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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2009-00046

Keyword: Crime

Subject: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE/ABUSE

Request and Answer:

This is to inform you that the Police Service of Northern Ireland has now completed its search for the information you requested. The decision has been taken to disclose the located information to you in full.

Question 1

Can I please request figures for the number of domestic violence/abuse call outs reported to the PSNI in the past 12 months broken down monthly and into DCU areas?

Answer

Please find attached records numbered 1914.pdf

Question 2

If available can I also request figures for the clear up rate for domestic violence / abuse for the same period?

Answer

Please find attached records numbered 1914.pdf

Question 3

Since the launch of the domestic violence hotline 0800 917 1414 how many calls have been made, figures monthly if possible?

Answer

This hotline is managed by Women's Aid, University Street, Belfast. The details of the hotline are included in PSNI literature (however we have nothing to do with the running/funding/managing of the facilities). Accordingly, I have determined that the Police Service of Northern Ireland does not hold this part of the information to which you seek access.

If you have any queries regarding your request or the decision please do not hesitate to contact me on 028 9070 0164. When contacting the Freedom of Information Team, please quote the reference number listed at the beginning of this email.

If you are dissatisfied in any way with the handling of your request, you have the right to request a review. You should do this as soon as possible, or in any case within two months of the date of issue of this letter. In the event that you require a review to be undertaken, you can do so by writing to the Head of Freedom of Information, PSNI Headquarters, 65 Knock Road, Belfast, BT5 6LE or by emailing FOI@psni.pnn.police.uk

If following an internal review, carried out by an independent decision maker, you were to remain dissatisfied in any way with the handling of the request you may make a complaint, under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act, to the Information Commissioner's Office and ask that they investigate whether the PSNI has complied with the terms of the Freedom of Information Act. You can write to the Information Commissioner at Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. In most circumstances the Information Commissioner will not investigate a complaint unless an internal review procedure has been carried out, however the Commissioner has the option to investigate the matter at his discretion.

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Personal details in respect of your request have, where applicable, been removed to protect confidentiality.

Incidents and crimes with a domestic motivation and percentage cleared by month and area

Please note that figures from April 2008 onwards are provisional and subject to change.

Definitions:

Incidents

Any incident of threatening behaviour, violence, or abuse (psychological, physical, sexual, financial or emotional) by one family member against another or adults who are or have been intimate partners, regardless of gender, and whether a crime has occurred or not, will be recorded as domestic.

Recorded Crimes

- Recorded crimes (sometimes referred to as notifiable offences) are those which are deemed to be indictable or triable-either-way.
- A crime will be recorded as domestic where it meets the definition provided above. Not all domestic incidents will result in the recording of a crime.
- Domestic crimes are classified according to the Home Office Counting Rules and form a subset of the overall recorded crime figures.

Clearance rate = % of all recorded crimes that have been cleared

Data Quality: The PSNI's statistics on incidents and crimes with a domestic motivation are derived from a motivation 'tick box' contained in the Occurrence Management Form which has to be completed by a police officer or member of police staff for each such reported incident/crime. The correct application of a domestic motivation for all such incidents/crimes is not quality assured by the PSNI's Central Statistics Branch.

January 2008			
Area	Incidents	Crimes	Clearance Rate (%)
Antrim	53	17	82.4
Ards	67	26	30.8
Armagh	47	17	47.1
Ballymena	38	19	63.2
Ballymoney	29	10	40.0
Banbridge	32	14	64.3
East Belfast	108	34	20.6
North Belfast	197	68	38.2
South Belfast	95	42	11.9
West Belfast	139	48	31.3
Carrickfergus	49	19	68.4
Castlereagh	39	13	0.0
Coleraine	89	42	31.0
Cookstown	27	14	50.0
Craigavon	113	53	32.1
Down	54	26	38.5
Dungannon&S Tyrone	27	9	33.3
Fermanagh	49	30	50.0
Foyle	150	54	27.8
Larne	24	17	58.8
Limavady	42	22	31.8
Lisburn	109	41	36.6
Magherafelt	32	14	21.4
Moyle	10	3	33.3
Newry & Mourne	56	24	50.0
Newtownabbey	89	24	37.5
North Down	91	39	7.7
Omagh	46	12	50.0
Strabane	45	12	83.3
No area assigned	0	0	
Total	1946	763	36.3

