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# Stop and Search Performance Pack

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## Introduction

This report is intended to provide some detailed analysis into Stop Searches conducted by Dorset Police.

The report is designed to provide sufficient information to highlight areas of potential concern or interest. It has been developed to support Dorset Police in the delivery of the Equality Standard for the Police Service which provides a system for monitoring performance and assessing progress on how the priorities of the Equality, Diversity and Human Rights Strategy for the Police Service are being delivered.

Rates per 1,000 population and disproportionality ratios for Stop Search are based on 2011 Census data by ethnicity. The population profile of Dorset used in these calculations is shown below.

## Population Profile

	Bournemouth and Poole Division		Dorset County Division		Force	
	2001 Census	2011 Census	2001 Census	2011 Census	2001 Census	2011 Census
White	283,896	289,450	378,380	394,350	662,276	683,800
White Non British	9,915	20,870	7,683	9,967	17,598	30,837
Mixed	2,871	6,107	1,940	3,400	4,811	9,507
Black & Black British	943	2,284	579	924	1,522	3,208
Asian & Asian British	2,932	10,342	1,754	3,833	4,686	14,175
Other Ethnic Group	1,175	2,083	644	431	1,819	2,514
<b>Total</b>	<b>301,732</b>	<b>331,136</b>	<b>390,980</b>	<b>412,905</b>	<b>692,712</b>	<b>744,041</b>
White	283,896	289,450	378,380	394,350	662,276	683,800
BME	17,836	41,686	12,600	18,555	30,436	60,241

	White - British	White - Non British	Mixed	Black & Black British	Asian & Asian British	Other Ethnic Group	Total
Bmth Central	15,505	3,038	672	308	1,302	311	<b>21,136</b>
Bmth East	50,195	6,867	1,420	700	2,447	464	<b>62,093</b>
Bmth North	91,997	5,223	2,152	773	3,362	906	<b>104,413</b>
Bridport	33,071	781	245	47	146	40	<b>34,330</b>
Christchurch	45,414	1,177	505	83	495	78	<b>47,752</b>
Dorchester	56,597	1,393	490	120	753	66	<b>59,419</b>
East Dorset	83,876	1,769	594	106	737	84	<b>87,166</b>
North Dorset	64,936	2,041	552	197	796	61	<b>68,583</b>
Poole North	71,751	2,670	972	262	1,527	180	<b>77,362</b>
Poole South	60,002	3,072	891	241	1,704	222	<b>66,132</b>
Purbeck	43,253	1,087	326	48	231	28	<b>44,973</b>
Weymth & Portland	67,203	1,719	688	323	675	74	<b>70,682</b>
<b>Force</b>	<b>683,800</b>	<b>30,837</b>	<b>9,507</b>	<b>3,208</b>	<b>14,175</b>	<b>2,514</b>	<b>744,041</b>

## **Delivering the Police and Crime Plan Priorities**

The Police and Crime Commissioner and Dorset Police agree a number of Policing Priorities each year. These are laid out in our Police and Crime Plan, which also sets out how Dorset Police organizes itself and its activity in order to achieve these priorities. The 2017-2021 Police and Crime Plan is a public document and is available from the following link:

<https://dorsetpccpolice.s3.amazonaws.com/PCP%202017-2021.pdf>

### **Our Policing Priorities 2017/18**

- Protecting people at risk of harm
- Working with our communities
- Supporting victims, witnesses and reducing reoffending
- Transforming for the future

## Object of Search

The tables below provide details about the purpose/object of search of those stop searches conducted during 2017/18 and 2018/19. The first table provides the Force level overview, whilst the second table considers the data broken down by the ethnicity of the person searched for the current year only. Due to a small element of data quality discrepancies whereby a person can be listed with more than one ethnicity on the Force's new records management system, some duplication of stop searches results when the data is broken down by the ethnicity of the searched person.

