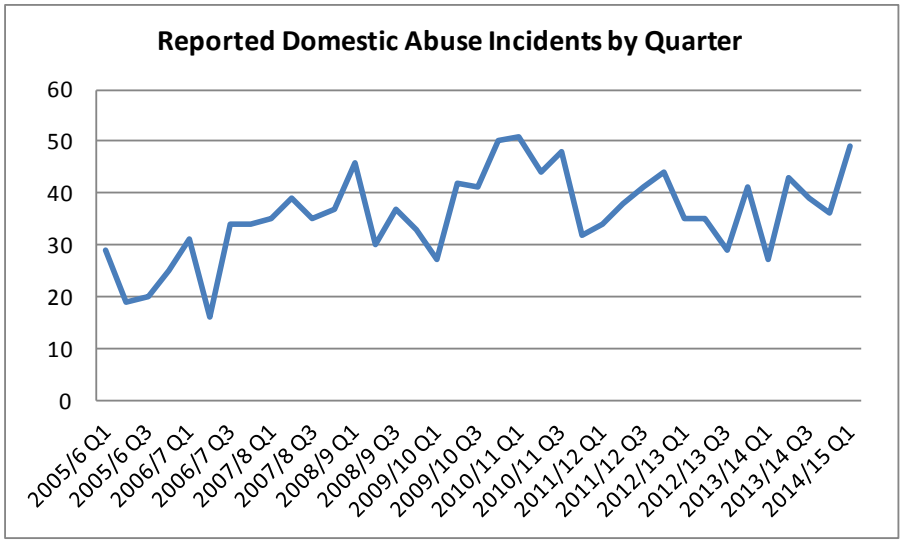
2014/15 Q1 All Reported Domestic Abuse Incidents

This section includes ***all*** domestic incidents reported in the City, whether reported by residents, workers, visitors, persons socialising in the City or others.

2014/15 Q1 Incidents reported to:	CoL Police	CAB[1]	CoL Housing	SMP[2]	CoL CSCare[3]	CoL ASCare[4]	Toynbee Hall	Victim Support	CST[5]	Total:
2005/6	26	3								29
2006/7	29	2								31
2007/8	30	5								35
2008/9	40	6								46
2009/10	22	5								27
2010/11	37	10	4	0	0					51
2011/12	30		4	0	0		0	0		34
2012/13	32		2	0	0	0	1	0		35
2013/14	16		3	0	3	0	3	2		27
2014/15	**37**		**4**	**0**	**2**	**0**	**0**	**5**	**1**	**49**

Data has been collected for 49 domestic abuse incidents reported in 2014/15 Q1 - this is a substantial increase of 22 (81.4%) from 27 incidents in Q1 last year (2013/14) and is the 2nd highest Q1 total, and 3rd highest total for any quarter, recorded since monitoring of this began. The overall trend since 2010/11 Q1 had been for the number of incidents each quarter to be reducing, there is now a marked upward trend since 2013/14 Q1:



The increase in the overall number of recorded incidents can be attributed to increased reporting of incidents to the City of London Police (up from 16 in 2013/14 Q1 to 37 in 2014/15 Q1 - however this shows a return to more 'usual' levels of reporting following a sharp decrease in 2013/14 Q1) and Victim Support (up from 2 in 2013/14 Q1 to 5 in 2014/15 Q1). The increase for Victim Support may be attributed to the work of the Vulnerable Victims' Coordinator which is now beginning to impact on the overall number of incidents reported.
For other partners the number of incidents is not a significant change from the same quarter in previous years. No incidents were reported to Toynbee Hall during Q1, so public awareness of their services in respect of domestic abuse still appears to be low.

[1] Citizens Advice Bureau
[2] Substance Misuse Partnership
[3] Children's Social Care
[4] Adult Social Care
[5] Community Safety Team

Repeat Victims

There were 49 victims of domestic abuse incidents in 2014/15 Q1. Of these 5 were flagged as being repeat victims – in 4 of these cases the other incidents took place/were reported outside of the City and there was one City resident repeat victim. This City victim has 9 previous recorded incidents since 2008 involving the same perpetrator and the Q1 incident was referred to the City MARAC.

