



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2014-03302

Keyword: Crime

Subject: Hospital Crime

Request and Answer:

Question 1

Each year, for the past three calendar years, on how many occasions have your officers been called out to hospitals?

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.

The information you requested for question 1, is available from the PSNI website and for your convenience I have provided the link below which can be used to access the website:

http://www.psni.police.uk/police_call-outs_to_nhs_hospitals.pdf

Question 2

Please provide a list of crimes committed in hospitals for each calendar year.

Answer

Please find attached at the end of this correspondence a list of the crimes where the location was a hospital or mental health unit for 2011 – 2013.

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 where the location mo was a hospital or mental health unit (2011-2013)

Offence level 1	Offence level 2	2011	2012	2013
Violence against the person	Violence with injury	140	175	215
	Violence without injury	199	494	710
Sexual offences		14	27	40
Robbery		4		4
Burglary		51	41	47
Theft offences	All other theft offences	121	148	154
	Bicycle theft	23	18	15
	Shoplifting			3
	Theft from the person	1	4	3
	Vehicle offences	23	27	40
Criminal damage		87	87	100
Drug offences		21	33	45
Miscellaneous crimes against society		9	2	7
Possession of weapons offences		4	3	7
Public order offences		3	6	5
Fraud			3	5
Total		700	1,068	1,400

Source: PSNI Statistics Branch

Please note: This information is based on data extracted from a live crime recording 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.