



Response Date:16/01/2025

2025/019 - Custody images

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

- 1. With reference to any custody images of people who have not been charged or convicted that are currently being stored in the police national database, please could you give me a breakdown by religion and ethnicity?**

A photo is taken for every recordable offence. The images are retained unless the result of the investigation is no further action (NFA).

So if there are detainees who have been NFA'd who have not committed any other offences, they will not have an image stored on RMS but they will have a custody record and detention authorised date. The RMS record would still show the complaint, investigation, suspect details, results etc but we do not retain fingerprints or photographs in this circumstance.

- 2. If the data is held, please could you give me two separate breakdowns (a column for religion and a column for ethnicity)? If information on religion is not recorded, please could you just give me a breakdown by ethnicity?**

N/A please see the answer to question one above.

- 3. If this information is not held, either entirely or partly, please could you advise me whether it might be recorded or held by another body?**

N/A please see the answer to question one above.

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 14/01/2025