



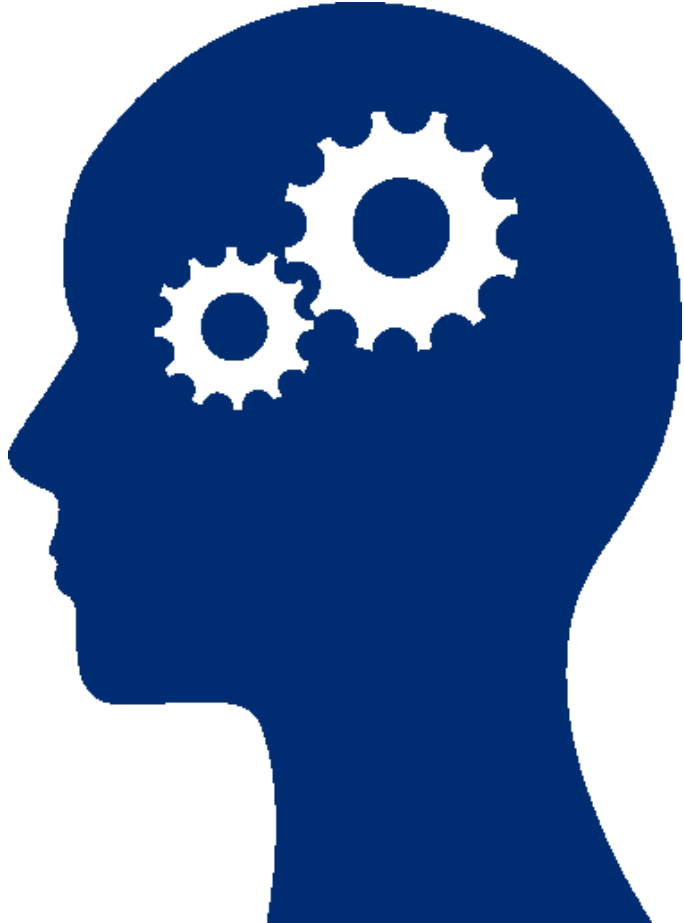
Data Matters

**London Managing &
Preventing Risk
of serious harm from
Domestic Abuse**

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Content Outline

Key Statistics | National vs. London

London Risk Project Insights

Difference Data Can Make

Practice Examples

Data and Domestic Abuse

Domestic abuse is prevalent across all areas of the UK, and across all sections of our society. There is rarely just one victim of domestic abuse - it affects whole families, and whole communities. We also know that the most vulnerable in society often find it hardest to access support.

Official statistics show the number incidents of domestic abuse recorded by the authorities every year.

But the **problem** is **much bigger** than shown in **official statistics**, as many victims and children don't tell anyone about the abuse, and they are not recorded as crimes.

That's why **SafeLives** also uses data from our Insights databases of domestic abuse cases in the UK, with more than 39,000 records from 2016 to date and data from our Marac platforms

In today's session we'll be focussing on high risk high harm and the data that is recorded in relation to this.

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Key Statistics about domestic abuse in England and Wales



2.1 Million people aged 16 and over in England and Wales experience some form of domestic abuse

1.4 million female (5.7% of women) victims and 751,000 male victims (3.2% of men)



Each year more than 75,000 people in the UK are at high and imminent risk of being murdered or seriously injured as a result of domestic abuse...

SafeLives Marac National dataset (2023)

London focused



In the Metropolitan Police, 245,119 domestic abuse-related incidents and crimes were recorded in the year ending Marc 2023.

This was equivalent to 28 incidents and crimes for every 1,000 people in the population.



...The equivalent figure for London would be **12,000 people**

SafeLives Marac National dataset (2023)

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Women in London reported experiencing domestic abuse at a significantly lower rate (1.8%) compared to all other regions, where prevalence rates ranged from 5.1% to 7.2%



London's population density 15 times greater than the rest of England
(ONS, 2022)

What we've heard...

"Old fashioned ways of working – not using digital effectively to join up across services"

"Hope for a stronger evidence base"

"No matter how hard we've been working DVA stats suggest it just keeps rising –it's disheartening"

"Our Marac is starting to fray in terms of capacity to deal with the number of referrals...
...we are at the point where we literally cannot cope with further growth"

"Staff are able to identify abuse and neglect but do not necessarily label/identify domestic abuse...
This means referral to specialist agencies or MARAC may not be considered"

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The national picture of Maracs across the UK:

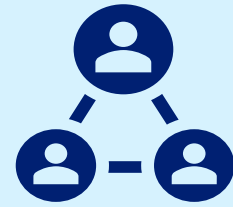
275 Maracs actively recording data on our Marac portal

116,677 cases discussed

July 2023 – June 2024



Based on the expected level of **40 cases per 10,000** of the adult female population



London Project Insights



The London picture

30 out of the **32** boroughs actively record their Marac data on our Marac portal

Marac

variations..



