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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2011-00802
Keyword: Crime
Subject: Crime Statistics at Sub-Offence Level

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 and the answer to your question is as follows:

Question

Each quarter the Home Office publishes statistics on Crime in England and Wales that include data on Police recorded crime at Offence level. Offences are allocated according to the Home Office Counting Rules, which specify the appropriate sub-offence level. [1]

I request, under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, an extract at sub-offence level of your Force's data for Class 86, Obscene Publications etc.[2], that would provide the numbers for the following table.

86/1
86/2
86/3
86/4
86/5
86/6
86/7
86/8
86/9
86/10
86/11
86/12
86/13
86/14
86/15

Totals

For the following dates: Jan-Mar-09 / Apr-Jun-09 / Jul-Sep-09 / Oct-Dec-09 / Jan-Mar-10 / Apr-Jun-10 / Jul-Sep 10

Answer

Please see table below in relation to 'Recorded offences relating to Home Office sub classification - 86 Obscene publications, etc. and protected sexual material, Northern Ireland.'

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.

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.

Please be advised that PSNI replies under Freedom of Information may be released into the public domain via our website @ www.psni.police.uk

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

**Recorded offences relating to Home Office sub classification -
86 Obscene publications, etc. and protected sexual material
Northern Ireland**

	Jan-Mar 2009	Apr-Jun 2009	Jul-Sep 2009	Oct-Dec 2009	Jan-Mar 2010	Apr-Jun 2010	Jul-Sep 2010
Possessing Indecent Photograph Or Pseudo-Photograph Of A Child	2	0	1	1	1	1	2
Possession Of An Extreme Pornographic Image	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Incitement To Distribute Indecent Photographs Of Children	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Poss Of Indecent/Pseudo Photograph(S) With A View To Distribution	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Inciting taking, permitting to be taken or making indecent photograph	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
Possessing Indecent Photographs Or Pseudo-Photographs Of Children	0	1	2	0	0	1	1
Taking Etc Indecent Photograph Or Pseudo Photographs Of Children	1	2	2	0	0	0	0
Distributing Indecent Photographs Or Pseudo Photographs Of Children	1	4	2	3	4	1	4
Making Indecent Photograph Or Pseudo Photographs Of Children	0	6	3	3	2	5	1
Possessing Indecent Photographs Or Pseudo-Photographs Of Children	4	2	4	5	7	4	1
Total	8	18	15	14	15	13	9

Source: Central Statistics Unit, PSNI