



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2012-03314

Keyword: Crime

Subject: Crimes Against Elderly In C District

Request and Answer:

Question

How many cases of crime where the victim has been elderly have been reported to

Police during (1) 2010 (2) 2011 (3) 2012 so far. Provide a breakdown by area (e.g. Ards, North Down etc) and type of crime (e.g. robbery, burglary, assault).

Indicate in each instance whether a suspect has been (1) arrested and (2) charged)

Clarification received that the request only referred to C District

Answer

Please find attached at the end of this correspondence tables containing the requested information regarding crimes against the elderly in C District, and arrests / charges for these offences.

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

Recorded offences in C District on those aged 60 and over

Please note: These figures are based on information taken from a live crime recording system and will be subject to change.

Policing Area	Offence category	2010	2011	Jan-Jul 2012
Ards	Burglary	68	75	23
	Criminal Damage	107	76	38
	Fraud and forgery	0	4	5
	Other Miscellaneous			
	Offences	0	2	1
	Robbery	2	4	1
	Sexual Offences	0	2	2
	Theft	55	63	46
	Violence Against the Person	35	30	27
Ards Total		267	256	143
Castlereagh	Burglary	42	53	36
	Criminal Damage	38	45	22
	Fraud and forgery	1	15	0
	Other Miscellaneous			
	Offences	2	1	0
	Robbery	2	2	1
	Sexual Offences	1	2	1
	Theft	36	45	26
	Violence Against the Person	18	12	20
Castlereagh Total		140	175	106
Down	Burglary	80	92	40
	Criminal Damage	90	70	37
	Fraud and forgery	22	1	5
	Other Miscellaneous			
	Offences	0	1	0
	Robbery	2	3	3
	Sexual Offences	1	0	2
	Theft	84	105	72
	Violence Against the Person	25	26	14
Down Total		304	298	173
North Down	Burglary	60	76	28
	Criminal Damage	85	87	56
	Fraud and forgery	4	7	1
	Other Miscellaneous			
	Offences	0	0	0
	Robbery	2	3	0
	Sexual Offences	1	2	0
	Theft	94	95	26
	Violence Against the Person	26	30	10
North Down Total		272	300	121
Total		983	1029	543

Source: PSNI statistics

In 2010, there were 78 offences where no age of victim was recorded, 46 offences in 2011 and 15 for the period 1 Jan 2012 – 31 Jul 2012.

Arrests 2010 – July 2012

Policing Area	Offence Category	Year 2010	Year 2011	Year Jan – Jul 2012
ARDS	Burglary	2	3	0
	Criminal Damage	4	1	5
	Sexual Offences	0	1	0
	Theft	2	1	0
	Violence Against the Person	9	8	13
Total		17	14	18
Castlereagh	Burglary	1	1	0
	Criminal Damage	1	2	0
	Sexual Offences	1	0	0
	Theft	1	1	1
	Violence Against the Person	5	4	3
Total		9	8	4
DOWN	Burglary	6	2	1
	Criminal Damage	3	3	2
	Robbery	0	0	1
	Theft	1	0	3
	Violence Against the Person	5	3	2
Total		15	8	9
North Down	Burglary	3	2	0
	Criminal Damage	2	4	0
	Fraud and forgery	1	0	0
	Robbery	0	1	0
	Theft	4	4	0
	Violence Against the Person	7	12	2
Total		17	23	2
Total		58	53	33

Charges 2010 – July 2012

Policing Area	Offence Category	Year 2010	Year 2011	Year Jan – Jul 2012
ARDS	Burglary	0	1	0
	Criminal Damage	1	0	4
	Sexual Offences	0	1	0
	Theft	1	0	0
	Violence Against the Person	1	5	2
Total		3	7	6
Castlereagh	Burglary	1	0	0
	Criminal Damage	1	1	0
	Sexual Offences	1	0	0
	Theft	1	0	1
	Violence Against the Person	3	1	3
Total		7	2	4
DOWN	Burglary	5	2	1
	Criminal Damage	1	1	0
	Robbery	0	0	1
	Theft	0	0	2
	Violence Against the Person	2	1	0
Total		8	4	4
North Down	Burglary	3	1	0
	Criminal Damage	1	2	0
	Robbery	0	1	0
	Theft	2	4	0
	Violence Against the Person	3	5	0
Total		9	13	0
Total		27	26	14