Frequency of Maracs in London, the most common being fortnightly

Hounslow,

Daily

Barking and Dagenham, Barnet, Croydon, Havering, Newham, Redbridge

Weekly

Bexley, Brent, Bromley, Camden, Harrow, Hillingdon, Lambeth, Lewisham, Southwark, Sutton, Tower Hamlets

Fortnightly

Enfield, Haringey, Merton

Three Weekly

Hammersmith, Fulham and Westminster, Kingston upon Thames, City of Westminster

Four Weekly

City of London, Kensington and Chelsea, Richmond upon Thames, Wandsworth

Monthly

Waltham Forest, Ealing, Islington

Monthly and Daily Risk Management



Difference Data Can Make

Understand the Problem | Identifying Patterns and Trends |
Quality and Monitoring | Tell a Story | Decision Making

Difference Data Can Make

Some of the Reasons Why Data Is Important



- Understand the problem



- Improve Survivor Experience



- Support Evidence Base



- Tell a Story



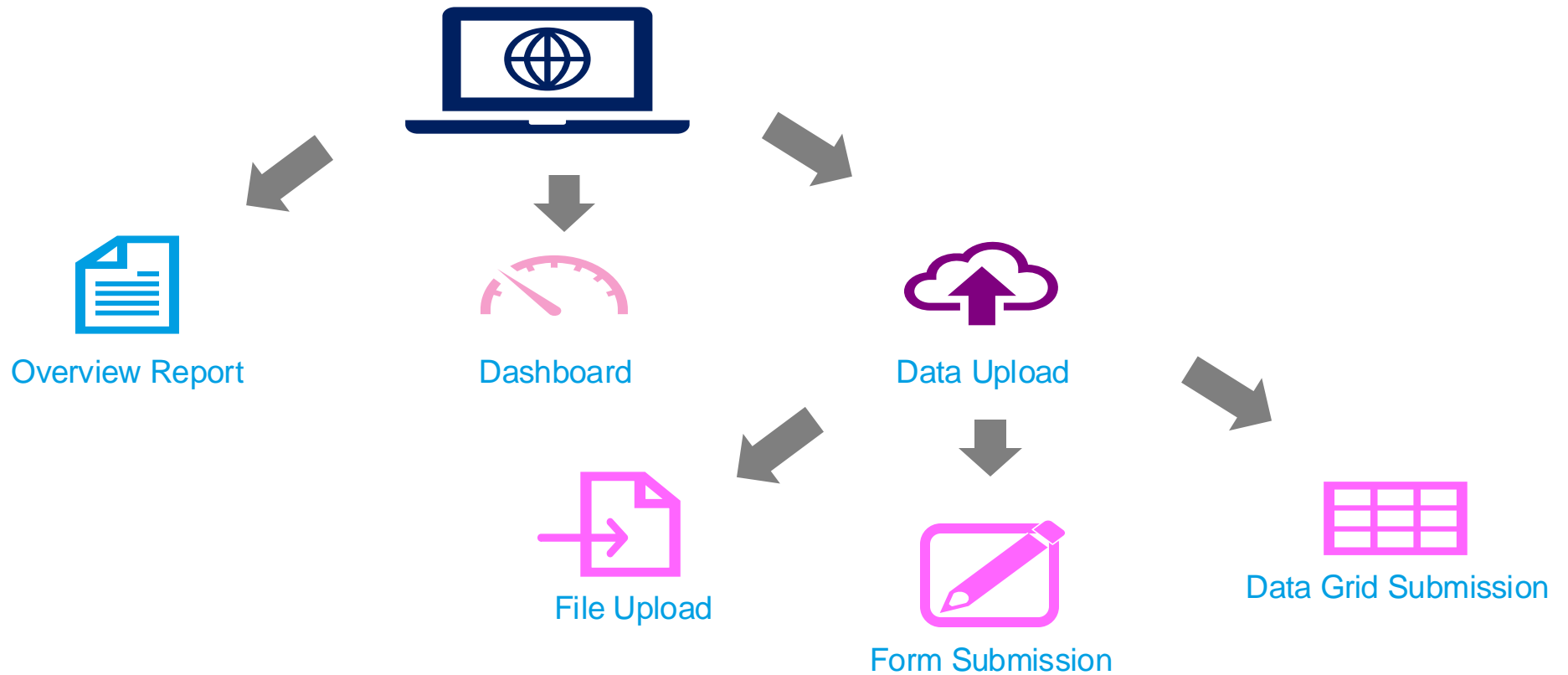


Practice Examples

What we know from data that's already available

Data Tools Available | Portal

3 key parts to the portal:



Data Tools Available | Overview Report

These filters change when you change the report options

Table Export options: Excel or CSV

Click to generate report

Overview report

To view an individual indicator report, click on any cell in the indicator column. Alternatively, to view a curated collection of reports, click on the coloured section cell within the report.

