

PERFORMANCE BRIEFING

Welcome...



...to this briefing on our crime figures for 2006/07. The challenges facing the Met are immense, but building on the success of recent years, and thanks to a sustained effort across the organisation, we've reduced overall crime by almost 10 per cent over the past two years. That is a drop of nearly 100,000 offences. At the same time, the number of crimes being detected has risen for the fifth consecutive year, to just over 21 per cent – double what it was five years ago.

This year's positive results have been a collective effort and reflect the significant investment made in the MPS, which paved the way for the introduction of Safer Neighbourhoods teams. These have made a real impact, concentrating on anti-social behaviour and low-level criminality, and denying many criminals their habitat.

Important positive results for us this year are that gun and knife-enabled crime are down, and murder numbers are at historically low levels. However, there has been a worrying number of recent attacks involving young people, and each of these deaths is a tragedy. We are determined to do all we can to tackle these crimes and to work with others to find lasting solutions.

These annual performance statistics show that, while there is still more to be done, the Met has made significant inroads against criminality in London, and our challenge now is to build on this further.

Sir Ian Blair, Commissioner

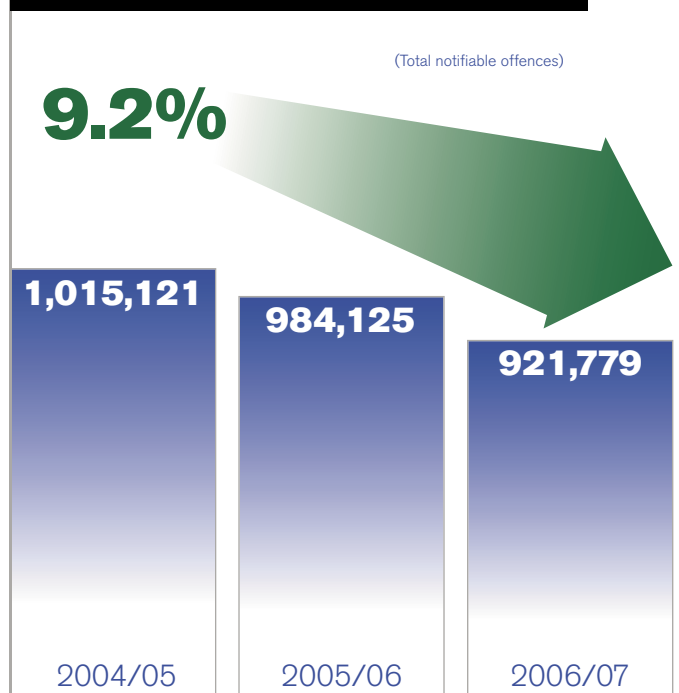


The crime figures depicted in this document show that the Met is moving in the right direction in tackling crime. While it is important that we are not too complacent, these figures are good news and serve as a big thank you to all those who have helped to reduce crime in nearly all areas.

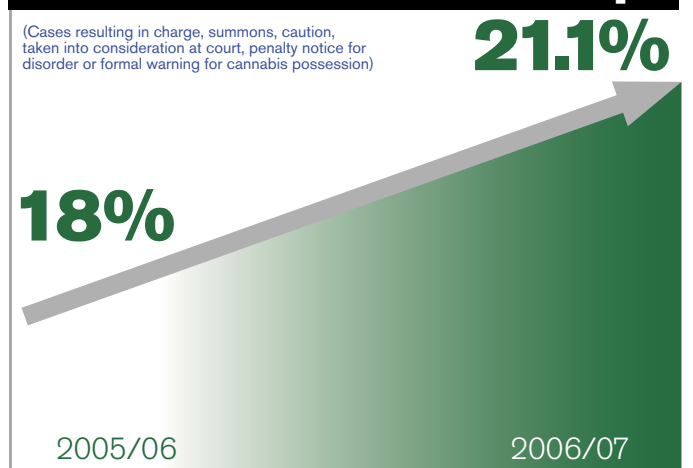
We still have a way to go in bringing down levels of violence and robbery but, on the whole, these figures show that the working practices introduced over the past couple of years are having the desired effect, and reducing crime.

