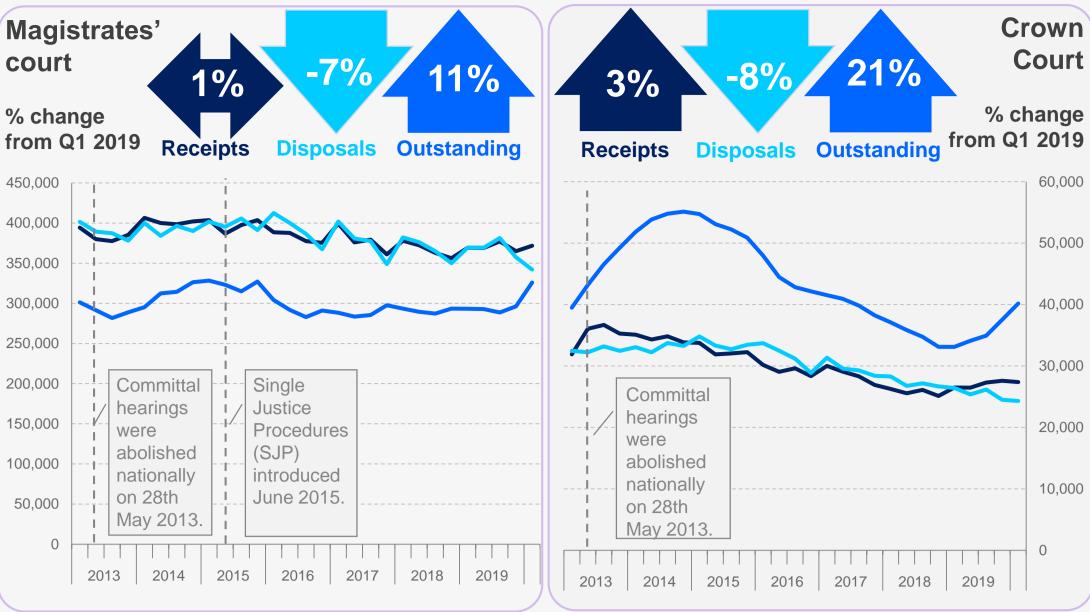


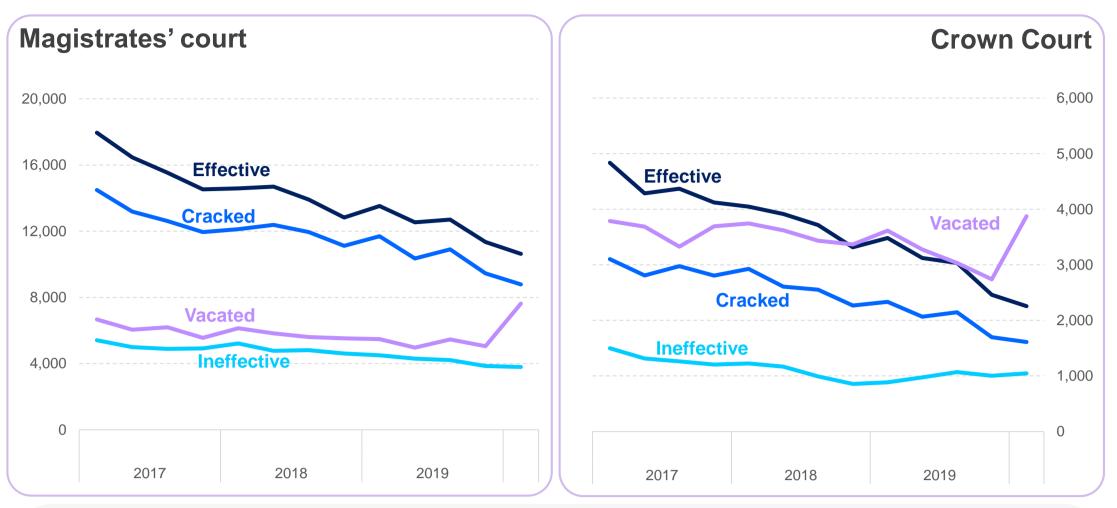
Flow through the criminal courts, latest data to Q1 2020

