



Response Date:14/02/2025

2025/166 - Offender/Suspect Data

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

The number of offenders/suspects who have declared a disability/have a flag on our force systems.

Can I please have the information discussed prior from the current time 05/02/2020 to 05/02/2025

Our information is set up and searchable for our policing purposes. We do not have a distinct disability flag on the person record. We would record disability as a marker on the person record, but these markers are umbrella terms (such as "Ailment", "Mental health"), and free text remarks attached to the marker would indicate if it referred to a disability (specifying the disability itself, rather than a disabled yes/no).

We would therefore be unable to provide a count of offenders/suspects for whom we've recorded a disability without reading through every free text warning remark to determine if the marker related to a condition which met the definition of disability under the Equality Act.

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.

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 13/02/2025