By Police Forces / Marac

Police Forces: 1 selected

Maracs: 1 selected

Quarter: 2024 - Q1

Export CSV | Export Excel

Generate report

Indicator	UK Wide	SafeLives recommended	Most Similar Force Group	Metropolitan
Number of police forces	45	-		
Number of maracs	275	-		
Number of entries	9,845	-		

Accessing the Overview Report

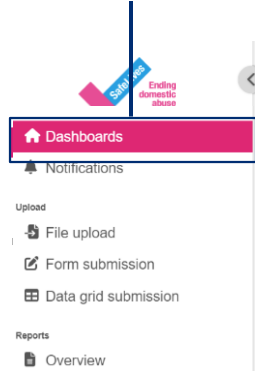
Data Table

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Data Tools Available | Dashboard

Accessing the Dashboard



Safe Lives Ending domestic abuse

- Home Dashboards
- Notifications
- Upload
 - File upload
 - Form submission
 - Data grid submission
- Reports
 - Overview

Filters by MARAC

Filters by Quarter

Export the graph that's visible as an image

Dashboard Options



Overview Dashboard

Marac: [Redacted] Quarter: 2024 - Q1

Export PNG

- Number of cases discussed in your marac
- Cases per 10,000 adult female population
- % Change in cases in your marac compared to last year
- Number of cases involving children
- Number of children in the households of your marac cases (including repeats)

Cases discussed

Legend: Marac in Police Force, Marac in Most Similar Police Force Group, UK Wide average, Regional average

The selected indicator is white

Selected indicator graph

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Marac Portal – Overview report

Overview report By Countries / Regions By Countries / Police Forces **By police force/Marac**

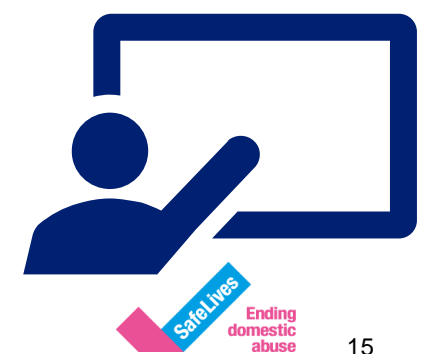
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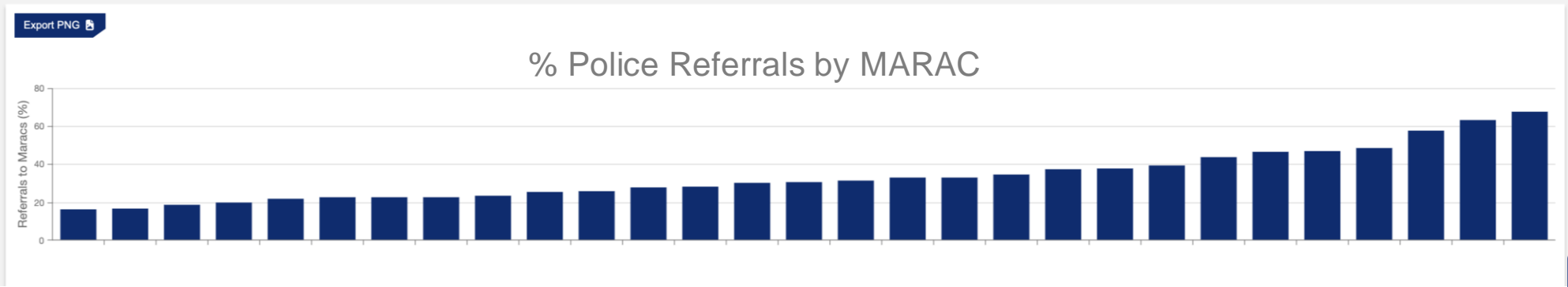
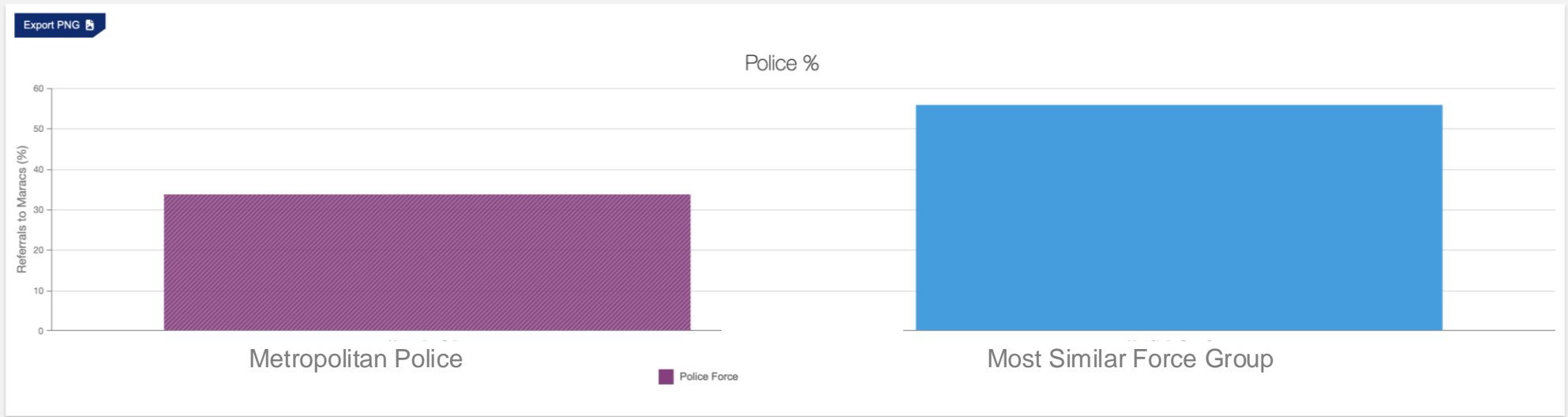
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Indicator	UK Wide	SafeLives recommended	Most Similar Force Group	Metropolitan Police	Metropolitan Police						
PERFORMANCE											
Number of police forces	45 -		3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Number of maracs	275 -		46	29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Number of entries	9,845 -		1,488	691	50	26	30	12	60	35	
Number of cases discussed	117,359 -		32,077	15,683	589	660	751	525	1,055	742	
Recommended number of cases	101,960 -		21,600	13,040	320	400	560	360	640	600	
Children in household (includes repeats)	148,217 -		37,445	15,923	725	822	799	381	1,209	738	
Cases per 10,000 adult female population	46 -		59	48	70	64	53	55	64	49	
Year on year change in number of cases	9.2% -		3.1%	2.6%	20.4%	6.1%	20.9%	0.4%	29.6%	5.5%	
Repeat rate	31.5% -		31.1%	26.9%	19.7%	35.9%	18.8%	30.5%	35.5%	13.7%	
Cases with children in the household %	26.9% -		23.6%	23.0%	29.9%	16.2%	0.0%	21.0%	35.3%	32.2%	
RESOURCE RECOMMENDATIONS											
Recommended IDVA for current cases	1,174.0 -		321.0	157.0	6.0	7.0	8.0	5.5	11.0	7.5	
Recommended IDVA for recommended cases	1,020.0 -		216.0	130.5	3.5	4.0	6.0	4.0	6.5	6.0	
Recommended admin for current cases	293.4 -		80.2	39.4	1.6	1.8	2.0	1.4	2.8	2.0	
Recommended admin for recommended cases	255.0 -		54.0	32.6	0.8	1.0	1.4	1.0	1.6	1.6	
Non police %	36.2% -		44.2%	66.3%	65.3%	62.3%	83.2%	60.6%	71.8%	69.9%	
Police %	63.8% -		55.8%	33.7%	34.7%	37.7%	16.8%	39.4%	28.2%	30.1%	
IDVA %	12.5% -		14.2%	23.8%	24.4%	27.3%	30.2%	27.0%	35.3%	23.0%	
Children's social care %	2.9% -		4.9%	8.3%	8.9%	7.5%	5.7%	1.2%	10.8%	13.3%	

