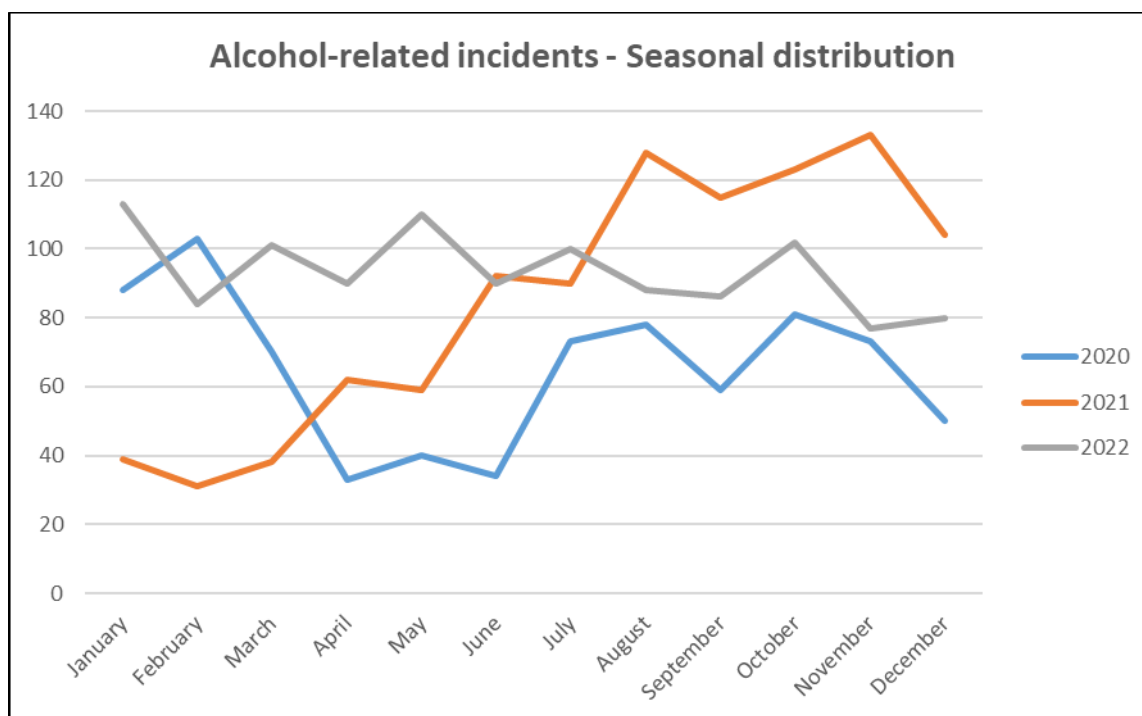


Appendix 8 Alcohol Disorder data summary

Police recorded alcohol-related incidents in Oxford



Source: Thames Valley Police

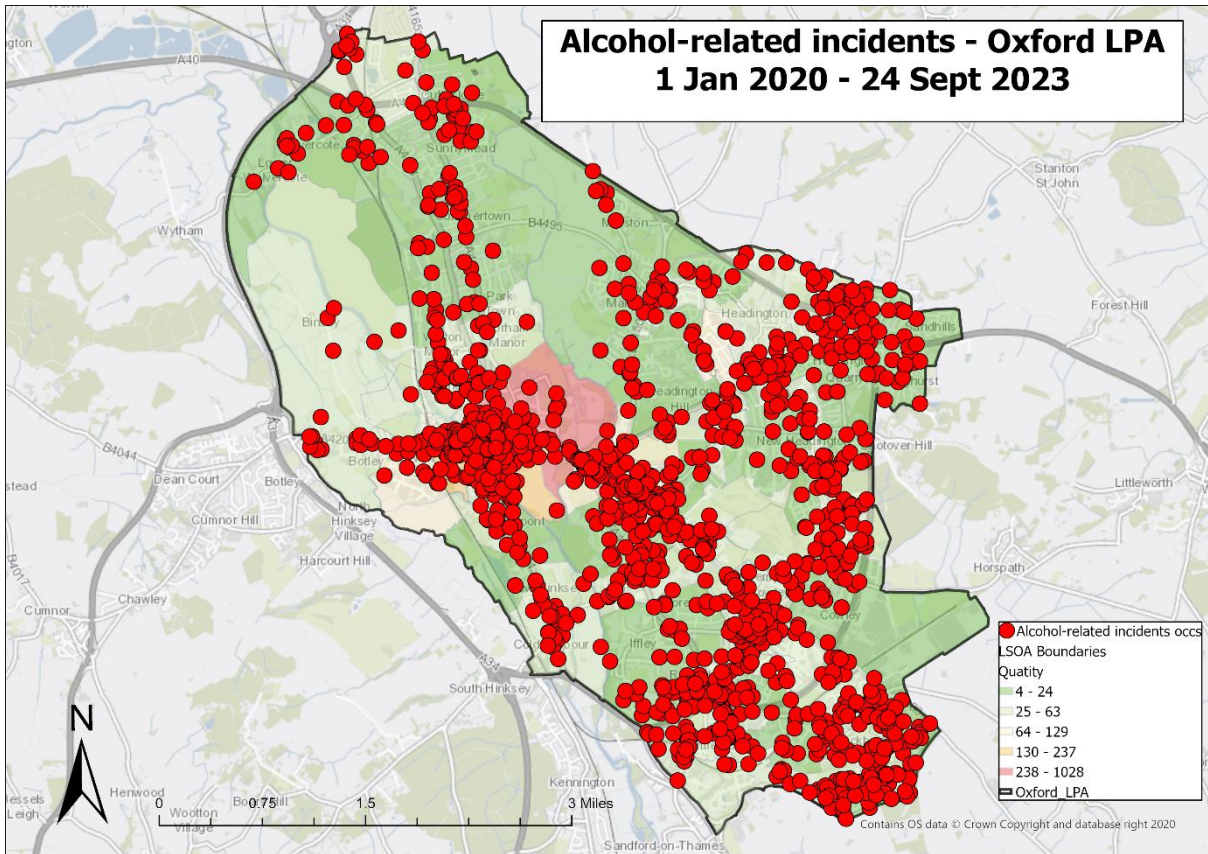
	2020	2021	2022	2023	Grand Total
January	88	39	113	77	317
February	103	31	84	89	307
March	70	38	101	87	296
April	33	62	90	99	284
May	40	59	110	92	301
June	34	92	90	78	294
July	73	90	100	58	321
August	78	128	88	68	362
September	59	115	86	43	303
October	81	123	102		306
