



Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request 2023.0405

On 13/04/2023 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

1) How many watches were reported stolen by your force over the past four calendar years? (2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022).

If the data is available, please include the approximate value of the watches stolen each year – providing that doesn't exceed the reasonable limits of an FOI.

2) How many attempted thefts of watches were recorded by your force over the past four calendar years? (2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022).

3) In each calendar year, how many reports of stolen watches or attempted stolen watches resulted in an arrest or charge?

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 s1, I can confirm that Gloucestershire Constabulary holds some relevant information.

Police Forces in the United Kingdom are routinely required to provide 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 data. It should be noted that for these reasons the figures given relate to information from the specific recording system of Gloucestershire Constabulary and should not be used for comparison purposes with any other response you receive.

Please note that our systems are designed to record information for policing purposes and the investigation of crime and not to extract statistical information. Accordingly whilst we endeavour to extract relevant data within the time limits of the Act, any data supplied is subject to these limitations.

A search of the Crime Recording System has been conducted to identify the number of substantiated crimes recorded between 01/01/2019 and 31/12/2022 where an offence falling under the HO Offence Category of Theft is recorded, and where the property item of "watch" has been recorded. Please see the tables below for a breakdown of the data.

1.

Year	Total
2019	36

2020	17
2021	6
2022	11
Total	70

Year	Item value (£)
2019	13000
	500
	200
	16.99
	24.99
	0
	0
	209
	20
	10
	40
	40
	1000.01
	0.01
	150
	0.01
	0.01
	3000
	6000
	3500
	2000.01
	0.01
	900
	200
	0
	0.01
	100
	8300
	3700

	10
	200
	5000
	16000
	15000
	35
	1000
2020	71.96
	58.97
	200
	0
	150
	1100
	4000
	200
	150
	250
	0
	4000
	200
	4550
	5000
	0
	549
2021	0.01
	13000
	5250
	0
	0.01
	300
2022	0
	299
	2000
	165
	800

	0
	0
	0
	8000
	2200
	650

2. I can confirm that there were zero (0) offences of Attempted Theft recorded within the date range in your request.

3. The recorded Police outcomes have been broken down below –

OUTCOME	2019	2020	2021	2022	Total
Det Charge / Summons	4	2	0	1	7
Investigation Complete - No Suspect	23	8	3	6	40
IP Does Not Support - No Suspect	0	2	1	0	3
IP Does Not Support - Suspect Identified	5	2	1	0	8
IP Supports - Suspect Identified	4	3	1	1	9
Undetected	0	0	0	3	3
Total	36	17	6	11	70

If you are not satisfied with this response or any actions taken in dealing with your request, you have the right to ask that we review your case under our internal procedure. Please note that a request for an internal review must be made within 20 working days of the response to your original request.

If you decide to request that such a review is undertaken and following this process you are still unsatisfied, you then have the right to direct your complaint to the Information Commissioner for consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Disclosure Officer
Gloucestershire Constabulary