

## The survey is entirely confidential

The information that is collected will be used solely for research purposes. Your name and address details are kept separate from your answers and will not be passed on to any other organisation.

No individual will be identifiable from the results. Your answers will be combined with others that take part. You will not receive any 'junk mail' as a result of taking part.

## Who are we?

The Office for National Statistics are responsible for the collection and publication of a wide range of official statistics that serve to inform parliament, the media and the wider public on the work of government. These include the monthly unemployment and inflation statistics for the UK, the quarterly crime statistics for England and Wales and the ten yearly Population Census in England and Wales. Kantar Public is an independent agency specialising in social research.

## What do you need to do?

You do not need to do anything now. An interviewer will visit your address to ask you to take part in the survey.

## Where can you find more information?

More information about the survey is available online at [www.CrimeSurvey.co.uk](http://www.CrimeSurvey.co.uk). If you would like to speak to someone about the survey you can call our freephone Crime Survey information line **0800 051 0882**. If you would like further information about the Office for National Statistics or about the Crime Survey for England and Wales please contact:

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## Where can you find the results?

Detailed results from the Crime Survey for England and Wales are published every quarter and can be found by following the appropriate links at [www.ons.gov.uk](http://www.ons.gov.uk)

## Thank you for your help

# Crime Survey for England and Wales



Why your **help** is important

This leaflet answers some of the questions you may have about taking part in the survey.

## What is the Crime Survey for England and Wales?

The Crime Survey for England and Wales measures the amount of crime in England and Wales by asking people, such as yourself, about crimes you or your household may or may not have experienced in the past year. During 2016/17, nearly 40,000 people will be interviewed as part of the Crime Survey. The Crime Survey for England and Wales records crimes that may not have been reported to the police, so it is used as an alternative to police records. Without the Crime Survey, the Home Office, the Ministry of Justice and the rest of government would have no information on these unreported crimes. The Home Office and the MOJ use the survey to help develop policy and monitor public opinion in areas such as crime prevention, sentencing and tackling anti-social behaviour.

Your answers and opinions are very important to us, whether or not you have experienced any crime.

## Why does this survey matter?

As well as measuring crime, the Crime Survey for England and Wales is also used to:

- Measure people's attitudes to crime and the Criminal Justice System, including the police and the courts.
- Understand people's experiences of anti-social behaviour and how this has affected their quality of life.
- Predict those most at risk of crime to help in designing crime prevention programmes.

The Crime Survey has highlighted that the risk of car crime is increased when a car is parked in a car park and this has led to an increased focus on car park security measures.

The chart below shows some of the results from the survey.

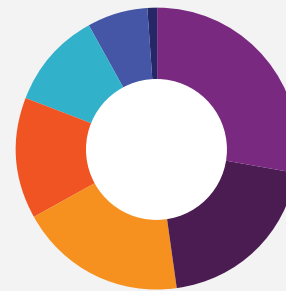
## Why did we choose you?

As it is not possible to ask everyone to take part in the survey, a sample of addresses is selected to represent the entire country. Your address is one of these and was selected at random from a list of private addresses held by the Royal Mail. We are interested in people from all age groups and all parts of the country. By taking part you help us provide an accurate picture of how crime and anti-social behaviour affects you and your community. One adult (aged 16 or over) from each address will be selected to participate. Another household member aged 10-15 may also be selected to complete a shorter questionnaire. We will always ask for permission from a parent or guardian before interviewing anyone under the age of 18.

## Who uses the results?

The Home Office and the Ministry of Justice are the main users of the survey but the data are also used by other Government departments, the police and criminologists.

### Crime Profile



28%	Other thefts
20%	Criminal damage
19%	Violence
14%	Vehicle-related theft
11%	Domestic burglary
7%	Theft from the person
1%	Robbery

Source: 2014/15 Crime Survey for England and Wales