Len Duvall, Chair, MPA

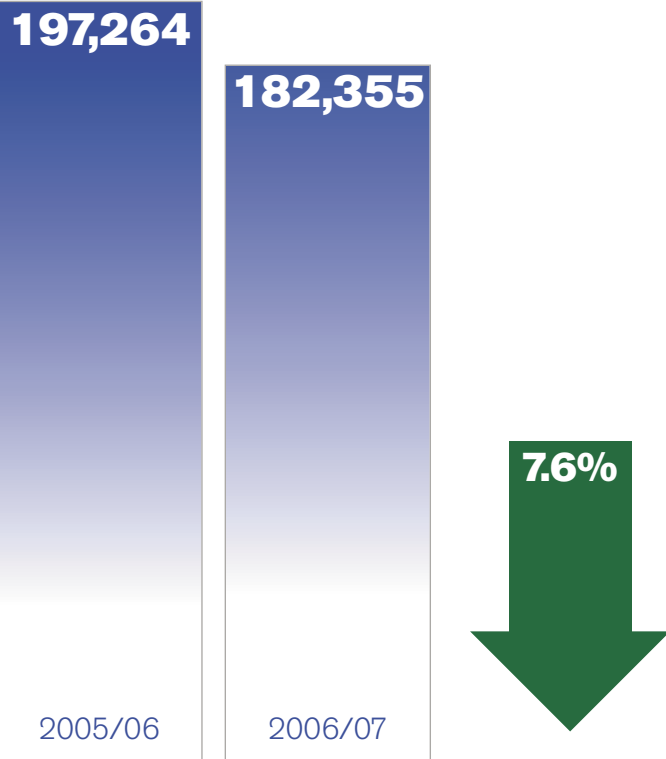
Crime continues to fall:



Sanction detections are up:



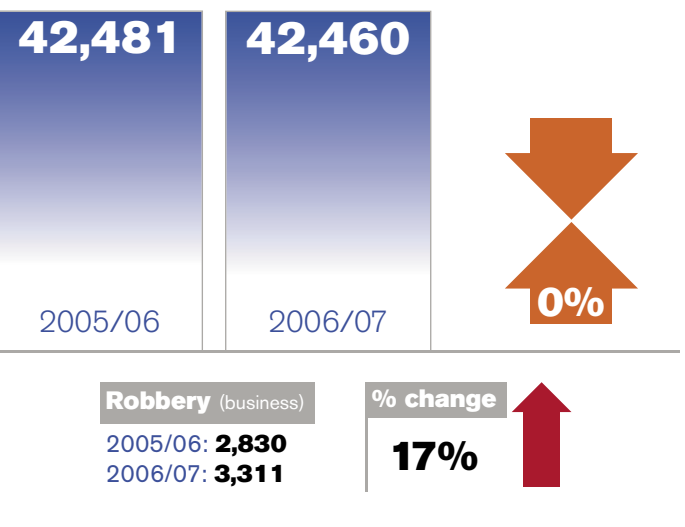
Violence against the person*



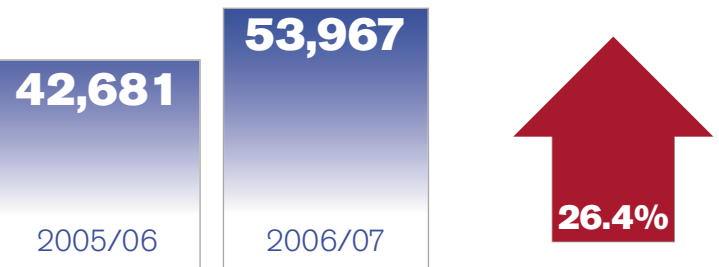
*Violence against the person is classed as murder, grievous bodily harm (GBH), actual bodily harm (ABH), common assault, harassment, use of offensive weapons and other violence, which includes assault on a police officer, cruelty to children and death by driving.

Murder	% change	
2005/06: 168	3.6%	
2006/07: 162		
GBH	% change	
2005/06: 5,437	6.2%	
2006/07: 5,102		
ABH	% change	
2005/06: 78,722	7.3%	
2006/07: 72,963		
Common assault	% change	
2005/06: 49,096	9.7%	
2006/07: 44,315		
Offensive weapons	% change	
2005/06: 7,396	8.7%	
2006/07: 6,754		
Harassment	% change	
2005/06: 45,879	5.4%	
2006/07: 43,407		
Other violence	% change	
2005/06: 10,566	8.7%	
2006/07: 9,652		

Robbery (personal)



Drugs*



*Police proaction in arresting drug dealers and users has resulted in a percentage rise this year. Offences include drug trafficking, production, supply, possession, possession with intent to supply and permitting premises to be used for any of those.

