

Crime Survey for England and Wales

Update on latest data and findings

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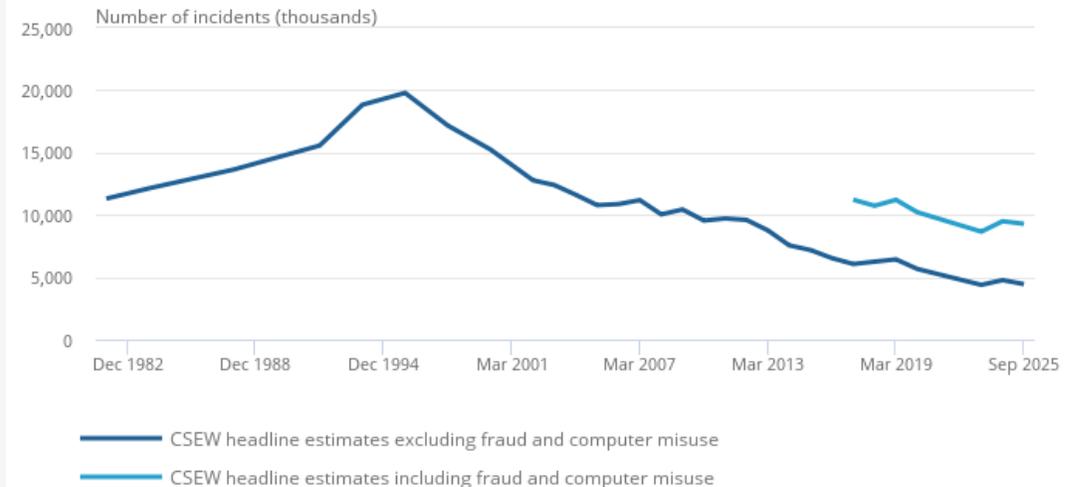


The Crime Survey for England and Wales (CSEW)

- The CSEW has a long history of measuring the extent of crime in England and Wales.
- Measures crime against people aged 16+ living in private households in England and Wales.
- Face to face interviews with 10-15 years olds were stopped from April 2025
- The CSEW not only covers levels of victimisation, it is also a valuable source of information about how people feel about crime, the police and the criminal justice system (CJS).

Figure 1: There was no statistically significant change in Crime Survey for England and Wales headline crime compared with the previous year

Annual estimates, England and Wales



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What does the CSEW capture?

The CSEW has remained largely consistent since its inception in the 1980's, providing an invaluable time series of how crime has changed over this period. The CSEW captures:



Latest Findings: Year ending September 2025

Table 1: Number of crime incidents by main crime types, to year ending September 2025

Crime Survey for England and Wales

Fraud

There were **4,153,000** incidents

An increase of **8%** ↑ on the year prior (not statistically significant)



Theft

There were **2,625,000** incidents

A decrease of **9%** ↓ on the year prior (not statistically significant)



Violence with or without injury

There were **1,140,000** incidents

Unchanged since the last period



Computer misuse

There were **686,000** incidents

A decrease of **21%** ↓ on the year prior



Criminal damage

There were **602,000** incidents

A decrease of **4%** ↓ on the year prior (not statistically significant)



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9.3 million

Incidents of CSEW headline crime

20% fall

In domestic burglary compared to YE Sept 24

37.7%

Personally experienced/witnessed ASB in local area

16% fall

In vehicle related theft compared to YE Sept 24

19% rise

In bank and credit account fraud compared to YE Sept 24

21% fall

In computer misuse compared to YE Sept 24

40% fall

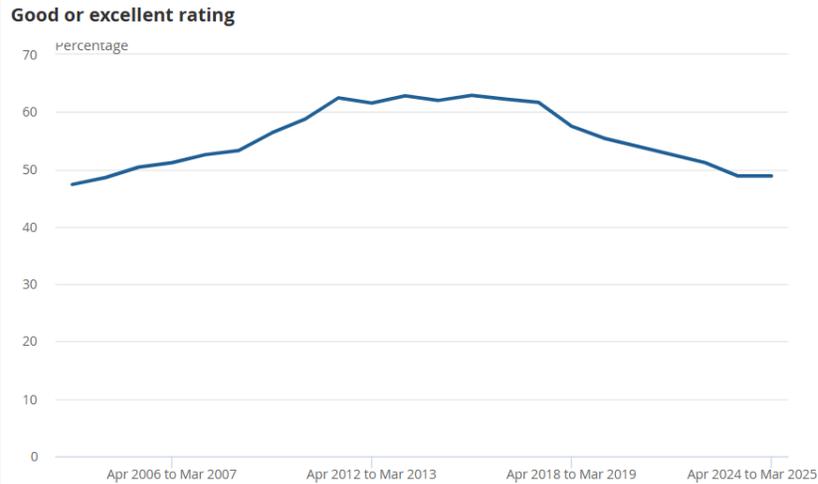
In other fraud compared to YE Sept 24

Latest Findings – Perceptions of the Police

49%

reported that their local police were doing a good or excellent job

Figure 1: There has been a downward trend in the rating of the local police over the last nine years



