

SNWA BURY ST EDMUNDS REPORTING AREA B (6 PARISHES)

End of Year Perspective - 2020

BSE RECORDED CRIME STATS JAN TO DEC - www.suffolk.police.uk		
MONTH	BSE TOTAL	LOCAL AREA B
JAN	419	11
FEB	482	9
MAR	481	30
APR	354	
MAY	445	
JUN	527	11
JUL	535	13
AUG	537	12
SEP	487	13
OCT	525	16
NOV	491	14
DEC	483	16
MONTHLY AVERAGE:	480	13
SNWA Bury St Edmunds reporting Area B covers the 6 parishes: Bradfield Combust with Stanningfield, Bradfield St Clare, Bradfield St George, Little and Great Whelnetham, Nowton, and Rushbrooke with Rougham.		

Some of the acknowledged caveats/limitations:

- Not all crimes are reported and therefore recorded
- Some reported crime locations cannot be confirmed by victims
- Some grey areas e.g. Violence & Sexual (incl. Domestic Abuse) are all in same category
- Some crimes are not against our immediate community e.g. some types of fraud
- Recorded crimes include very minor to very serious offences
- SCAM phone calls, e-mails, texts etc not included as Action Fraud is responsible

Some observations/comments:

1. Area B monthly average number of recorded crimes, 13 in 2020 compared to 9 in 2019.
2. Five (incl. 2019 stats comparison) of the 14 National crime categories are:
 - a. Violence & Sexual (**incl. Domestic Abuse**): 69 in 2020 cf. 42 in 2019 (**a 64% increase**). **This category accounted for 43% of recorded crimes in our area.**
 - b. Anti-social Behaviour: 29 in 2020 cf. 31 in 2019. Accounted for **18%** of local crimes.
 - c. Criminal Damage/Arson: 15 in 2020 (back to 2016 levels) cf. 8 in 2019. Accounted for **9%** of recorded crimes in our area.
 - d. Burglary: 10 in 2020 cf. 11 in 2019. Accounted for **6%** of recorded crimes.
 - e. Vehicle: 5 in 2020 (same as 2018 level) cf. 0 in 2019. Accounted for **3%** of recorded crimes.
3. For the year ending June 2020, the Office for National Statistics ranks Suffolk as having the 10th lowest crime rate out of 43 Police Forces (excl. British Transport) across England & Wales, with Suffolk being second lowest in the East of England 6 counties.

More detail including a full BSE Police Reporting Area 2018– 2020 three-year comparison and month by month recorded crimes breakdown for Area B parishes/villages at:

<https://suffolknwa.co.uk/bseb.html>

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