

# Case Processing Time for Criminal Cases dealt with at courts in Northern Ireland 2023/24





Median time taken for a case to be disposed at court from the date the offence was reported, in relation to all courts has decreased

**2022/23** 206 days **2023/24** 190 days



7.8%



### 2023/24 at a glance

# Time taken -all cases –5 years' data series



Median number of days taken

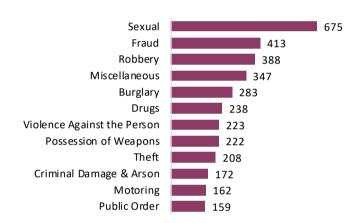
Number of days by which 80% of cases completed

Number of days by which 90% of cases completed

80% of cases were dealt with in 402 days
90% were dealt with in 640 days

#### Median time by Offence Category

**Sexual offences** took the longest average (median) number of days for cases to complete. **Public Order** took the shortest time.



#### **Number of Cases by Court Type**

Crown-charged & summons

Magistrates' - summons

15,783

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Magistrates' youth court-Summons cases

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The number of criminal cases dealt with at courts decreased by 1.9% to 26,522

## 2023/24 compared to previous year



Average (median) time taken for cases 2022-23 2023-24 Crown Court - Charge cases 561 days 551 days Crown Court - Summons cases 1,150 days 1,199 days Adult magistrates' court - Charge cases 103 days 95 days Adult magistrates' court-Summons cases 254 days 230 days Magistrates' youth court-Charge cases 142 days 169 days





278 days

291 days