November	73	133	77		283
December	50	104	80		234
Grand Total	782	1014	1121	691	3608

Notes: The data presented relates to occurrences where alcohol is a factor in the incident.

In 2020 and early 2021 police recorded incidents fell, particularly during the lockdown periods. From July 2021 there has been an average of 93 incidents per month related to alcohol.

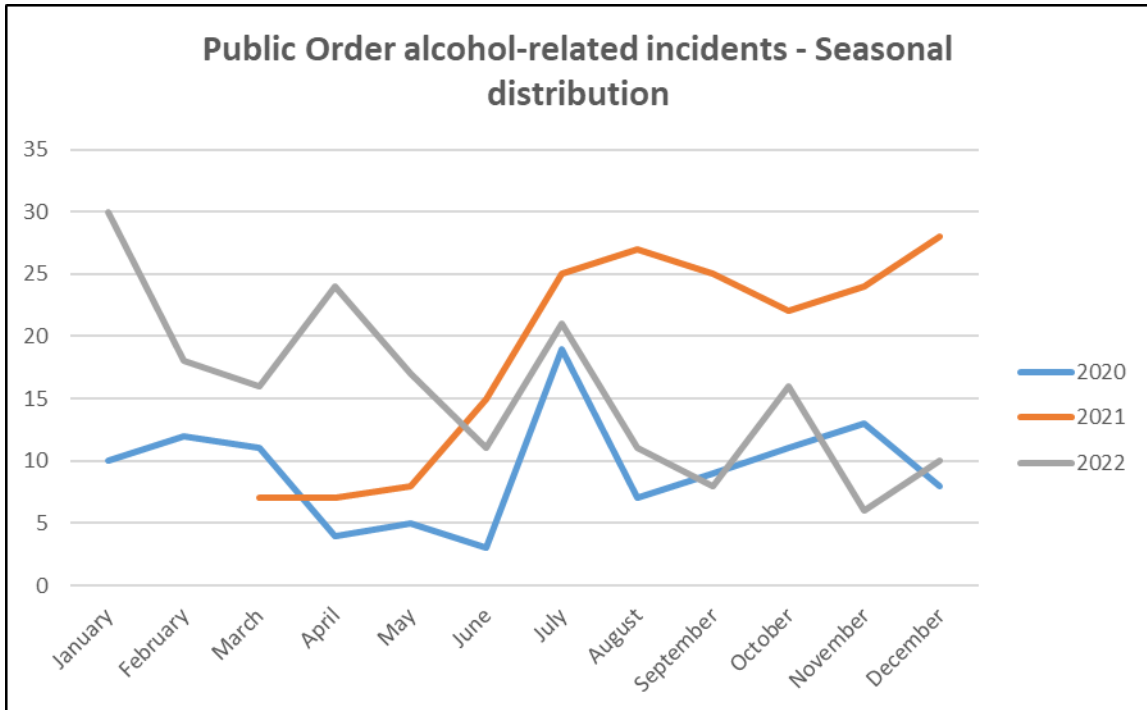
The monthly average in 2023 is currently 77 incidents per month.

