



## **Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 001414-20**

I write in connection with your request for information received by Suffolk and Norfolk Constabularies on 23 April 2020 which you sought access to the following information:

1. *“The number of drivers caught over the legal drink-drive limit in your force area, broken down by month for the years 2019 and 2020 to date.*
2. *The number of drivers caught over the legal drink-drive limit in your force area, broken down by age and gender of the offender, and broken down by year for 2019 and 2020 to date.*
3. *The three dates of the year that most people were caught over the legal drink-drive limit in your force area, including the number of offenders caught on each of these days, broken down by year for 2019 and 2020 to date.”*

## **Response to your Request**

The response provided below is correct as of 1 May 2020

Suffolk and Norfolk Constabularies have considered your request for information and the response is below.

A search has been completed of the Constabularies custody data for all arrests recorded where the main arresting offence was 'Driving – excess alcohol' or other associated drink driving related titles, which will include the arresting offence of Driving - drink and drugs. Please be aware that we are unable to separate drink and drug offences within this arrest category.

1. The information provided in tab one of the attached Excel spreadsheet confirms the total number of drivers caught over the legal drink-drive limit, broken down by arresting offence category, month and year.
2. The information provided within tab 2 of the attached Excel spreadsheet, confirms the total number of drivers caught over the legal drink-drive limit, broken down by age and gender of the offender, and by year.

3. The three dates of the year that most arrests were recorded of being over the legal drink-drive limit is as follows:

Force	Date	Total
Norfolk	10/03/2019	11
	06/01/2019	
	09/02/2019	10
	08/06/2019	
	03/02/2019	9
	01/01/2020	
Suffolk	01/01/2020	8
	25/01/2020	7
	01/06/2019	6
	16/06/2019	
	29/06/2019	
	14/09/2019	
	06/11/2019	
	10/11/2019	
	30/11/2019	
	03/12/2019	
	07/12/2019	
	15/12/2019	
	21/12/2019	
	30/03/2019	

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 the Norfolk and Suffolk Constabulary to review their decision.

Ask Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies to look at the decision again.

If you are dissatisfied with the decision made by Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies under the Freedom of Information Act (2000), regarding access to information, you must notify the Norfolk and 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](mailto:information@suffolk.pnn.police.uk)*

In all possible circumstances Norfolk and Suffolk Constabulary will aim to respond to your request for us to look at our decision again within 40 working days of receipt of your request for an internal review.

The Information Commissioner.

After lodging a request for a review with Norfolk and 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](http://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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