



# **Crown Court**

Annual Report 2003 - 2004

## **Stoke On Trent Crown Court**

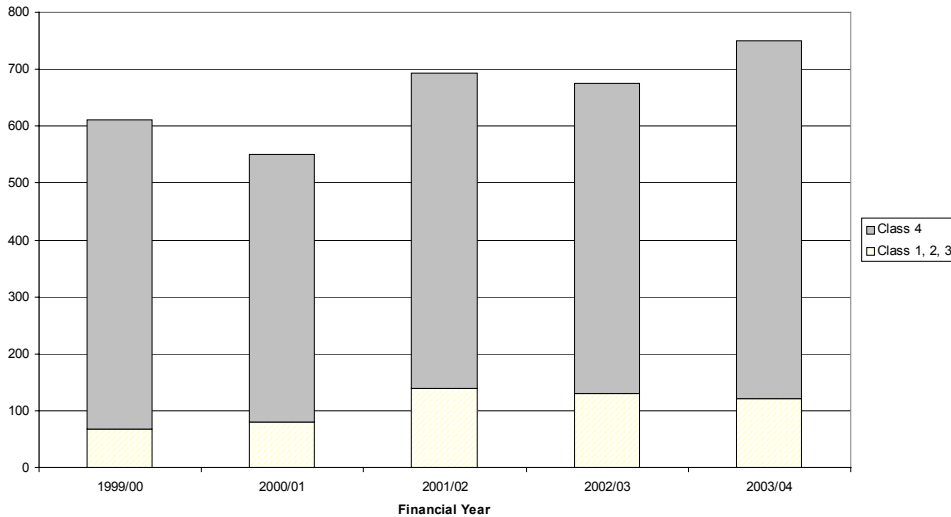


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### Annual Report by the Resident Judge and Court Manager

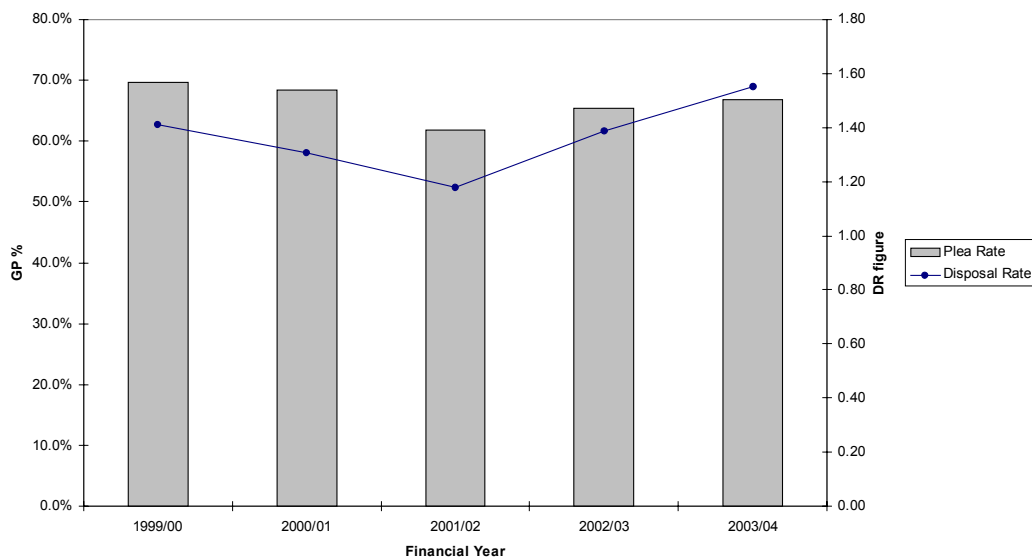
Trial Receipts	83,813	612	551	693	676	751	11.1%
Class 1, 2, 3	11,642	67	80	139	130	121	-6.9%
Class 4	72,171	545	471	554	546	630	15.4%

Trial Receipts by Class



	EW 03/04	1999/00	2000/01	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04	% Diff
Sentence Receipts	31,919	240	272	257	302	393	30.1%
Appeal Receipts	12,019	157	149	138	126	148	17.5%
Disposals	83,247	675	586	544	719	768	6.8%
Plea Rate	57.9%	69.6%	68.4%	61.9%	65.5%	66.9%	2.1%
Disposal Rate	0.82	1.41	1.31	1.18	1.39	1.55	12.0%