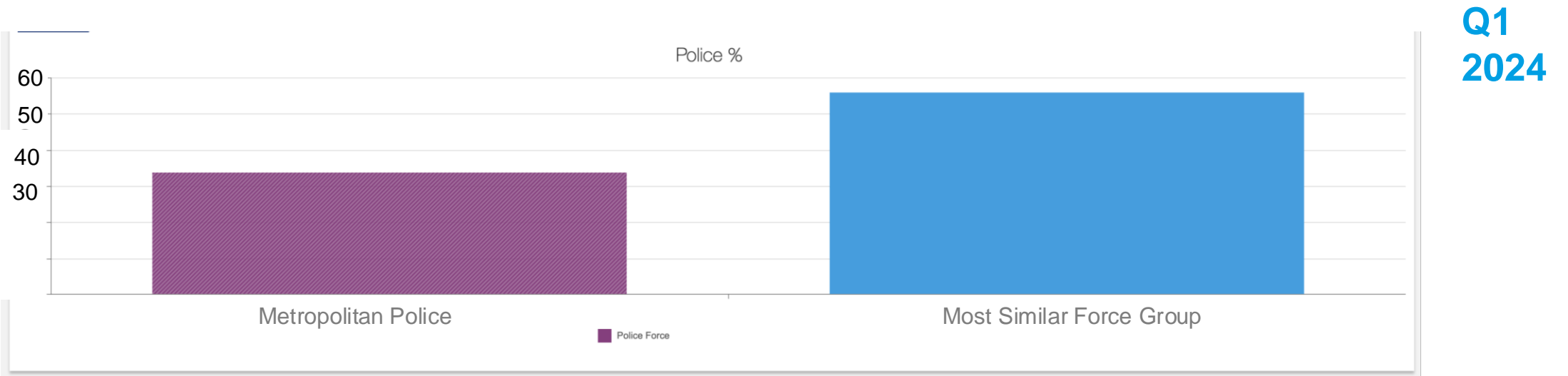
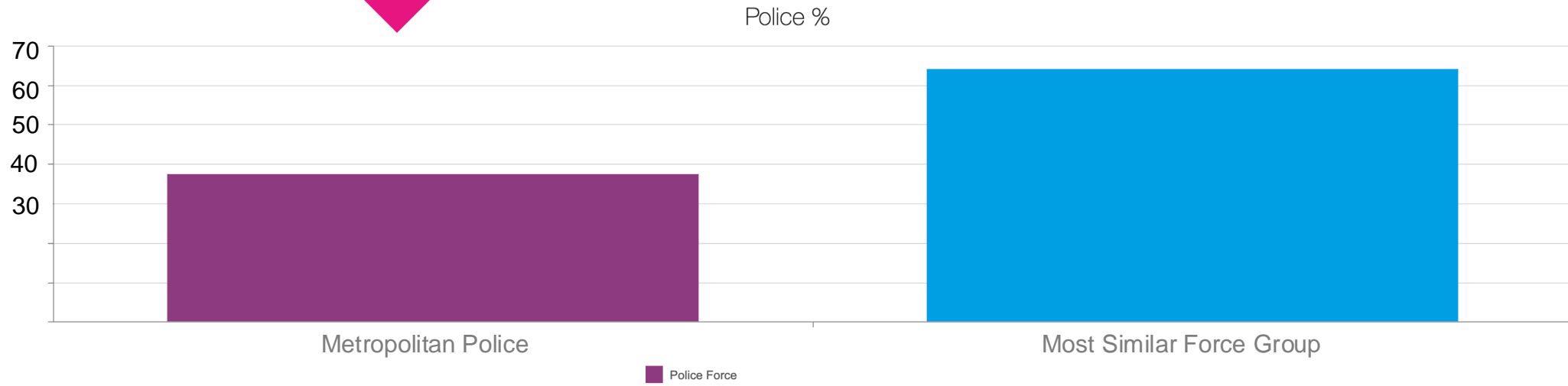
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Police referrals



