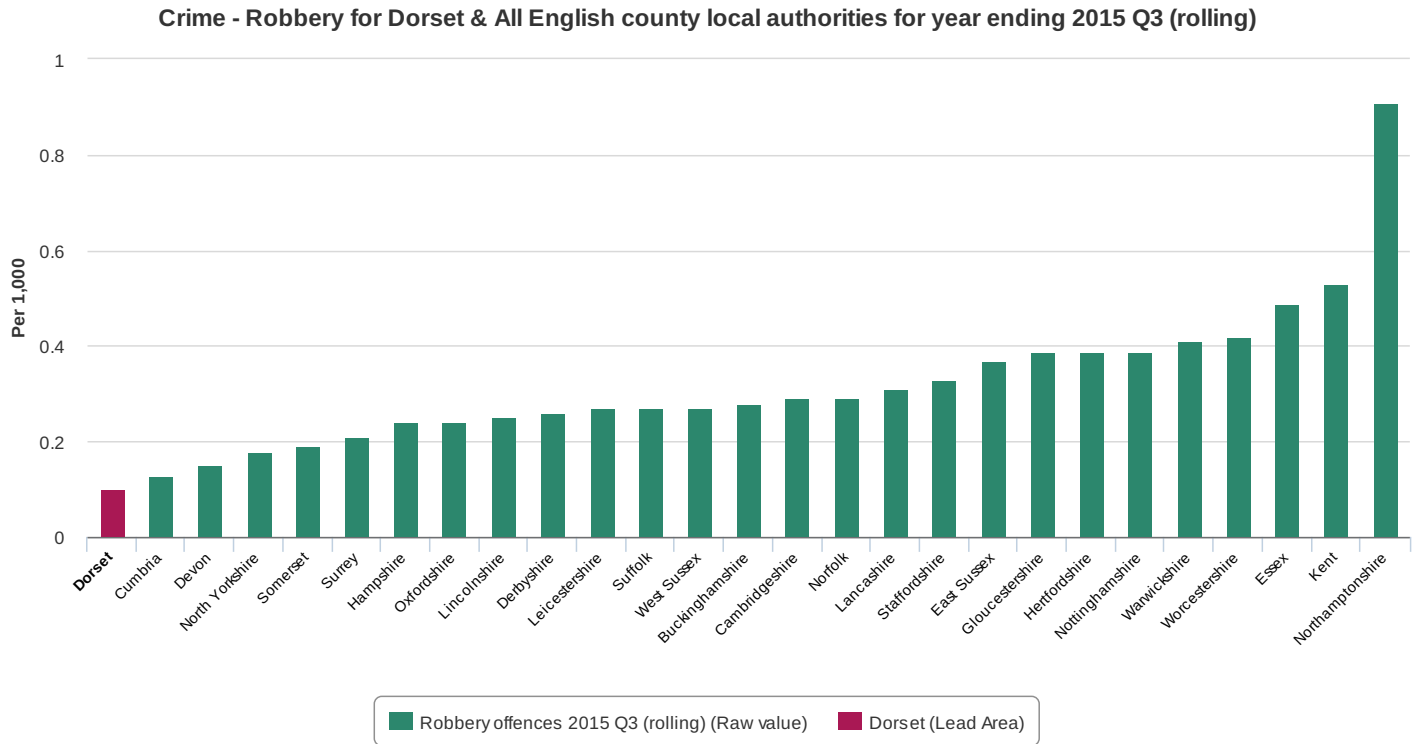
Sexual offences

Dorset had 1.00 crimes per 1000 people sexual offences in 2015 Q3 (rolling). Leicestershire had the lowest number of offences 0.98 crimes per 1000 people in this quarter with Northamptonshire having the largest number at 2.23 crimes per 1000 people offences. Dorset was ranked 2 out of 27 in All English county local authorities, this can be seen in the bar chart below. The number of offences in Dorset has increased from 0.82 crimes per 1000 people in the last equivalent period.



Robbery

The bar chart below shows the number of robbery offences per 1,000 population recorded in Dorset in 2015 Q3 (rolling) was 0.10 crimes per 1000 people. Dorset was ranked 1 out of 27 in All English county local authorities. The number of offences in Dorset has decreased from 0.12 crimes per 1000 people in the last equivalent period.