Guilty Plea Rate and Disposal Rate

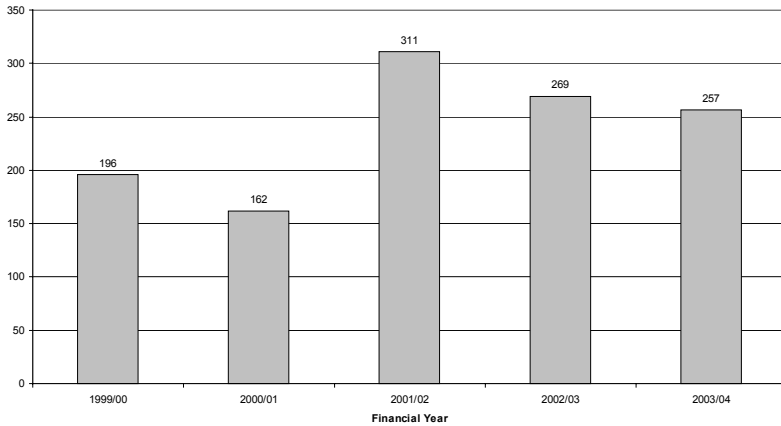


	EW 03/04	1999/00	2000/01	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04	% Diff
Outstanding Trials	29,752	196	162	311	269	257	-4.5%

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Outstanding Trials



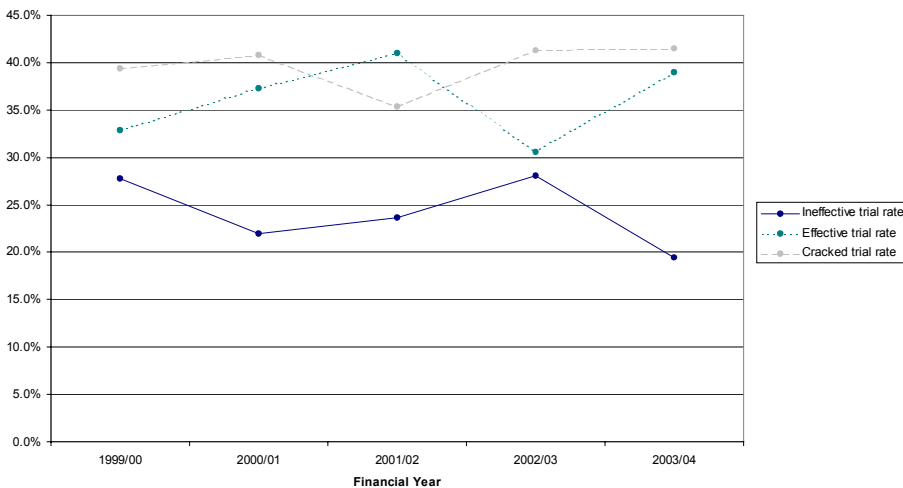
### Stale Cases

	EW 03/04	1999/00	2000/01	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04	% Diff
% trials outstanding over 16 weeks	39.3%	44.4%	31.5%	45.3%	37.5%	38.5%	2.6%
% trials outstanding over 48 weeks	5.0%	9.2%	3.7%	6.1%	9.7%	6.2%	-35.6%

### Cracked and Ineffective

	EW 03/04	1999/00	2000/01	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04	% Diff
Trials listed (number)	51,232	353	282	266	356	313	-12.1%
Ineffective trial rate	20.6%	27.8%	22.0%	23.7%	28.1%	19.5%	-30.6%
Effective trial rate	41.0%	32.9%	37.2%	41.0%	30.6%	39.0%	27.3%
Cracked trial rate	38.3%	39.4%	40.8%	35.3%	41.3%	41.5%	0.6%

Ineffective, Effective and Cracked Trials



### Witness and Juror service

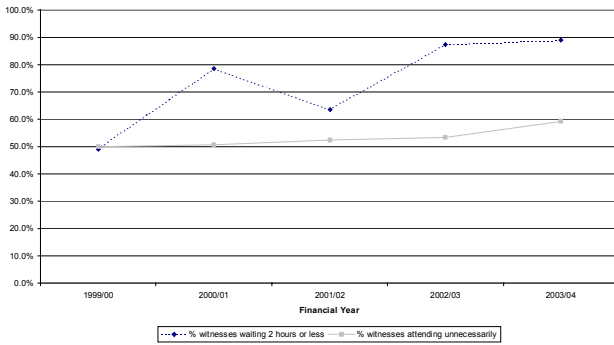
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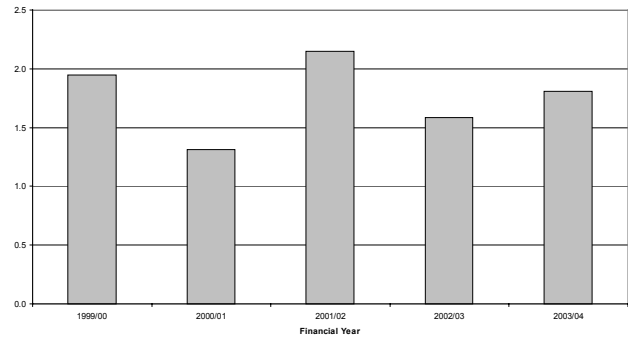
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Days jurors sit as a % of attendance and non attendance	59.3%	56.4%	43.3%	58.5%	55.6%	52.6%	-5.4%
% witnesses waiting 2 hours or less	51.8%	48.9%	78.6%	63.6%	87.3%	89.0%	2.0%
% witnesses attending unnecessarily	44.5%	50.0%	50.8%	52.4%	53.4%	59.3%	10.9%
Average waiting time for witnesses attending unnecessarily (hours)	2.7	2.0	1.3	2.1	1.6	1.8	14.2%