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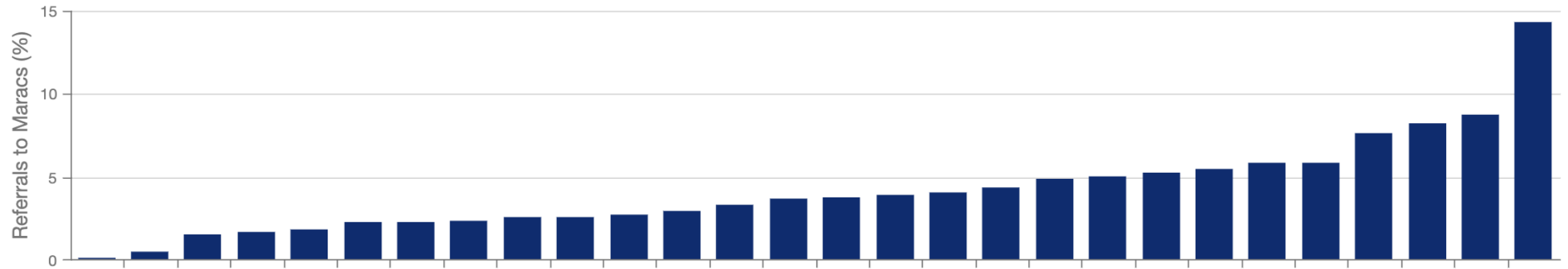
By and For referrals

	Indicator	UK Wide	SafeLives recommended	Most Similar Force Group	Metropolitan Police
Performance	Number of cases discussed	117359		32077	15683
	Recommended number of cases	101960		21600	13040
	Children in household (includes repeats)	148217		37445	15923
	Cases per 10000 adult female population	46		59	48
	Year on year change in number of cases	9.2%		3.1%	2.6%
	Repeat rate	31.5%		31.1%	26.9%
	Cases with children in the household %	26.9%		23.6%	23.0%
Resource recommendations	Recommended IDVA for current cases	1174		321	157
	Recommended IDVA for recommended cases	1020		216	130.5
	Recommended admin for current cases	293.4		80.2	39.4
	Recommended admin for recommended cases	255		54	32.6
Referrals	Non police %	36.2%		44.2%	66.3%
	Police %	63.8%		55.8%	33.7%
	IDVA %	12.5%		14.2%	23.8%
	Children's social care %	2.9%		4.9%	8.3%
	Primary care %	2.4%		2.0%	2.8%
	Secondary care acute trust %	2.7%		5.1%	5.6%
	Education %	0.2%		0.2%	0.1%
	Housing %	1.9%		2.7%	3.2%
	Mental health %	1.5%		2.3%	3.5%
	Probation %	2.5%		2.0%	3.1%
	Voluntary sector %	3.1%		2.6%	4.3%
	Substance %	0.6%		0.8%	1.1%
	Adult social care %	0.9%		1.2%	1.8%
	MASH %	0.6%		1.2%	2.3%
	Other %	4.4%		5.1%	6.4%
Demographics	Local Black, Asian and racially minoritised population	22.4%		49.9%	64.4%
	Black, Asian and racially minoritised cases	14.9%		29.9%	45.9%
	LGBTQ+	1.7%		2.0%	2.5%
	Disability	9.4%		10.1%	16.7%
	Males	6.4%		7.2%	6.3%
	Victims aged 16 - 17	1527		394	155
	Victims aged 16 - 17 %	1.3%		1.2%	1.0%
	No. harming others aged 17 or below	1234		410	123
	Victims aged 65+ years %	1.1%		1.1%	1.5%
	Victims from Asian or Asian British ethnic groups %	2.8%		7.0%	6.4%

