ASEL Intelligence Report

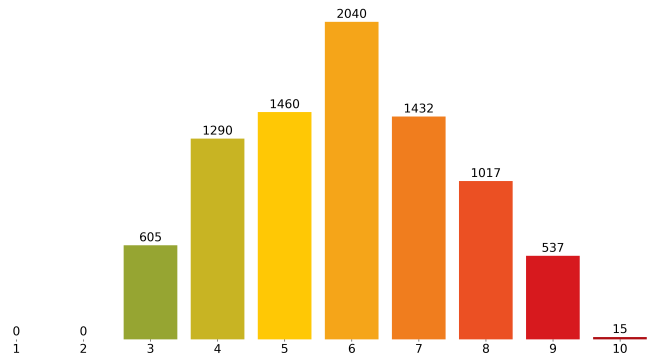
Norfolk
30th September 2026

England & Wales Overview

HIGHEST RISK

FORCE	Metropolitan Police
WARD	Abbey (Metropolitan Police)

Ward Count by Risk Score



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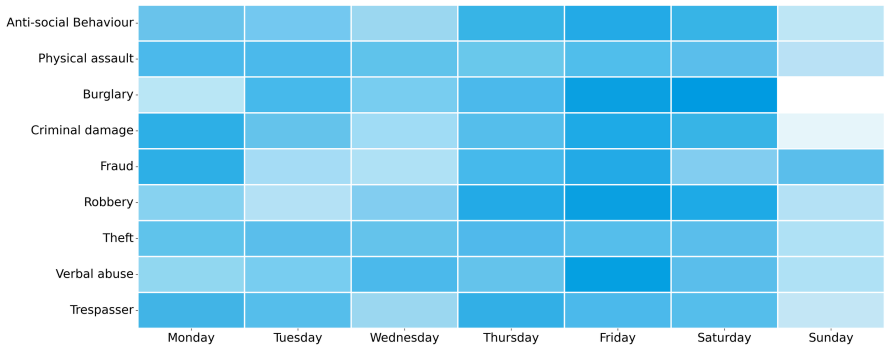

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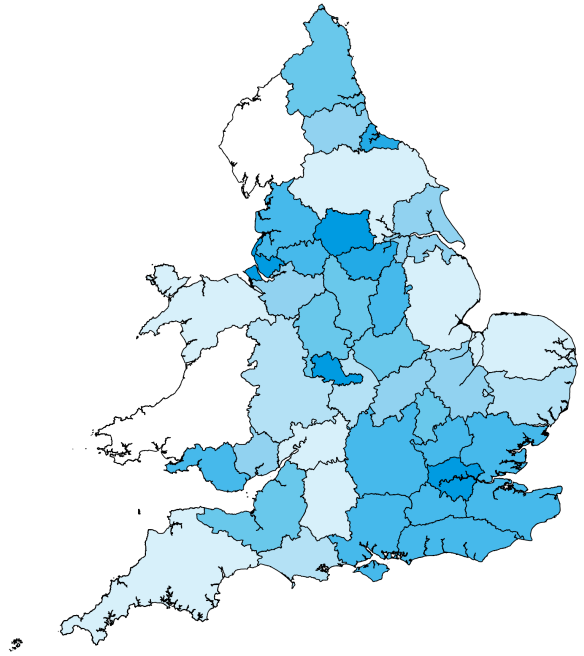

RANK	FORCE	HIGHEST RISK WARD
1	Metropolitan Police	Abbey
2	West Midlands	Abbey
3	West Yorkshire	Town
4	Merseyside	Park
5	South Yorkshire	Central
6	Cleveland	Central
7	Essex	Trinity
8	Kent	Park
9	Hampshire	Nelson
10	Nottinghamshire	Abbey
11	Hertfordshire	Park
12	South Wales	Castle
13	Lancashire	Trinity
14	Sussex	Castle
15	Thames Valley	Abbey
16	Greater Manchester	St Mary's
17	Surrey	Castle
18	Staffordshire	Castle
19	Northumbria	Castle
20	Avon and Somerset	Central
21	Leicestershire	Abbey
22	Bedfordshire	Central
23	Derbyshire	Abbey
24	London, City of	Bridge
25	Cheshire	Highfield
26	Humberside	Park
27	Gwent	Park
28	Cambridgeshire	Central
29	Durham	Northgate
30	Northamptonshire	Castle
31	West Mercia	Abbey
32	Dorset	Bournemouth Central
33	Warwickshire	St Mary's
34	Suffolk	St Peter's
35	Norfolk	Nelson
36	North Wales	Abbey
37	Devon & Cornwall	Stoke
38	Lincolnshire	Castle
39	Wiltshire	Central
40	North Yorkshire	Castle
41	Gloucestershire	Abbey
42	Cumbria	Castle
43	Dyfed-Powys	Tyisha

