

Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 001865-18

I write in connection with your request for information received by Suffolk Constabulary on the 30 May 2018 in which you sought access to the following information:

"A breakdown of crime outcomes in reported crimes of domestic abuse (i.e. those marked with the 'domestic' indicator) by ethnicity and nationality of the victim. If you do not record either of these data points, or they have not been recorded in any instances, please state this and provide whatever information you do have recorded."

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 11 June 2018

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

A search has been completed of the Constabulary's crime system for all domestic related offences recorded for the time frame 1 April 2015 – 31 March 2018.

The table provided on the attached spreadsheet confirms all outcomes for offences with a domestic related marker, by self-defined ethnicity of victim. Please note that the crime system does not record victim nationality.

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.

A full copy of the Freedom of Information Act (2000) can be viewed on the 'Office of Public Sector Information' web-site;

http://www.opsi.gov.uk/

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Your Right to Request a Review of Decisions Made Under the Terms of the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

If you are unhappy with how your request has been handled, or if you think the decision is incorrect, you have the right to ask Suffolk Constabulary to review their decision.

Ask Suffolk Constabulary to look at the decision again.

If you are dissatisfied with the decision made by Suffolk Constabulary under the Freedom of Information Act (2000), regarding access to information, you must notify Suffolk Constabulary that you are requesting a review within 20 days of the date of its response to your Freedom of Information request. Requests for a review should be made in writing and addressed to:

Freedom of Information Decision Maker Information Management Department Suffolk Constabulary Police Headquarters Martlesham Heath Ipswich Suffolk IP5 3QS OR

Email: information@suffolk.pnn.police.uk

In all possible circumstances Suffolk Constabulary will aim to respond to your request for us to look at our decision again within 20 working days of receipt of your request for an internal review.

The Information Commissioner.

After lodging a request for a review with Suffolk Constabulary, if you are still dissatisfied with the decision, you can apply to the Information Commissioner for a decision on whether the request for information has been dealt with in accordance with the requirements of the Act.

For information on how to make application to the Information Commissioner please visit their website at www.ico.org.uk or contact them at the address shown below:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Telephone: 01625 545 700