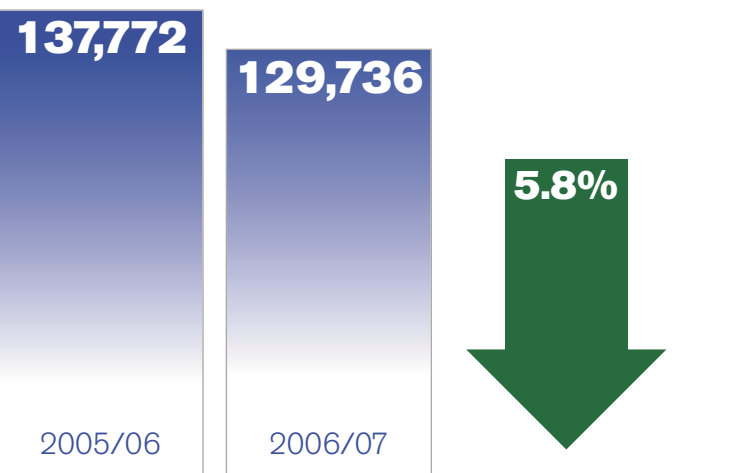
Sexual offences*



*This section comprises rape and other sexual offences, including abuse of children through prostitution or pornography and trafficking for sexual exploitation.

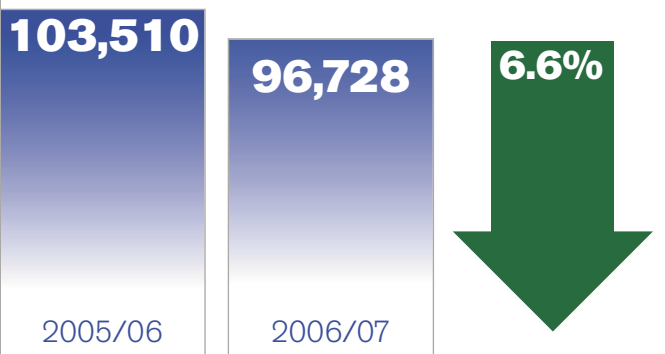
Rape	% change	
2005/06: 2,398	3.9%	
2006/07: 2,304		
Others	% change	
2005/06: 7,895	11.3%	
2006/07: 7,001		

Motor vehicle crime



Theft of vehicles	% change
2005/06: 43,463	13.5%
2006/07: 37,599	
Theft from vehicles	% change
2005/06: 94,309	2.3%
2006/07: 92,137	

Burglary

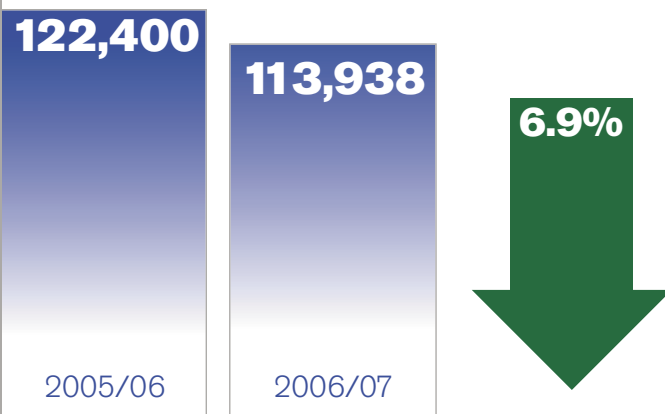


Burglary (dwelling)	% change
2005/06: 64,174	6.6%
2006/07: 59,933	
Burglary (non-residential)	% change
2005/06: 39,336	6.5%
2006/07: 36,795	

Gun/knife-enabled crime

Gun-enabled crime	% change
2005/06: 3,807	11.3%
2006/07: 3,375	
Trident gun crime	% change
2005/06: 266	15.0%
2006/07: 226	
Knife-enabled crime	% change
2005/06: 12,589	3.7%
2006/07: 12,124	

Criminal damage*

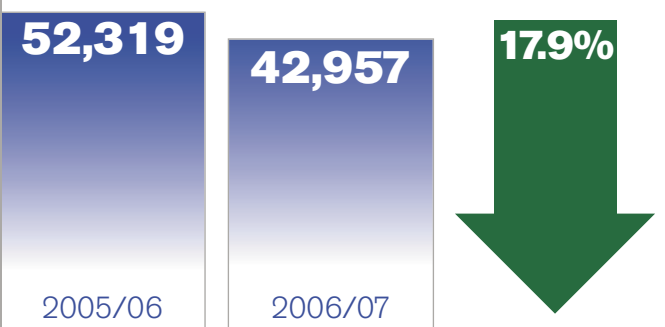


*Criminal damage means crimes involving the damage or destruction of property, including arson and vandalism.

