



**HEDDLU
GOGLEDD CYMRU
NORTH WALES
POLICE**

Response Date: 22/01/2024

2024/015 - Uninsured Drivers

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

- **The total number of uninsured vehicles seized by your constabulary annually from 1st January 2019 to 1st January 2024.**
- **A detailed breakdown of the seized vehicles by year, including, but not limited to:**
 - **Type of vehicle (e.g., cars, motorcycles, commercial vehicles).**
 - **Reasons for seizure (e.g., routine checks, accidents, tip-offs).**
- **A detailed breakdown of any enforcement measures taken against the owners or drivers of the seized uninsured vehicles, including, but not limited to:**
 - **Fines,**
 - **Penalties**
 - **or other legal actions.**

Our information is set up and searchable for our policing purposes. Due to there being thousands and thousands of vehicles seized / recovered for these 5 years, I am unable to break it down yearly for the 3 type of vehicles requested, this would involve manually reviewing each record on our force system. The cost of providing you with the information is above the amount to which we are legally required to respond i.e. the cost of retrieving the information exceeds the 'appropriate level' as stated in the Freedom of Information (FOI) Fees and Appropriate Limit regulations 2004.

Therefore, in accordance with the FOI Act 2000 the information you have requested is exempt under Section 12 (1), and this letter acts as a Refusal Notice under section 17 (5) of the legislation.

Although excess cost removed the forces obligations under the Freedom of Information Act, as a gesture of goodwill, I have supplied information, relative to your request, retrieved or available before it was realised that the fees limit would be exceeded. I trust this is helpful, but it does not affect our legal right to rely on the fees regulations for the remainder of your request.

2019 – 2023:

Cars = 18814

Motorbike = 1202

Commercial = 3448 (van 2914, HGV 438, Tractor 96)

YEAR	MOTORBIKE	CAR	COMMERCIAL	S.165 / S.59	PACE	RTC SERIOUS	S.99	DVLA SEIZURE	OTHER	TOTAL
2019				1094	265	96	2605	201	89	4350
2020				1121	283	71	2005	30	85	3595
2021				1034	254	131	2103	1	90	3613
2022				977	208	104	2409	0	73	3771
2023				1055	114	108	2519	0	59	3855

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 19/01/2024