



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2014-03992

Keyword: Crime

Subject: Crimes Against Those Aged 60 And Over In C District

Request and Answer:

Question 1

Crimes against those aged 60 and over in C District. How many cases of crime where the victim has been aged 60 and over have been reported to police during: 2012, 2013 and 2014 so far?

Question 2

Provide a breakdown by Area Command and Type of Crime.

Question 3

Indicate in each instance whether a suspect has been: A. Arrested and B. Charged

Answer

This is to inform you that the Police Service of Northern Ireland has now completed its search for the information you requested. The decision has been taken to disclose the located information to you in full.

Please see the tables below which show the information which you seek access to.

N.B. This information is based on data extracted from a live system and may be subject to change. It is dependent on the information having been input into the system in such a way as to identify those records that are relevant.

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N.B. Figures for arrests and charges are subject to change as an individual may be arrested and charged for historic offences at any time.

N.B. The recorded crime in C District where the victim's age at the time of the offence was 60 or above was linked to the custody data from NICHE to identify if any persons were arrested and subsequently charged in relation to the original incident reported to police. The offence that the person was arrested/charged with may not necessarily have been the crime which was identified. Please note that if the custody record is not held in the same NICHE occurrence then it may not be possible to identify an arrest in relation to the original crime reported. As the custody record may be held on a different NICHE serial then the recorded crime data for outcomes where there was a

charge recorded was also linked to identify any additional charges. There may have been more than one suspect arrested/charged in relation to one incident. Also, there may be more than one offence recorded in one NICHE serial. The offence that the person was charged with may not necessarily have been the crime which was identified.

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 offences in C District where the victim was aged 60 and over by crime type.

Area	Offence type	2012	2013	1 Jan – 23 Aug 2014
Ards	Violence against the person	41	38	43
	Sexual offences	2	1	2
	Theft offences - Burglary	55	51	26
	Robbery	2	1	1
	Theft offences	80	63	44
	Criminal damage	92	61	54
	NFIB-related fraud	9	12	10
		281	227	180
Castlereagh	Violence against the person	30	31	24
	Sexual offences	1	3	5
	Theft offences - Burglary	69	58	34
	Robbery	1	3	0
	Theft offences	58	73	31
	Criminal damage	50	73	40
	Miscellaneous crimes against society	0	0	1
NFIB-related fraud	5	9	7	
		214	250	142
Down	Violence against the person	33	46	23
	Sexual offences	3	1	3
	Theft offences - Burglary	78	78	51
	Robbery	3	0	1
	Theft offences	113	103	74
	Criminal damage	61	87	58
	Miscellaneous crimes against society	1	2	4
NFIB-related fraud	6	8	4	
		298	325	218
North Down	Violence against the person	25	39	49
	Sexual offences	1	1	0
	Theft offences - Burglary	58	56	32
	Theft offences	69	106	52
	Criminal damage	93	73	44
	Miscellaneous crimes against society	0	2	1
	NFIB-related fraud	4	13	14
		250	290	192

Number of instances in which at least one person was arrested in connection with original incident reported

	Year		
	2012	2013	1 Jan – 23 Aug 2014
Ards	25	14	9
Castlereagh	12	18	8
Down	24	24	15
North Down	11	28	20
Total	72	84	52

Number of instances in which at least one person was charged in connection with original incident reported

	Year		
	2012	2013	1 Jan – 23 Aug 2014
Ards	8	7	2
Castlereagh	9	6	5
Down	12	7	4
North Down	6	14	9
Total	35	34	20

Source: PSNI Statistics Branch

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