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HIGHEST RISK LOCATION

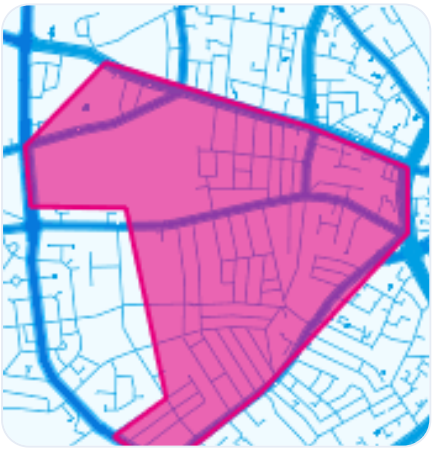
Nelson | 7 | Moderate

Nelson in Norfolk holds the 1st rank regionally, with moderate to high risks. It shows very high risk (score 10) in 'Violence and sexual offences', 'Criminal damage and arson', 'Public order', and 'Burglary'. 'Possession of weapons' risk is also high at 10, while homelessness risk is moderate (4). Despite lower retail park presence, the area remains a moderate risk for policing due to various assets and social factors.

OTHER HIGH RISK LOCATIONS

Nelson

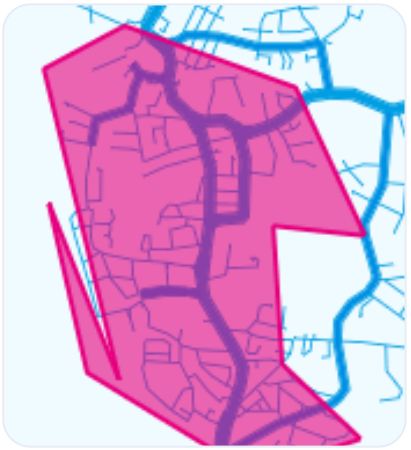
7 | Moderate



Nelson ranks 2nd in Norfolk and faces moderate to high risk exposures with scores of 10 for 'Violence and sexual offences', 'Criminal damage and arson', and 'Public order'. Risks around 'Possession of weapons' and 'Drugs' remain high. Homelessness risk is moderate (4), and the ward features several major junctions influencing public safety dynamics. Targeted policing is essential to manage these risks effectively.

St. Margaret's with St. Nicholas

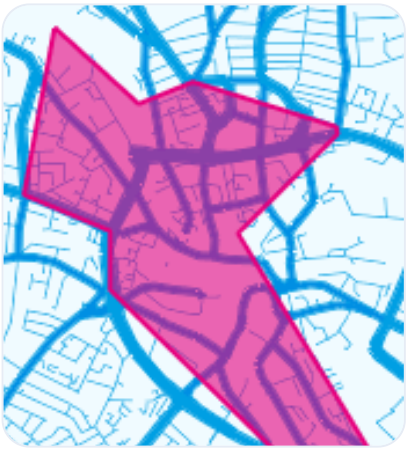
7 | Moderate



St. Margaret's with St. Nicholas ranks 3rd in Norfolk and presents moderate risks; scores show very high risk (10) for 'Violence and sexual offences', 'Criminal damage and arson', and 'Public order'. Other factors like 'Possession of weapons' and 'Shoplifting' also score high. The limited nighttime economy and fast food outlet presence suggest some containment but sustained policing and community support remain critical.

Mancroft

7 | Moderate



Ranked 4th in Norfolk, Mancroft shows a moderate overall risk profile. The area faces extremely likely risks of 'violence and sexual offences', 'criminal damage and arson', 'public order', 'shoplifting', and 'anti-social behaviour'. Retail parks, fast-food outlets and nighttime economy also underline risks. Homelessness and wellbeing rates are moderate, reflecting social challenges impacting policing demands.

Top and Trending Risks

RISK	SCORE	TREND
Theft - Fuel Drive Off (Bilking)	5	
Public Order - Rough Sleepers	4	
Fraud - Voucher Fraud	4	
Trespassing - Squatting	4	
Asset Crime - Criminal Damage	4	
Burglary & Robbery - ATM Rip Out	4	
Fraud - Returns Fraud	4	
Violence & Abuse - Physical Assault	4	
Asset Crime - Theft of Vehicle	4	
Asset Crime - Vehicle Damage	4	

Norfolk Faces Elevated Risk from Fuel Drive Offs and Persistent Asset Crime Threats

