

Crimes against older people: Updates from the CSEW

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Crime Survey for England and Wales (CSEW)

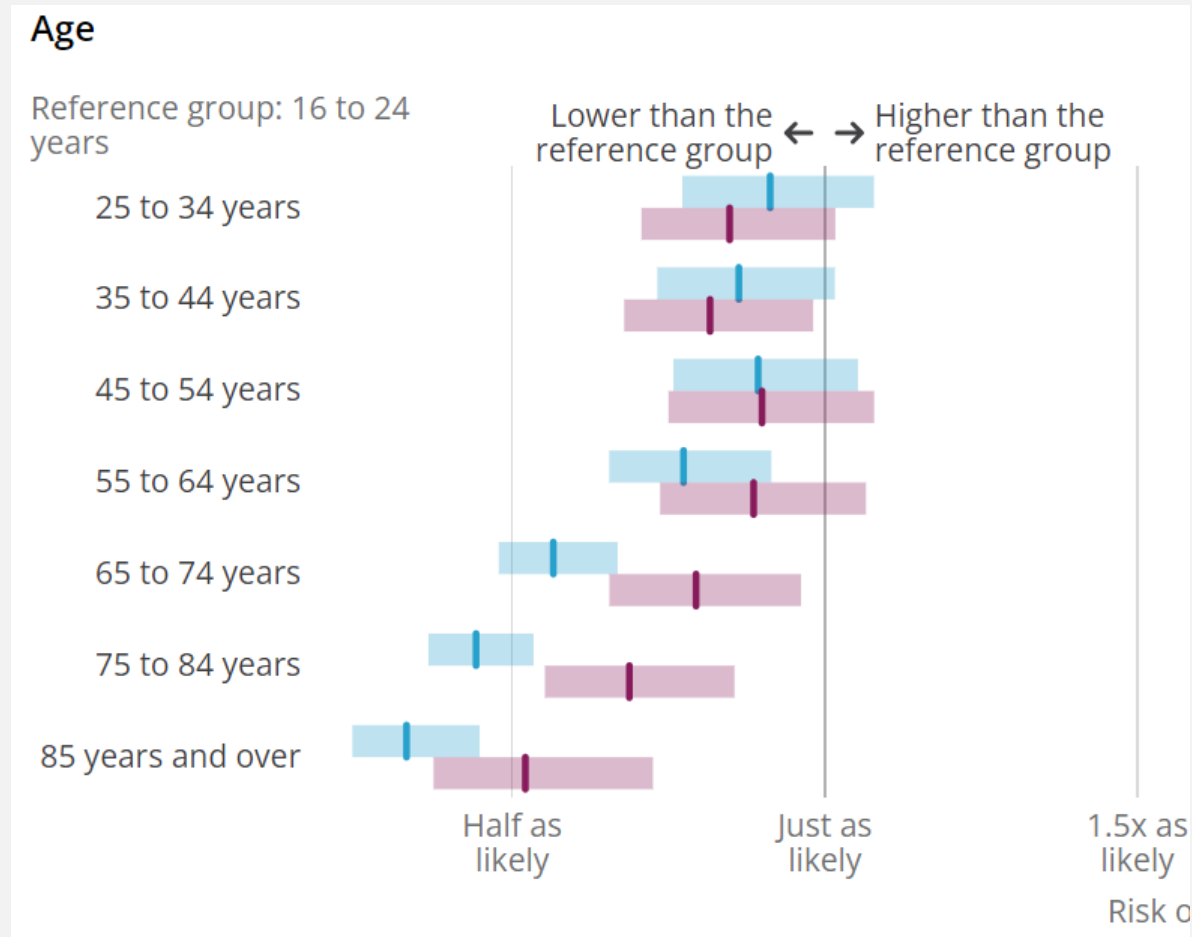
- face-to-face victimisation survey of people aged 16 and over resident in households in England and Wales
- asks about a selected range of offences in the 12 months prior to interview
- provides better measure of trends on a consistent basis over time compared with police recorded crime for the populations and offences it covers
- CSEW headline crime captures theft, robbery, criminal damage, fraud, computer misuse and violence with or without injury
- sexual assault, stalking, harassment and domestic abuse are captured in a different way and presented separately

What do we know about crime against older people?