Victim/Perpetrator Relationship:

In 2014/15 Q1:

- 22 incidents involved ex-partners
- 18 incidents involved current partners
- 1 incident was HBV-related (wider family involved)
- The relationship between the victim/perpetrator was not stated in 8 incidents

Gender

In 2014/15 Q1 there were 38 female victims and 11 male victims.
The perpetrators were: 8 females and 39 males (2 not stated).

- 35 females were the victim of a male perpetrator
- 1 female was the victim of a female perpetrator
- 7 males were victim of a female perpetrator
- 4 males were the victim of a male perpetrator

Numbers are low, but do not indicate any significant change from 2013/14.

Age

In 2014/15 Q1 the victim's age was recorded in 46 of the 49 incidents; the majority of victims were younger adults between the ages of 20-49:

Victim Age	Female	Male	Not Stated	All
16-19	2	0	0	2
20-29	13	3	0	16
30-39	10	2	0	12
40-49	8	4	0	12
50-59	1	2	0	3
60-69	1	0	0	1
70-79	0	0	0	0
Not Stated	3	0	0	3

This is a small increase in the average age of victims as in 2013/14, the majority of victims were in the 20-39 years age bracket. As numbers are low when just considering this one quarter of data, this will need to be monitored to see if this trend continues over time.

The perpetrator's age was recorded in 38 of the 49 incidents (a lower proportion than recorded for victims) and, where recorded, indicates that the majority of perpetrators were young-middle aged adults between the ages of 20-49:

Perpetrator Age	Female	Male	Not Stated	All
16-19	0	0	0	0
20-29	3	6	0	9
30-39	3	12	0	15
40-49	1	9	0	10
50-59	0	2	0	2
60-69	0	2	0	2
70-79	0	0	0	0
Not Stated	1	8	2	11

As for victims, at this stage it appears that the average age of perpetrators may be slightly higher than in 2013/14 and this will also need to be monitored going forward.

In 2014/15 Q1, 2 incidents were recorded which involved a 16 or 17 year old, so the change in the definition of domestic abuse from March 2013 to include this age range is still not impacting greatly on the number of incidents reported.

Ethnicity

In 2014/15 Q1 the victim's ethnicity was recorded in 40 of the 49 incidents; the majority of victims were from a 'White' background (30), followed by 'Asian or Asian British' (5) and then 'Black or Black British' (3). This is broadly similar to 2013/14.

Victim Ethnicity	Female	Male	Not Stated	All
Asian or Asian British	5	0	0	5
Black or Black British	3	0	0	3
Chinese	0	1	0	1
Mixed	1	0	0	1
Other Ethnic Group	0	0	0	0
White	20	10	0	30
Not Stated	9	0	0	9

The perpetrator's ethnicity was recorded in 36 of the 49 incidents and, where recorded, indicates that the majority of perpetrators were also from a 'White' background (23). In 2013/14 perpetrators from an 'Asian or Asian British' background were the second highest group and then 'Black or Black British, but in 2014/15 Q1, this has been reversed with slightly more perpetrators from a 'Black or Black British Background' [6] than from an 'Asian or Asian British' background [5]. As numbers are low, this will change also need to be monitored going forward.

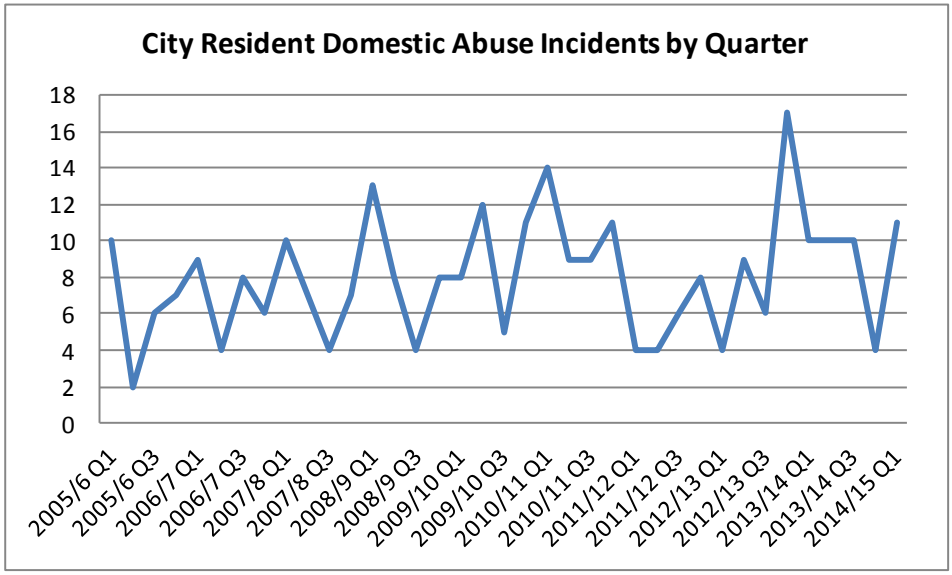
Perpetrator Ethnicity	Female	Male	Not Stated	All
Asian or Asian British	1	4	0	5
Black or Black British	1	5	0	6
Chinese	1	0	0	1
Mixed	0	1	0	1
Other Ethnic Group	0	0	0	0
White	5	18	0	23
Not Stated	0	11	2	13