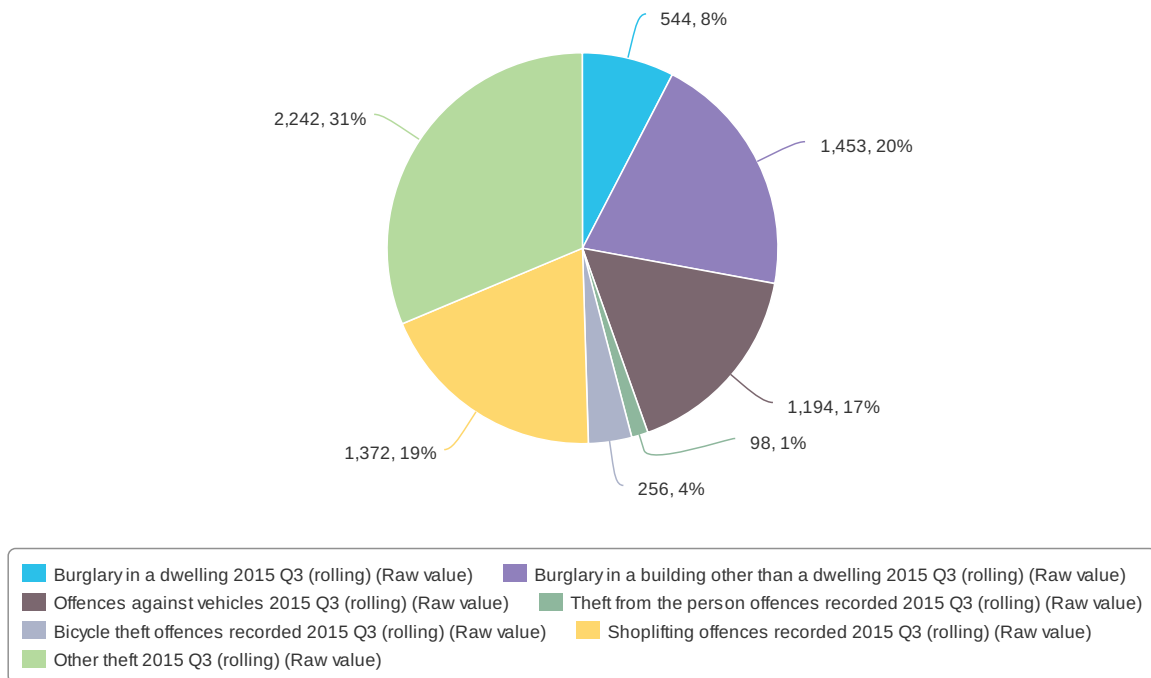


Theft

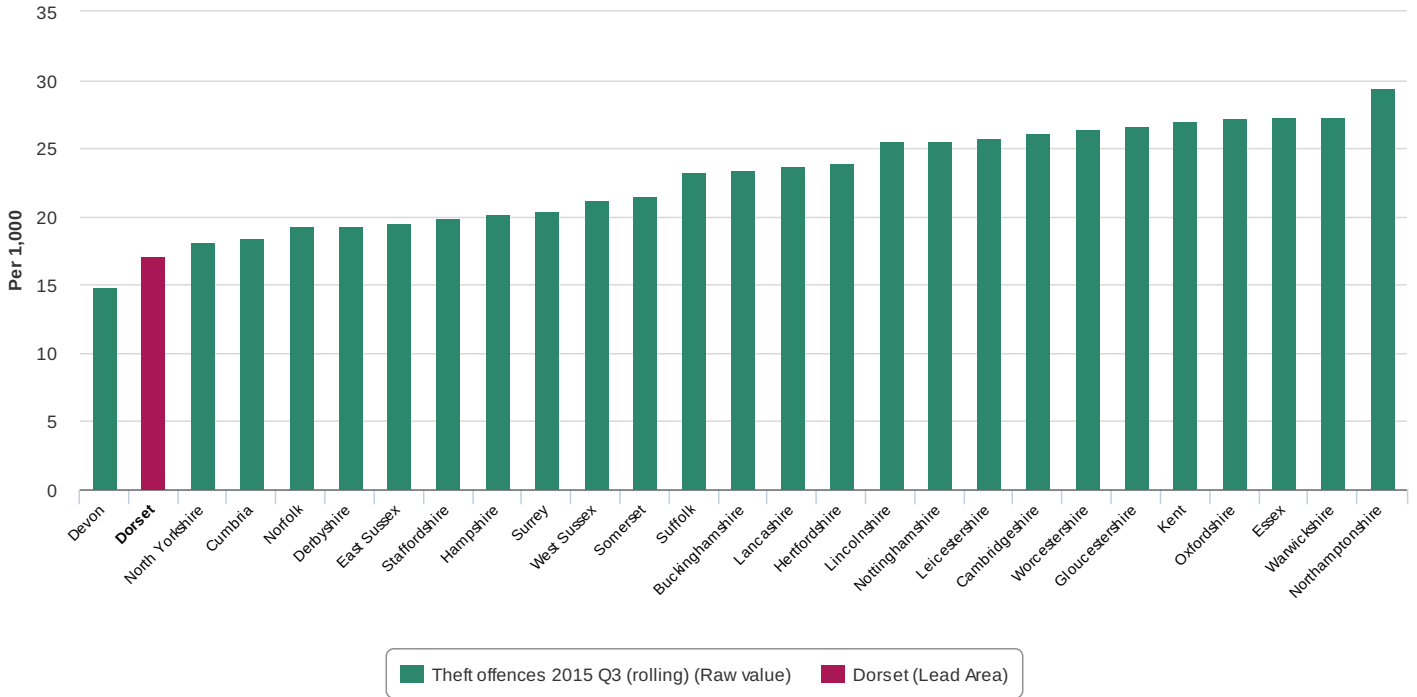
Theft includes burglary in a dwelling, burglary in a building other than a dwelling, vehicle offences, theft from the person, bicycle theft, shoplifting and all other theft offences.

In 2015 Q3 (rolling) Dorset recorded 17.11 crimes per 1000 people for theft offences per 1,000 population, this can be seen in the bar charts below. Dorset was ranked 2 out of 27 in All English county local authorities. Devon had the lowest number of offences 14.76 crimes per 1000 people in this quarter with Northamptonshire having the largest number at 29.40 crimes per 1000 people offences. The number of offences in Dorset has decreased, 17.54 crimes per 1000 people in the last equivalent period.

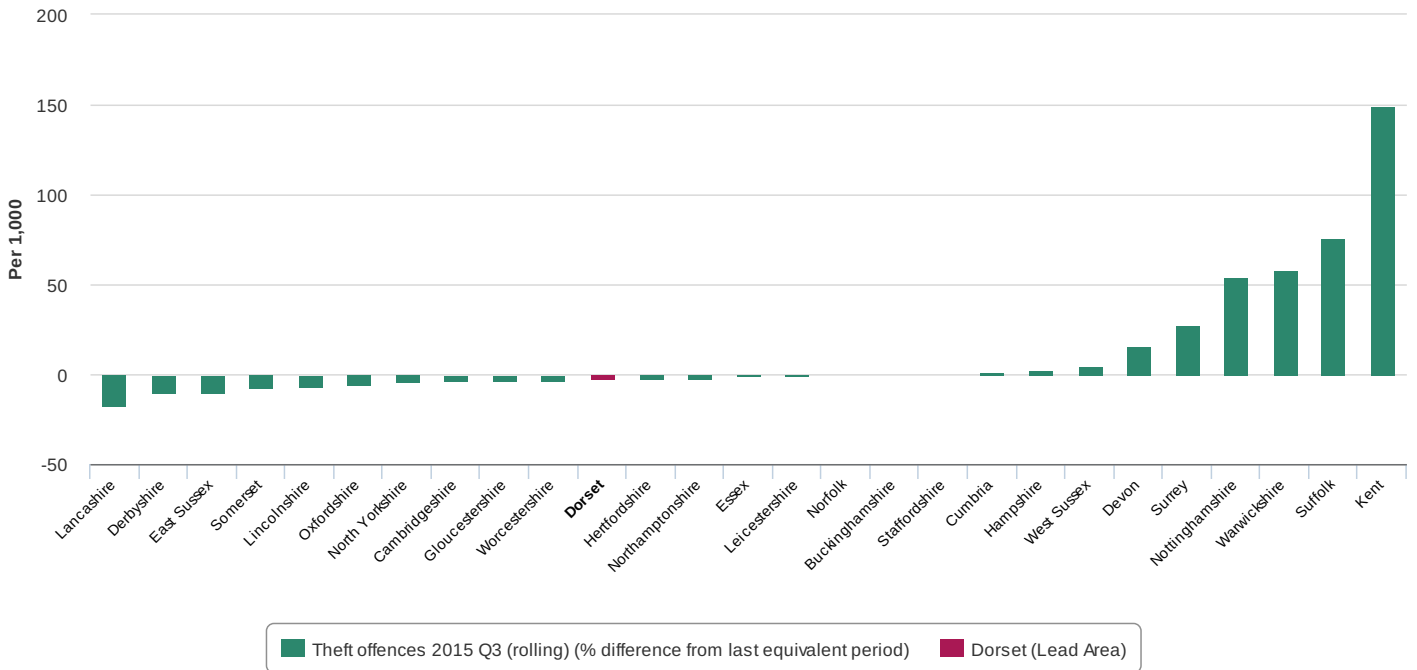
Theft offences in Dorset for year ending 2015 Q3 (rolling) (count of offences)



Crime - Theft offences for Dorset & All English county local authorities for year ending 2015 Q3 (rolling)

