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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2009-03736

Keyword: Human Resources

Subject: New Recruits

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

How many individuals were accepted for training to the police service in Northern Ireland i.e. Garnerville, from April 1998? Is yearly breakdown available?

Answer

Please see below table containing the number of officers accepted into the Police Service of Northern Ireland training college in each year since 1998.

1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
121	240	40	107	481	441	602	457	429	438	469	415

Question 2

How many of those selected for training failed to complete the training? Is yearly breakdown available?

Answer

The table below contains the number of officers who failed to complete their training in each of these years.

1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
2	0	0	0	8	10	10	15	6	17	23	24

Question 3

How many of those who completed training and were assigned to 'duties' have subsequently resigned, or otherwise left the PSNI, excluding fatalities on or off duty? Is yearly breakdown available?

Answer

Please see the table below which details officers who completed their training and have subsequently resigned or left the service during each of the years in question.

1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
0	0	1	2	8	11	10	25	40	57	60	54

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