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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2009-02372

Keyword: Crime

Subject: PERSONS CHARGED UNDER S3, VAGRANCY ACT 1824

Request and Answer:

Question 1

Could you tell me how many people were charged under Section 3, Vagrancy Act 1824 in Belfast during 2008?

Answer

For the period 1 January 2008 to 31 December 2008 a total of 3 persons were charged/reported under the Vagrancy Act 1824.

Question 2

Could you tell me how many people were charged under Section 3, Vagrancy Act 1824 in Belfast from the 01.01.09 to 27.07.09?

Answer

For the period 1 January 2009 to 27 July 2009 a total of 4 persons were charged/reported under the Vagrancy Act 1824.

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