In the YE March 2023 16.1% of people experienced a CSEW headline crime. This varied by age:

Age group	Prevalence of CSEW headline crime
16 to 24	19.5
25 to 34	18.2
35 to 44	17.4
45 to 54	17.9
55 to 64	15.9
65 to 74	12.1
75 to 84	9.7
85 and over	7.5

Odds ratios for CSEW headline crime by age group

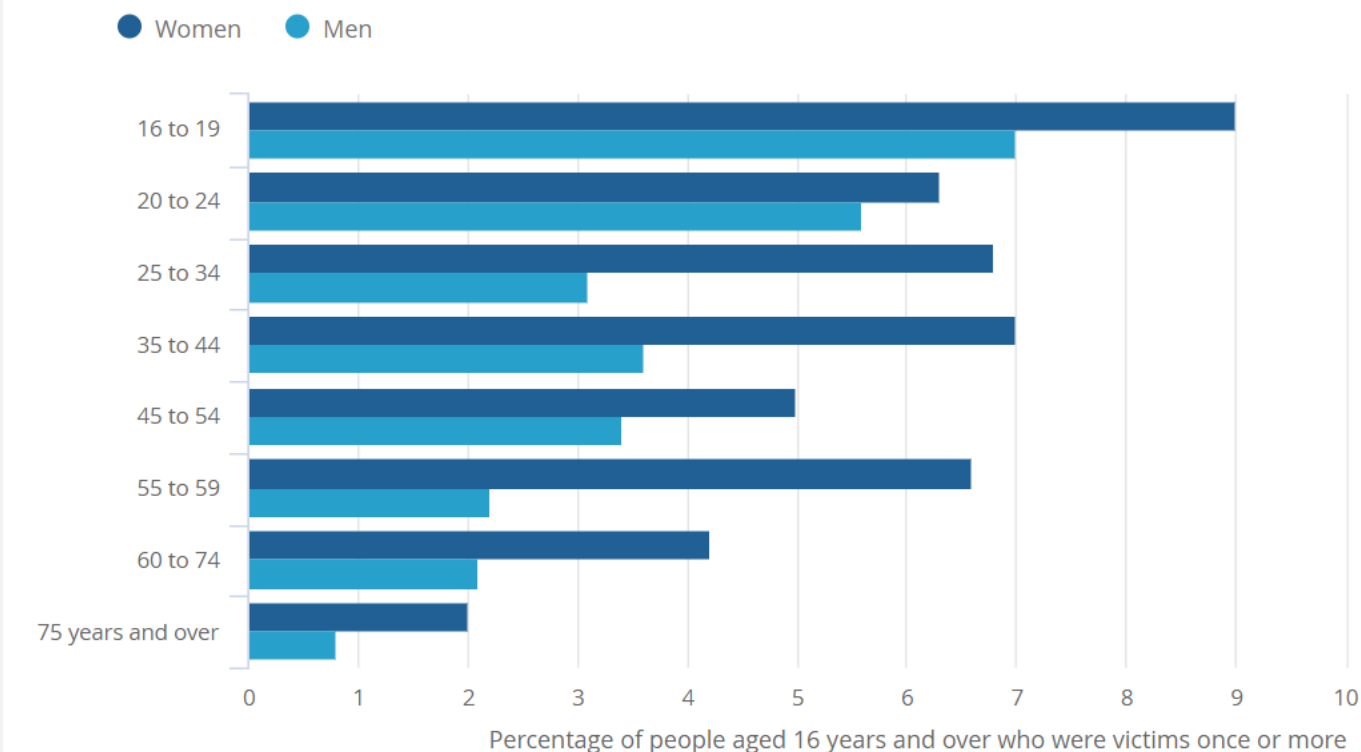


- People aged 55 years and over had decreased odds compared with those aged 16 to 24 years; this was partially reduced after adjusting for other factors, including spending time outside the home and visits to pubs or bars.

Adjusted model (red) includes age, sex, disability, educational attainment, employment status, household structure, tenure, region and output area classification, time spent outside the home, and time spent visiting pubs and bars.

Domestic abuse prevalence by age group

Prevalence of domestic abuse in the last year for people aged 16 years and over by age and sex, England and Wales, year ending March 2023



- a higher proportion of people aged 16 to 19 years were victims of any domestic abuse (8.0%) compared with those aged 60 years and over (3.2% for 60 to 74 years and 1.4% for over 75)

Non-household populations: Care home residents

Crime in England and Wales, victim characteristics: year ending March 2023

Risk of victimisation using Crime Survey for England and Wales (CSEW) data, including crime experiences of non-household populations using administrative data.

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- In England there were 173,280 Section 42 enquiries raised for an adult who may be at risk of abuse or neglect, a third (32%) of which were raised for adults residing in a care or nursing home (55,220)
- There were 4,090 callers to Hourglass; most of the abuse occurred in the callers' own homes (83.5%), followed by care homes (6.8%) and hospitals (3.7%)

CSEW improvements

The upper age limit for self-completion modules was raised to 74 from April 2017 and removed completely after post-pandemic return to face-to-face interviewing

New questions about financial abuse have been added to the survey on a split sample basis from April 2023

New questions about receiving care at home have been added to the survey in April 2024

Questions