Observations

The risk landscape in Norfolk is currently dominated by 'Theft - Fuel Drive Off (Bilking)', which holds the highest risk score of 5.0 out of 10, indicating a moderately high likelihood of occurrence. This risk is notably above the other nine risks, all rated at 4.0, suggesting a particular vulnerability in this area. These risk scores are derived from a combination of demographic, environmental, and historical data inputs, providing an objective measure of the likelihood rather than incident frequency. The stability in scores from the previous month, with no upward or downward trend, suggests a persistent challenge rather than a rapidly evolving one.~~Following the top risk, Norfolk experiences a cluster of risks related to asset crime and public order, including 'Public Order - Rough Sleepers', 'Fraud - Voucher Fraud', and 'Trespassing - Squatting', all rated at 4.0. These risks reflect socio-economic factors prevalent in the region, such as housing insecurity and economic vulnerability, which may contribute to the sustained likelihood of these offences. The presence of 'Burglary & Robbery - ATM Rip Out' and various forms of vehicle-related asset crime further underscores the ongoing threat to property and infrastructure.~~The absence of any trend changes since last month across all top 10 risks indicates a steady risk environment without emerging spikes or reductions. Notably, risks involving violence, such as 'Violence & Abuse - Physical Assault', maintain a moderate risk level but do not surpass property-related risks in likelihood. This suggests that while threats to personal safety remain important, the primary concerns for Norfolk currently centre on property and fraud-related risks. Understanding these stable yet significant risks can help contextualise the security challenges faced by the police in Norfolk.

Police Reported Incidents

CRIME TYPE	PREVIOUS	CURRENT	TREND
Anti social behaviour	986	1051	
Criminal damage and arson	555	564	
Vehicle crime	103	158	
Violence and sexual offences	2560	2727	
Other theft	368	377	
Public order	416	427	
Bicycle theft	51	62	
Burglary	141	167	
Drugs	137	149	
Shoplifting	467	496	
Other crime	179	182	
Robbery	40	34	
Theft from the person	26	30	
Possession of weapons	62	82	

In Norfolk, the most significant increases are seen in 'Vehicle crime' and 'Possession of weapons', with notable rises in both absolute numbers and percentages, indicating a concerning trend for public safety. 'Burglary' and 'Shoplifting' also show marked increases, which are critical from a retail security perspective due to their direct impact on businesses. Conversely, 'Robbery' has decreased, suggesting some improvement in this high-risk crime. Crimes such as 'Violence and sexual offences', 'Public order', and 'Criminal damage and arson' remain relatively stable with slight increases, maintaining a steady demand on policing resources. The overall rise in 'Anti-social behaviour' and 'Drugs' offences, though less dramatic, still warrants attention due to their potential to escalate into more serious incidents. The upward trends in weapon possession and vehicle crime are particularly concerning for community safety and require ongoing monitoring.

ASEL Incidents

CRIME TYPE	PREVIOUS	CURRENT	TREND
Physical Assault	0	0	
Verbal Abuse	0	0	
Robbery	0	0	
Burglary	0	0	
Theft	0	0	
Antisocial Behaviour	0	0	
Disorderly Conduct	0	0	
Criminal Damage	0	0	
Trespass	0	0	
Fraud	0	0	

Across all incident categories, ASEL has recorded zero incidents within this Force area. This lack of reported activity suggests that ASEL does not have a sufficient operational presence or in the region to support reliable trend analysis or meaningful comparisons with other data sources. Accordingly, ASEL has been excluded from the overall risk likelihood scoring for this area, and its weighting has been redistributed across other available indicators, including crime statistics, demographic profiles, and environmental risk factors.

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Appendix A: Full Risk Catalogue

CRIME TYPE	PREVIOUS	CURRENT	TREND
Violence & Abuse - Physical Assault	4	4	
Violence & Abuse - Verbal Abuse	4	4	
Violence & Abuse - Sexual Assault	4	4	
Violence & Abuse - Sexual Harassment	3	3	
Violence & Abuse - Hate Crime	3	3	
Burglary & Robbery - Unarmed Robbery	3	3	
Burglary & Robbery - Armed Robbery	3	3	
Burglary & Robbery - Ram Raid	3	3	
Burglary & Robbery - ATM Rip Out	4	4	
Burglary & Robbery - Burglary	3	3	
Burglary & Robbery - Walk in Burglary	3	3	
Theft - Steaming Attacks	4	3	
Theft - Trolley Pushout	4	4	
Theft - From Service Desk	4	4	
Theft - Concealment	4	4	
Theft - Self Service Theft	4	3	
Theft - Fuel Drive Off (Bilking)	5	5	
Theft - By Employee	3	3	
Asset Crime - Arson	3	3	
Asset Crime - Criminal Damage	4	4	
Asset Crime - Vehicle Damage	4	4	
Asset Crime - Theft of Vehicle	4	4	
Public Order - Riot	4	4	
Public Order - Protest	4	4	
Public Order - Antisocial Behaviour	4	3	
Public Order - Drug Usage	4	4	
Public Order - Rough Sleepers	4	4	
Trespassing - Out of Hours	3	3	
Trespassing - Encampment	4	4	
Trespassing - In Hours	4	3	
Trespassing - Squatting	4	4	
Fraud - Voucher Fraud	4	4	
Fraud - Returns Fraud	4	4	

Credits

- Crime data sourced from Police.uk
- Demographic information obtained from the UK Census
- Prints use map data from Mapbox and OpenStreetMap and their data sources
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