



Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request 2023.0649

On 16/06/2023, you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

I would be grateful if you could provide the following information relating to the use of police custody by your police force.

For each of the individual 15 months from January 2022 to March 2023 inclusive:

1. The total number of authorised detentions of adult suspects (aged 18 or over) for that month; and
2. The total number of authorised detentions of adult suspects (aged 18 or over) in which the need for an appropriate adult (under PACE Code C) was recorded in that month.

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.

I can confirm that a search has been conducted on the custody system for the total number of authorised detentions of adult suspects aged 18 and over for the dates of 01/01/2022 – 31/03/2023, this search included the number of adults which required an appropriate adult. The results are as follows:

1. All adult detentions broken down by month.

Month	Year	Total
Jan-22		573
Feb-22		479

Mar-22	603
Apr-22	581
May-22	692
Jun-22	621
Jul-22	651
Aug-22	635
Sep-22	654
Oct-22	607
Nov-22	594
Dec-22	650
Jan-23	689
Feb-23	596
Mar-23	679
Total	9304

2. All adult detention which required an appropriate adult broken down by month.

MonthYear	Total
Jan-22	39
Feb-22	36
Mar-22	40
Apr-22	43
May-22	51
Jun-22	36
Jul-22	32
Aug-22	45
Sep-22	25
Oct-22	29
Nov-22	33
Dec-22	40
Jan-23	40
Feb-23	35
Mar-23	42
Total	566

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