	Firearms	Offensive weapons	Drugs	Stolen goods	Article for use in criminal damage	Article for use in theft	Other **	Not Recorded	Total Stop Searches	Total Arrests	Arrest Rate	Positive Searches	Positive Search Rate
<b>Qtr 1 18-19</b>	5	62	424	37	8	51	8	1	596	58	9.7%	162	27.2%
<b>Qtr 1 17-18</b>	2	51	534	42	10	81	27	2	749	77	10.3%	233	31.1%

Between 1 April 2018 and 30 June 2018 there were a total of 596 stop searches recorded within Dorset; the majority of which have been undertaken with the purpose of finding controlled drugs (71% of the total). This is a reduction in the volume of stop searches conducted in the comparable quarter the previous year - 153 fewer stop searches equating to a 20.4% decrease on 2017/18. The arrest rate has also reduced to 9.7% (162 arrests) with a positive search rate of 27.2% compared to 31.1% the previous year. Although an arrest was not always made, the search can still be positive as it resulted in some further action, e.g. a community resolution or penalty notice of disorder was issued. There is just 1 stop searches in this quarter where the object of search was not recorded. These are provided at the end of the report.

\*\* Other includes where the object of search has been recorded as either Sus crime/disorder/ASB, Terrorism or Other.

<b>Quarter 1 18-19</b>	Firearms	Offensive weapons	Drugs	Stolen goods	Article for use in criminal damage	Article for use in theft	Other **	Not Recorded	Total Stop Searches
<b>White British</b>	4	33	281	27	5	41	6	1	<b>398</b>
<b>White Non-British</b>	1	4	7	-	-	-	-	-	<b>12</b>
<b>Mixed</b>	-	1	8	2	-	2	1	-	<b>14</b>
<b>Black</b>	-	3	43	1	-	-	-	-	<b>47</b>
<b>Asian</b>	-	1	15	1	-	1	-	-	<b>18</b>
<b>Other *</b>	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	<b>2</b>
<b>Not stated</b>	-	19	70	6	3	6	1	-	<b>105</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>596</b>

As the table above shows, the majority of people stop searched during 2018/19 quarter 1 were of White British ethnicity, accounting for 66.8% of total stop searches over the reporting period. Those of Black ethnicity were the largest non-White group to be stop searched, accounting for 7.8% of total stop searches. Any disproportionality this may indicate is discussed further on in the report under the Ethnicity section. Whilst 71% of total stop searches were completed for the purpose of finding controlled drugs, this proportion increases to 91.4% for searches of Black people.

\*\* Other includes where the object of search has been recorded as either Sus crime/disorder/ASB, Terrorism or Other. \* Other includes where the persons ethnicity has been recorded as either Chinese or Other ethnic group.

## Object of Search

	Quarter 1			Total Arrest Rate
	Stop Search Volume	Arrests	Arrest Rate	
Firearms	5	-	-	-
Offensive weapons	62	6	9.7%	<b>9.7%</b>
Drugs	424	46	10.8%	<b>10.8%</b>
Stolen goods	37	1	2.7%	<b>2.7%</b>
Article for use in criminal damage	8	1	12.5%	<b>12.5%</b>
Article for use in theft	51	4	7.8%	<b>7.8%</b>
Other **	8	-	-	-
Not Recorded	1	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>596</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>9.7%</b>	<b>9.7%</b>

As the table above shows, the arrest rate in the year to date is highest at 12.5% for stop searches where the object being searched for was articles for use in criminal damage. The arrest rate was below the 9.7% stop search average for searches for 'Offensive Weapons', 'Stolen Goods' and 'Article for use in theft'

\*\* Other includes where the object of search has been recorded as either Sus crime/disorder/ASB, Terrorism or Other.

## Object of Search

	Quarter 1			Total VA Rate
	Stop Search Volume	Voluntary Attendance	VA Rate	
Firearms	5	-	-	-
Offensive weapons	62	3	4.8%	<b>4.8%</b>
Drugs	424	33	7.8%	<b>7.8%</b>
Stolen goods	37	5	13.5%	<b>13.5%</b>
Article for use in criminal damage	8	-	-	-
Article for use in theft	51	1	2.0%	<b>2.0%</b>
Other **	8	3	37.5%	<b>37.5%</b>
Not Recorded	1	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>596</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>7.6%</b>	<b>7.6%</b>

As the table above shows, the Voluntary Attendance rate in the year to date is highest at 37.5% for stop searches where the object being searched for was 'Other\*\*'. The second highest rate of Voluntary Attendance is 13.5% for searches where the object being searched for was 'Stolen Goods'.

