



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2013-05929

Keyword: Road Policing

Subject: Early Morning Drink-Drug Driving

Request and Answer:

Question 1

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request details of 'morning after' drink-driving offences occurring over the past year, i.e. people being caught drink-driving early in the morning, similar to this FOI request: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-25133588>. For each year from 2011 to 2013 so far (or for fewer years if needed to bring the request within the limits of the FOI Act), I would specifically like information on the following: The number of reports of drink-driving offences between the hours of 6am and 8am.

Question 2

Please also provide any available breakdown showing the general location (nearest town or city) and the numbers of these offences that occurred at each location.

If this request cannot be completed for the whole of Northern Ireland, please limit this request to the A and B districts. If this request cannot be completed specifically for every day between 6am and 8am, please disclose the details for Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays only.

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 response to your questions is as follows.

Roads Policing has advised there is no offence for Drink-Driving and therefore the information provided relates to Drink-Drug Driving Offences. Please see the tables provided at the end of this correspondence detailing the number of arrests for 7 days of the week, between 0600 and 0800 for a drink/drug driving related offence for 2011, 2012 and 2013:

Page 1 and page 2 relate to 2011
Page 3 and page 4 relate to 2012
Page 5 and page 6 relate to 2013

Please note a person can be arrested for more than one offence. Figures are provisional and subject to change.

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.psnj.police.uk

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

Police Station Area	2011 Total
Andersonstown	1
Antrim	5
Ardmore	4
Armagh	5
Augher	1
Banbridge	1
Bangor	4
Ballycastle	2
Beragh	1
Ballymena	2
Ballymoney	2
Claudy	2
Clougher	1
Cloughmills	2
Crossmaglen	1
Coalisland	2
Coleraine	3
Cookstown	2
Craigavon	3
Castlereagh	6
Donaghadee	1
Dungannon	3
Dungiven	1
Dunmurray	2
Downpatrick	3
Donegal Pass	3
Eglinton	1
Enniskillen	5
Glengormley	2
Grovenor Rd	2
Hollywood	3
Irvinestown	2
Keady	1
Kilrea	2
Kilkeel	1
Larne	1
Limavady	3
Lisburn Rd	2
Lisburn	7
Lurgan	4
Maghera	1
Moir	3
Mountpottinger	1
Moy	1
Musgrave St	2
Newtownabbey	3
New Barnsley	1
Newcastle	2
Oldpark	1
Omagh	3
Portadown	6
Pomeroy	1
Portrush	1
Sainfield	1

Strandtown	1
Strabane	1
Strand Rd	8
Tennent Street	4
Tempo	1
Templepatrick	3
Warrenpoint	2
Waterside	2
Willowfield	5
Woodbourne	3
York Rd	4
Unknown	6
Total	166

Police Station Area	2012 Total
Antrim	2
Ardmore	2
Armagh	6
Banbridge	5
Bangor	3
Ballycastle	1
Ballymena	5
Ballymoney	1
Castleberg	1
Carrickfergus	1
Clougher	1
Coagh	1
Coalisland	1
Coleraine	4
Comber	3
Castlereagh	3
Dungannon	4
Dungiven	1
Dromore	1
Dunmurray	1
Downpatrick	3
Donegal Pass	1
Enniskillen	3
Grovenor Rd	5
Keady	1
Kesh	1
Kilrea	1
Kilkeel	1
Killyleagh	1
Larne	2
Limavady	2
Lisburn	3
Loughgall	1
Lisnaskea	3
Lurgan	4
Markethill	1
Magherafelt	3
Moira	1
Moy	1
Newtownabbey	1
Newtownards	1
New Barnsley	3
Newcastle	4
Newtownhamilton	1
Portadown	4
Portstewart	1
Rathfriland	2
Strandtown	1
Strabane	1
Strand Rd	5
Tennent Street	4

Toomebridge	1
Warrenpoint	1
Waterside	5
Willowfield	2
Woodbourne	4
York Rd	2
Unknown	1
Total	129

Police Station Area	2013 Total
Antrim	4
Ardmore	3
Armagh	4
Banbridge	3
Ballycastle	3
Ballyclare	1
Ballynafeigh	2
Bellaghy	1
Ballymena	2
Ballymoney	2
Ballynahinch	2
Broughshane	2
Bushmills	1
Carrickfergus	1
Crossgar	1
Coagh	1
Coalisland	1
Comber	2
Castlereagh	1
Crumlin	2
Dundonald	4
Dungannon	2
Dungiven	1
Donemanagh	1
Dunmurray	2
Downpatrick	3
Donegal Pass	3
Enniskillen	7
Glengormley	1
Gilford	1
Greyabbey	1
Grovenor Rd	1
Hillsborough	3
Kilkeel	1
Larne	1
Limavady	8
Lisburn Rd	1
Lisburn	3
Lisnaskea	1
Lurgan	1
Maghera	1
Magherafelt	2
Mountpottinger	1
Musgrave St	1
Newtownabbey	2
Newtownards	1
Newtownstewart	1
Omagh	4
Portadown	3
Portrush	1
Sainfield	1
Sion Mills	1
Strandtown	2
Tandragee	1

Tennent Street	5
Warrenpoint	1
Waterside	5
Willowfield	1
York Rd	2
Unknown	1
Total	122