



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2023-01235

Keyword: Crime/Incident Statistics Road Traffic

Subject: Fixed Penalty Notices

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 does hold information to which your request relates. The decision has been taken to disclose the following.

Request 1

In each of the last two financial years (21/22) and (22/23) please state that as a result of committing a motoring offence (speeding and all other offences) in your authority how many (a) fixed penalty notices fines were accepted by motorists and (b) how many drivers accepted places on driving training education courses which were offered as an alternative to a Fixed Penalty Notice fine.

Answer 1(a)

PSNI Motoring Offences Detections by Disposal, 2021/22

Financial Year	Fixed Penalty Notice	Speed Awareness	Total
2021/22	14,703	934	15,637

1. Does not include motoring offences which were referred for prosecution.
2. For details of the offences and further information on PSNI motoring offences statistics, please see: <https://www.psni.police.uk/inside-psni/Statistics/motoring-offences-statistics/>

Answer 1(b)

Road Safety Partnership (RSP) Detections by Disposal, 2021/22

Financial Year	Fixed Penalty Notice	Speed Awareness	Total
2021/22	25,480	29,547	55,027

1. RSP detections include speeding and red light running offences only.
2. Figures for 2021/22 are provisional subject to change as 2022 figures have not yet been finalised.
3. For further information on the RSP, please see: <https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/ni-road-safety->

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Request 2

During this two year period what was the financial penalty for (a) a Fixed Penalty Notice and (b) the cost of enrolling on a driver training course.

NOTE: If you do not yet have the figures for 22/23 then please just provide the data in relation to 21/22.

Answer

(a) The financial penalty for a Fixed Penalty Notice was a £60 fine, £5 offender levy and 3 points endorsement

(b) The cost of enrolling on a driver training course varies depending on area and provider (course can be done virtually and therefore can be completed by a provider in England or Wales). Costs vary from £84 up to £92 (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 Corporate Information Manager, Corporate Information Branch, PSNI Headquarters, 65 Knock Road, Belfast, BT5 6LE or by emailing foi@psni.police.uk.

If, following an Internal Review carried out by an independent decision maker, you remain unhappy about how your request has been handled you have the right to apply in writing to the Information Commissioner, under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act, at 'Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. There are a number of other platforms you can use to contact the ICO and these can be found on the ICO's website at the following link: [Make a complaint | ICO \(https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/\)](https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/).

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.

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