\*\* Other includes where the object of search has been recorded as either Sus crime/disorder/ASB, Terrorism or Other.

Quarter 1 2018-19	White British	White Non-British	Mixed	Black	Asian	Other *	Not stated	Total Stop Searches
	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Alcohol seized	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Arrest	26	4	3	9	4	-	11	57
Arrest;Caution - simple/conditional	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Caution - simple/conditional	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Community resolution	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Drugs warning	34	-	-	-	-	-	5	39
No further action	290	7	8	36	14	2	75	432
Penalty notice for disorder	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Police discretionary resolution	2	-	-	-	-	-	3	5
Postal requisition/postal charge/summons	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	4
Tobacco seized	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Voluntary attendance	31	-	3	2	-	-	7	43
Voluntary attendance;Caution - simple/conditional	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Voluntary attendance;Community resolution	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>596</b>

The table above shows the total of Stop Searches conducted over the reporting period broken down by outcome of search and Ethnicity. Out of 596 searches 398 of the people searched were White British accounting for 66.8%. Ethnicity group "Not Stated" accounts for 17.6% of people searched. \*Other includes where the person's ethnicity has been recorded as Chinese or other ethnic group.

Quarter 1 2018-19	10-17	18-24	25-34	35-59	60+	Unknown	Total Stop Searches
	-	-	2	-	-	-	2
Alcohol seized	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Arrest	8	27	8	14	-	-	57
Arrest;Caution - simple/conditional	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Caution - simple/conditional	1	-	-	1	-	-	2
Community resolution	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Drugs warning	4	22	8	5	-	-	39
No further action	77	107	104	135	7	2	432
Penalty notice for disorder	-	4	1	1	-	-	6
Police discretionary resolution	2	1	-	2	-	-	5
Postal requisition/postal charge/summons	-	2	-	2	-	-	4
Tobacco seized	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Voluntary attendance	15	14	8	6	-	-	43
Voluntary attendance;Caution - simple/conditional	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Voluntary attendance;Community resolution	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>596</b>

The table above shows the total of Stop Searches conducted over the reporting period broken down by outcome of search and Age Grouping of the person searched. Out of the total 596 searches, 18-24 year olds hold the majority amount of search at 30.2% closely followed by 28.1% from age category 35-59. No further Action is the most common outcome for stop searches making up 72.5% of the searches. However the highest outcome excluding "No further Action" is "arrest; caution - simple/conditional" totalling 57 over this reporting period.



Quarter 1-4 2017/18	Firearms	Offensive weapons	Drugs	Stolen goods	Article for use in criminal damage	Article for use in theft	Other **	Not Recorded	Total Stop Searches
	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	2
Alcohol seized	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Arrest	-	6	45	1	1	4	-	-	57
Arrest;Caution - simple/conditional	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Caution - simple/conditional	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	2
Community resolution	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Drugs warning	-	5	34	-	-	-	-	-	39
No further action	5	47	297	28	6	45	4	-	432
Penalty notice for disorder	-	-	5	-	1	-	-	-	6
Police discretionary resolution	-	-	4	-	-	1	-	-	5
Postal requisition/postal charge/summons	-	-	3	1	-	-	-	-	4
Tobacco seized	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Voluntary attendance	-	3	31	5	-	1	3	-	43
Voluntary attendance;Caution - simple/conditional	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Voluntary attendance;Community resolution	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>596</b>

The table above shows the total of Stop Searches conducted over the reporting period broken down by outcome of search and the item found whilst conducting these searches. Out of 596 searches Drugs was the most common "object of the search" 71.7%. There was 45 "Arrest; Caution - Simple/Conditional and 34 Drugs Warnings. Closely followed by 31 Voluntary Attendance. \*\*Other includes where the object of search has been recorded as either Sus crime/disorder/ASB, Terrorism or Other.

