



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2018-01335

Keyword: Crime

Subject: Crime Report Outcomes 2018

Request and Answer:

Your request for information has now been considered. In respect of Section 1(1)(a) of the Act I can confirm that the Police Service of Northern Ireland does hold information to which your request relates. The decision has been taken to disclose the following.

Request 1

I would like to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act. For all crimes reported in the calendar year 2018 whose outcomes you have classed as 'investigation complete; no suspect identified', please provide the date on which the investigation started and the date on which it was classed as 'investigation complete; no suspect identified'.

Answer

Please see spreadsheet provided by Central Statistics Branch detailing the crimes reported in 2018 whose outcomes has been classed as 'investigation complete: no suspect identified', the start date refers to the date the crime was reported to police and the end date refers to the date the outcome was assigned.

Request 2

If the investigation was started and concluded on the same day, if possible please state in addition the number of man-hours spent working on the case.

Answer

PSNI do not record a timesheet of the number of man-hours spent working on each case.

Request 3

Please break this data down by these crime types and if possible the community safety partnership or local authority in which the crime took place:

- Bicycle theft
- Burglary
- Criminal damage and arson
- Drugs
- Other crime
- Other theft
- Possession of weapons
- Public order

- Robbery
- Shoplifting
- Theft from the person
- Vehicle crime
- Violence and sexual offences

Answer

Please see spreadsheet provided by Central Statistics Branch detailing data broken down by the crime types and the policing district in which the crime took place.

Please note that the figures provided are subject to change: Changes can be expected to crimes recorded from 1st April 2018 as records are subject to ongoing validation and quality assurance processes until publication in May 2019; annual revisions to previously published financial year figures may also be applied at this time. Changes may also occur if an offender is subsequently identified and the outcome is reclassified to reflect the investigation.

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.