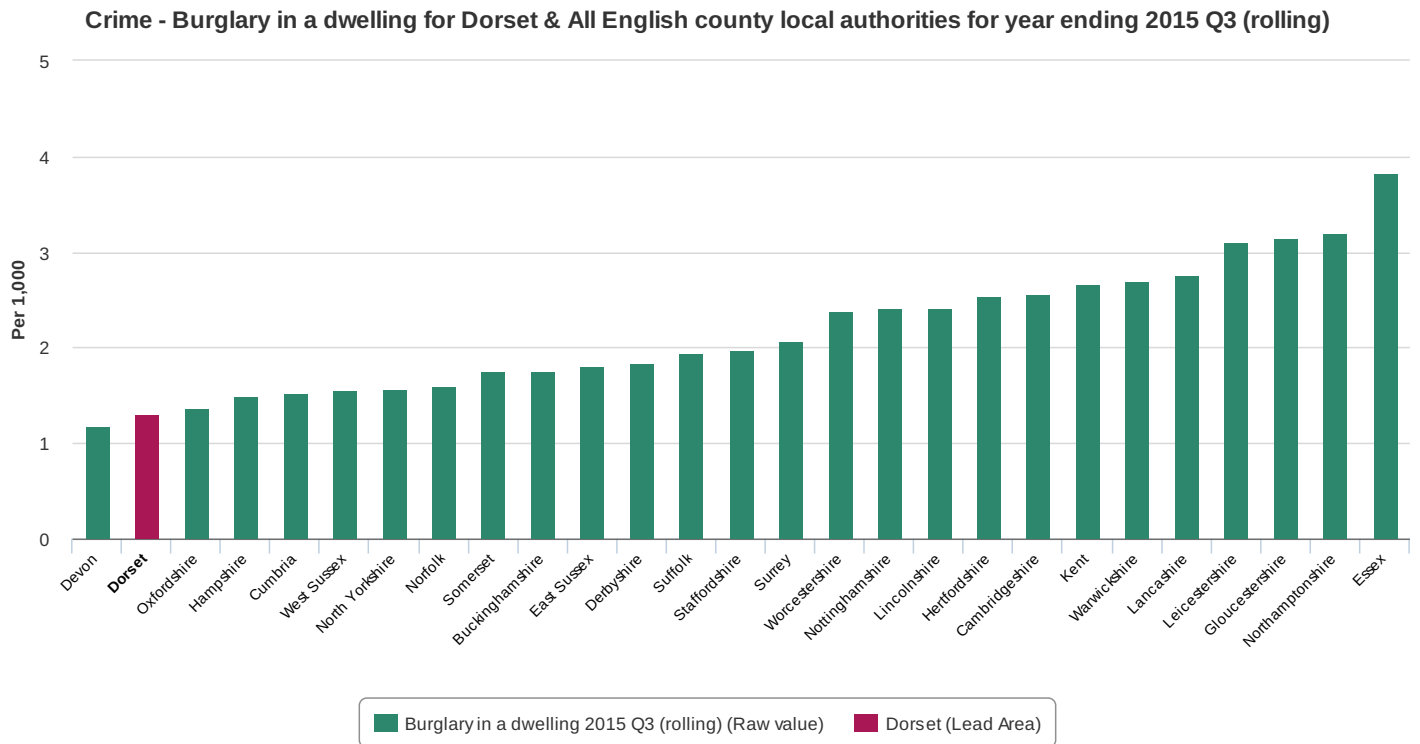


Crime - Theft offences (% difference from last equivalent period) for Dorset & All English county local authorities for year ending 2015 Q3 (rolling)



Burglary in a dwelling

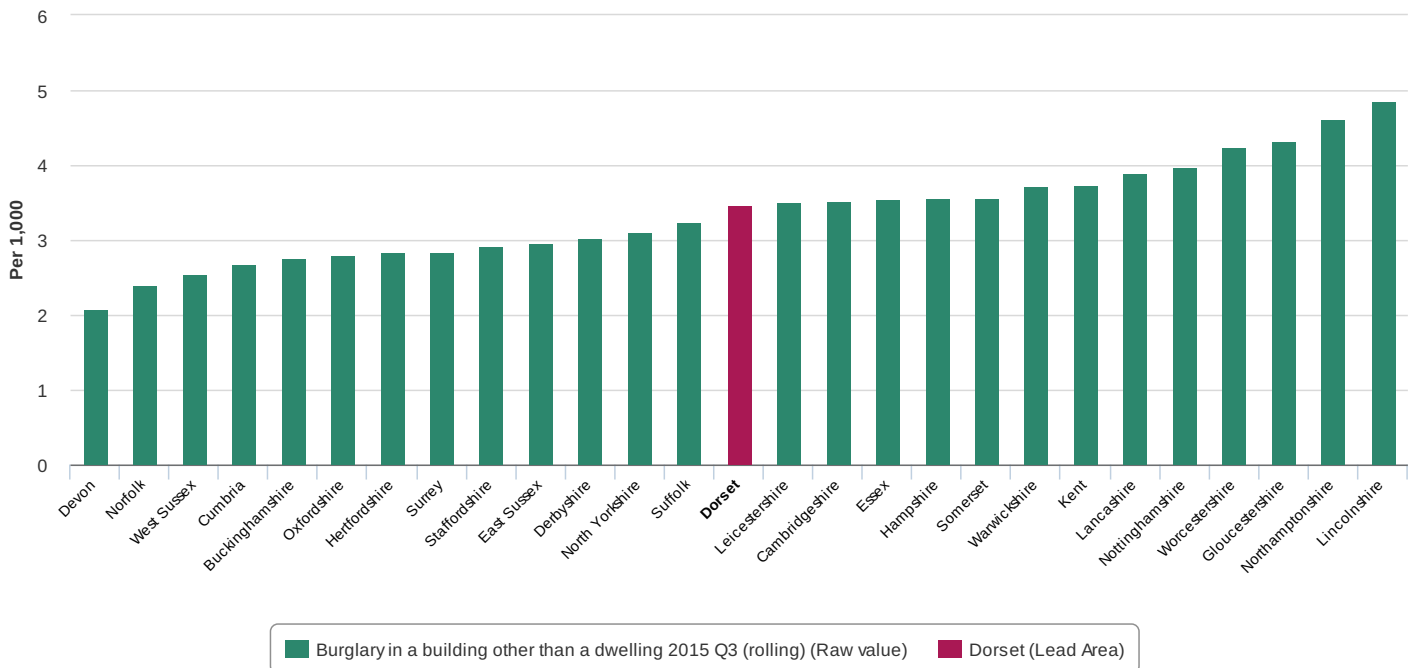
The bar chart below shows in 2015 Q3 (rolling) Dorset recorded 1.30 crimes per 1000 people for burglary in a dwelling offences. Dorset was ranked 2 out of 27 in All English county local authorities. Devon had the lowest number of offences 1.17 crimes per 1000 people in this quarter with Essex having the largest number at 3.83 crimes per 1000 people offences. The number of offences in Dorset has increased from 1.16 crimes per 1000 people in the last equivalent period.



Burglary in a building other than a dwelling

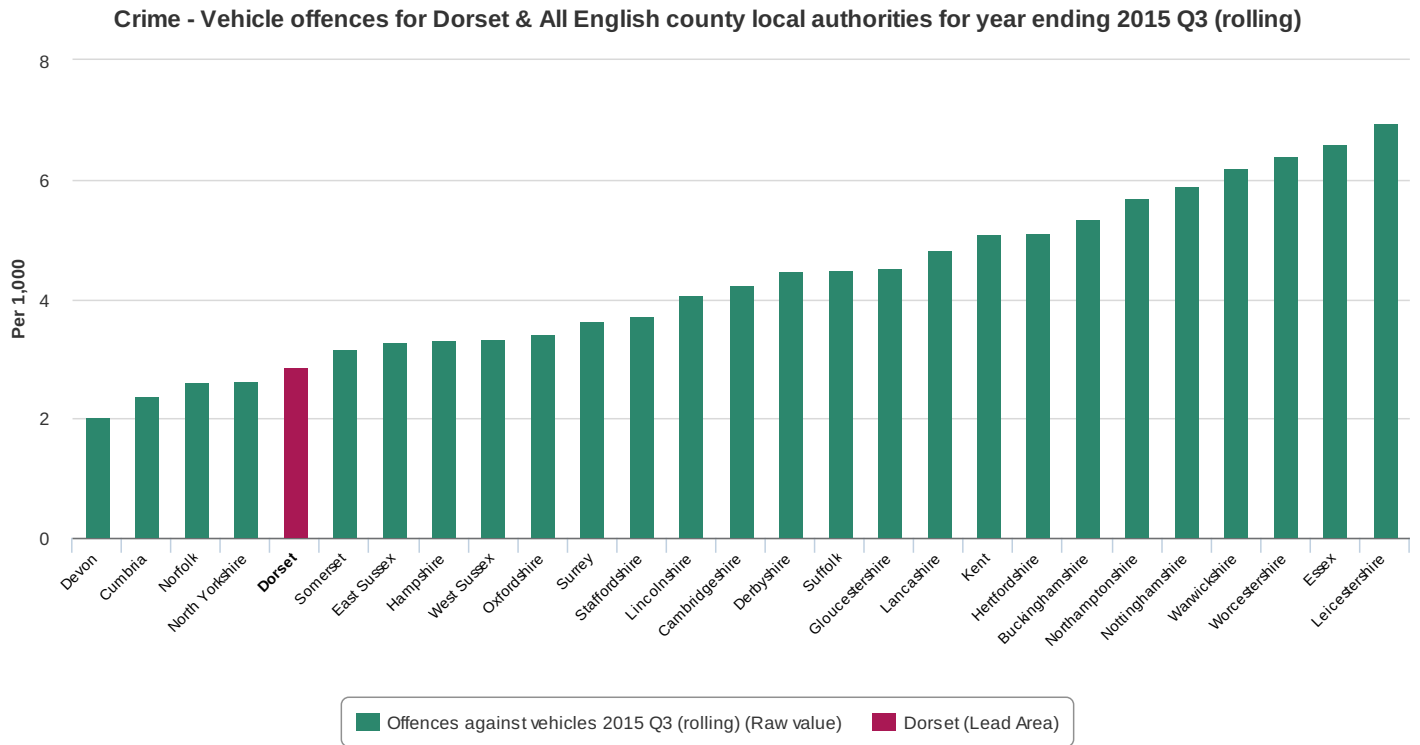
The bar chart below shows in 2015 Q3 (rolling) 3.47 crimes per 1000 people recorded burglary in a dwelling offences in Dorset. Dorset was ranked 14 out of 27 in All English county local authorities. Devon had the lowest number of offences 2.09 crimes per 1000 people in this quarter with Lincolnshire having the largest number at 4.87 crimes per 1000 people offences. The number of offences in Dorset has decreased since the last equivalent period when there were 3.52 crimes per 1000 people.

