



SUFFOLK CONSTABULARY

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

REQUEST NUMBER: FOI Request 000173-17

REQUEST DETAILS:

“Sexual offences where the suspect/s are 15 or under for 2011 to 2015 by year?”

With a breakdown in age of those suspects, 0-10 years, 11-12 and 13-15 years?

And a breakdown of how many offences recorded for sexting, rape and sexual assault.”

RESPONSE:

Suffolk Constabulary has considered your request for information and our response is below.

This response is correct as of 5 January 2017

A search has been completed of the Constabulary's crime system for all sexual offences recorded during the 2011-2015 calendar years, where the suspect is aged 15 years or under.

The tables provided in the attached excel spreadsheet confirms the information by year, offence and outcome.

Police forces in the United Kingdom are routinely required to provide crime statistics to government bodies and the recording criteria is set nationally. However, the systems used for recording these figures are not generic, nor are the procedures used locally in capturing the crime data. It should be noted that for these reasons this force's response to your questions should not be used for comparison purposes with any other response you may receive.

Please be aware that the information provided/researched from the 19 October 2015 has been extracted from the Athena crime system. The information provided is subject to change as processes are amended to ensure accurate and precise crime recording.