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2026/543 - School incidents and weapons

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

For academic years 2021/22 to 2024/25 (or latest available):

- **The number of incidents recorded by police involving weapons at schools**
- **The number of incidents where weapons were seized from individuals at schools**
- **The number of incidents attended at schools which resulted in significant safety measures (if recorded).**

For the most recent year available:

- **The number of weapons seized by police in incidents at schools**
- **The youngest age of an individual found in possession of a weapon at a school (if recorded)**

If available, please include a breakdown of weapon type (e.g. knife, firearm, other).

If any of this information is not held centrally, please confirm.

For clarity, “significant safety measures” includes incidents at schools resulting in measures such as lockdown, partial lockdown, or similar restrictions on movement.

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Recorded possession of weapon occurrences where the location subtype is recorded as "School" + HO codes 008/27;008/28	
Fiscal Year Name Range	Occ Count (Possession of Weapons)
FY 2021/22	21
FY 2022/23	18
FY 2023/24	9
FY 2024/25	17
FY 2025/26	12

HO Codes 008/62;008/63 or Recorded violent occurrences Weapon Used is different from "No Weapon Used" and "Unknown" and the location subtype is recorded as "School".	
Fiscal Year Name Range	Occ Count (Knife Crime)
FY 2021/22	41
FY 2022/23	34
FY 2023/24	17
FY 2024/25	29
FY 2025/26	20

Nil return in relation to Seized weapons.

Please note: Children are not always classified as a suspect/offender.and the breakdown of occurrences will appear higher as there could be more than one suspect/offender recorded.

Fiscal Year Name Range	Location Subtype	Offence HO Group1	suspect age	Offender age	Offender Occupation Type	Weapon used
FY 2021/22		12. Possession of Weapons	19	19	Unemployed	;Sharp instrument;
FY 2021/22		12. Possession of Weapons	24	19	Unemployed	;Sharp instrument;
FY 2021/22	School	12. Possession of Weapons	16	16		
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP				
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP				
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP	14	14	Student	
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP				
FY 2021/22	School	12. Possession of Weapons	13			
FY 2021/22	School	12. Possession of Weapons	12	12		
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP	12			
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP	10			;Sharp instrument;
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP	14			;Sharp instrument;
FY 2021/22	School	12. Possession of Weapons	11			
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP	10			
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP	11			
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP				
FY 2021/22	School	12. Possession of Weapons	15			
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP	14			
FY 2021/22		12. Possession of Weapons				

FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP	12			
FY 2021/22	School	12. Possession of Weapons	11			
FY 2021/22	School	12. Possession of Weapons	12	12	Student	
FY 2021/22		12. Possession of Weapons	10			
FY 2021/22	School	12. Possession of Weapons	14			
FY 2021/22	School	12. Possession of Weapons	12			
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP	15	15	Student	
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP	13			
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP				;Other weapons;
FY 2021/22	School	12. Possession of Weapons	12			
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP				;Blunt instrument;
FY 2021/22	School	12. Possession of Weapons	14			
FY 2021/22		12. Possession of Weapons				
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP				;Blunt instrument;
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP				;Blunt instrument;
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP	12			
FY 2021/22		12. Possession of Weapons	11			
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP	11			;Sharp instrument;
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP	11			;Sharp instrument;
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP	11			;Sharp instrument;
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP	11			;Sharp instrument;

FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP	11			;Sharp instrument;
FY 2021/22	School	12. Possession of Weapons	11			;Sharp instrument;
FY 2021/22	School	12. Possession of Weapons	11			;Sharp instrument;
FY 2021/22	School	12. Possession of Weapons	12			
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP	14			
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP	14	14	Student	
FY 2021/22	Other (public building)	12. Possession of Weapons	15			
FY 2021/22	School	12. Possession of Weapons	11	11	Student	
FY 2021/22	School	12. Possession of Weapons	11	11		
FY 2021/22	School	12. Possession of Weapons	11	12	Student	
FY 2021/22	School	12. Possession of Weapons	12	11	Student	
FY 2021/22	School	12. Possession of Weapons	12	11		
FY 2021/22	School	12. Possession of Weapons	12	12	Student	
FY 2021/22	School	12. Possession of Weapons	13			
FY 2021/22	School	12. Possession of Weapons	14			
FY 2021/22	School	12. Possession of Weapons	15			
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP				;Blunt instrument;
FY 2021/22	School	01. VAP				
FY 2022/23	School	01. VAP	16			;Blunt instrument;
FY 2022/23	School	01. VAP	15			;Blunt instrument;

