

Keeping People Safe



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2022-00181

Keyword: Crime

Subject: Police Custody Stats April 2019 - December 2021

Request and Answer:

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

For each of the individual 33 months from April 2019 to December 2021 inclusive:

Request 1

The total number of authorised detentions of adult suspects (aged 18 or over).

Request 2

The total number of authorised detentions of adult suspects (aged 18 or over) in which the need for an appropriate adult (under PACE Code C) was recorded.

It would be very helpful if the data could be provided in a table or Excel format.

Answers

In response to you Requests, please see the table below.

This table illustrates the total number of adults detained, in addition to those requiring an appropriate adult. The figures have been broken down over the course of the requested 33 month period.

Month/Year	Adults Detained (AD)	AD requiring Appropriate Adult
April 2019	2059	203
May 2019	2027	201
June 2019	2071	229
July 2019	2182	266
August 2019	2093	251
September 2019	2027	215
October 2019	2068	240
November 2019	2047	253
December 2019	2251	234
January 2020	2054	255
February 2020	1882	222
March 2020	1414	151
April 2020	197	27
May 2020	1816	217
June 2020	1800	249
July 2020	2114	251
August 2020	1974	231
September 2020	1899	219
October 2020	1925	238
November 2020	1923	239
December 2020	2174	248
January 2021	1647	227
February 2021	1569	218
March 2021	1834	248
April 2021	1744	238
May 2021	2031	220
June 2021	2060	257
July 2021	2127	239
August 2021	1974	257
September 2021	1950	248
October 2021	1993	242
November 2021	1767	202
December 2021	1873	218

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 Corporate Information Branch, 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 Corporate Information Branch, 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 remain dissatisfied with the handling of your Request, you may make a complaint to the Information Commissioner's Office, under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act, 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', or use the ICO self-service portal available at www.ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/officialinformation-concerns-report/official-information-concern/

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 their discretion.

Please be advised that PSNI replies under Freedom of Information may be released into the public domain via our website @ www.psnipolice.uk

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