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67%

reported that they had confidence in the local police

Figure 3: There has been a steady downward trend in the prevalence of high police visibility since YE March 2011

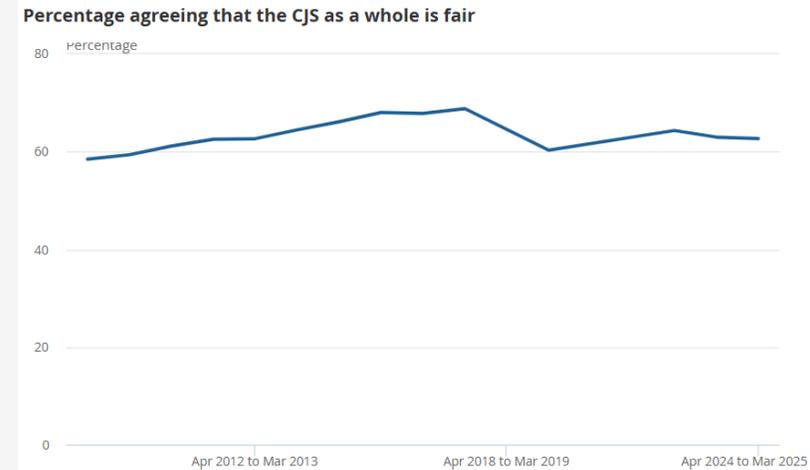


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reported they were confident in the CJS as whole

Figure 6: There have been decreases in confidence that the criminal justice system (CJS) as a whole is fair in recent years, following steady increases up to YE March 2018



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Response Rates

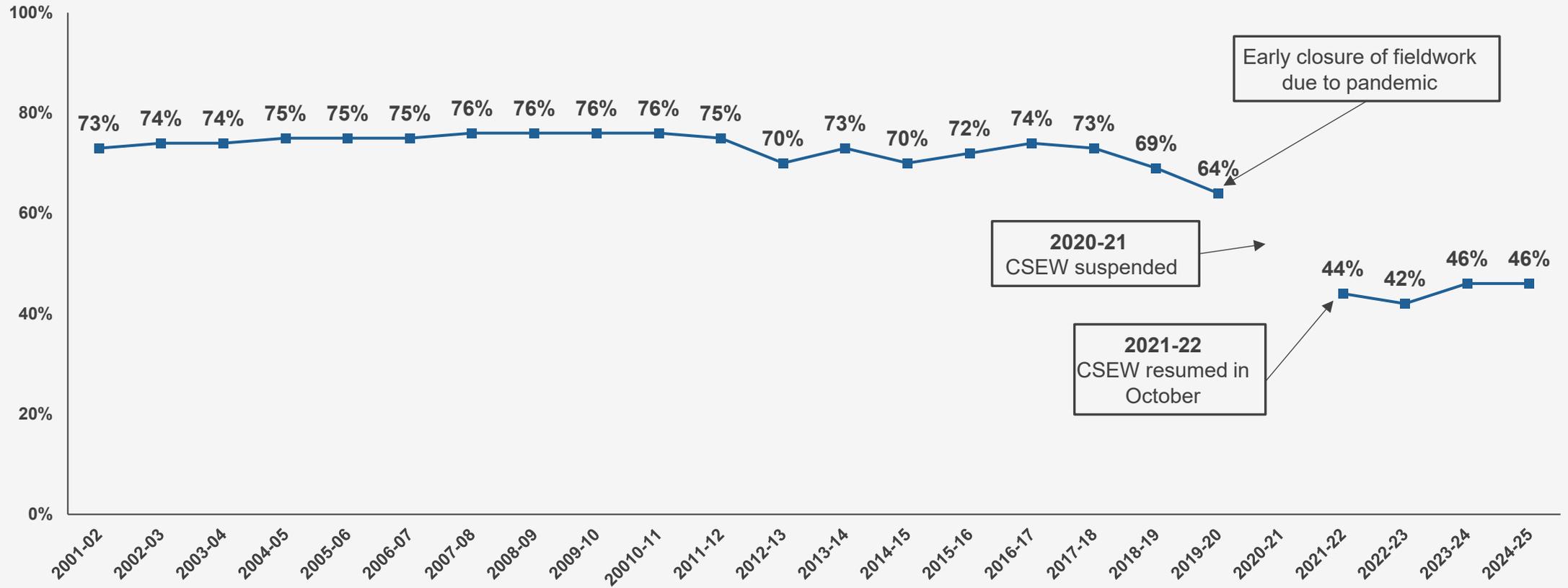
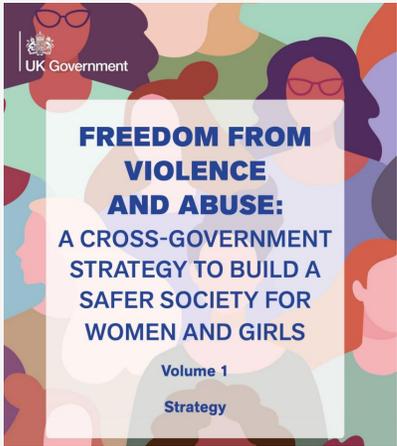


