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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request 2023.1066

On 02/11/2023 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

Please can you tell me how many reports of harassment (include all harassment offences) the police force has received in each year from 2015 - 2023.

Please include –

- the outcome of each report (cautioned, arrested, prosecuted, no further action etc)
- the offence, offence category, class and sub-class
- the age of the person reported to the force (an age banding is acceptable if there are identification concerns)
- the age of the person who made the report (an age banding is acceptable if there are identification concerns)
- the relationship between the reporter and the reportee (i.e. partner, parent etc)

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 all substantiated crimes recorded between 01/01/2015 and 31/10/2023 where the offence falls under the Home Office Offence Category of Harassment. The table below details a breakdown of the number of crimes where the offence falls under the Harassment category, and the recorded Police outcome, broken down by year.

Offence / Outcome	Year									Total
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
Breach restraining order										
Adult Caution	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Adult Diversionary	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Det Charge / Summons	62	73	54	93	124	81	70	45	61	663
Det NFA Community Resolution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Det NFA CPS decide not to prosecute	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Det NFA IP Declines/Unable Prosecute	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
Det NFA No Useful Purpose	2	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	6
Det NFA Offender Ill / Senile	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	4
Further Investigation Not In Public Interest	0	2	2	3	9	0	1	1	0	18
Investigation Complete - No Suspect	2	0	2	2	0	0	1	1	1	9
IP Does Not Support - No Suspect	0	0	0	2	2	4	0	0	0	8
IP Does Not Support - Suspect Identified	5	6	14	26	55	34	29	14	20	203
IP Supports - Suspect Identified	16	12	15	18	33	32	38	63	68	295
Other Force Agency	0	0	0	0	4	1	1	1	0	7
Restorative Disposal Level 1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Undetected	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	1	23	28
Disclose private sexual photos/films w.i. to cause distress										
Adult Caution	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5

Det Charge / Summons	3	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
Investigation Complete - No Suspect	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
IP Does Not Support - Suspect Identified	2	7	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
IP Supports - Suspect Identified	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Harassment -breach injunction										
Adult Caution	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Det Charge / Summons	0	1	1	1	5	3	4	35	15	65
Det NFA Community Resolution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Det NFA No Useful Purpose	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Further Investigation Not In Public Interest	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2
IP Does Not Support - Suspect Identified	0	0	1	2	1	1	2	6	6	19
IP Supports - Suspect Identified	1	1	0	1	7	2	1	14	23	50
Other Force Agency	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	4	1	8
Harassment no violence										
Adult Caution	6	3	8	8	9	7	2	0	0	43
Adult Conditional Caution	0	0	0	2	2	0	3	5	4	16
Adult Diversionary	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	3
Det Charge / Summons	49	56	34	38	51	33	41	31	12	345
Det NFA Community Resolution	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	29	82	112
Det NFA CPS decide not to prosecute	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	3
Det NFA IP Declines/Unable Prosecute	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	3	5	12
Det NFA No Useful Purpose	1	0	2	1	1	2	1	1	0	9
Det NFA Offender Dead	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Det NFA Offender Ill / Senile	0	0	1	1	0	5	3	5	7	22
Det NFA Offender Under Age	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	5

Det NFA Penalty Notice Disorder	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
Det NFA Time Limit Expired	0	0	1	3	7	1	8	10	2	32
Further Investigation Not In Public Interest	0	2	16	23	70	71	16	28	1	227
Investigation Complete - No Suspect	14	13	32	46	84	119	181	646	346	1481
IP Does Not Support - No Suspect	5	5	27	21	26	62	82	164	95	487
IP Does Not Support - Suspect Identified	62	83	229	356	697	786	823	1259	609	4904
IP Supports - Suspect Identified	47	36	77	92	184	181	254	594	446	1911
Other Force Agency	0	0	2	1	8	5	9	46	12	83
Restorative Disposal Level 1	1	1	0	2	3	5	10	29	18	69
Restorative Disposal Level 2	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	4	0	8
Undetected	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	13	152	167
Youth Conditional Caution	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Youth Diversionary	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	6
Harassment of a person in his home										
Adult Caution	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Det Charge / Summons	0	2	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	5
Det NFA No Useful Purpose	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Det NFA Offender III / Senile	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Det NFA Time Limit Expired	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
Further Investigation Not In Public Interest	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	4
Investigation Complete - No Suspect	0	0	0	0	9	4	7	10	4	34
IP Does Not Support - No Suspect	0	0	1	1	0	2	2	2	2	10
IP Does Not Support - Suspect Identified	2	2	1	5	23	17	18	11	4	83
IP Supports - Suspect Identified	2	2	1	0	6	6	6	3	0	26

