

Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 002037-18

I write in connection with your request for information received by Suffolk Constabulary on the 11 June 2018 in which you sought access to the following information:

1. *“How many child on child sexual assaults have been recorded by Suffolk Constabulary between 2015 to date? Please provide a breakdown by each year, by gender and in the following age ranges: Under 10, 10-14-years-old, 15-18-years-old.*
2. *How many of the recorded sexual assaults have been female on male? (Please provide in a yearly and age range breakdown)*
3. *How many of the recorded sexual assaults have been female on female? (Please provide in a yearly and age range breakdown)*
4. *How many of the recorded sexual assaults have been male on male? (Please provide in a yearly and age range breakdown)*
5. *How many of the recorded sexual assaults have been male on female? (Please provide in a yearly and age range breakdown)*
6. *How many of these recorded sexual assaults have resulted in a prosecution? (Please provide a yearly breakdown)*
7. *How many of these recorded sexual assailants took place on school grounds? (Please provide a yearly and age range breakdown)”*

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 2 July 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 sexual offences recorded where the victim and suspects age has been recorded as 17 years and under. Please note that the information supplied does rely on the date of birth being correctly inputted into the system and in the correct field. Any occasions where a date of birth is missing from the victim or suspects details, the crime will not be included in the return.



- The total number of sexual assaults recorded where the suspect and victim was aged up to and including 17 years old, is provided in the table below, by suspect gender and victim gender.

Offender Gender / Age Range	2015	2016	2017	2018	Grand Total
Female	17	10	10	12	49
10 to 14	11	3	4	9	27
15 to 17	6	5	2	2	15
Under 10		2	4	1	7
Male	155	177	218	101	651
10 to 14	73	80	113	40	306
15 to 17	77	79	81	50	287
Under 10	5	18	24	11	58
Not Recorded	2	2	10	2	16
10 to 14	1		4		5
15 to 17		2	5		7
Under 10	1		1	2	4
Grand Total	174	189	238	115	716

Victim Gender / Age Range	2015	2016	2017	2018	Grand Total
Female	151	156	170	83	560
10 to 14	83	69	95	46	293
15 to 17	42	53	42	24	161
Under 10	26	34	33	13	106
Male	20	33	57	30	140
10 to 14	7	12	19	11	49
15 to 17	3	4	5	2	14
Under 10	10	17	33	17	77
Not Recorded	3		11	2	16
10 to 14	2		6		8
Under 10	1		5	2	8
Grand Total	174	189	238	115	716



2. The total number of sexual assaults recorded where the suspect is female and the victim male, is as follows:

Year	Grand Total
2015	3
2016	4
2017	4
2018	5
Grand Total	16

3. The total number of sexual assaults recorded where the suspect is female and the victim also female, is as follows:

Year	Grand Total
2015	14
2016	6
2017	5
2018	7
Grand Total	32

4. *The total number of sexual assaults recorded where the suspect has been male and the victim male, is as follows:*

Year	Grand Total
2015	17
2016	29
2017	52
2018	25
Grand Total	123

5. The total number of sexual assaults where the suspect is male and victim female, is as follows:

Year	Grand Total
2015	136
2016	148

2017	160
2018	76
Grand Total	520

6. The total number of those sexual assaults that resulted in an individual being charged is as follows, noting the Constabulary does not hold prosecution data.

Year	2015
2015	4
Grand Total	4

7. The total number of sexual assaults that were reported to have occurred in the location of a school is as follows:

Year	Grand Total
2015	12
2016	11
2017	20
2018	8
Grand Total	51

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
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