



## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



**Request Number:** F-2018-00742

**Keyword:** Crime

**Subject:** Burglaries Newry, Mourne and Down

### Request and Answer:

Your request for information has now been considered. In respect of Section 1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 Act (FOIA) I can confirm that the Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI) does hold information to which your request relates.

### Request

May I lodge a Freedom of Information request in relation to statistics for burglaries/trespassing and entering in the Newry Mourne and Down area from 2007-current. I am specifically interested in statistics for Downpatrick, Newcastle and Ballynahinch if possible. May I have the figures in Excel format?

### Answer

Statistics Branch publish Burglary figures broken down by Policing District and this can be located at the link below.

<https://www.psni.police.uk/inside-psni/Statistics/police-recorded-crime-statistics/>

The Annual trends publication includes statistics from 1998/99 – 2016/17 and the latest monthly publication includes 2016/17 and 2017/18. The pivot tables provide breakdown by Policing District and crime type.

Alternatively, street level crime and anti-social behaviour figures are available on the Crime Mapper website (<https://www.police.uk/>). The mapping facilities of this website can be used to identify streets to obtain crime and specifically burglary figures.

Below is some guidance on how to use the website:

After selecting FIND YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD, a user can put in their postcode and it will take them to a map for that area showing the number of crimes/ASB. Selecting Explore the crime map allows users to manipulate the map and also allows them to draw their own boundary and see crimes/ASB within that boundary. It is also possible for users to download data and use this to map the information themselves.

A few pointers that may be helpful are outlined below:

- After the specific boundary has been drawn on the map, click on the link to the right of the map showing 'View detailed statistics'. This will show figures for the last 12 months based on the specific area drawn.
- Comparison of crime types in this area (showing latest 12 months) – this shows the totals for each crime type and ASB for the latest 12 months.
- Crime levels in this area (showing latest 12 months) – this shows the number of crimes/ASB each month for the latest 12 months. There is a selection tool allowing the chart and numbers to be changed to show lower level crime types or ASB.
- The data can also be downloaded from this screen as a CSV file.

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.

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