Crime - Burglary in a building other than a dwelling for Dorset & All English county local authorities for year ending 2015 Q3 (rolling)



Vehicle offences

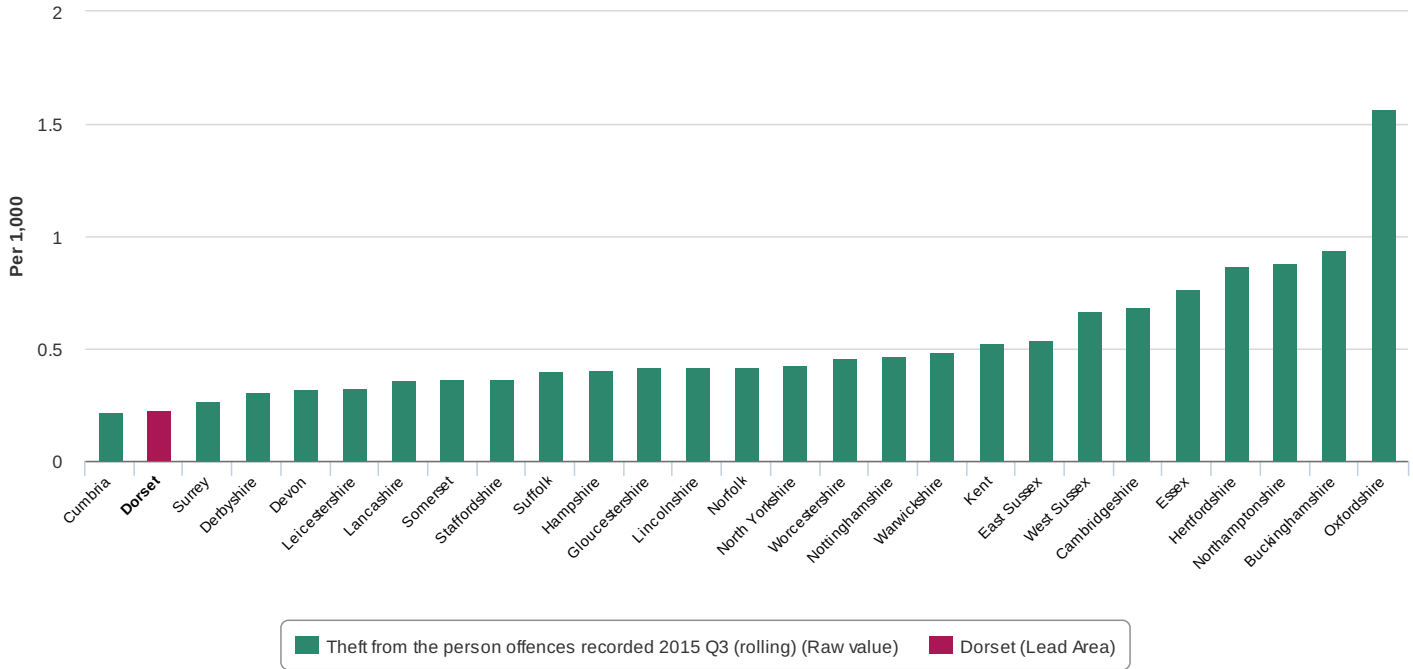
In 2015 Q3 (rolling) Dorset had recorded 2.85 crimes per 1000 people for vehicle offences, this can be seen in the bar chart below. Dorset was ranked 5 out of 27 in All English county local authorities. Devon had the lowest number of offences 2.04 crimes per 1000 people in this quarter with Leicestershire having the largest number at 6.95 crimes per 1000 people offences.



Theft from the person

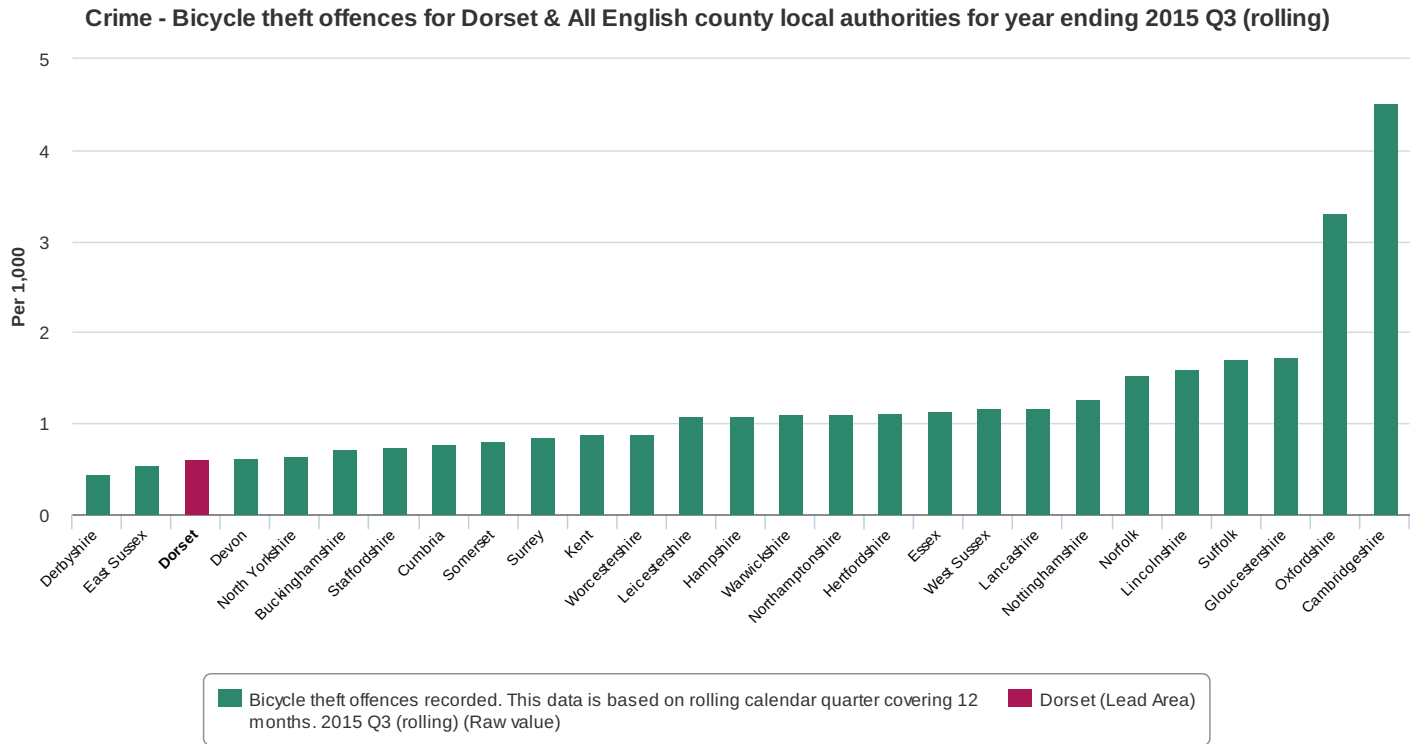
In the twelve months up to 2015 Q3 (rolling) Dorset had recorded 0.23 crimes per 1000 people theft from the person offences. Dorset was ranked 2 out of 27 in All English county local authorities. Cumbria had the lowest number of offences 0.22 crimes per 1000 people in this quarter with Oxfordshire having the largest number at 1.57 crimes per 1000 people.

