

Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 000942-19

I write in connection with your request for information received by Suffolk Constabulary on the 7 March 2019 in which you sought access to the following information:

“The number of domestic violence offences where the suspected perpetrator was identified as female in each of the last 10 calendar years, organised by month.”

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 7 March 2019

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 2010 – 2019 calendar years, to date.

The total number of offences recorded where the suspect is female, is provided within the table below. Please note that the information excludes non-crimes and relies on the gender of the victim being recorded in the appropriate field.

Please note that data prior to October 2015 has been taken from the legacy crime system, which includes all offences with a domestic marker. Data provided since October 2015 is taken from the current crime system and includes all offences with a domestic abuse flag and crimes with an included classification of a 'Domestic Abuse Investigation'. The data therefore is not comparable from either system.

Month	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
January	56	49	69	45	55	72	82	106	109	148
February	24	46	42	32	61	56	78	103	103	123
March	49	56	45	39	58	85	81	108	136	21
April	45	52	50	46	50	85	91	102	136	
May	53	48	47	30	50	76	65	116	140	
June	41	53	40	49	53	80	70	135	159	
July	51	59	49	58	67	81	90	129	152	
August	32	57	55	53	48	106	92	151	178	
September	57	48	43	45	68	58	83	100	124	
October	45	52	41	50	67	64	71	104	139	

November	43	56	46	42	60	49	105	114	141	
December	45	68	58	51	71	74	89	104	152	
Total	541	644	585	540	708	886	997	1372	1669	292

Should you have any further queries concerning this request, please contact Clair Pack, FOI Decision Maker, quoting the reference number shown above.

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 40 working 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