Other Force Agency	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2
Restorative Disposal Level 1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Undetected	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Malicious communications										
Adult Caution	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Det Charge / Summons	5	20	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	32
Det NFA No Useful Purpose	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Det NFA Offender III / Senile	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Det NFA Offender Under Age	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Det NFA Time Limit Expired	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Further Investigation Not In Public Interest	1	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Investigation Complete - No Suspect	22	56	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	102
IP Does Not Support - No Suspect	4	14	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	25
IP Does Not Support - Suspect Identified	15	60	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	117
IP Supports - Suspect Identified	12	19	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	38
Other Force Agency	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Restorative Disposal Level 1	1	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Put people in fear of violence										
Adult Caution	0	1	3	4	2	0	1	0	0	11
Adult Conditional Caution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3
Det Charge / Summons	10	11	16	22	16	17	12	12	7	123
Det NFA Community Resolution	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	14	31	48
Det NFA CPS decide not to prosecute	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Det NFA IP Declines/Unable Prosecute	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	2	6
Det NFA No Useful Purpose	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	4

Det NFA Offender III / Senile	2	0	0	1	0	1	1	8	3	16
Det NFA Offender Under Age	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	4
Det NFA Time Limit Expired	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	4
Further Investigation Not In Public Interest	0	0	5	4	14	6	4	5	0	38
Investigation Complete - No Suspect	5	2	6	21	10	15	40	76	101	276
IP Does Not Support - No Suspect	1	4	6	9	3	7	39	50	57	176
IP Does Not Support - Suspect Identified	8	17	53	133	122	179	252	455	335	1554
IP Supports - Suspect Identified	8	8	21	33	42	36	64	203	195	610
Other Force Agency	0	0	0	0	2	2	4	12	11	31
Restorative Disposal Level 1	0	1	0	0	2	3	1	11	4	22
Restorative Disposal Level 2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Undetected	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	99	103
Youth Diversionary	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	3
Total	388	547	735	987	1655	1739	2053	3946	2874	14924

Please note that the number of records identified above is a count of the number of crimes recorded, and there are occasions where there are more than one and/or more than one offender/suspect are recorded on a crime. The tables below are therefore based on the number of people recorded, not the number of offences, meaning that the totals will differ to those above.

Age Band - Victim	Year									Total
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
Under 10	0	2	0	0	1	1	3	17	14	38
10yrs - 15yrs	4	32	35	15	52	89	136	276	264	903
16yrs - 20yrs	56	71	87	122	174	187	229	348	269	1543
21yrs - 30yrs	94	133	186	219	408	356	408	611	453	2868
31yrs - 40yrs	76	91	148	255	379	400	465	836	554	3204
41yrs - 50yrs	68	92	127	153	247	289	319	679	433	2407
51yrs - 64yrs	40	39	77	96	174	234	312	732	510	2214

65yrs+	13	18	22	31	42	60	100	337	259	882
Unknown	37	65	56	102	194	147	120	187	229	1137
Not Recorded	3	11	13	16	48	48	44	90	50	323
Total	391	554	751	1009	1719	1811	2136	4113	3035	15519

Age Band - Offender/Suspect	Year									Total
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
Under 10	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	13	11	27
10yrs - 15yrs	4	15	25	12	43	76	98	298	240	811
16yrs - 20yrs	53	56	80	96	151	174	183	246	234	1273
21yrs - 30yrs	84	137	171	186	342	334	323	467	326	2370
31yrs - 40yrs	79	99	152	240	422	398	430	696	499	3015
41yrs - 50yrs	69	92	117	184	247	229	253	463	370	2024
51yrs - 64yrs	33	43	75	110	191	203	272	513	427	1867
65yrs+	13	4	17	18	40	58	84	195	154	583
Unknown	51	93	84	109	231	266	406	1020	682	2942
Not Recorded	4	14	30	54	52	73	86	202	92	607
Total	391	554	751	1009	1719	1811	2136	4113	3035	15519

Please be advised that the below table documents the relationship between the victim and the offender/suspect and is based on the number of crime reports, not the number of people.

Relationship	Year									Total
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
Acquaintance	2	4	33	33	73	63	100	312	248	868
Aunt/uncle	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	3
Boyfriend/girlfriend	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	4
Brother/sister	0	0	1	3	7	3	7	9	9	39
Brother-in-law	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	0	1	6
Business associate	0	1	2	3	2	1	4	2	1	16
Caregiver	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Cousin	0	1	0	1	1	3	1	4	1	12
Ex-husband/ex-wife	0	1	8	14	14	6	3	7	4	57
Ex-partner	0	18	48	64	140	118	62	68	41	559
Father	0	0	2	3	2	0	2	12	3	24

Father/mother-in-law	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	8
Foster child	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	2
Friend	0	1	3	2	3	3	6	12	11	41
Grandfather/mother	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Grandson/daughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2
Husband/wife	0	0	2	1	2	5	1	0	1	12
Mother	0	1	0	1	4	5	4	4	3	22
Neighbour	0	1	8	5	19	14	35	275	314	671
Nephew	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	3
Partner	0	0	1	1	2	1	0	0	0	5
Sister-in-law	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	2	6
Son/daughter	0	1	0	3	7	6	9	12	12	50
Stepbrother/sister	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Stranger	0	7	1	6	4	5	9	19	17	68
Unknown	0	0	4	6	8	8	19	42	65	152
Not recorded	386	511	619	839	1363	1494	1782	3161	2132	12287
Total	388	547	735	987	1655	1739	2053	3946	2871	14921

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:

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Yours sincerely,

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