1 – The total number of domestic-abuse related offences recorded by the force in the year ending March 31, 2018 (2017-18)

25.671

2 – The outcome of domestic-abuse related offences in the year ending March 31, 2018 (2017-18), listed by type/group in these categories: a-Charged/summonsed - (outcome number 1) b-Out-of-court (formal and informal) - (outcome numbers 2, 3, 6, 7, 8) c-Evidential difficulties (suspect identified; victim supports action) – (outcome number 15) d-Evidential difficulties (victim does not support action) – (outcome numbers 14, 16) e-Investigation complete – no suspect identified (outcome 18) f-Other – (outcome numbers 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 17, 20, 21) g-Offences not yet assigned an outcome

Type of outcome	Number of cases
Group a	
Charge	3,213
Postal Charge	284
Charge / Summons (Alt Offence)	1,735
Postal Charge (Alt Offence)	107
Group b	
Caution - Youth	17
Youth Caution (Alt Offence)	4
Caution - Adult	394
Adult Caution (Alt Offence)	108
Community Resolution	436
Group c	
Susp ID: Oth Evidential Difficulty	5,665
Group d	
Susp ID: Vict Evidential Difficulty	115
Susp ID: No Victim Support	12,697
Group e	
Filed, no Susp, no further enq	370
Group f	
Offender Died	7
Not Public Interest CPS	5
Not Public Interest Police	102
Susp ID: Susp too III	10
Susp ID: Vict / Witness too III	3
Susp ID: Time Limit Expired	16
Further non-Police Action	98
Susp ID: Not in public interest	45
Group g	
No outcome	237

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3 – The number of domestic homicide offences recorded by West Midlands Police from 2014-15 to 2016-2017 was 25, according to data already publicly available via the ONS. (Click on the link below, go to Year Ending March 2018 and then Table 15 in the data).

https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/crimeandjustice/datasets/domesticabuseinenglandandwalesappendixtables

Please can you confirm how many of the 25 recorded domestic homicides also had one or more previous calls to police flagged with a domestic violence marker?

For example:

2014-15 to 2016-17

Total domestic homicide offences: 25

Domestic homicide offences with previous DV flagged call: 7

2014-15 - 2016-17

Total domestic homicide offences: 21

Domestic homicide offences with previous DV flagged call: 4

NB The total domestic homicide offences listed on our database amounts to 21, however, these crimes are up to 3 years old and may have been reclassified since being sent in the annual data returns.

The ONS defines homicide as: murder, manslaughter, infanticide and corporate manslaughter – where an organisation is deemed responsible for a person's death. Therefore, to obtain the figure for total domestic homicide offences we used the following criteria:

Offences of Murder, Manslaughter, Infanticide, Child Destruction and Corporate manslaughter

Crime Type with a Domestic Violence marker

Age of victim 16 years or older

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