



Response Date:16/10/2025

2025/992 - money mules/money laundering cases

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

- 1. How many money mules/money laundering cases have been investigated by the your force in the last 5 years involving children or young people (under 30 years of age)? If known, how many of these children/young people were students?**
- 2. What is the average value of money transferred in money mules/money laundering cases that have been investigated by your force in the last 5 years involving children/young people?**
- 3. What are the most common methods used by criminals to recruit money mules that have been identified by your force in the last 5 years involving children/young people?**
- 4. How many money mule/money laundering investigations have been referred to the Crown Prosecution Service by your force in the last 5 years involving children/young people?**
- 5. What is the approximately the average length of time it takes for a money laundering case to be investigated by your force in the last 5 years involving children/young people?**
- 6. What is the average age and gender of money mules targeted under your jurisdiction in the last 5 years?**
- 7. Are there any particular demographics or groups that are disproportionately targeted by money laundering/money mule schemes in you jurisdiction?**
- 8. Does your force participate in any international, national or regional initiatives or programmes to combat money muling?**
- 9. Do you participate in any educational sessions/training for students in schools, colleges or universities?**

Our information is set up and searchable for our policing purposes. To obtain the information in the format you have requested would involve manually reviewing each all offences under POCA and Money Laundering records on our force system during the period requested. 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 30/09/2025

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