FY 2022/23	School	01. VAP	15			;Blunt instrument;
FY 2022/23		12. Possession of Weapons	17			
FY 2022/23	School	12. Possession of Weapons	11			
FY 2022/23	School	01. VAP				
FY 2022/23	School	01. VAP	15			;Other weapons;
FY 2022/23	School	12. Possession of Weapons				;Sharp instrument;
FY 2022/23	School	12. Possession of Weapons	11			
FY 2022/23	School	01. VAP	49			;Sharp instrument;
FY 2022/23		12. Possession of Weapons		14	Student	;Sharp instrument;
FY 2022/23	School	01. VAP				
FY 2022/23	School	01. VAP				;Sharp instrument;
FY 2022/23	School	01. VAP	14			
FY 2022/23		12. Possession of Weapons	14			
FY 2022/23	School	01. VAP	14	14		;Sharp instrument;
FY 2022/23	School	01. VAP	9			
FY 2022/23	School	01. VAP				;Sharp instrument;
FY 2022/23		12. Possession of Weapons	13			
FY 2022/23		12. Possession of Weapons	13			
FY 2022/23	School	01. VAP				;Sharp instrument;
FY 2022/23	School	12. Possession of Weapons	15			;Sharp instrument;
FY 2022/23		12. Possession of Weapons	11	11	Student	

FY 2022/23		12. Possession of Weapons				
FY 2022/23		12. Possession of Weapons	13			
FY 2022/23	School	01. VAP				;Sharp instrument;
FY 2022/23		12. Possession of Weapons	14			
FY 2022/23	School	01. VAP	11			
FY 2022/23	School	12. Possession of Weapons	15			
FY 2022/23	School	01. VAP	14			
FY 2022/23	School	12. Possession of Weapons	12			
FY 2022/23	School	01. VAP	14			
FY 2022/23	School	01. VAP	11	11	Student	
FY 2022/23		12. Possession of Weapons	11			
FY 2022/23	School	01. VAP	11			;Sharp instrument;
FY 2022/23	School	01. VAP				;Blunt instrument;
FY 2022/23	School	01. VAP	13			;Blunt instrument;Sharp instrument;
FY 2022/23	School	12. Possession of Weapons				;Sharp instrument;
FY 2022/23	School	12. Possession of Weapons	11			;Sharp instrument;
FY 2022/23	School	12. Possession of Weapons	11	11	Student	
FY 2022/23	Street/road	12. Possession of Weapons				
FY 2022/23	School	01. VAP				
FY 2022/23	School	12. Possession of Weapons	15	15	Student	;Sharp instrument;

FY 2023/24	School	12. Possession of Weapons	12			
FY 2023/24	School	01. VAP	10			
FY 2023/24	School	01. VAP	15			
FY 2023/24	School	01. VAP				;Blunt instrument;
FY 2023/24		12. Possession of Weapons	11			
FY 2023/24	School	01. VAP	14	14		
FY 2023/24	School	01. VAP	14			
FY 2023/24	School	01. VAP				;Blunt instrument;
FY 2023/24	School	12. Possession of Weapons	11			
FY 2023/24	School	12. Possession of Weapons	11			
FY 2023/24	School	01. VAP				;Sharp instrument;
FY 2023/24	School	01. VAP				
FY 2023/24	School	01. VAP	10			;Blunt instrument;
FY 2023/24	School	01. VAP	41			
FY 2023/24		12. Possession of Weapons		17	Student	
FY 2023/24		12. Possession of Weapons		17	Unemployed	
FY 2023/24		12. Possession of Weapons	13			
FY 2023/24	School	12. Possession of Weapons	16			
FY 2023/24		12. Possession of Weapons	13			
FY 2023/24	School	01. VAP	13			
FY 2023/24	School	01. VAP	14			

FY 2023/24	School	01. VAP	13			
FY 2023/24		12. Possession of Weapons	14	14		
FY 2023/24	School	01. VAP	13	13		
FY 2023/24	School	01. VAP	13	14		
FY 2023/24	School	01. VAP	14	13		
FY 2023/24	School	01. VAP	14	14		
FY 2023/24	School	01. VAP	12			;Sharp instrument;
FY 2024/25	School	01. VAP	12			
FY 2024/25	School	12. Possession of Weapons				
FY 2024/25	School	12. Possession of Weapons	12	12		
FY 2024/25	School	12. Possession of Weapons	13	13		
FY 2024/25	School	01. VAP				
FY 2024/25	School	01. VAP	13			
FY 2024/25	School	12. Possession of Weapons	13	13	Student	
FY 2024/25	School	01. VAP	17			
FY 2024/25	School	01. VAP	42			;Blunt instrument;
FY 2024/25	School	01. VAP	15			
FY 2024/25	School	01. VAP	15			
FY 2024/25	School	01. VAP	16			
FY 2024/25	School	12. Possession of Weapons				;Sharp instrument;
FY 2024/25		12. Possession of Weapons	13			

