

Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 001414-18

I write in connection with your request for information received by Suffolk Constabulary on the 18 April 2018 in which you sought access to the following information:

1. *“All crimes recorded where the identified victim is aged over 65 for 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 calendar years, with an annual breakdown.*
2. *The number of such crimes that resulted in a prosecution over the same years, with a similar breakdown.*
3. *If possible, could you please categorise the reports by detail of the crime.”*

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 19 April 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 offences recorded where the victim is aged 65 years or older. Please note that this will not include any offences where the date of birth has not been recorded.

1. The total number of offences recorded for the time frame specified, is as follows:

HOCR Group	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
AGGRAVATED VEHICLE TAKING				4	4	4
ARSON			4	13	17	5
Arson & Criminal Damage	604	702	567			
BICYCLE THEFT			8	78	115	19
Burglary	859	731	535			
BURGLARY - BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY					48	15
BURGLARY - RESIDENTIAL					295	96
BURGLARY IN A DWELLING			42	162	49	
BURGLARY NON-DWELLING			42	208	62	
CRIMINAL DAMAGE			98	428	530	101
Drug Offences	1	1	3			
HOMICIDE				1		



INTERFERING WITH A MOTOR VEHICLE			12	25	50	13
MISC CRIMES AGAINST SOCIETY		1	11	27	25	7
Other Offences	57	62	175			
OTHER OFFENCES PUBLIC ORDER			1	7	6	3
OTHER SEXUAL OFFENCES			6	31	67	13
OTHER THEFT			67	329	423	133
POSSESSION OF WEAPONS			4	5	2	
PUBLIC FEAR, ALARM OR DISTRESS			30	160	264	42
RACE OR RELIGIOUS AGG PUBLIC FEAR			1	8	11	2
RAPE			1	23	26	13
Robbery	10	4	18			
ROBBERY OF BUSINESS PROPERTY				1	1	
ROBBERY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY			3	23	30	11
Sexual Offences	10	14	24			
SHOPLIFTING			2	8	10	3
Theft	1083	1057	883			
THEFT FROM A VEHICLE			27	177	231	58
THEFT FROM THE PERSON			18	60	67	18
THEFT OR UNAUTH TAKING OF A MOTOR VEH			8	36	37	7
TRAFFICKING OF DRUGS						1
Violence Against the Person	163	281	396			
VIOLENCE WITH INJURY			65	318	458	89
VIOLENCE WITHOUT INJURY			101	578	801	202
Grand Total	2787	2853	3152	2710	3629	855

2. The total number of persons charged with an offence, is provided in the table below. Please note that the Constabulary are no longer able to extract charge data from our legacy system CIS. Therefore, the data provided prior to 19 October 2015 confirms the number of offences 'detected' i.e. a suspect was identified. Charge data has been provided since 19 October 2015.

Please note there are other available positive outcomes as opposed to an individual being charged. Additionally, some of the offences will still be ongoing.

Outcome	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Detected	276	269	177			

Type 1 – Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition			51	159	176	32
Grand Total	276	269	228	159	176	32

3. As per question 1

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
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