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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2009-01448

Keyword: Crime

Subject: DRUG SEIZURES - COOKSTOWN

Request and Answer:

Question 1

How many drug seizures have been recorded in the Cookstown district from the beginning of January 2008 to the end of April 2009?

Question 2

What is the monetary value of those drugs seized within that timeframe?

Question 3

What were the three most popular drugs seized within that timeframe, and what quantity of each was seized?

Answer

Please find attached records below

Section 16 - Duty to Provide advice and assistance.

Please find below websites that you may find helpful or of interest in relation to your request:

www.psni.police.uk/cookstown & www.psni.police.uk/4. 08 09 drug seizures and arrests

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1. How many drug seizures have been recorded in the Cookstown district from the beginning of January 2008 to the end of April 2009?
2. In total, what is the monetary value of those drugs seized within that timeframe?
3. What were the three most popular drugs seized within that timeframe, and what quantity of each was seized?

Drug Seizure Statistics - Cookstown

1st January 2008 – 31st March 2009

1. There were 104 seizure incidents in the Cookstown Area between the 1st January 2008 to the 31st March 2009.
2. The total street value of drugs seized in this period was £699,899.
3. The three most frequent drugs seized in Cookstown during 1st January 2008 to the 31st March 2009 were cannabis resin, cannabis herbal and ecstasy tablets. See table below for the number of seizures and amount seized:

Drug Type	1 January 2008 to 31 March 2009	
	No. of Seizures	Amount Seized
Cannabis Resin (gms)	58	728.96
Cannabis Herbal (gms)	32	17,162.23
Ecstasy Tablets	15	587

Source: Central Statistics Unit, Police Service of Northern Ireland, Lisnasharragh