



# FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



**Request Number:** F-2018-02790

**Keyword:** Crime

**Subject:** Gender Breakdown Of Crimes Committed

**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**

Do you have a breakdown/record of crimes committed by gender?

**Answer**

Year	Crimes Committed By Gender		
	Male	Female	Unknown
2014	123611	27857	14
2015	120845	26894	3
2016	115680	25869	13
2017	110101	24629	1
2018	98828	21342	6

*The above figures reflect the breakdown of gender of suspects recorded in occurrences /crimes for the period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2014 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018*

*Please note these figures do not correlate with the number of occurrences per year as there may be multiple suspects within an occurrence.*

**Request 2**

How, if at all, do you record crimes committed by transgender people? Are they recorded under their self-identified gender or recorded gender at birth?

**Answer**

Gender is recorded according to how the person identifies and self declares to police. There is a field on the PSNI NICHE system to record transgender status.

**Request 3**

If you do, do you have a breakdown of these stats?

## Answer

Year	Transgendered People
2014	56
2015	35
2016	29
2017	48
2018	51

*Breakdown Of Crimes committed by Transgendered People between 1<sup>st</sup> January 2014 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018*

### Request 4

Do you have a record of hate crime against transgender people? If you do record them, could I get the data for the past 5 years? Happy to receive in whatever form is most convenient for you.

### Answer

PSNI Statistics Branch publish information on hate incidents and crimes with a transphobic motivation, with published figures covering the time period requested, presented on a financial year basis and also including a breakdown by type of offence where a crime has been recorded (<https://www.psni.police.uk/inside-psni/Statistics/hate-motivation-statistics/>, Hate motivation annual trends 2004/05 to 2017/18 pdf bulletin and Transphobic motivation summary tables spreadsheet). The definition in place in respect of crimes with a transphobic motivation is as follows: Transphobia - Includes people who are transsexual, transgender, transvestite and those who hold the gender recognition certificate under the Gender Recognition Act 2004.

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.