

Keeping People Safe



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2020-02176

Keyword: Road Policing

Subject: Foreign Drivers Detected for Speeding

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.

I am writing in regards to foreign drivers who don't abide by Northern Ireland's laws.

Request.

Please state how many foreign/overseas motorists were caught by speed cameras/other PSNI cameras across Northern Ireland, and because their vehicles were not registered with the DVLA the matter wasn't pursued in each of the last three financial years, including 2019/20.

Answer

There were 9,955 detections made by the NI Road Safety Partnership in the last 3 financial years where the detection was cancelled due to it being a foreign vehicle. A breakdown of the detections can be seen in table below.

| Detection | 2017/18 | 2018/19 | 2019/20 |
|--------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Speed Camera | 1,969 | 3,763 | 4,019 |
| Red Light Running Camera | 68 | 36 | 100 |
| Total | 2,037 | 3,799 | 4,119 |

Please note: Figures are provisional and subject to change.

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 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.