Crime - Theft from the person offences for Dorset & All English county local authorities for year ending 2015 Q3 (rolling)



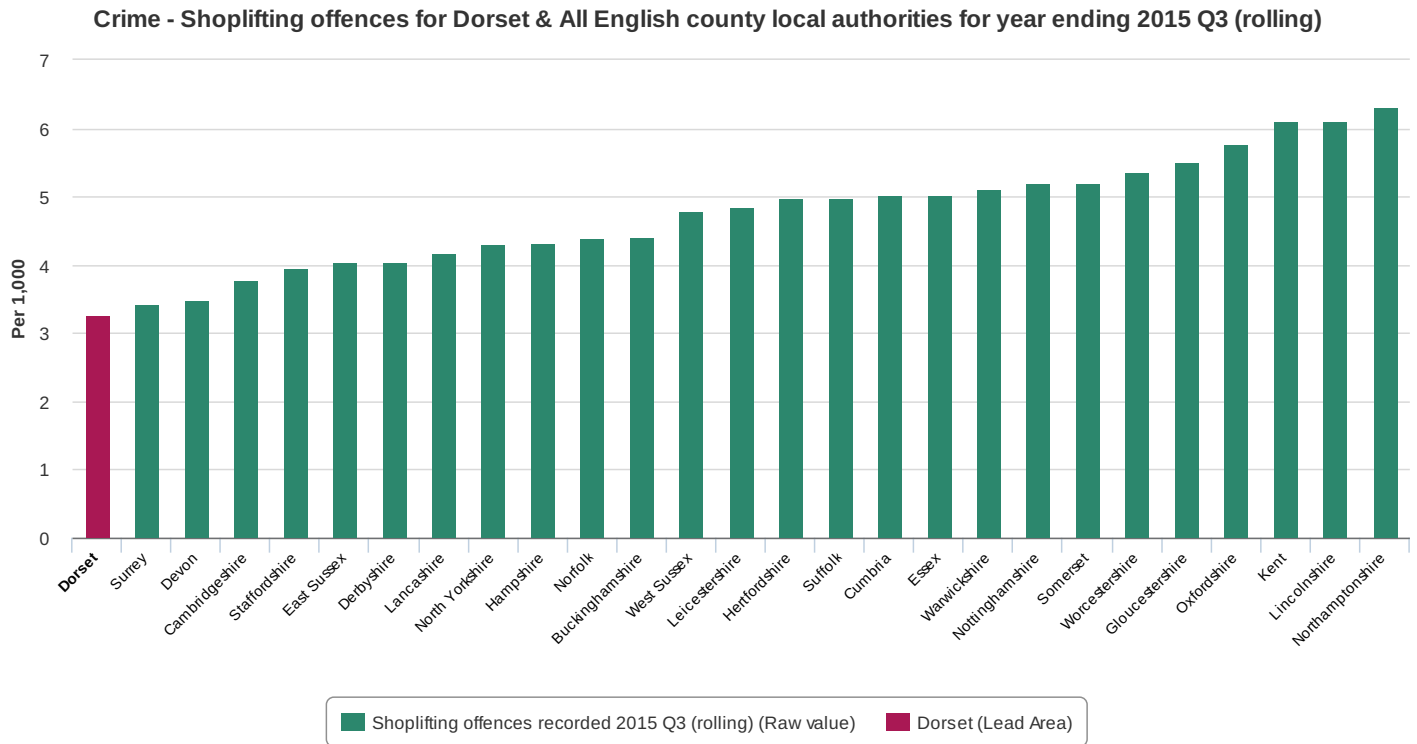
Bicycle theft offences

The bar chart below shows up to 2015 Q3 (rolling) Dorset had recorded 0.61 crimes per 1000 people for bicycle theft offences. Dorset was ranked 3 out of 27 in All English county local authorities. The number of offences in Dorset has decreased from the last equivalent period when there were 0.70 crimes per 1000 people. Derbyshire had the lowest number of offences 0.44 crimes per 1000 people in this quarter with Cambridgeshire having the largest number at 4.52 crimes per 1000 people offences.



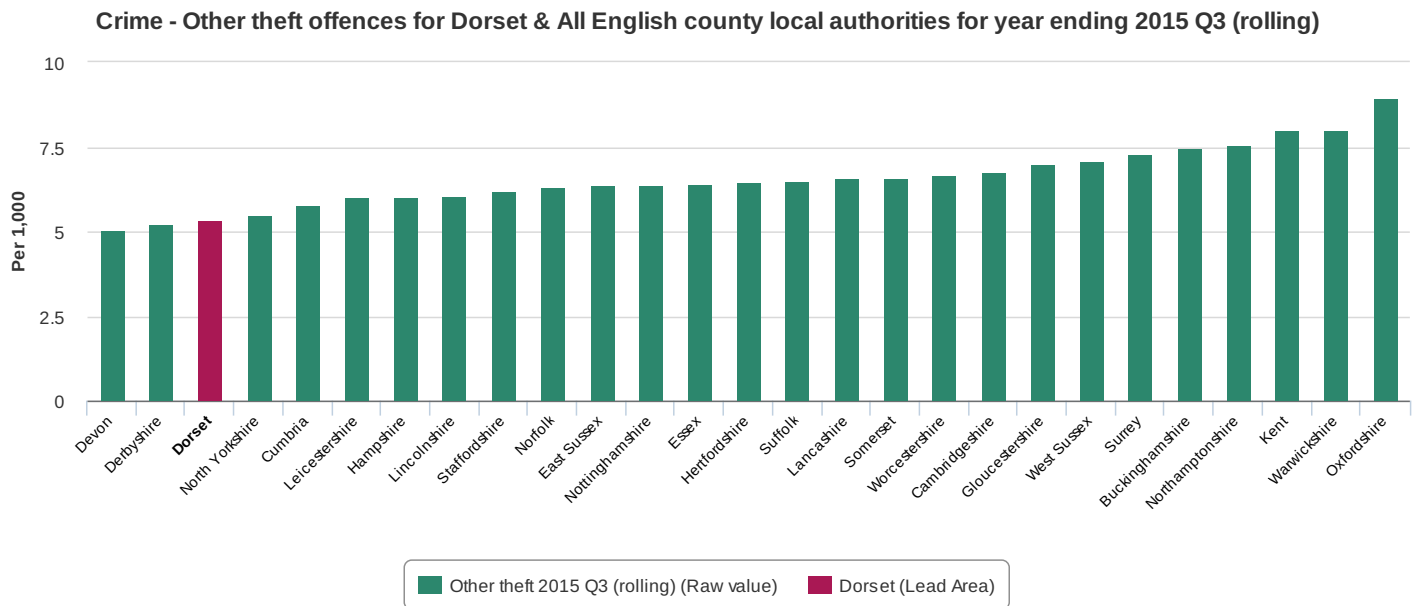
Shoplifting offences

Dorset recorded 3.28 crimes per 1000 people shoplifting offences in 2015 Q3 (rolling) and this can be seen in the bar chart below. Dorset was ranked 1 out of 27 in All English county local authorities. Dorset had the lowest number of offences 3.28 crimes per 1000 people in this quarter with Northamptonshire having the largest number at 6.31 crimes per 1000 people offences. The number of offences in Dorset has increased as in the last equivalent period there were 3.12 crimes per 1000 people.