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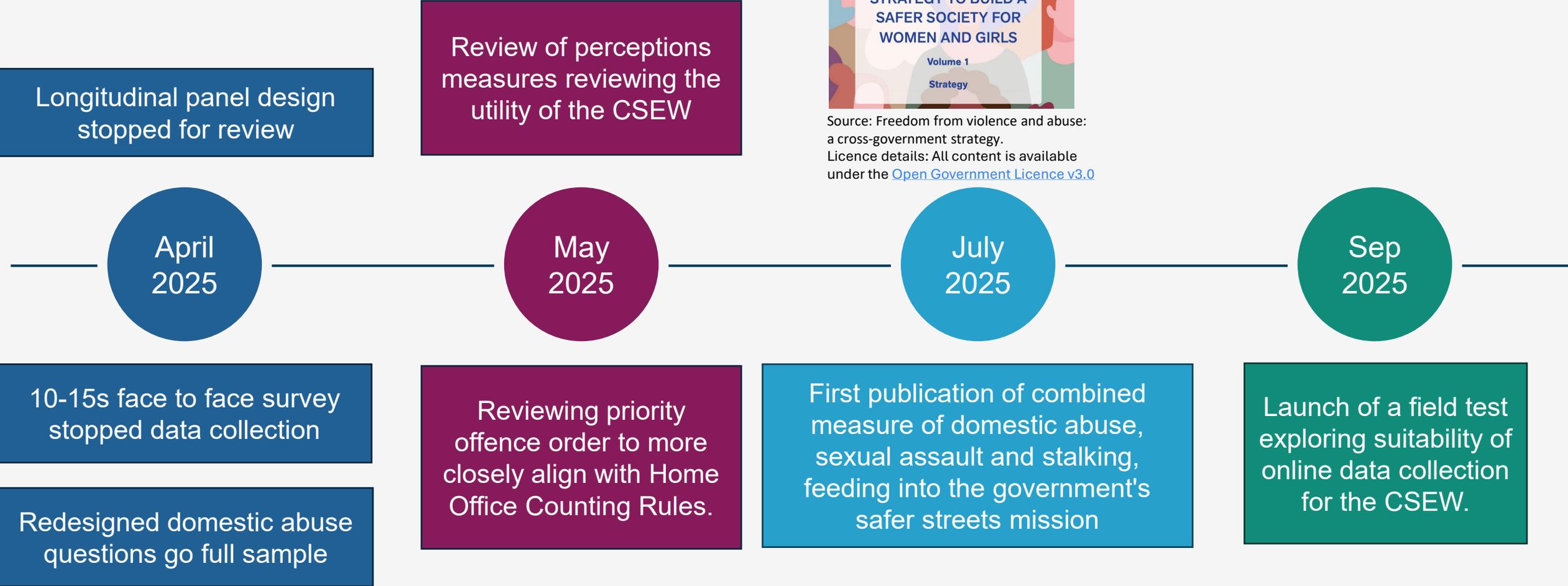
Survey Developments



CSEW - Recent Updates



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CSEW - Recent Updates

Delivery of 2023/24 data to the SRS

First annual publication of new domestic abuse estimates from the re-developed questions.

Update to the Crime Severity Score using YE March 2025 data

Panel design methodology report published

Oct 2025

Nov 2025

Dec 2025

March 2026

Redesigned sexual offences questions added to the survey at full sample.

ONS reprioritisation announcement: "Reviewing funding of crime statistics"

Launch of module 1 of the online children's crime survey for England and Wales (CCSEW)

Year ending March 2025 data supplied to UKDA and SRS

Redesigning the Children's Crime Survey (CCSEW)

- Review of CCSEW operations post pandemic to ensure continued production of timely and quality statistics on children in England and Wales.
- Ongoing programme of work to redesign CCSEW through
 - Decoupling from CSEW and sampling children from admin data
 - Transforming to online mode of data collection
- Main benefits of redesign
 - Larger more representative sample
 - Improved response rates
 - Improved quality/granularity of estimates
 - Improved capability to expand survey content where required
- Module 1 of online CCSEW launched in Dec 25 – covers online activity and exposure, perceptions of safety and personal wellbeing.
- Qualitative work underway to redevelop Module 2 on victimisation and bullying – planned release in Sep 26.

Recent Publications

- [Crime in England and Wales: year ending September 2025](#)
- [Homicide in England and Wales: year ending March 2025](#)
- [Domestic abuse in England and Wales overview: November 2025](#)
- [Sexual offences in England and Wales overview: year ending March 2025](#)
- [Abuse during childhood in England and Wales: March 2024](#)
- [Drug misuse in England and Wales: year ending March 2025](#)
- [Perceptions and experience of police and criminal justice system, England and Wales: year ending March 2025](#)

Any Questions?