## Outcome of search linked to object of search?

The table below shows whether an item was found as a result of the stop search conducted, and if an object was found, whether it was the object being searched for.

	No - no object(s) found	Yes - object other than that searched for	Yes - the object(s) searched for	Total searches resulting in an object being found	No object found rate	Total Stop searches where an outcome was recorded
<b>Firearms</b>	5	-	-	-	100.0%	<b>5</b>
<b>Offensive weapons</b>	52	3	7	<b>10</b>	83.9%	<b>62</b>
<b>Drugs</b>	286	21	117	<b>138</b>	67.5%	<b>424</b>
<b>Stolen goods</b>	27	5	5	<b>10</b>	73.0%	<b>37</b>
<b>Article for use in criminal damage</b>	4	3	1	<b>4</b>	50.0%	<b>8</b>
<b>Article for use in theft</b>	42	5	4	<b>9</b>	82.4%	<b>51</b>
<b>Other **</b>	4	-	4	<b>4</b>	50.0%	<b>8</b>
<b>Not Recorded</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>70.6%</b>	<b>595</b>

For 595 of these searches 29.4% of cases resulted in objects being found, Whereas 70.6% of case no object was found.

\*\* Other includes where the object of search has been recorded as either Sus crime/disorder/ASB, Terrorism or Other

## Drug Searches

As the most common reason for an officer to complete a stop search, the tables below explore the drugs stop searches in more detail, looking at the volume of stop searches for cannabis/khat searches compared with searches for other drugs, as well as including information on arrests and positive searches. Please note that more than one purpose can be selected for a stop search, so there may be a small number of records where both types of drug have been selected as the object of search.

Purpose of Search	Cannabis or Khat					Purpose of Search	Drugs - Other				
	Volume of stop searches	Arrests	Arrest Rate	Positive Searches	Rate of positive searches		Volume of stop searches	Arrests	Arrest Rate	Positive Searches	Rate of positive searches
White British	127	5	3.9%	59	46.5%	White British	154	14	9.1%	24	15.6%
White Non-British	5	3	60.0%	4	80.0%	White Non-British	2	-	-	-	-
Mixed	4	1	25.0%	3	75.0%	Mixed	4	2	50.0%	2	50.0%
Black	17	4	23.5%	5	29.4%	Black	26	4	15.4%	5	19.2%
Asian	2	-	-	-	-	Asian	13	4	30.8%	4	30.8%
Not stated	18	1	5.6%	8	44.4%	Not stated	52	8	15.4%	13	25.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>8.1%</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>45.7%</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>12.7%</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>19.1%</b>

In terms of the drugs being searched for, cannabis/khat has been the purpose of the search in 40.8% of drugs stop searches during quarter 1 2018/19. The rate of positive searches is at 45.7% for cannabis/khat, with a higher rate of 46.5% for those of White British ethnicity. The arrest rate for cannabis/khat searches is notably higher for both which stands at 8%. Arrest rates for 'Drugs-other' are higher overall than for Cannabis - an average of 12.7% which increases to 30.8% for those of Asian ethnicity and is above average at 15.4% for those of Black ethnicity. The positive search rate for drugs other is less than half that for Cannabis/Khat at 19.1% in the current year to date.

\* Other includes where the persons ethnicity has been recorded as either Chinese or Other ethnic group.

## Drug Searches

Purpose of Search	Cannabis or Khat					Purpose of Search	Drugs - Other				
	Volume of stop searches	Arrests	Arrest Rate	Positive Searches	Rate of positive searches		Volume of stop searches	Arrests	Arrest Rate	Positive Searches	Rate of positive searches
10-17	38	-	-	14	36.8%	10-17	22	3	13.6%	5	22.7%
18-24	83	7	8.4%	42	50.6%	18-24	67	18	26.9%	23	34.3%
25-34	30	1	3.3%	10	33.3%	25-34	65	6	9.2%	11	16.9%
35-59	22	6	27.3%	13	59.1%	35-59	90	5	5.6%	9	10.0%
60+	-	-	-	-	-	60+	6	-	-	-	-
Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	Unknown	1	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>8.1%</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>45.7%</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>12.7%</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>19.1%</b>

In terms of the drugs being searched for, cannabis/khat has been the purpose of the search in 50% of drugs stop searches during 2018/19. The rate of positive searches is at 45.7% for cannabis/khat, with a higher rate of 59.1% for those of aged 35-59. The arrest rate for cannabis/khat searches is also higher for 35-59 standing at 27.3% than the Force average during 2018/19 which stands at 8%. Arrest rates for 'Drugs-other' are higher overall than for Cannabis - an average of 12.7% which increases to 26.9% for those aged 18-24. The positive search rate for drugs other is less than half that for Cannabis/Khat at 19.1% in the current year to date.

