



Your reference:

Our reference: FOI_2023.0704

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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request 2023.0704

On 10/07/2023 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

Please could you tell me:

1. The number of homicides recorded by the force between the 1st of April 2012 and the 31st March 2022 which were flagged as hate crimes.
2. Of the homicides flagged as hate crimes, the breakdown of these by strand of hate crime i.e.

- Race
- Religion
- Disability
- Sexual orientation
- Transgender identity.

(As necessary, please show where more than one hate crime was flagged).

For each homicide, please could you separately provide the following:

1. The date of the homicide.
2. The hate crime flag(s) attached to the homicide.
3. Whether the homicide was charged as murder or a manslaughter.
4. Whether the victim was known to the suspect and relationship type i.e., neighbour, friend, acquaintance, stranger etc.
5. The victim and suspects characteristics:
 - Age
 - Ethnicity (both police recorded and self-reported)

- Gender
- Disability
- Nationality
- Sexual Orientation.

Where there was more than one suspect, please provide:

5a. The total number of suspects for each case.

5b. A return for item 5 for each suspect.

6. Charging decision (yes/no).

7. Criminal justice outcome (convicted/ acquitted).

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.

Following receipt of your request, searches were conducted to identify all substantiated crimes where the offence falls under the Home Office Offence Sub-class of Homicide, recorded between 01/04/2012 and 31/003/2022. A filter was then applied to identify where at least one hate tag has been applied to the record.

I can confirm that this returned 0 (nil) results.

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.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted via the following means:

Website - <https://ico.org.uk/>

Call their helpline - 0303 123 1113

Email - casework@ico.org.uk

Post –

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Wycliffe House
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Yours sincerely,

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