



1. How many shops has your council's Trading Standards team seized illegal cigarettes, tobacco or vaping products from in the individual financial years 2022-2023, 2023-2024 and 2024-2025?

If possible please break this down by:

- a. Estimated value in Pound Sterling of items seized
- b. Total number of items seized
- c. Product type seized (cigarettes, vapes, other vaping products such as e-liquids, rolling tobacco or other)
- d. Type of shop (e.g. mini mart, vape shop, barber, car wash)

2022/23

Number of shops: 20

- a. £42,000
- b. 146,540 cigarettes / 23Kg tobacco /
- c. Products seized- Rolling tobacco, cigarettes
- d. We are unable to state the type of premises as such information is not identifiable in such detail.

2023/24

Number of shops: 31

- a. £212,000 value
- b. 122,938 cigarettes / 8.2Kg tobacco / 17,906 vapes
- c. Products seized- E-cig / rolling tobacco/ cigarettes
- d. We are unable to state the type of premises as such information is not identifiable in such detail.

2024/25

Number of shops: 43

- a. £76,000 value
- b. 55069 cigarettes / 25.9Kg tobacco / 5678 vapes
- c. E-cig / rolling tobacco/cigarettes
- d. We are unable to state the type of premises as such information is not identifiable in such detail.

2. How many shops have been shut in your local authority due to seizures of illegal cigarettes, tobacco or vapes in the individual financial years 2022-23, 2023-24 and 2024-25? Within each financial year, please break this down by:

- a. Temporary closures
- b. Permanent closures (Please indicate whether your Trading Standards body has the power to permanently close shops. If not, please indicate who does have this power and if you hold information on these figures.)
- c. Number of times the same shop has been closed due to the above. Please indicate whether the most recent closure was permanent or temporary.

None