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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2010-02481

Keyword: Crime

Subject: Lost/Stolen Laptops, Mobiles, Games Consoles and Computers

Request and Answer:

This is to inform you that the Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI) has now completed its search for the information you requested and the answer to your questions are as follows:

Question 1

Number of laptop computers reported stolen between 01st April 2009 - 31st March 2010?

Answer

The number of Laptop Computers classified as stolen during this period is 1617.

Question 2

Number of laptop computers reported lost between 01st April 2009 - 31st March 2010?

Answer

The number of Laptop Computers classified as lost during this period is 17.

Question 3

Number of laptop computers found / recovered between 01st April 2009 - 31st March 2010?

Answer

The number of Laptop Computers classified as found during this period is 3.

The number of Laptop Computers classified as recovered by police during this period is 61.

Question 4

Number of mobile telephones reported stolen between 01st April 2009 - 31st March 2010?

Answer

The number of Mobile Telephones classified as stolen during this period is 3043.

Question 5

Number of mobile telephones reported lost between 01st April 2009 - 31st March 2010?

Answer

The number of Mobile Telephones classified as lost during this period is 1704.

Question 6

Number of mobile telephones found / recovered between 01st April 2009 - 31st March 2010?

Answer

The number of Mobile Telephones classified as found during this period is 114.

The number of Mobile Telephones classified as recovered by police during this period is 211.

Question 7

Number of games consoles reported stolen between 01st April 2009 - 31st March 2010?

Answer

The number of Games Consoles (computer games/soft-wear) classified as stolen during this period is 787.

The number of Games Consoles (video game player) classified as stolen during this period is 155.

Question 8

Number of games consoles reported lost between 01st April 2009 - 31st March 2010?

Answer

The number of Games Consoles (computer games/soft-wear) classified as lost during this period is 5.

The number of Games Consoles (video game player) classified as lost during this period is 2.

Question 9

Number of games consoles found / recovered between 01st April 2009 - 31st March 2010?

Answer

The number of Games Consoles (computer games/soft-wear) classified as found during this period is 2.

The number of Games Consoles (video game player) classified as found during this period is 1.

The number of Games Consoles (computer games/soft-wear) classified as recovered during this period is 13.

The number of Games Consoles (video game player) classified as recovered during this period is 3.

Question 10

Number of computers (not laptops) reported stolen between 01st April 2009 - 31st March 2010?

Answer

The number of Computer Systems classified as stolen during this period is 112.

Question 11

Number of computers (not laptops) reported lost between 01st April 2009 - 31st March 2010?

Answer

The number of Computer Systems classified as lost during this period is 3.

Question 12

Number of computers (not laptops) found / recovered between 01st April 2009 - 31st March 2010?

Answer

The number of Computer Systems classified as found during this period is 0.

The number of Computer Systems classified as recovered during this period is 32.

Please note the figures for found/recovered items should only apply to none crime related occurrences and not items recovered as part of the course of an investigation.

The figures supplied in answer to your questions were obtained from a live crime recording system and will be subject to change. Details of items stolen, lost, found/recovered are updated onto this system by officers and staff for each such reported incident/crime within each District. The correct classification may not always be selected for the item 'type' and is not quality assured by the PSNI's Information Communication Services Department. For example, the number of games consoles stolen should be recorded under the 'video games player' type, however a sample of the returns from this search includes 'games consoles', as well as 'games'. Therefore it should be noted that these figures are only as accurate as the information input to this system. The only way to accurately identify games consoles would involve a manual examination of each incident and I have been advised that this would take this request over the appropriate fees limit.

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 letter.

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