Map of police locations



The data shows a wide spread of incidents across the city with higher concentrations in the city centre and the Cowley Road, associated with night-time economy establishments.

Police recorded public order incidents in Oxford



Source: Thames Valley Police

	2020	2021	2022	2023	Grand Total
January	10	6	30	16	62
February	12	7	18	7	37
March	11	7	16	18	52
April	4	7	24	13	48

May	5	8	17	17	47
June	3	15	11	12	41
July	19	25	21	11	76
August	7	27	11	10	55
September	9	25	8	4	46
October	11	22	16		49
November	13	24	6		43
December	8	28	10		46
Grand Total	112	194	188	108	602

Notes: Public order incidents are a subset of all alcohol-related incidents that occur predominantly in public spaces.

From July 2021 the number of monthly alcohol-related public order incidents increased and remained at a similar level until August 2022 with an average of 22 incidents per month. The monthly average fell from August 2022 to September 2023 to 11 incidents per month.

Blackbird Leys Neighbourhood Sergeant statement

PSPO – Consideration for Premier Shop – 170 Pegasus Road, Crowberry Road, Blackbird Leys Park.

Impact

The shop location is situated opposite one of the main parks in Blackbird Leys and adjacent to a local primary school. The Blackbird Leys Neighbourhood Police Team has highlighted this shop as a hotspot area for anti-social behaviour. We established this a hotspot area due to the information received from members of public, partner agencies, proactive patrols on the estate & data on our Police system...

Information also suggested this group often buy alcohol from the Oxford Supermarket and drink outside the shop, behind the shop or in the nearby park. There is also concerns of several people often begging around these shops. Members of public have raised concerns that they often see groups of teenagers hanging around the shop, drinking & smoking drugs... The Blackbird Leys Neighbourhood Police Team have also signposted individuals who have come to our attention to partner agencies to get them involved in local initiatives. This was carried out in hopes that this would improve the current anti-social behaviour taking place in this location and encourage them to pursue their interests and gain qualifications.

With the consumption of alcohol & drugs by groups of people that gather at this location, this increases the opportunity for anti-social behaviour to take place there. This has a negative knock on affect to the community, which increases the risk of young children having to experience this behaviour as they attend or leave school or members of public who use the Oxford Supermarket and Blackbird Leys Park. The Neighbourhood policing team has increased patrols in this location and have made this a priority area.

The staff at the Oxford Supermarket were spoken to and they explained that they are told most days by customers that they need to do something about the people who hang around the front of the store... He went on to explain that when evening approaches some customers are reluctant to enter the store, as there are often large crowds of youths who are drinking and smoking outside the premise. Due to this

issue customers are intimidated to approach the store and will go elsewhere, which affects the shopkeeper's business. They explained they would be supportive of any action that is taken in dealing with this problem.

The County & Parish Councillor for the Blackbird Leys area is supportive of a Public Space Protection Order in this location.

Door Knocks have been carried out by the Neighbourhood Police Team and these are comments made by residents in the local vicinity, which highlights the issues they are experiencing by the individuals who gather outside the shop:

Person A: "Constant noise, I am concerned when I want to walk to the shop"

Person B: "They make me feel dreadful. Big gangs every night. The worst is about 11pm. I live here on my own. The noise is so bad, it's usually going like that until 1am, sometimes 3am. It keeps me awake at night. I literally pray for rain because I don't want to open my window. The mess they leave around is terrifying. I will not go there (shop) during the evening, that how scared they make me feel. More and more beggars. The better the weather is, the worse the problem. I don't think the shop is helping with anything, they sell alcohol to them despite knowing they are underage"

Person C: "They are congregating around shops, sometimes they sit on my wall"

Person D: "I don't feel safe. I've got younger children. I don't want to live here. They throw rubbish around and I have to clean up after them. I keep finding knives. They are hiding things behind my bins: knives and weapons. Lately there has been a huge number of them like something is going on"

Person E: "I don't feel comfortable with them gathering outside and I don't want to pass them on my walk. They are constantly there around the shop. It is so intimidating for me"