Other theft offences

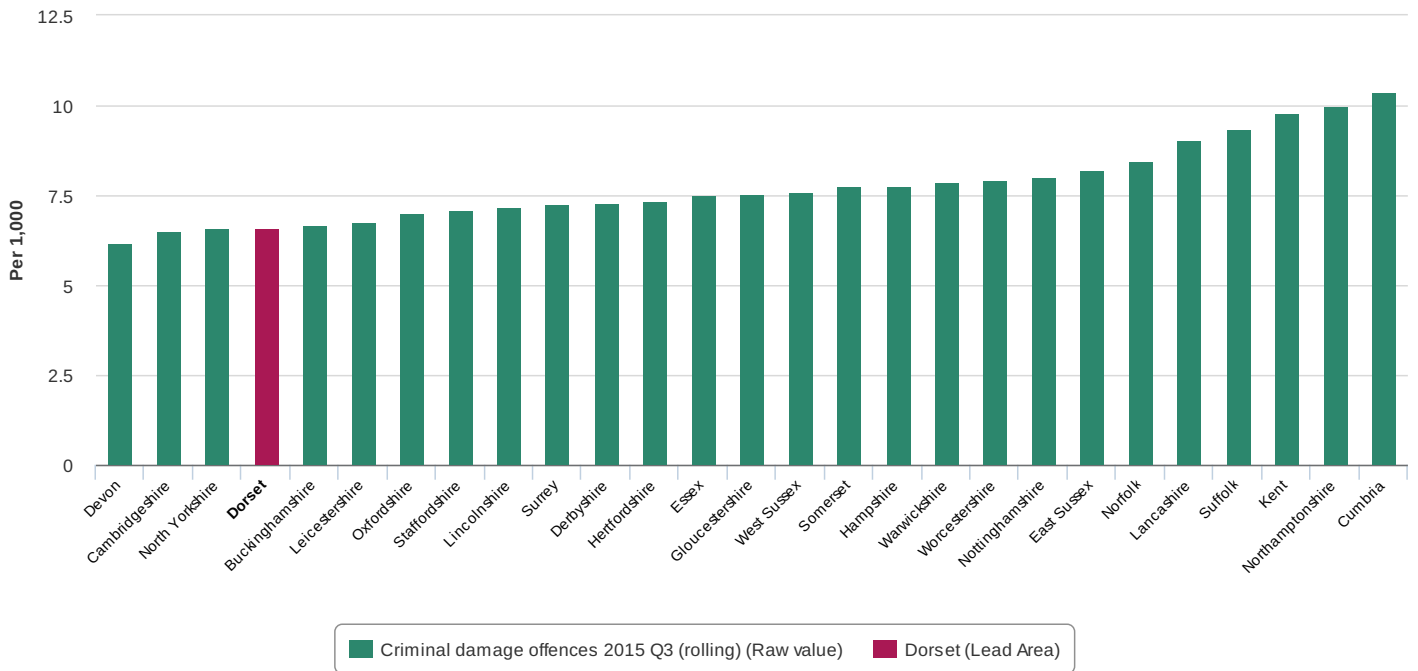
In the twelve months to the end of 2015 Q3 (rolling) Dorset had recorded 5.36 crimes per 1000 people for other theft offences. Dorset was ranked 3 out of 27 in All English county local authorities.



Criminal damage and arson

In the 12 months to 2015 Q3 (rolling) Dorset recorded 6.59 crimes per 1000 people criminal damage and arson offences, this can be seen in the bar chart below. Dorset was ranked 4 out of 27 in All English county local authorities. Devon had the lowest number of offences 6.15 crimes per 1000 people in this quarter with Cumbria having the largest number at 10.36 crimes per 1000 people offences.

Crime - Criminal damage and arson offences for Dorset & All English county local authorities for year ending 2015 Q3 (rolling)

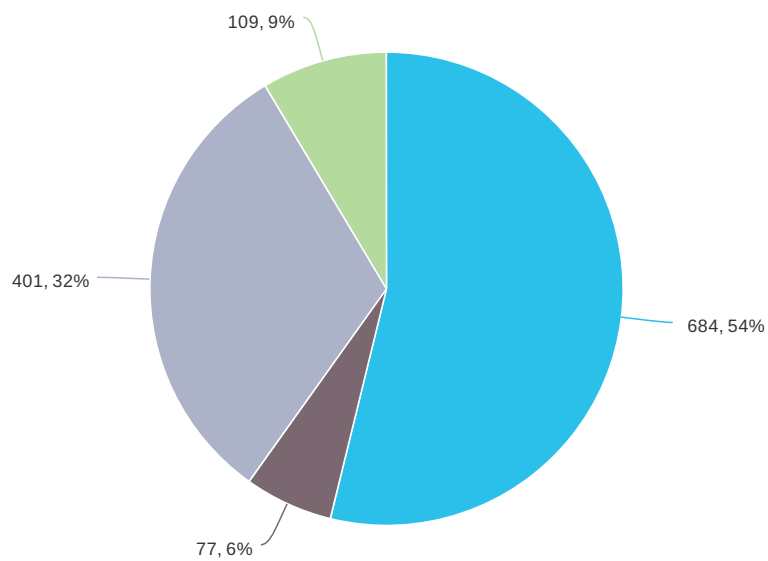


Other crimes against society

Other crimes against society include: drug offences, possession of weapons offences, public order offences and miscellaneous crimes.

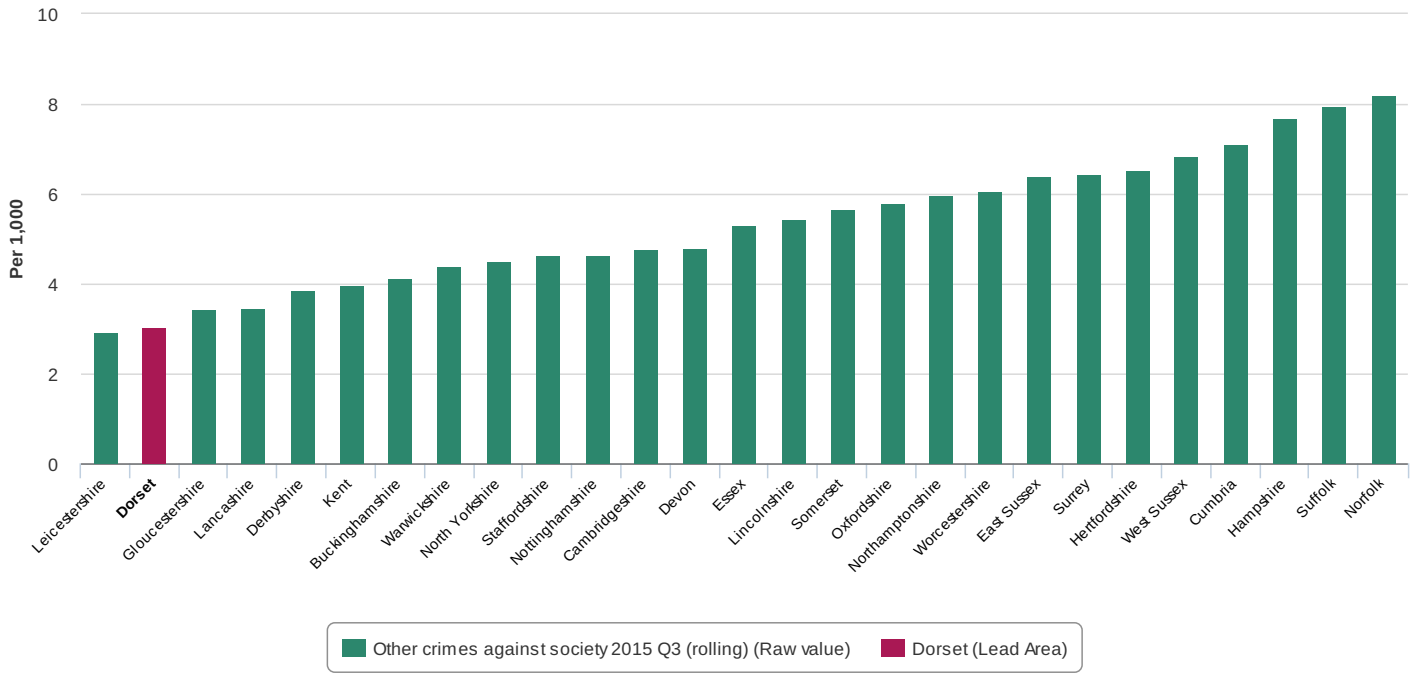
In 2015 Q3 (rolling) Dorset had 3.04 crimes per 1000 people for other crimes against society offences. Dorset was ranked 2 out of 27 in All English county local authorities. Leicestershire had the lowest number of offences 2.93 crimes per 1000 people in this quarter with Norfolk having the largest number at 8.21 crimes per 1000 people offences. The number of offences in Dorset has increased since the last equivalent period when there were 2.85 crimes per 1000 people, this can be seen in the bar charts below.