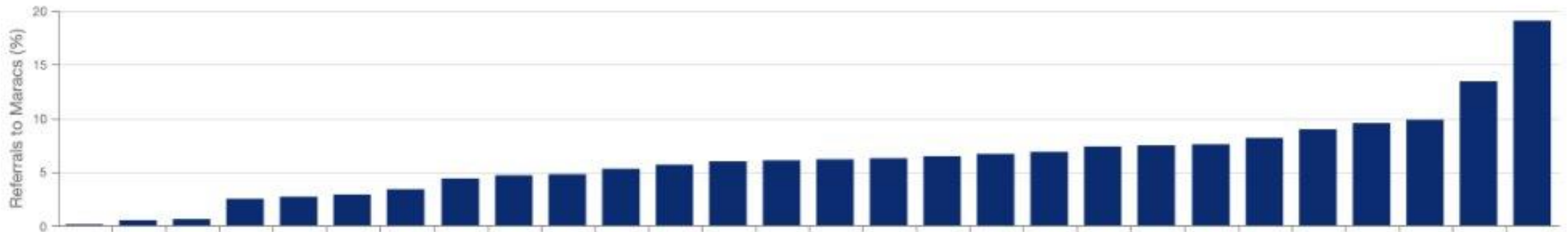


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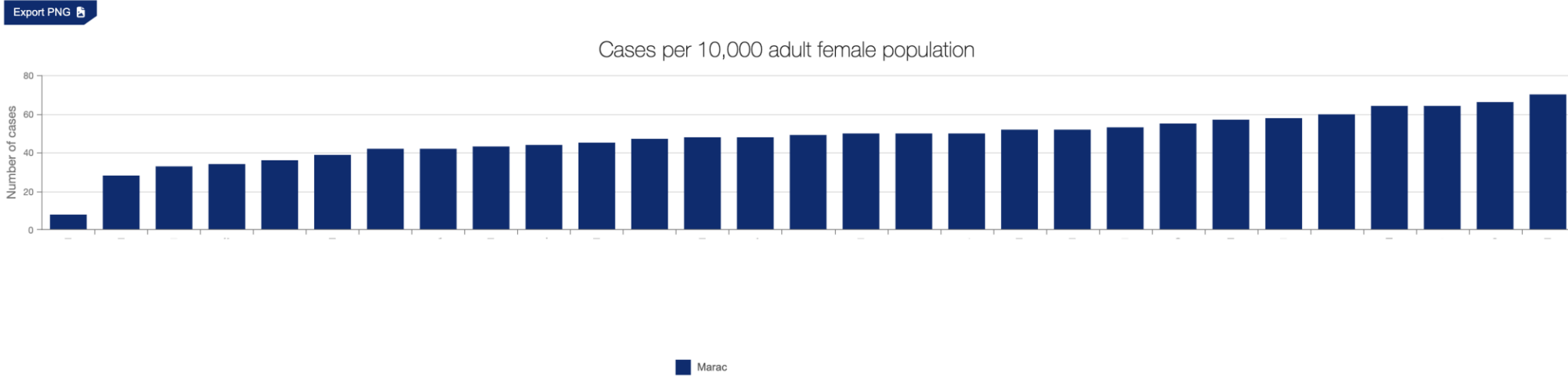
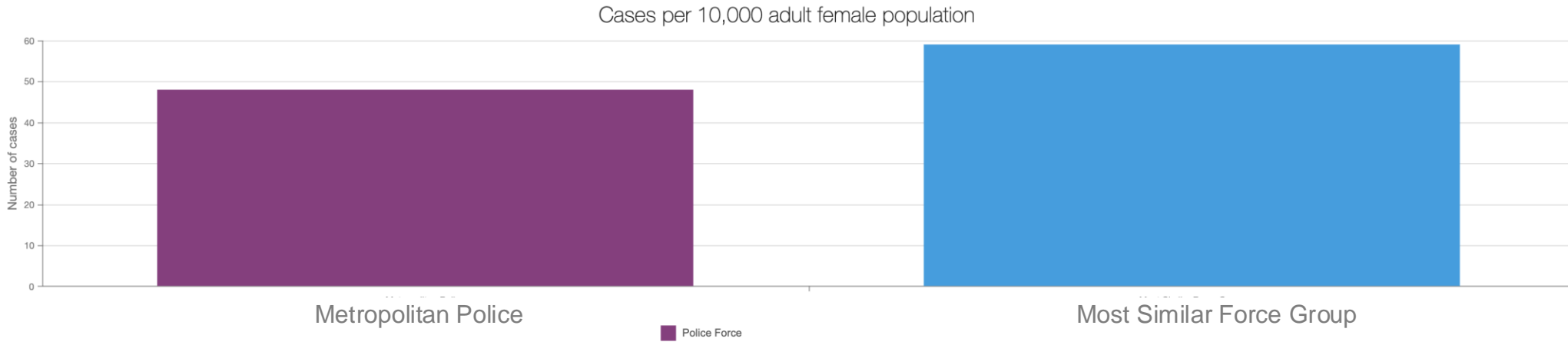
Voluntary sector %