Source: PSNI Central Statistics Unit

February 2008			
Area	Incidents	Crimes	Clearance Rate (%)
Antrim	49	18	50.0
Ards	68	31	25.8
Armagh	47	16	50.0
Ballymena	51	27	18.5
Ballymoney	31	15	53.3
Banbridge	38	12	25.0
East Belfast	103	49	34.7
North Belfast	163	50	46.0
South Belfast	75	27	25.9
West Belfast	85	42	64.3
Carrickfergus	25	13	23.1
Castlereagh	36	14	50.0
Coleraine	57	17	47.1
Cookstown	31	12	33.3
Craigavon	82	40	45.0
Down	42	13	38.5
Dungannon&S Tyrone	22	8	50.0
Fermanagh	38	21	42.9
Foyle	124	62	27.4
Larne	25	12	58.3
Limavady	41	27	22.2
Lisburn	126	50	36.0
Magherafelt	29	15	20.0
Moyle	13	4	50.0
Newry & Mourne	61	26	30.8
Newtownabbey	88	32	28.1
North Down	66	34	14.7
Omagh	59	17	35.3
Strabane	39	15	53.3
No area assigned	0	0	
Total	1714	719	36.4

Source: PSNI Central Statistics Unit

March 2008			
Area	Incidents	Crimes	Clearance Rate (%)
Antrim	56	24	50.0
Ards	77	37	24.3
Armagh	35	16	37.5
Ballymena	54	24	37.5
Ballymoney	26	6	16.7
Banbridge	34	13	23.1
East Belfast	122	43	51.2
North Belfast	167	61	37.7
South Belfast	91	36	33.3
West Belfast	127	41	46.3
Carrickfergus	48	22	63.6
Castlereagh	43	9	88.9
Coleraine	85	35	25.7
Cookstown	26	7	85.7
Craigavon	113	53	28.3
Down	44	12	66.7
Dungannon&S Tyrone	37	12	16.7
Fermanagh	43	16	56.3
Foyle	174	50	18.0
Larne	37	24	37.5
Limavady	62	19	15.8
Lisburn	130	41	34.1
Magherafelt	24	9	55.6
Moyle	8	2	0.0
Newry & Mourne	49	27	25.9
Newtownabbey	85	32	31.3
North Down	59	25	20.0
Omagh	53	15	46.7
Strabane	39	14	21.4
No area assigned	0	0	
Total	1948	725	35.7

Source: PSNI Central Statistics Unit

April 2008			
Area	Incidents	Crimes	Clearance Rate (%)
Antrim	57	30	36.7
Ards	62	19	36.8
Armagh	29	7	71.4
Ballymena	35	18	33.3
Ballymoney	20	7	14.3
Banbridge	26	13	23.1
East Belfast	97	17	41.2
North Belfast	167	8	37.5
South Belfast	74	29	37.9
West Belfast	107	8	25.0
Carrickfergus	49	37	37.8
Castlereagh	30	17	52.9
Coleraine	73	14	35.7
Cookstown	31	34	29.4
Craigavon	93	19	26.3
Down	55	74	21.6
Dungannon&S Tyrone	30	5	80.0
Fermanagh	34	21	38.1
Foyle	173	49	51.0
Larne	9	5	0.0
Limavady	40	6	16.7
Lisburn	141	17	17.6
Magherafelt	18	41	14.6
Moyle	8	55	52.7
Newry & Mourne	38	29	48.3
Newtownabbey	88	17	64.7
North Down	58	35	14.3
Omagh	53	20	30.0
Strabane	48	40	30.0
No area assigned	2	0	
Total	1745	691	34.6

Source: PSNI Central Statistics Unit

These figures are provisional and subject to change.

May 2008			
Area	Incidents	Crimes	Clearance Rate (%)
Antrim	52	22	36.4
Ards	67	21	23.8
Armagh	62	17	23.5
Ballymena	62	26	46.2
Ballymoney	19	5	0.0
Banbridge	27	10	70.0
East Belfast	114	18	38.9
North Belfast	168	12	41.7
South Belfast	80	28	21.4
West Belfast	146	13	7.7
Carrickfergus	52	50	26.0
Castlereagh	43	12	58.3
Coleraine	77	11	27.3
Cookstown	34	41	17.1
Craigavon	123	14	50.0
Down	59	65	26.2
Dungannon&S Tyrone	27	10	40.0
Fermanagh	36	31	32.3
Foyle	155	49	34.7
Larne	18	10	40.0
Limavady	42	8	0.0
Lisburn	134	42	33.3
Magherafelt	24	28	21.4
Moyle	13	74	37.8
Newry & Mourne	76	27	25.9
Newtownabbey	87	16	62.5
North Down	61	33	21.2
Omagh	70	16	31.3
Strabane	34	52	34.6
No area assigned	1	0	
Total	1963	761	31.4