Other crimes against the person offences for Dorset for year ending 2015 Q3 (rolling) (count of offences)

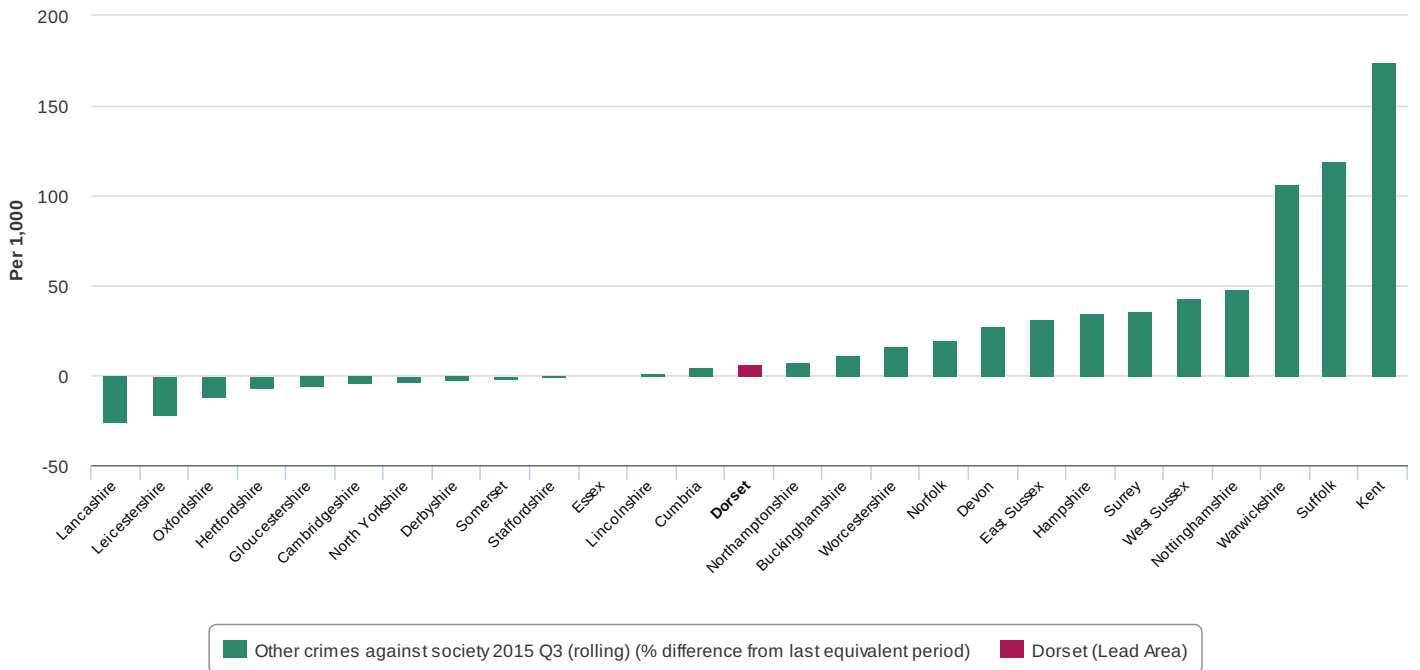


■ Drug offences 2015 Q3 (rolling) (Raw value) ■ Possession of weapons offences recorded 2015 Q3 (rolling) (Raw value)
■ Public order offences recorded 2015 Q3 (rolling) (Raw value) ■ Miscellaneous crimes against society offences recorded 2015 Q3 (rolling) (Raw value)

Crime - Other crimes against society offences for Dorset & All English county local authorities for year ending 2015 Q3 (rolling)

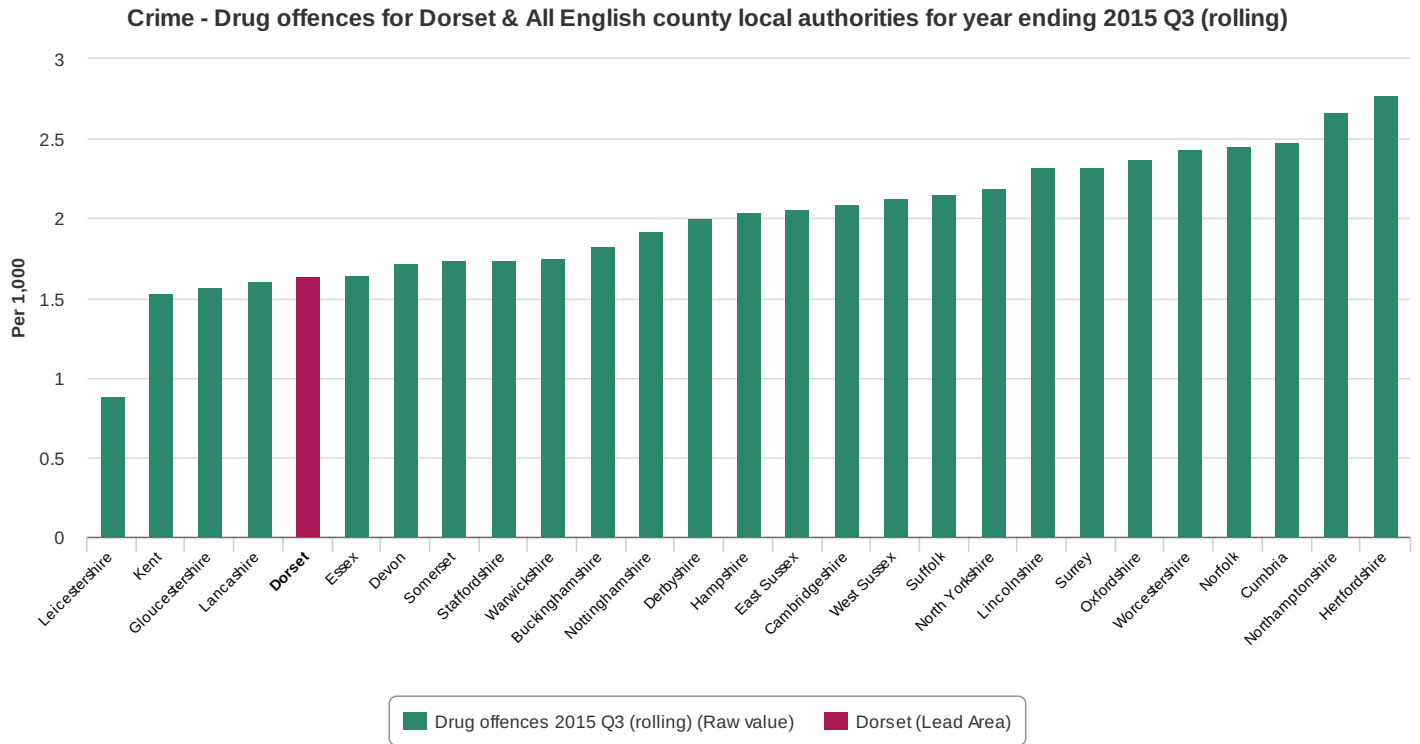


Crime - Other crimes against society offences (% difference from last equivalent period) for Dorset & All English county local authorities for year ending 2015 Q3 (rolling)