Other %

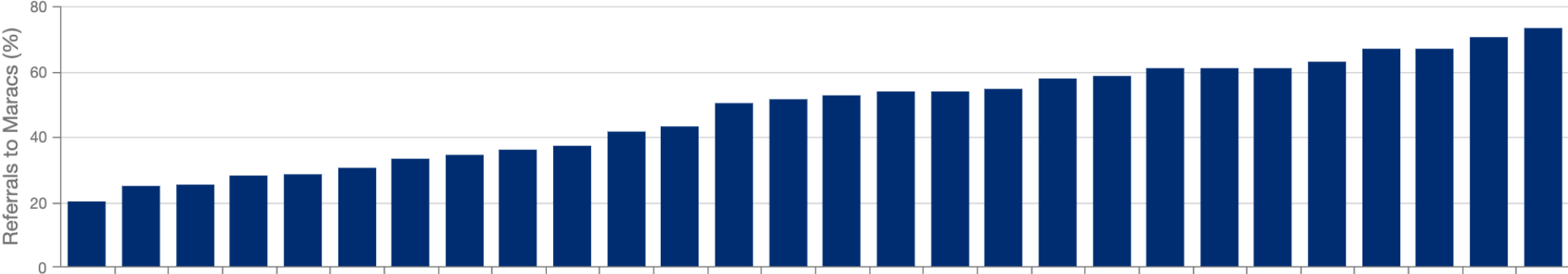


Cases per 10,000 adult female population

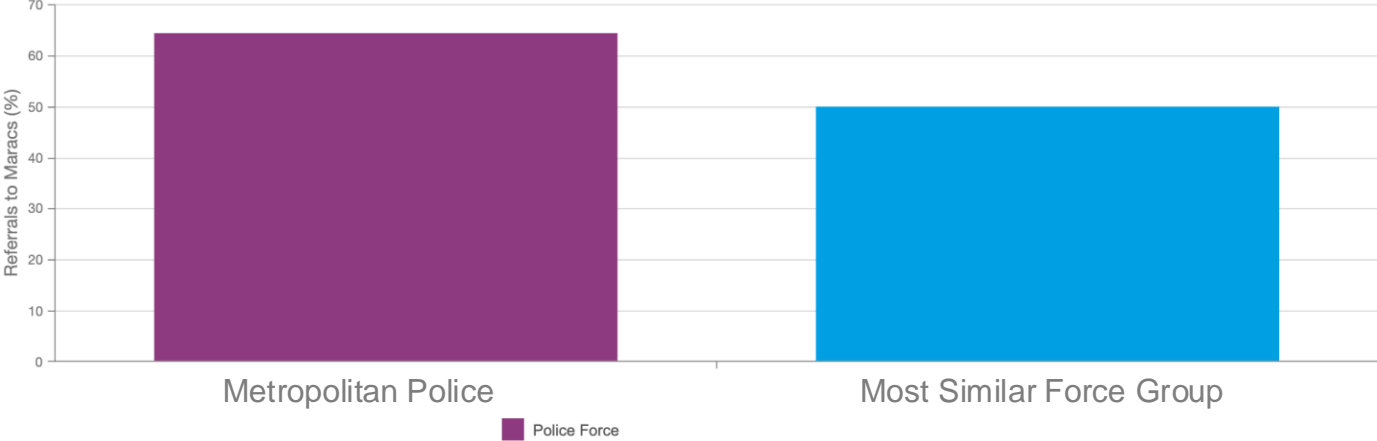


Black, Asian and Racially Minoritised communities

Black, Asian and racially minoritised cases

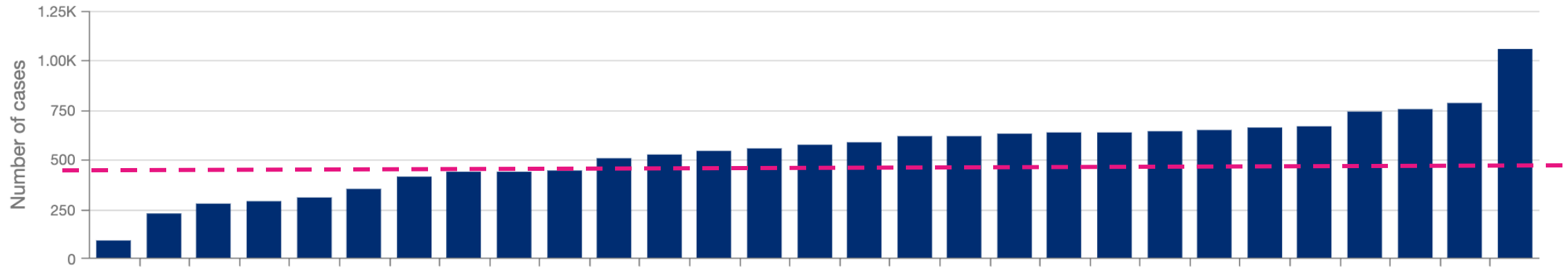


Local Black, Asian and racially minoritised population

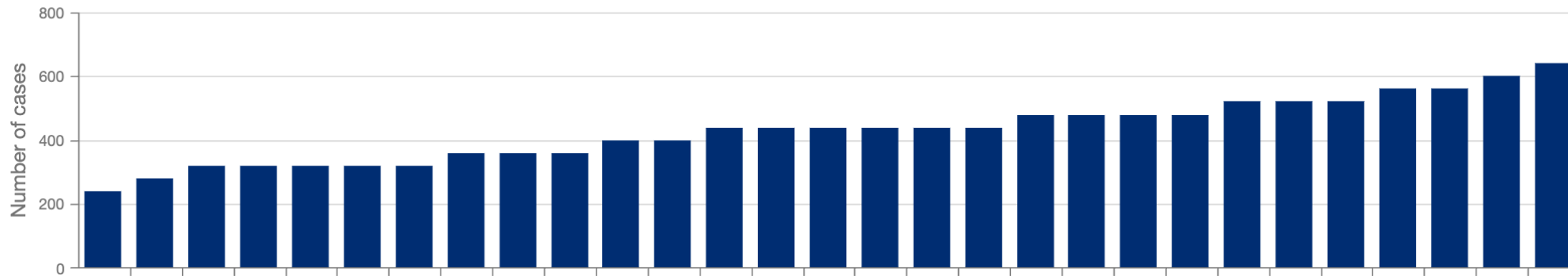


Number of cases heard

Number of cases discussed

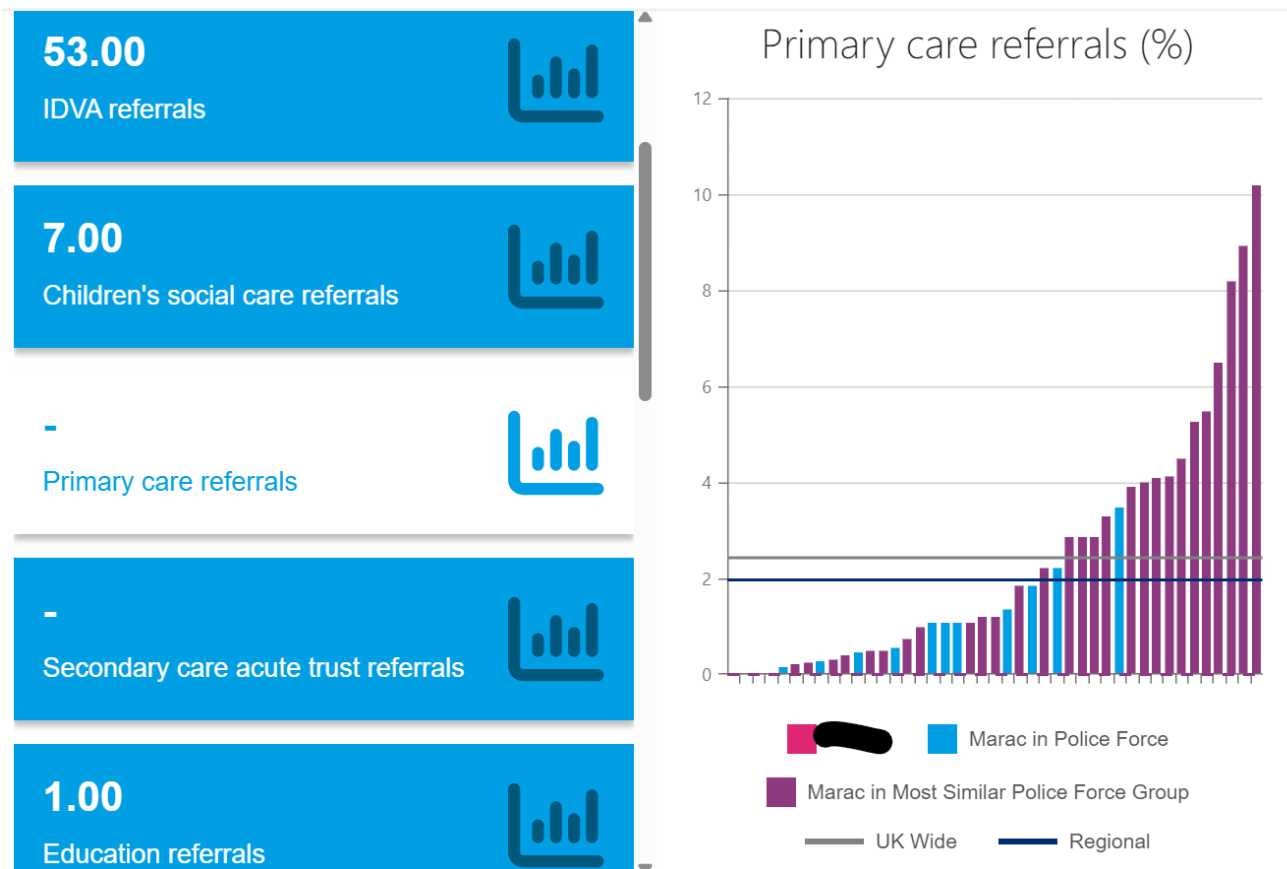


Recommended number of cases



How other areas have used Marac data to identify need

A Marac within a Police Force Area in North West England used the tables of referral route data and the new visualisations on the portal Dashboards showing comparisons of health referrals to Maracs in their local area to identify a training need.



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Things to consider...

when reviewing your Marac quarterly data

SafeLives have resources to help areas interpret their data including how these figures are reached, including the sources and calculations used.

- Number of cases discussed
- Recommended number of full time equivalent Idvas and administrators
- Cases per 10,000 adult female population
- Number of children
- Referrals from police, partner agencies...
- Repeat referrals
- LGBT+ referrals
- Referrals where a victim has a disability; male victim; aged 16-17
- Number of young people causing harm...
- <https://safelives.org.uk/resources-for-professionals/marac-resources/reviewing-your-marac-data/>



Resources

Reviewing your MARAC data, data descriptions:

<https://safelives.org.uk/resources-for-professionals/marac-resources/reviewing-your-marac-data/>

Guidance on uploading data to the portal and descriptions of the types of data you're uploading: <https://safelives.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/Marac-data-guidance-for-Maracs.pdf>

File uploading templates and uploading summary:

<https://safelives.org.uk/resources-library/marac-data-template-workbook/>



Thank you!

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