Percentage of Witnesses Waiting Within Target and Proportion Waiting Unnecessarily



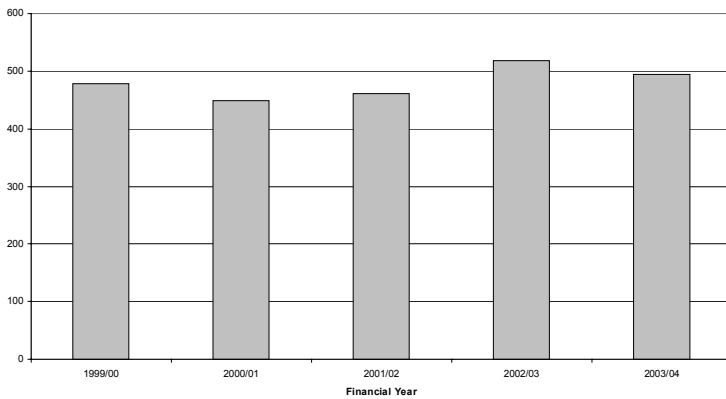
Average Waiting Time for Witnesses Attending Unnecessarily (hours)



## Sitting Days

	EW 03/04	1999/00	2000/01	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04	% Diff
Average Trial Hearing Time (hours)	9.6	6.4	5.5	5.6	7.8	5.1	-35.2%
Average Guilty Plea Hearing Time (hours)	1.2	0.8	0.8	0.7	1.3	0.7	-42.6%
Average Sitting Day Length (hours)	4.33	4.39	4.51	4.61	4.62	4.62	0.0%
Number of sitting days	101,320	478	449	461	519	495	-4.6%

Number of Sitting Days



## PSAs

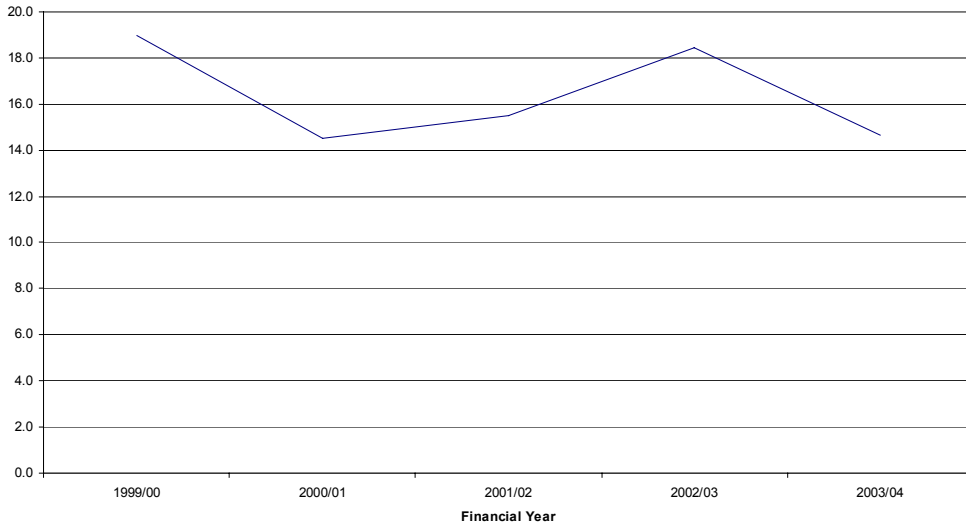
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Average Waiting time (weeks)	15.1	19.0	14.5	15.5	18.5	14.7	-20.5%
% Defendants commencing in target	79.4%	80.4%	80.7%	80.9%	78.2%	82.5%	5.5%

**Average Waiting Time**



**Percentage Cases Commencing Within Target**  
(Trials 16 weeks, Sent for Trial 26 weeks, Sentence 10 weeks, Appeal 14 weeks)