Source: PSNI Central Statistics Unit

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June 2008			
Area	Incidents	Crimes	Clearance Rate (%)
Antrim	45	15	40.0
Ards	78	20	25.0
Armagh	39	16	25.0
Ballymena	59	33	39.4
Ballymoney	26	10	10.0
Banbridge	32	20	25.0
East Belfast	100	19	47.4
North Belfast	160	10	50.0
South Belfast	63	29	24.1
West Belfast	117	11	27.3
Carrickfergus	39	70	15.7
Castlereagh	42	12	50.0
Coleraine	65	11	45.5
Cookstown	21	43	14.0
Craigavon	149	25	16.0
Down	41	61	24.6
Dungannon&S Tyrone	26	15	40.0
Fermanagh	37	23	17.4
Foyle	146	60	28.3
Larne	21	7	14.3
Limavady	54	2	150.0
Lisburn	127	42	33.3
Magherafelt	18	38	36.8
Moyle	8	73	16.4
Newry & Mourne	85	22	0.0
Newtownabbey	83	26	15.4
North Down	43	27	25.9
Omagh	70	23	39.1
Strabane	54	42	50.0
No area assigned	3	0	
Total	1851	805	27.0

Source: PSNI Central Statistics Unit

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July 2008			
Area	Incidents	Crimes	Clearance Rate (%)
Antrim	35	15	40.0
Ards	62	15	33.3
Armagh	46	14	7.1
Ballymena	55	25	36.0
Ballymoney	23	10	10.0
Banbridge	21	11	45.5
East Belfast	130	17	35.3
North Belfast	145	12	25.0
South Belfast	81	22	63.6
West Belfast	119	18	33.3
Carrickfergus	51	62	24.2
Castlereagh	33	30	40.0
Coleraine	70	13	30.8
Cookstown	43	67	22.4
Craigavon	121	18	33.3
Down	64	61	29.5
Dungannon&S Tyrone	37	11	27.3
Fermanagh	46	25	40.0
Foyle	165	52	42.3
Larne	12	15	33.3
Limavady	54	4	50.0
Lisburn	139	42	40.5
Magherafelt	28	32	65.6
Moyle	10	59	39.0
Newry & Mourne	92	26	11.5
Newtownabbey	82	35	45.7
North Down	69	41	4.9
Omagh	78	14	42.9
Strabane	42	30	33.3
No area assigned	0	0	
Total	1953	796	33.4

Source: PSNI Central Statistics Unit

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August 2008			
Area	Incidents	Crimes	Clearance Rate (%)
Antrim	46	11	63.6
Ards	72	33	30.3
Armagh	28	11	36.4
Ballymena	58	34	50.0
Ballymoney	23	10	20.0
Banbridge	36	12	58.3
East Belfast	115	16	56.3
North Belfast	193	15	13.3
South Belfast	66	34	17.6
West Belfast	95	8	12.5
Carrickfergus	50	45	24.4
Castlereagh	45	25	32.0
Coleraine	70	12	16.7
Cookstown	31	45	20.0
Craigavon	110	27	40.7
Down	60	73	30.1
Dungannon&S Tyrone	31	7	85.7
Fermanagh	51	26	42.3
Foyle	161	38	50.0
Larne	9	6	116.7
Limavady	45	4	50.0
Lisburn	141	40	30.0
Magherafelt	18	30	26.7
Moyle	13	79	30.4
Newry & Mourne	126	17	5.9
Newtownabbey	78	29	55.2
North Down	62	34	14.7
Omagh	64	24	16.7
Strabane	65	33	42.4
No area assigned	2	0	
Total	1964	778	33.0

