

MPS Performance Report – April 2001

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Performance Headlines – April 2001

The Performance Report for April includes an MPS scorecard, this headlines summary and new MetStats charts which report on the 2001/2 Policing Plan. New formats have been developed for the new planning year – and these are contained here for information and comment. The formats will continue to be developed and refined. Feedback on the content would be welcomed. Please contact the Corporate Performance Analysis Unit on 020 7230 3667.

New targets were introduced from April 2001. Progress towards achieving these is summarised in this report. Note that only one month's data is available, and performance could be subject to wide variation from month to month. Where possible, information for the whole of the last planning year has been provided for comparison. The performance highlights are described below.

Key:

Performance exceeding target	Performance not meeting target
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Key Crime Targets	Achievement	
	Planning year to date Apr 2001 (compared with Apr 2000 where applicable)	Performance last year April 2000 – Mar 2001 (compared with April 99 – Mar 00 where applicable)
To reduce street crime by 2%	+16.8%	+18.0%
To achieve a street crime JD rate of 10%	7.3%	8.2%
To reduce the number of gun-related violent crimes by 2%	-11.1%	<i>New priority</i>
To increase the number of JDs for possession of offensive weapons or bladed instruments by 10%	+33.1%	<i>New priority</i>
To achieve parity in arrest rates for stop and search of white and non-white people	<i>New data not yet available</i>	1.4% disparity (12 months to Jan 01)
To achieve a 2% reduction in burglary	+0.5%	- 9.5%
To achieve a burglary JD rate of 12%	9.0%	9.8%
To increase the number of JDs for supply and PWI by 10% (compared with the level during 2000/2001)		
All drugs	-13.4%	-4.3%
Class A drugs	-13.1%	+26.9%
Cocaine	-11.5%	+14.0%
Crack	+59.0%	+39.8%
Heroin	-41.8%	+26.1%
To refer 3000 drugs offenders into treatment from arrest referral schemes	<i>New data not yet available</i>	2382
To achieve a racist crime JD rate of 17%	<i>New data not yet available</i>	17.1%
To achieve a homophobic crime JD rate of 13%	<i>New data not yet available</i>	11.2%
To achieve a domestic violence JD rate of 14%	<i>New data not yet available</i>	13.5%
To achieve a rape JD rate of 25%	14.4%	18.6%
To achieve a child sex abuse JD rate of 35%	23.6%	24.6%

1. STREET CRIME

Street crime offences

- 1.1 The number of street crime offences recorded in April was 4,760. The daily offence rate was 159, down from 165 in March, and on a par with the rate of 158 in February
- 1.2 In April 2001, streetcrime was 16.8% higher than the same month last year. Six boroughs: Croydon, Richmond upon Thames, Islington, Haringey, Hackney and Newham have shown streetcrime reductions at this early stage in the planning year (i.e. when April 2001 levels are compared with April 2000). Five of these boroughs exceeded the 2% reduction target.

Street crime judicial disposals

- 1.3 The April streetcrime JD rate was 7.3%. The year-end JD rate for street crime was 8.2%. The 2001/2 target is 10%. Eight boroughs exceeded the 10% target in April, including Lewisham who retained the highest rate in the MPS at 25%. Richmond and Haringey delivered on both streetcrime targets in April.

2. CRIMINAL USE OF FIREARMS AND KNIVES

- 2.1 There were 209 gun-related violent crimes during April 2001, compared with 235 in April 2000 (down 11.1%) and a monthly average during last year of 218 offences per month (down 4.1%).
- 2.1 During April 2001, there were 531 JDs for possession of offensive weapons or bladed instruments. This is an increase of 33.1% on the 399 JDs in April 2000, and an 18.0% increase on the monthly average of 450 in 2000/2001.

3. BURGLARY

Burglary offences

- 3.1. There were 9177 burglary offences in April 2001, up marginally (0.5%) on April 2000, and down 2.0% on the monthly average for 2000/2001.

Burglary judicial disposals

- 3.2 Burglary JDs during April 2001 stood at 9.0%, down on the year-end average for 2000/2001 of 9.8%, and below the target of 12%.

4. YOUTH OFFENDING

Key Youth Offending Targets	Achievement	
	Planning year to date Apr 2001	Performance last year April 2000 – Mar 2001
To deal with 70% of PYOs in 2 days (arrest to charge)	67.8%	54.9%
To deal with 70% of PYOs in 7 days (charge to first court listing)	67.8%	65.5%
To deal with 80% of young offenders within 28 days (arrest to case disposal)	86.4%	81.3%
To notify 80% of young offenders' case results to PNC within 10 days	<i>New data not yet available</i>	<i>New target for 2001/2</i>

5. EMERGENCY CALLS

Emergency Response Targets	Achievement	
	Planning year to date Apr 2001	Performance last year April 2000 – Mar 2001
To respond to 80% of 999 calls within 15 seconds	75.6%	83.6%
To arrive at 80% of urgent incidents within 12 minutes	75.7%	76.4%

999 Calls

- 5.1 The daily rate of incoming 999 calls in April rose to 7297 from 7133 in March. The rate of calls in April is at levels that have not been seen since October 1999. Performance against the 80% target for answering 999 calls in 15 seconds was not achieved in April 2001. This is the first month the target has been missed since last August.

Immediate Incidents

- 5.2 There were 61561 immediate grade incidents in April 2001 (a daily rate of 2052 emergency incidents). 75.7% of these were attended within 12 minutes. Performance continues to run at between 2% and 5% below the target. The sharp increase in incoming 999 calls has not translated into a corresponding increase in I grade incidents.

6. DIVERSITY

- 6.1 April data for CRR training shows that 31.6% of identified staff have now been trained. At the end of the year (March 2001), 30.3% (11242) of identified staff had received training. A further 419 were trained during April. This number is below the monthly average, which was expected to be the case, given that April included the Easter break.

7. RESOURCES

Recruitment and retention

- 7.1 The police strength at the end of April 2001 was 25,473, which is a shortfall of 1177 on the Budget Workforce Target (BWT). (The BWT for Police Officers is 26,650). However, this is an increase of 43 on the strength recorded in March 2001 (25,430). The police strength total excludes those officers on secondment to Essex, Hertfordshire and Surrey constabularies, however includes other secondments such as officers seconded to NCIS and other central service organisations.
- 7.2 At the end of March, there were 357 officers still on secondment to Essex, Hertfordshire and Surrey, and reduction of 10 on the position at the end of March
- 7.3 4.17% of police strength are visible ethnic minority officers (target 5%), 15.7% are female. These figures have remained almost static since January.
- 7.4 The civil staff strength at the end of April was 10,178, which is a 932.3 (8.39%) short of the BWT. (Civil Staff BWT is 11,110.4). This is also a reduction of 18 from March. 15.59% of the civil staff are from visible ethnic minorities, whilst 58.91% of civil staff are female. Both of these remain almost static from February 2001.
- 7.5 The traffic warden strength was 692.39 at the end of April, 27.8% short of the BWT. (Traffic Warden BWT is 959). This is a decrease of six wardens from March. 12.78% of traffic wardens are visible ethnic minority staff (an increase from last month) and 60.44% are female (small decrease from March).

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