FY 2024/25	Pavement	12. Possession of Weapons	13			
FY 2024/25		12. Possession of Weapons	16			
FY 2024/25	School	01. VAP				
FY 2024/25	School	12. Possession of Weapons	13			
FY 2024/25	School	01. VAP				
FY 2024/25	School	01. VAP	13	13		
FY 2024/25	School	01. VAP	13	14	Student	
FY 2024/25	School	01. VAP	14	13		
FY 2024/25	School	01. VAP	14	14	Student	
FY 2024/25	School	01. VAP	13	13		
FY 2024/25	School	01. VAP	13	14	Student	
FY 2024/25	School	01. VAP	14	13		
FY 2024/25	School	01. VAP	14	14	Student	
FY 2024/25	School	01. VAP				
FY 2024/25	School	01. VAP	10			
FY 2024/25	School	12. Possession of Weapons	11			
FY 2024/25	School	01. VAP	13			
FY 2024/25	School	12. Possession of Weapons	13			;Sharp instrument;
FY 2024/25	School	12. Possession of Weapons	13			;Sharp instrument;
FY 2024/25	School	12. Possession of Weapons	13			;Sharp instrument;
FY 2024/25	School	12. Possession of Weapons	11			

FY 2024/25	School	12. Possession of Weapons	13			
FY 2024/25		12. Possession of Weapons				
FY 2024/25	School	12. Possession of Weapons	16			
FY 2024/25	School	12. Possession of Weapons	43	43		
FY 2024/25		12. Possession of Weapons	43	43		
FY 2024/25	School	01. VAP	14			
FY 2024/25		12. Possession of Weapons	11			
FY 2024/25	Street/road	12. Possession of Weapons	10			
FY 2025/26		12. Possession of Weapons	12			
FY 2025/26		12. Possession of Weapons	13			
FY 2025/26	School	12. Possession of Weapons	13			
FY 2025/26		12. Possession of Weapons	10			
FY 2025/26	School	12. Possession of Weapons	12	12		
FY 2025/26	School	12. Possession of Weapons	15			
FY 2025/26	School	12. Possession of Weapons	12	12	Student	
FY 2025/26	School	01. VAP				
FY 2025/26		12. Possession of Weapons	10	10		
FY 2025/26		12. Possession of Weapons	10			
FY 2025/26	School	01. VAP	11			

FY 2025/26	School	01. VAP	13	13	Student	
FY 2025/26	School	12. Possession of Weapons	19			
FY 2025/26	School	01. VAP	11			;Sharp instrument;
FY 2025/26	School	12. Possession of Weapons	11			
FY 2025/26	School	01. VAP	12			
FY 2025/26	School	01. VAP	11	11		
FY 2025/26	School	01. VAP	13			;Sharp instrument;
FY 2025/26	School	01. VAP	12	12	Student	
FY 2025/26	School	12. Possession of Weapons	17			;Other weapons;Sharp instrument;
FY 2025/26	School	01. VAP				
FY 2025/26	School	01. VAP	12			
FY 2025/26	School	12. Possession of Weapons	15			
FY 2025/26	School	01. VAP				
FY 2025/26	School	01. VAP	11			;Sharp instrument;
FY 2025/26	School	01. VAP	12			;Sharp instrument;
FY 2025/26		12. Possession of Weapons				
FY 2025/26	School	01. VAP				

Please also note: Although the location has been logged on our system as a particular school, it does not mean that every incident relates to that school. The information provided includes incidents reported at or in the vicinity of school premises, both during and outside school hours and will include crimes reported about members of the public who are in no way connected with the school. It includes incidents where it may be found after investigation that there was actually no crime committed. The classification afforded by North Wales Police is in accordance with the Home Office Counting Rules, and consequently incidents may not actually be as serious as the classification title may suggest. It is therefore not a true reflection of the school, the pupils or the staff. Consequently, this data is not suitable to be used in the formulation of league tables as the data in the format provided is not necessarily comparable.

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