

### Noise Nuisance 2009-10

England and Wales and Northern Ireland

Data represents 178 of 374 (48 %) local authorities

	Industrial	Commercial / Leisure	Domestic	Construction / Demolition Sites	Vehicles, Machinery & Equipment in Streets	Traffic	Miscellaneous	Total of all Categories <sup>4</sup>
<b>Number of Complaints</b>	3,748	24,933	133,065	4,826	4,673	12,418	11,313	199,109
<b>Number of Noise Incidents Complained of</b>	2,881	18,055	105,539	3,456	3,749	1,078	6,068	140,826
<b>Incidents Per Million Population</b>	142	883	5,111	185	207	69	328	6,315
<b>Incidents Confirmed as a Statutory Nuisances etc.</b> <sup>1 2</sup>	486	4,507	19,926	876	733		634	27,299
<b>Nuisances Remedied Without a Notice Being Served</b> <sup>3</sup>								
<b>Nuisance Ceased and Not Likely to Recur</b>	48	649	3,544	138	102	18	93	4,592
<b>Referred to Other Services</b>	41	258	602	34	54	41	46	1,076
<b>Resolved Informally</b>	188	1,845	6,535	436	276	44	197	9,524
<b>No action Possible</b>	106	773	5,191	112	132	33	135	6,482
<b>Notices Served</b>								
<b>Abatement Notice</b>	63	655	2,585	81	125		86	3,733
<b>Prior Consent for Construction Noise</b>				57			21	83
<b>Noise Act 1996 Warning Notice</b>		10	158				1	171
<b>Noise Act 1996 Fixed Penalty</b>		0	5				0	5
<b>Environmental Protection Act 1990 Fixed Penalty (London)</b>	0	1	15	1	0		0	17
<b>Appeals Against Notice</b>	2	10	20	1	4		0	44
<b>Number of Appeals allowed in Whole or in Part</b>	0	1	7	0	0		0	13
<b>Prosecutions Began</b>								
<b>Breach of Abatement Notice</b>	3	39	285	17	4		5	371
<b>Breach of restriction on, or prior consent for, Construction Noise</b>				0			0	0
<b>Noise Act 1996</b>		0	2				0	2
<b>Conviction</b>	2	15	104	1	0		4	141
<b>Nuisance Remedied by the LA in Default</b>	1	10	117	0	12		4	147
<b>Number of Seizures</b>	0	1	125	0	1		2	176

<sup>1</sup> "Nuisances etc." includes all those 'triggers' giving rise to formal enforcement power

<sup>2</sup> The sum of actions taken to resolve Nuisances may exceed the "incidents confirmed as Statutory Nuisances etc" figure because not all local authorities could provide data on incidents and more than one formal action may be taken to resolve a nuisance.

<sup>3</sup> "Nuisances" here means statutory nuisances

<sup>4</sup> The "Total of all categories" value is greater than the sum of categories as 1 local authority provided aggregate data

<sup>5</sup> Figures reported from 2005-06 may seem lower than previous years as they have not been subject to a 'grossing' calculation. Before 2005-06, where responding authorities were not able to provide data on the questions concerning outcome of noise incidents, estimates were made by pro-rating on number of noise incidents complained of