Caseload



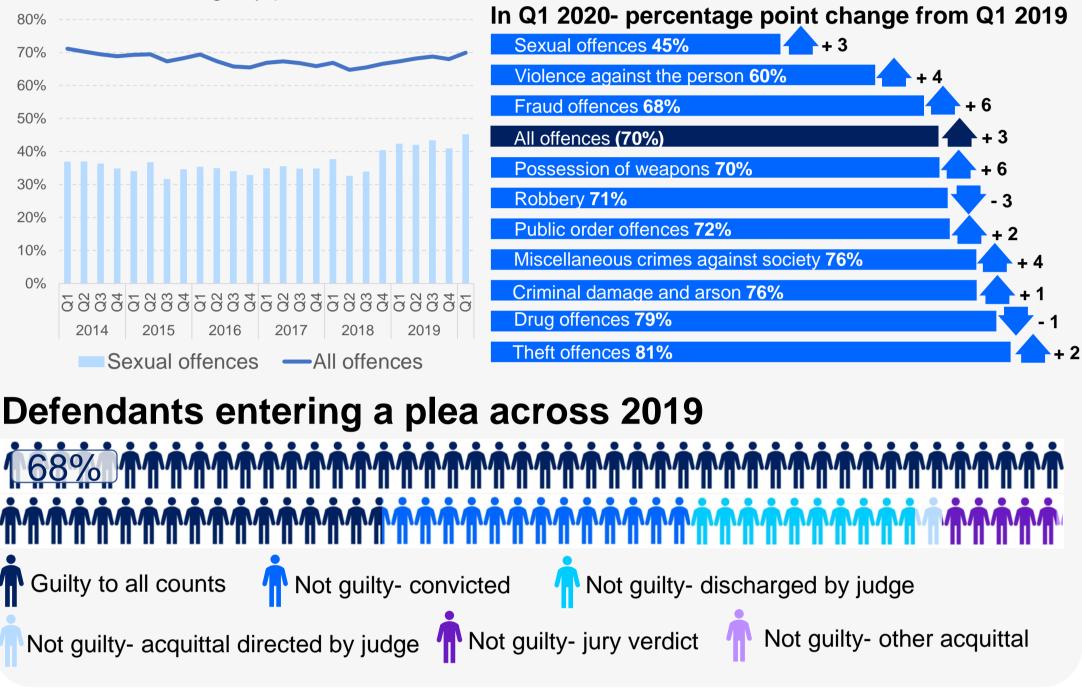
Trial Effectiveness

In Q1 2020, both magistrates' court and Crown Court saw a sharp increase in vacated trials.



Guilty Plea Rate

The guilty plea rate for sexual offences has increased to a series high in Q1 2020, although remains below the guilty plea rate across all offences.



Waiting Times

Average (median) waiting time is the duration in weeks between a cases being committed to the Crown Court and the first main hearing. The median waiting time for all defendants dealt with reached a **series low of 5.7 weeks** in Q1 2020.



