



In England and Wales, over 30,000 criminal cases failed from 2020 to 2024 because important evidence was missing or lost.



Police have less money, making it hard to find experts. Evidence can get lost or damaged because there is so much of it.



In 2012, a service that stored evidence closed. Police now do it themselves, which is hard. There are more digital items like videos to store.



Kiera waited years for justice because police lost a recording. Losing evidence can greatly affect victims.



The police and courts are trying to work together to fix these problems. Some people want a new national service to help manage **evidence** better.



Evidence storage is often too full and messy. This can lead to things going missing, which affects many cases.