2014/15 Q1 City Resident Incidents

This section includes only those incidents which involved a City resident (as victim or perpetrator).

Q1 City Resident Incidents reported to:	CoL Police	CAB	CoL Housing	SMP	CoL CSCare	CoL ASCare	Toynbee Hall	Victim Support	CST	Total:
2005/6	9	1								10
2006/7	9	0								9
2007/8	9	1								10
2008/9	11	2								13
2009/10	7	1								8
2010/11	7	4	3	0	0					14
2011/12	3		1	0	0		0	0		4
2012/13	4		0	0	0	0	0	0		4
2013/14	3		1	0	3	0	1	2		10
2014/15	5		1	0	1	0	0	4	0	11

11 (22.4%) of the 49 incidents recorded in 2014/15 Q1 involved a City resident. This is a similar number and proportion to Q1 of last year and years prior to that. Since monitoring of this measure began in 2005/6, there has only been a very slight increase in the number of City resident incidents reported each quarter:



The number of incidents reported to individual partners has also not changed significantly since 2005/6, although the introduction of the Vulnerable Victims Co-ordinator role by Victim Support has led to a noticeable increase in incidents recorded by them.

There were **2** domestic incidents involving City residents where there was a child/children in the household. This included a total of 6 children (2 in one household and 4 in the other). These incidents have been cross-checked with Community & Children's Services and they are aware of these families.

Due to the low number of incidents involving a City resident, details of the location of the incidents cannot be provided as this may make it possible to identify the individuals involved. In summary though, the incidents in the 1st quarter of 2014/15 were widespread across the City and there is no clearly identifiable 'hotspot'.

Repeat City Victims:

In 2014/15 Q1, there was one City resident repeat victim. This City victim has 9 previous recorded incidents since 2008 involving the same perpetrator and the Q1 incident was referred to the City MARAC.

City Victim/Perpetrator Relationship:

In 2014/15 Q1:

- 1 City resident incident involved ex-partners
- 5 incidents involved current partners
- The relationship between the victim/perpetrator was not stated in 5 incidents

There is a high proportion of City resident incidents where the relationship between the victim and perpetrator is not specified – this may be due to the fact that partners dealing with City residents only do not have data bases which hold as much information as the City Police, who deal with a smaller proportion of City residents.

Gender

In the 2014/15 Q1 City resident incidents there were 9 female and 2 male victims.
The perpetrators were: 1 female and 9 males (1 not stated).

- 8 females were the victim of a male perpetrator
- 1 male was the victim of a female perpetrator
- 1 male was the victim of a male perpetrator

At this stage in the year numbers are low, but so far do not indicate any significant changes compared to last year

Age

As in 2013/14, for incidents involving a City resident, the main age group of victims was between 30-39 years:

Victim Age	Female	Male	Not Stated	All
16-19	0	0	0	0
20-29	2	0	0	2
30-39	4	0	0	4
40-49	1	1	0	2
50-59	1	1	0	2
60-69	1	0	0	1
70-79	0	0	0	0
Not Stated	0	0	0	0

The perpetrator's age was recorded in 8 of the 11 incidents and, where recorded, also indicates that the main age group for perpetrators was between 30-39 years, which was the main age group in 2013/14 as well:

Perpetrator Age	Female	Male	Not Stated	All
16-19	0	0	0	0
20-29	0	0	0	0
30-39	1	3	0	4
40-49	0	2	0	2
50-59	0	2	0	2
60-69	0	0	0	0
70-79	0	0	0	0
Not Stated	0	3	0	3

So far in 2014/15, no perpetrators ages have been recorded for the 60-69 years age range, which was the 2nd highest age group last year. There is no obvious reason for this at this stage and may not be a significant change, due to low incident numbers.