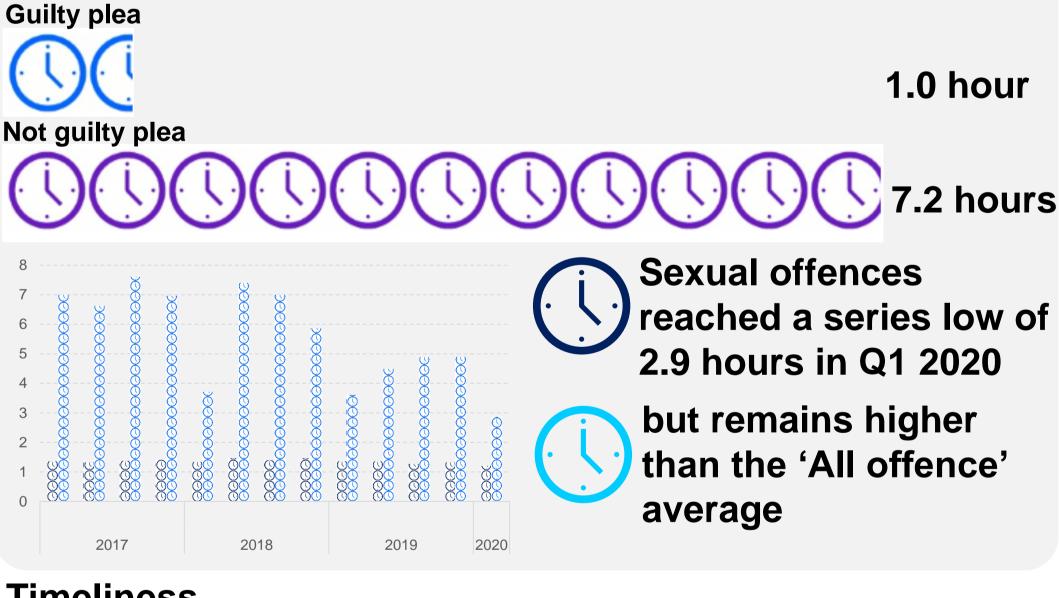
Trial cases



Q1	24.6 weeks		
2020	5.1 weeks	Not guilty	- 0.1
Q1	24.4 weeks		weeks

Hearing times- trial cases

The median average hearing time in trial cases has decreased to **1.2 hours** in Q1 2020, as did hearing times for guilty (1.0 hour) and not guilty (7.2 hours) pleas.

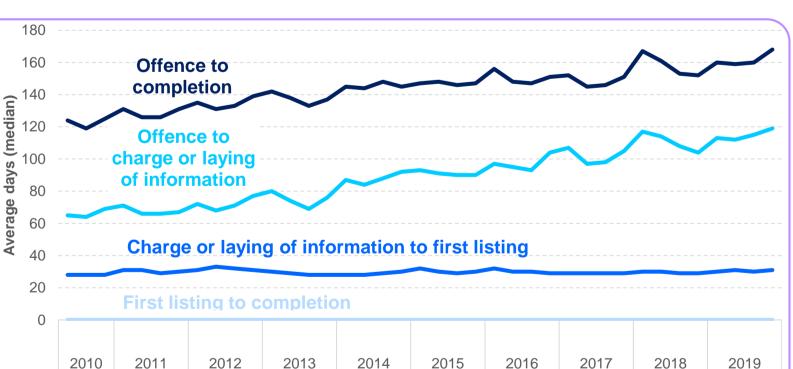


Timeliness

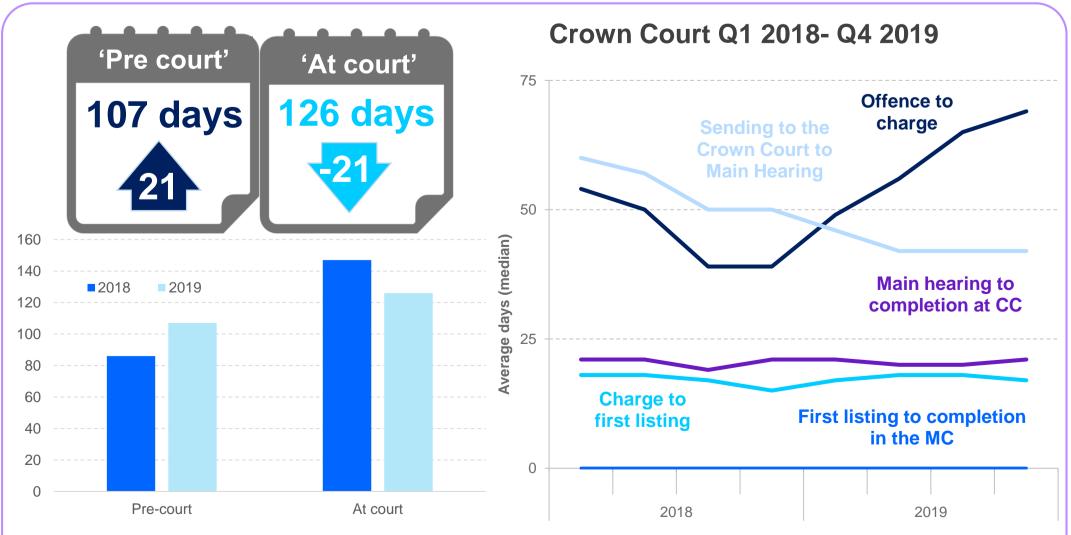
Magistrates' court Q2 2010- Q4 2019

75%

completed at first hearing in 2019



On average (median), from offence to completion, cases completing at **magistrates' court** took **162 days** in 2019, up from 159 days in 2018. The percentage of cases completing at the first hearing has increased from 74% in 2018 to 75% in 2019.



On average (median), from offence to completion, **Crown Court** criminal cases took **270 days** in 2019, up from 260 days in 2018. This increase is seen pre-court, e.g. from offence committal to first listing at the court, time spent at court has fallen.

Single Justice Procedure Offences (SJP)

Introduced in June 2015, they allow cases involving adults charged with summary offences to be dealt with in a single magistrates' sitting without a prosecutor or defendant being present.

