



## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



**Request Number:** F-2014-05776

**Keyword:** Crime

**Subject:** Theft and Fraud Crimes Victim Is Over Age Of 65

### Request and Answer:

#### Question 1

Please provide figures for the number of theft and fraud crimes reported to your force for calendar years 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 (year to date) where the alleged victim is over the age of 65 and considered to be a "vulnerable adult." Please provide a breakdown by calendar year.

#### Question 2

Of the total number of reported crimes, how many led to arrests? (Please provide a breakdown by calendar year)

#### Question 3

Of the total number of reported crimes, how many led to charges? (Please provide a breakdown by calendar year)

#### Question 4

Of the total number of reported crimes, how many led to prosecutions? (Please provide a breakdown by calendar year)

Clarification: I did wonder, however, if you do have any approximate figures on how many of the victims might be deemed vulnerable - by this I mean they may have a mental or physical health disability, or be socially isolated.

#### 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 find at the end of this correspondence the number of arrests, charges and convictions for frauds and thefts where the victim was over the age of 65 years. Please also note that the information that has been provided from Niche and where the occurrence has been closed with the code 'vulnerable adult' and the age of the victim was equal to or over 65.

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](mailto: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](http://www.psni.police.uk)

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

Occurrence Year	Arrested	OffenceTitle	AgeOfVictim
2011	Y	FRAUD BY FALSE REPRESENTATION	80
2011	Y	FRAUD BY FALSE REPRESENTATION	80
2011	Y	FRAUD BY FALSE REPRESENTATION	80
2011	Y	THEFT FROM DWELLING	80
2011	Y	THEFT FROM DWELLING	80
2011	Y	THEFT FROM DWELLING	80
2011	Y	FRAUD BY ABUSE OF POSITION	80
2011	Y	FRAUD BY ABUSE OF POSITION	80
2011	Y	FRAUD BY ABUSE OF POSITION	80
2011	Y	THEFT FROM DWELLING	82
2012	Y	THEFT FROM DWELLING	72
2012	Y	FRAUD BY FALSE REPRESENTATION	81
2012	Y	THEFT (BY EMPLOYEE)	81
2013	Y	THEFT	79
2013	Y	THEFT	86
2013	Y	FRAUD BY FALSE REPRESENTATION	86
2013	Y	FRAUD BY FALSE REPRESENTATION	92
2013	Y	FORGERY	92
2013	Y	THEFT	76
2013	Y	FRAUD BY ABUSE OF POSITION	76
2013	Y	THEFT	65
2013	Y	FRAUD BY ABUSE OF POSITION	65
2014	Y	THEFT FROM PERSON	65
2014	Y	THEFT FROM PERSON	65
2014	Y	ROBBERY	77

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2012	Y	FRAUD BY FALSE REPRESENTATION	81
2012	Y	THEFT (BY EMPLOYEE)	81
2013	Y	THEFT	86
2014	Y	THEFT FROM PERSON	65

Occurrence Year	Charged	OffenceTitle	OffenceDate	AgeOfVictim
2012	Y	THEFT (BY EMPLOYEE)	01/09/2012	81
2012	Y	CONVERTING CRIMINAL PROPERTY	01/09/2010	81
2013	Y	FRAUD BY FALSE REPRESENTATION	14/01/2013	79
2013	Y	THEFT	14/01/2013	79