

Guide to London Crime Lower Data

1. Claim Codes

Set out in the table below are the claim codes and the claim code descriptions covered by the reports. There is no data for claim codes 1A and 1G as work under these codes is not reported against individual police stations.

Police Station Advice and Assistance Claim Codes

- 1A Free standing advice and assistance
- 1B Police station telephone advice only
- 1C Police station attendance
- 1D Police station attendance - Armed Forces Personnel only
- 1E Warrant of further detention (including Terrorism Act 2000)
- 1F Warrant of further detention - Armed Forces Personnel only
- 1G Duty Solicitor Standby
- 1H Breach of bail conditions
- 1I Arrest on warrant following failure to appear at the magistrates court
- 1J Post-charge police station work
- 1K Administration of a reprimand, warning or caution
- 1L Police station attendance on an immigration issue

Magistrates' Court Claim Codes (duty solicitor and representation order only)

- 2D Court Duty Solicitor session
- 2E Representation order - LSF
- 2F Representation order - HSF
- 2G Representation order - NSF

2. The Data

The data covers all work reported in the various police station and magistrates' court schemes in London during 2004. The data is based on the number of cases and the value of work reported to the Legal Services Commission by firms working under the General Criminal Contract. While the data is accurate to the best of our knowledge the Legal Services Commission cannot be held responsible for any errors in the reporting, entry or summarising of data or any subsequent interpretation of such data. The data includes VAT where applicable.

3. Police Station Data

Each police station scheme has three tables and one chart, which show the following:

- First table: the volume and value of duty solicitor and own client work combined
- Second table: the volume and value of own client work only
- Third table: the volume and value of duty solicitor work only
- Chart: the distribution of case costs – in bands of £100 - for 1C police station advice and assistance attendance cases (own and duty combined). The chart is based on the total case costs reported to the LSC including disbursements and VAT.

4. Magistrates' Court Data

Each magistrates' court scheme has one table and one chart that show the following:

- Table: the volume and value of duty solicitor and representation order work
- Chart: the distribution of case costs – in bands of £200 – for 2E, 2F and 2G lower, higher and non standard fees respectively. The chart is based on the total case costs reported to the LSC including disbursements and VAT.

5. Next Steps

The data will be refreshed when the timetable for the implementation of competitive tendering is clear. We are currently working on a similar data set for each individual supplier and expect to have this available via the internet from August 2005.

6. Who to contact

If you have any questions regarding the data or would like to suggest any additional data that might be useful then please contact David.Szaroleta@legalservices.gov.uk or telephone him on 020 7759 0307.