

Annex 2

Number of child abuse crime cases received by the Police in the past five years¹

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021 (Jan - Mar)
Physical abuse against children ²	408 (296)	380 (286)	437 (323)	391 (280)	383 (315)	102 (81)
Sexual abuse against children ³	477 (65)	478 (54)	456 (46)	422 (55)	386 (56)	88 (17)
Total	885 (361)	858 (340)	893 (369)	813 (335)	769 (371)	190 (98)

Number of child abuse crime cases received by the Police broken down by age group of abused children in the past five years

	2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		2021 (Jan - Mar)	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
0-5 years old	74	88	69	65	64	61	60	64	69	56	19	17
6-11 years old	138	138	125	134	160	165	137	140	111	132	25	42
12-16 years old	88	359	114	351	101	342	87	325	87	314	25	62
Total	300	585	308	550	325	568	284	529	267	502	69	121
	885		858		893		813		769		190	

¹ Inside the brackets are cases with the offenders being family members, relatives or domestic helpers of the victims.

² “Physical abuse against children” refers to crimes involving a victim who is below 14 years old, such as murder, manslaughter, wounding and serious assault, irrespective of the nature of relationship between the victim and the offender, as well as crimes involving an offender who has the care or charge of the victim as specified under other legislation, such as ill-treatment or neglect by those in charge of child or young person below 16 years old according to section 27 of the Offences against the Person Ordinance (Cap. 212).

³ “Sexual abuse against children” refers to sexual crimes involving a victim who is below 17 years old, such as rape, indecent assault and unlawful sexual intercourse, irrespective of the nature of relationship between the victim and the offender, as well as crimes involving an offender who has blood relationship with the victim as specified under other legislation, such as incest.