Drug offences

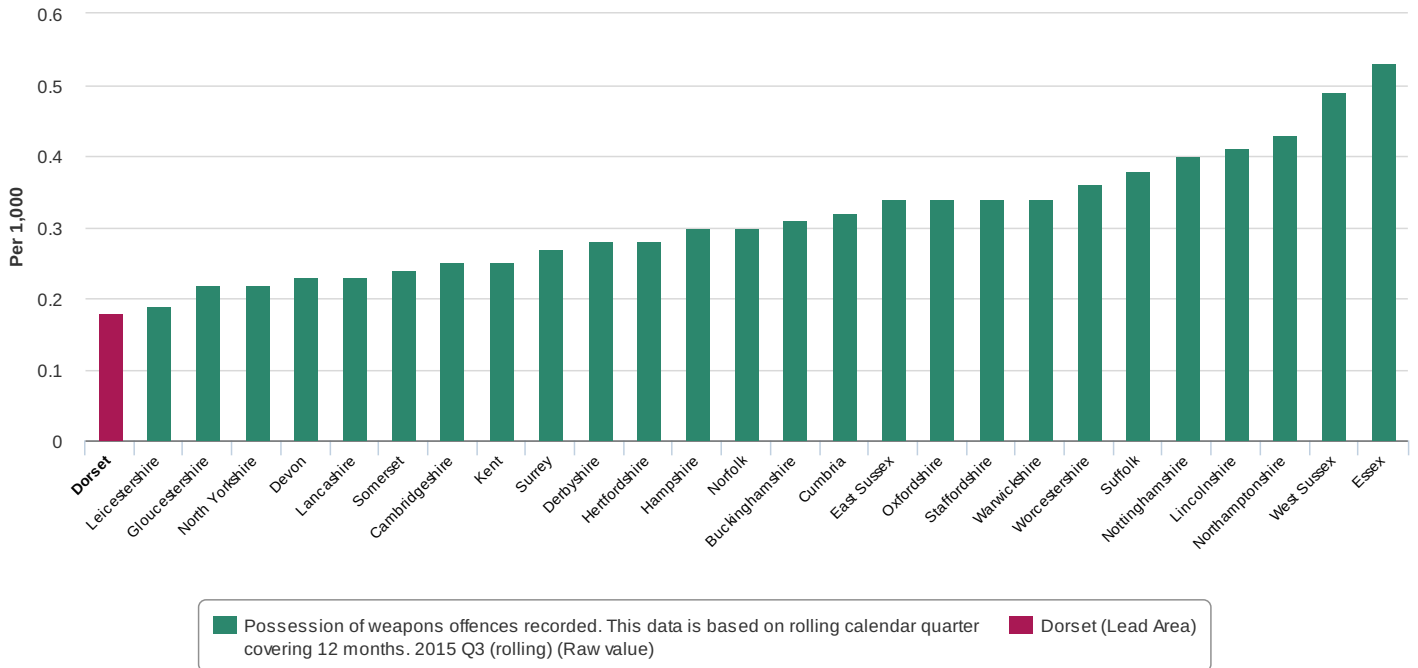
In 2015 Q3 (rolling) Dorset had recorded 1.64 crimes per 1000 people drug offences this can be seen in the bar chart below. Dorset was ranked 5 out of 27 in All English county local authorities. Leicestershire had the lowest number of offences 0.88 crimes per 1000 people in this quarter with Hertfordshire having the largest number at 2.77 crimes per 1000 people offences. The number of offences in Dorset has increased in the last equivalent period when there were 1.63 crimes per 1000 people.



Possession of weapon offences

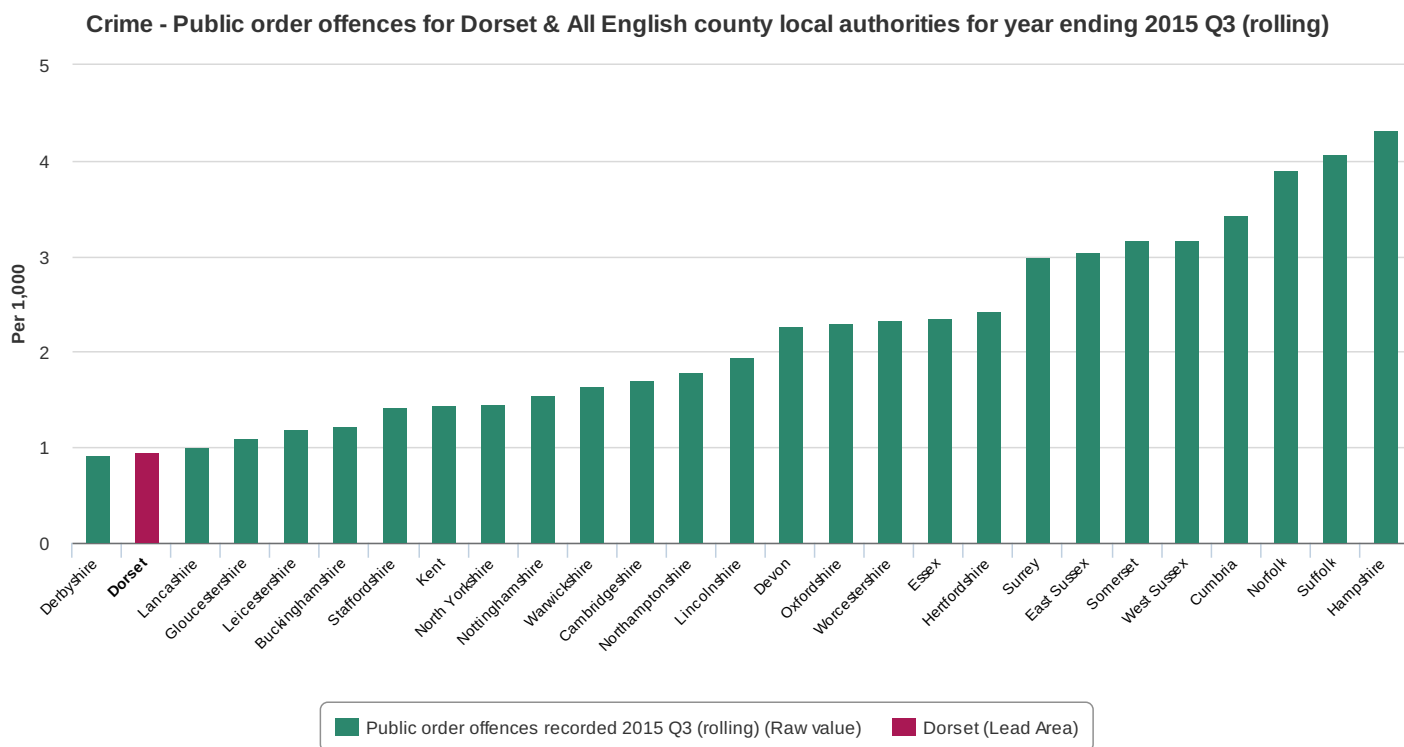
The bar chart below shows Dorset had recorded 0.18 crimes per 1000 people possession of weapons offences in 2015 Q3 (rolling). Dorset had the lowest number of offences 0.18 crimes per 1000 people in this quarter with Essex having the largest number at 0.53 crimes per 1000 people offences. Dorset was ranked 1 out of 27 in All English county local authorities.

Crime - Possession of weapons offences for Dorset & All English county local authorities for year ending 2015 Q3 (rolling)



Public order offences

Dorset had recorded 0.96 crimes per 1000 people public order offences in the latest quarter. Derbyshire had the lowest number of offences 0.93 crimes per 1000 people in this quarter with Hampshire having the largest number at 4.33 crimes per 1000 people offences, this can be seen in the bar chart below. Dorset was ranked 2 out of 27 in All English county local authorities. The number of offences in Dorset has increased since the last equivalent period when there were 0.86 crimes per 1000 people.



Miscellaneous crimes against society

In 2015 Q3 (rolling) Dorset had recorded 0.26 crimes per 1000 people miscellaneous crimes against society offences. The bar chart below shows Dorset had the lowest number of offences 0.26 crimes per 1000 people in this quarter with Norfolk having the largest number at 1.56 crimes per 1000 people offences. Dorset was ranked 1 out of 27 in All English county local authorities. The number of offences in Dorset has increased from the last equivalent periods when there were 0.24 crimes per 1000 people.

Crime - Miscellaneous crimes against society offences for Dorset & All English county local authorities for year ending 2015 Q3 (rolling)