Source: PSNI Central Statistics Unit

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September 2008			
Area	Incidents	Crimes	Clearance Rate (%)
Antrim	58	28	28.6
Ards	56	15	73.3
Armagh	56	11	9.1
Ballymena	59	29	41.4
Ballymoney	34	12	58.3
Banbridge	31	11	45.5
East Belfast	106	12	50.0
North Belfast	177	5	0.0
South Belfast	77	36	69.4
West Belfast	122	13	53.8
Carrickfergus	34	49	36.7
Castlereagh	33	18	27.8
Coleraine	68	11	36.4
Cookstown	38	46	30.4
Craigavon	131	21	52.4
Down	56	75	29.3
Dungannon&S Tyrone	22	8	50.0
Fermanagh	46	18	16.7
Foyle	177	48	31.3
Larne	32	10	60.0
Limavady	36	5	20.0
Lisburn	147	31	48.4
Magherafelt	17	34	35.3
Moyle	12	79	35.4
Newry & Mourne	83	26	19.2
Newtownabbey	65	15	80.0
North Down	52	25	64.0
Omagh	49	14	64.3
Strabane	58	37	59.5
No area assigned	2	0	
Total	1934	742	41.0

Source: PSNI Central Statistics Unit

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October 2008			
Area	Incidents	Crimes	Clearance Rate (%)
Antrim	68	25	76.0
Ards	57	21	47.6
Armagh	35	10	30.0
Ballymena	67	33	63.6
Ballymoney	36	11	45.5
Banbridge	36	18	11.1
East Belfast	112	13	107.7
North Belfast	210	18	5.6
South Belfast	76	27	59.3
West Belfast	104	6	83.3
Carrickfergus	41	62	14.5
Castlereagh	47	20	55.0
Coleraine	65	7	85.7
Cookstown	31	38	44.7
Craigavon	163	23	39.1
Down	50	80	41.3
Dungannon&S Tyrone	29	11	54.5
Fermanagh	40	31	54.8
Foyle	188	55	54.5
Larne	25	11	45.5
Limavady	48	6	33.3
Lisburn	172	39	41.0
Magherafelt	17	26	26.9
Moyle	10	75	65.3
Newry & Mourne	89	24	37.5
Newtownabbey	71	13	76.9
North Down	57	33	51.5
Omagh	45	18	94.4
Strabane	43	30	26.7
No area assigned	4	0	
Total	2036	784	47.7

Source: PSNI Central Statistics Unit

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November 2008			
Area	Incidents	Crimes	Clearance Rate (%)
Antrim	64	32	43.8
Ards	65	27	37.0
Armagh	42	5	80.0
Ballymena	58	27	33.3
Ballymoney	22	13	53.8
Banbridge	37	13	38.5
East Belfast	105	15	26.7
North Belfast	155	27	37.0
South Belfast	77	38	18.4
West Belfast	110	8	50.0
Carrickfergus	38	48	31.3
Castlereagh	60	22	54.5
Coleraine	73	8	37.5
Cookstown	30	26	42.3
Craigavon	114	18	27.8
Down	64	77	48.1
Dungannon&S Tyrone	22	10	20.0
Fermanagh	48	13	46.2
Foyle	180	34	41.2
Larne	24	13	76.9
Limavady	44	5	60.0
Lisburn	135	34	29.4
Magherafelt	22	27	37.0
Moyle	19	50	52.0
Newry & Mourne	92	31	41.9
Newtownabbey	69	13	53.8
North Down	66	31	22.6
Omagh	59	19	26.3
Strabane	59	40	30.0
No area assigned	6	0	
Total	1959	724	39.0

Source: PSNI Central Statistics Unit

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December 2008			
Area	Incidents	Crimes	Clearance Rate (%)
Antrim	45	12	66.7
Ards	69	35	11.4
Armagh	69	20	40.0
Ballymena	48	24	41.7
Ballymoney	27	16	0.0
Banbridge	36	14	21.4
East Belfast	86	19	42.1
North Belfast	181	17	47.1
South Belfast	49	34	50.0
West Belfast	109	13	30.8
Carrickfergus	45	49	40.8
Castlereagh	41	18	22.2
Coleraine	76	8	25.0
Cookstown	35	14	57.1
Craigavon	106	18	50.0
Down	55	73	26.0
Dungannon&S Tyrone	24	16	37.5
Fermanagh	52	22	90.9
Foyle	190	33	72.7
Larne	25	10	50.0
Limavady	48	6	0.0
Lisburn	150	39	10.3
Magherafelt	30	40	45.0
Moyle	14	53	50.9
Newry & Mourne	120	22	13.6
Newtownabbey	87	24	41.7
North Down	66	25	48.0
Omagh	68	11	81.8
Strabane	58	20	60.0
No area assigned	5	0	
Total	2014	705	40.0

Source: PSNI Central Statistics Unit

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