Hate crime

Homophobic crime	% change
2005/06: 1,294	8.5%
2006/07: 1,184	
Domestic violence	% change
2005/06: 60,400	9.4%
2006/07: 54,746	
Racist crime	% change
2005/06: 11,322	11.9%
2006/07: 9,976	

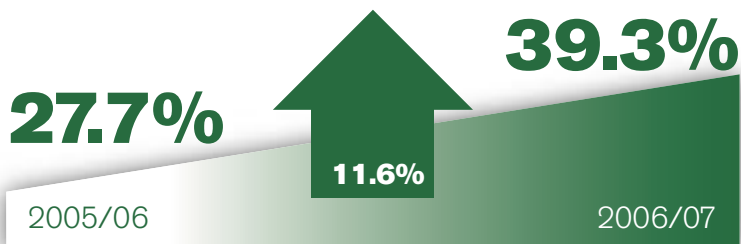
Fraud and forgery



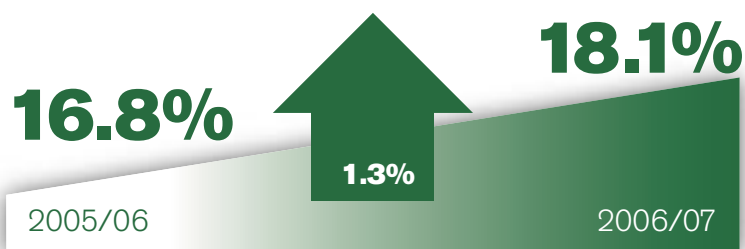
Sanction detections

(Cases resulting in charge, summons, caution, taken into consideration at court, penalty notice for disorder or formal warning for cannabis possession)

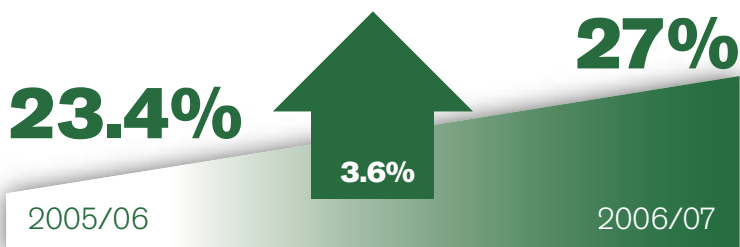
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE



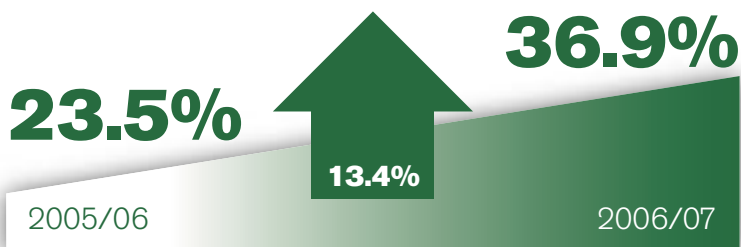
BURGLARY (DWELLING)



VIOLENT CRIME



RACIST CRIME



HUMAN RESOURCES HEADLINES

- The Met has been named Employer of the Year by two bodies, and has received ten other awards for recruitment and health-awareness initiatives.

- Police officer sickness rates stand at an average of seven days per officer – two days less than the public sector average, and five days less than five years ago.

- The Leadership Academy now brings leadership management to the forefront of line-management responsibility.

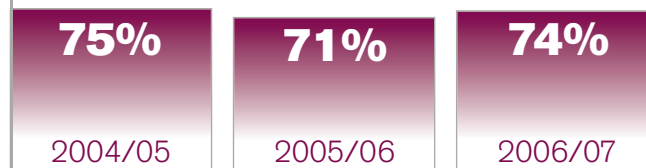
- With employee turnover at around five per cent, the Met enjoys the low turnover that some employers can only dream of.

Public perceptions

(All figures from the Public Attitude Survey)

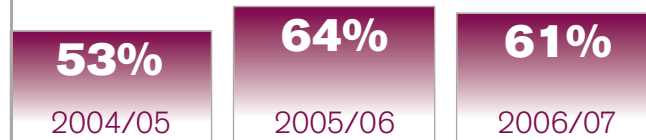
FEEL SAFE

People who feel safe walking alone in their local area after dark



CONFIDENCE

Confidence in London policing (percentage that say the police are doing a good/excellent job)



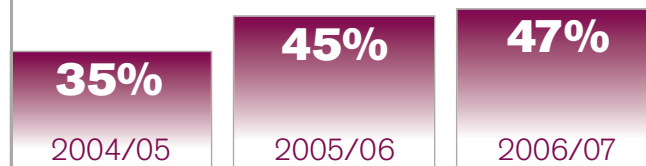
FEAR OF VIOLENCE

People who worry about violence in their local area



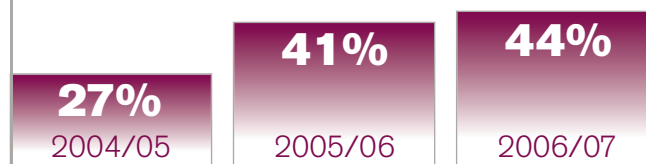
FEEL INFORMED

People who feel informed about local policing



POLICE PRESENCE

People who see a uniformed police presence at least weekly



(Figures for 2006/07 are for the first three-quarters of the year only)