



Response Date:04/04/2025

2025/366 – Violent Crimes

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

I would like data from January 2022 to the most recent data you have on:

**1. The number of under 18s charged with violent crimes.
The number of those who were previously known to police.
The number of those who were known to police owing to calls or incidents logged from their family home.**

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**2. The number of 18-21 year old's charged with violent crimes.
The number of those who were previously known to police.
The number of those who were known to police owing to calls or incidents logged from their family home.**

Violent crimes definition:

Murder and manslaughter (unlawful killing of another person) Sexual Offences: Rape, sexual assault, and other forms of non-consensual sexual acts Assault Offences involving a knife or sharp instrument Robbery Aggravated assault Kidnapping

Our information is set up and searchable for our policing purposes. To identify data relating to if offender was previously known, and information regarding family home 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.

Age is based on time between Offender DOB and Start Date

		1. Under 18	2. 18-21
01. VAP	01. Homicide	0	1
01. VAP	02. Violence with injury	180	231
01. VAP	03. Violence without injury	139	158
02. Sexual Offences	04. Rape	12	10
02. Sexual Offences	05. Other Sexual Offences	14	42
03. Robbery	07. Robbery of Personal Property	13	15
12. Possession of Weapons	22. Possession of Firearms Offences	1	5
12. Possession of Weapons	23. Possession of Other Weapons	10	12
12. Possession of Weapons	24. Possession of Article with Blade or Point	26	40

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 01/04/2025