



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2012-00211

Keyword: Operational Policing

Subject: Number of Drive Offs 2009-2011

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

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Answer

As per clarifications received from yourself please find below on page 1 a table containing the relevant figures supplied by PSNI Central Statistics Branch

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.

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

Recorded making off without payment offences where the stolen property was fuel and location was a petrol station

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

	2009	2010	2011
Antrim	54	54	31
Ards	52	18	3
Armagh	17	6	11
Ballymena	61	40	47
Ballymoney	12	11	13
Banbridge	5	6	10
Carrickfergus	14	28	35
Castlereagh	79	81	13
Coleraine	31	24	33
Cookstown	8	6	8
Craigavon	81	40	32
Down	41	15	12
Dungannon&S Tyrone	62	36	37
East Belfast	70	75	42
Fermanagh	16	14	9
Foyle	4	0	2
Larne	22	10	10
Limavady	5	6	2
Lisburn	100	80	60
Magherafelt	13	9	5
Moyle	2	2	7
Newry & Mourne	17	12	6
Newtownabbey	97	107	120
North Belfast	44	67	38
North Down	57	25	12
Omagh	7	4	3
South Belfast	75	79	33
Strabane	1	7	9
West Belfast	16	29	14
TOTAL	1063	891	657
Total Number of offences where:			
Estimated value known	1000	859	640
Estimated value unknown	63	32	17
Total Estimated Stolen Value	£35,359.87	£33,092.70	£24,056.42