



Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 004399-19

I write in connection with your request for information received by Suffolk Constabulary on the 4 December 2019 in which you sought access to the following information:

1. *“How many minors aged under 18 were arrested for offences relating to the supply of controlled drugs in Suffolk between January 2015 - December 2018. I would like to request a break down with figures per month, please.*
2. *How many of those minors arrested (as per question 1) have been charged with an offence. Please could you list the age of the minor and offence each has been charged with.*
3. *Please state the number of minors arrested by also listing their county of residence (i.e. county they are registered as residing in on formal records).”*

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 11 December 2019

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

The Constabulary changed crime and custody system during October 2015 and as a result, information held within the custody legacy system is no longer available for bulk data extraction. The information below therefore relates to the time frame 19 October 2015 – 31 December 2018.

A search has been completed of the Constabulary's current custody system for all arrests made for the supply of drugs, where the suspect is aged under 18 years old.

1. The total number of arrests for the supply of drugs is provided below by month and year:

Offence Description	MONTH											
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2015												
Drugs - Concerned in Supplying Controlled Drug												
Drugs - Possession With Intent to Supply - Class A											2	1
Drugs - Possession With Intent to Supply - Other than Class A												2
Drugs - Supplying Controlled Drug												1
2016												



Drugs - Concerned in Supplying Controlled Drug												
Drugs - Possession With Intent to Supply - Class A		2	1	3	3	1	1	5	2	2	3	1
Drugs - Possession With Intent to Supply - Other than Class A	1			1	3	1	1	1	1	2	1	
Drugs - Supplying Controlled Drug	3		1		1			1			1	
2017												
Drugs - Concerned in Supplying Controlled Drug						1	9	5	4	2	5	2
Drugs - Possession With Intent to Supply - Class A		4	6	4	1	4	2	4	4	3	3	1
Drugs - Possession With Intent to Supply - Other than Class A	1		2	3	2	1	6		1	2		
Drugs - Supplying Controlled Drug		1	2	3	1			2				
2018												
Drugs - Concerned in Supplying Controlled Drug	3	1		5	4				3	3	1	
Drugs - Possession With Intent to Supply - Class A	2	4		1	2	3	1	5	2	1		
Drugs - Possession With Intent to Supply - Other than Class A	1	1	4	2			1	1	1	1		1
Drugs - Supplying Controlled Drug				1								

2. Of the above arrests, the number that resulted in a charge is provided below, by age of suspect:

Arrest Offence	Age			
	14	15	16	17
2015				
Drugs - Possession with Intent to Supply - Class A				2
Drugs - Possession with Intent to Supply - Other than Class A			1	
Drugs - Supplying Controlled Drug			1	
2016				
Drugs - Possession with Intent to Supply - Class A		1	4	4
Drugs - Possession with Intent to Supply - Other than Class A	1		2	
Drugs - Supplying Controlled Drug			1	
2017				
Drugs - Concerned in Supplying Controlled Drug		1	4	2
Drugs - Possession with Intent to Supply - Class A		2	6	6
Drugs - Possession with Intent to Supply - Other than Class A		1	3	3



2018				
Drugs - Concerned in Supplying Controlled Drug			1	
Drugs - Possession with Intent to Supply - Class A		2	2	3
Drugs - Possession with Intent to Supply - Other than Class A		1	1	1

3. The county of residence for each suspect, is as follows:

County of Residence	Total
Bedfordshire	1
Buckinghamshire	1
Cambridgeshire	3
Essex	20
Hertfordshire	2
Kent	1
London	47
Merseyside	1
Norfolk	2
Northamptonshire	1
Staffordshire	1
Suffolk	114
Surrey	1
Total	195

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

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<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
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Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
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