\* Other includes where the persons ethnicity has been recorded as either Chinese or Other ethnic group.

## Ethnicity of Person Stop Searched

	Total Stop Searches	Stop Searches per 1,000 popn (2011 Census)	Disproportionality Ratio	Arrests	Arrest Rate	Positive Searches	Rate of positive searches
White British	398	0.58		26	6.5%	106	26.6%
White Non-British	12	0.39	0.67	4	33.3%	5	41.7%
Mixed	14	1.47	2.53	3	21.4%	6	42.9%
Black	47	14.65	25.17	9	19.1%	11	23.4%
Asian	18	1.27	2.18	4	22.2%	4	22.2%
Other *	2			-	-	-	-
Not stated	105			12	11.4%	30	28.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>596</b>			<b>58</b>		<b>162</b>	

As the table above identifies, the lowest rate of stop searches per 1,000 resident population is for those of White Non-British ethnicity, with 0.39 people searched for every 1,000 White Non-British people resident in Dorset. With a disproportionality ratio of less than 1, this means that a person of White British ethnicity is more likely to be stop searched than a person of White Non-British ethnicity. The ratio of Black to White British searches in 2018/19 is 25:1, meaning that for every White British person searched, there will be 25 Black people searched. Which is a larger increase.

The arrest rate for persons of White British ethnicity is 6.5% for 2018/19, but this increases to 21.4% for individuals of Mixed ethnicity, 19.1% for Black individuals and 22.2% for Asian individuals stop searched with White British at the highest of 33.3%.

It is worth being aware that proposals to reduce searches for Cannabis would have the effect of worsening Dorset's disproportionality for those of Black ethnicity. The reason for this is that proportionately, a far greater percentage of White British searches are on the grounds of cannabis than for Black people, for whom drug searches tend to be for Other drugs, so you remove proportionately more White British stop searches from the calculation, pushing the disproportionality up further.

\* Other includes where the persons ethnicity has been recorded as either Chinese or Other ethnic group.

## Ethnicity of Person Stop Searched

Black Stop Searches	Total Stop Searches	Arrests	Arrest Rate	Positive Searches	Rate of positive searches
Bmth Central	12	1	8.3%	3	25.0%
Bmth East	20	5	25.0%	5	25.0%
Bmth North	2	-	-	-	-
Bridport	5	1	20.0%	1	20.0%
Christchurch	-	-	-	-	-
Dorchester	2	-	-	-	-
East Dorset	-	-	-	-	-
North Dorset	-	-	-	-	-
Poole North	-	-	-	-	-
Poole South	3	1	33.3%	1	33.3%
Purbeck	1	-	-	-	-
Unknown	-	-	-	-	-
Weymth & Portland	2	1	50.0%	1	50.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>19.1%</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>23.4%</b>

The table above shows that the majority of Black Stop Searches during 2018/19 took place in one of three locations within Dorset; Bournemouth East at 42.5%, Bournemouth Central accounting for 25.5% and Bridport at 10.6%. Both arrest and positive search rate are above force average with the exception of Bournemouth Central with an arrest rate of 8.3%, however a positive search rate is above Force average at 25%. It is recommended that the Black Stop Search records within Bournemouth Central and East are reviewed to ensure that there are no ethical concerns regarding these stop searches.

\* Unknown is where the location of search has not been linked to a Section.