No incidents involving 16 or 17 year olds were reported for City residents in 2014/15 Q1 and so awareness-raising initiatives could be particularly targeted at younger City residents.

Ethnicity

In 2014/15 Q1 the victim's ethnicity was recorded in 10 of the 11 City resident incidents; the majority of victims were from a 'White' (6) or 'Asian or Asian British' (3) background:

Victim Ethnicity	Female	Male	Not Stated	All
Asian or Asian British	3	0	0	3
Black or Black British	1	0	0	1
Chinese	0	0	0	0
Mixed	0	0	0	0
Other Ethnic Group	0	0	0	0
White	4	2	0	6
Not Stated	1	0	0	1

The higher proportion of victims from 'White' and 'Asian' backgrounds partly reflects the makeup of the City's population as these are the 2 highest represented ethnic backgrounds in the City according to the 2011 Census. However, as the overall population of the City is approximately 79% 'White' but only 41% of City resident incidents involved people from a 'White' background this may indicate under-reporting by victims from a White background.

2011 Census (City)	Number	Percent
White	5,799	78.6%
Asian	940	12.7%
Mixed	289	3.9%
Black	193	2.6%
Other	154	2.1%

The perpetrator's ethnicity was recorded in 8 of the 11 City resident incidents, but where recorded also indicates that the majority of perpetrators were also from a 'White' background (5) followed by 'Asian or Asian British' (2):

Perpetrator Ethnicity	Female	Male	Not Stated	All
Asian or Asian British	0	2	0	2
Black or Black British	0	1	0	1
Chinese	0	0	0	0
Mixed	0	0	0	0
Other Ethnic Group	0	0	0	0
White	1	4	0	5
Not Stated	0	2	1	3

Incident Types

Incidents reported to the City of London Police are classified according to Home Office Counting Rules. The table below shows a breakdown of the incident types recorded by the Police in 2014/15 Q1 compared with the same quarter last year – this includes ***all*** incidents reported. As numbers are small, there is no statistical significance in the increases/decreases noted.

INCIDENT TYPE: ALL CoLP INCIDENTS Q1 (APRIL-JUNE)	2013/14	2014/15	Change No.	Change %
BLACKMAIL	0	1	+1	-
ASSAULT OCCASIONING ACTUAL BODILY HARM	2	6	+4	+200.0%
COMMON ASSAULT AND BATTERY	5	3	-2	-40.0%
CRIMINAL DAMAGE (BUILDING OTHER THAN DWELLING)	1	0	-1	-100.0%
NON CRIME DOMESTIC INCIDENT	3	10	+7	+233.3%
FEAR OR PROVOCATION OF VIOLENCE	0	1	+1	-
HARASSMENT	1	5	+4	+400.0%
INTIMIDATING WITNESS/JUROR/PERSON ASSISTING INVESTIGATION	0	1	+1	-
PUTTING PEOPLE IN FEAR OF VIOLENCE	0	1	+1	-
RAPE A WOMAN 16 YEARS OF AGE OR OVER - SOA 2003	0	1	+1	-
SENDING LETTERS WITH INTENT TO CAUSE DISTRESS AND ANXIETY	1	0	-1	-100.0%
TRANSCRIME (OUTSIDE CoLP JURISDICTION)[6]	3	8	+5	+166.7%
Q1 TOTAL	16	37	+21	+131.3%

The following table shows a breakdown of the incident types involving ***City residents only*** recorded by the Police in 2014/15 Q1 compared with the same quarter last year.

INCIDENT TYPE: CoLP INCIDENTS Q1 (APRIL-JUNE)	2013/14	2014/15	Change No.	Change %
COMMON ASSAULT AND BATTERY	1	2	+1	+100.0%
HARASSMENT	0	1	+1	-
NON CRIME DOMESTIC INCIDENT	2	2	0	0.0%
Q1 CITY RESIDENT TOTAL	3	5	+2	+66.7%

[6] These incidents were reported in the City but took place outside of the City and so were 'transcrimed' to the Police Force covering the victim's place of residence for investigation and final classification of the incident type.