## Age of Person Stop Searched

Age group of person stop searched (years)	Total Stop Searches	Arrests	Arrest Rate	Positive Searches	Rate of positive searches
10-17	109	8	7.3%	32	29.4%
18-24	180	28	15.6%	73	40.6%
25-34	131	8	6.1%	25	19.1%
35-59	167	14	8.4%	32	19.2%
60+	7	-	-	-	-
Unknown	2	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>596</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>9.7%</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>27.2%</b>

The table above shows 18-24 year olds account for the largest group of people stop search in Dorset during Q1 of 2018/19, 180 stop searches equating to 30.2% of the total stop searches. This group is closely followed by those aged 35-59 years old who account for a further 28.1% of the total. The current rate among the 18-24 year olds is hugely over the force average along with the positive search rate is above the force average. Youth under 17 were subjected to a total of 109 searches during Q1 2018/19, 18.3% of the total conducted. Any searches against those aged 10-13 years old are routinely reviewed to ensure that the search was reasonable. Whilst arrest rates are below average for youths, the positive search rates are generally above the force average.

## Object of Search by Age of person searched

	Firearms	Offensive weapons	Drugs	Stolen goods	Article for use in criminal damage	Article for use in theft	Other **	Not Recorded	Total
<b>10-17</b>	-	23	60	3	2	20	1	-	<b>109</b>
<b>18-24</b>	2	10	150	3	3	7	5	-	<b>180</b>
<b>25-34</b>	1	13	95	10	1	9	1	1	<b>131</b>
<b>35-59</b>	2	16	112	20	1	15	1	-	<b>167</b>
<b>60+</b>	-	-	6	-	1	-	-	-	<b>7</b>
<b>Unknown</b>	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	<b>2</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>596</b>

The table above shows that controlled drugs are the most searched for item across all age groups. The 'other' category which is also prevalent in relation to 14-16 year olds mainly relates to underage smoking or drinking. Those aged 10-17 years old account for the majority of searches conducted with the purpose of finding offensive weapons.

\*\* Other includes where the object of search has been recorded as either Sus crime/disorder/ASB, Terrorism or Other.



## Stop Search Powers

The table below shows the legal powers under which the stop searches have been conducted over the reporting period.

Legal Power	Total stop searches
	1
Firearms Act 1968 (s47)	3
Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (s23)	421
PACE 1984 (32)	1
PACE 1984 (s1)	163
Poaching Prevention Act 1862 (s2)	6
Police Reform Act 2002 (sch4)	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>596</b>

The majority of searches are conducted under Section 23 of the 1971 Misuse of Drugs Act (72% of the total). No searches have been made under the Terrorism Act.

## Stop Search Locations

The table below shows the location of the Stop Searches during the reporting period, broken down by Police Section. The corresponding arrests and positive search information is also included in the table below.

	Total Stop Searches	Arrests	Arrest Rate	Positive Searches	Rate of positive searches
<b>Bmth Central</b>	52	8	15.4%	19	36.5%
<b>Bmth East</b>	83	14	16.9%	20	24.1%
<b>Bmth North</b>	68	4	5.9%	19	27.9%
<b>Bridport</b>	26	1	3.8%	6	23.1%
<b>Christchurch</b>	31	-	-	8	25.8%
<b>Dorchester</b>	36	2	5.6%	10	27.8%
<b>East Dorset</b>	29	3	10.3%	11	37.9%
<b>North Dorset</b>	37	2	5.4%	14	37.8%
<b>Poole North</b>	20	3	15.0%	6	30.0%
<b>Poole South</b>	77	10	13.0%	21	27.3%
<b>Purbeck</b>	12	-	-	1	8.3%
<b>Weymth &amp; Portland</b>	111	11	9.9%	25	22.5%
<b>Unknown</b>	14	-	-	2	14.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>596</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>9.7%</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>27.2%</b>

During 2018/19, location details were not fully completed for 14 Stop Searches (23%) and therefore cannot be assigned to a specific Police Section. Where a location was specified, Weymouth & Portland Section completed the most stop searches (18.62% of the total, 111 searches), followed closely by 13.9% of stop searches taking place in Bournemouth East. In terms of Section level exceptions, Purbeck has an abnormally low arrest rate and positive search rate compared to the Force average

\* Unknown is where the location of search has not been linked to a Section.