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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request 2023.1142

On 27/11/2023 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

I would like to see the data you have for the number of women injured through knife crime, killed by knife crime, or threatened with knife crime between January 2017 - December 2022.

If you could list the data with the year, type of crime: Homicide, attempted murder, threats to kill, assault with injury (including attempt to cause serious harm, actual bodily harm and GBH), assault without injury, rape and sexual assaults, threats and harassment).

If possible, it would be great to know if the victim was known to the perpetrator and in what capacity. This data could be listed by year too

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 01/01/2017 and 31/12/2022 where the knife crime tag has been applied. A filter has then been applied to the results to identify the records where the victim is recorded as Female. This has returned a total of 586 records. Please see the tables below for the requested breakdowns.

Offence	Year						Total
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	
Assault w/o Injury	0	0	0	1	0	4	5
Assault with injury	32	41	37	39	41	40	230
Assault with Injury on a Constable	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Assault with Intent to cause Serious Harm	8	16	13	13	15	9	74
Attempted murder	0	1	0	0	1	0	2
Endangering Life	0	1	0	0	0	5	6
Murder	0	2	0	0	1	0	3
Racially or Religiously Aggravated Assault with injury	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Rape of female -16	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Rape of female 16+	5	3	5	7	2	6	28
Robbery of personal property	16	11	17	9	14	5	72
Sexual assault on female 13+	2	2	2	0	1	3	10
Threats to Kill	20	21	22	20	26	44	153
Total	83	98	96	91	102	116	586

Relationship to Victim	Year						Total
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	
Acquaintance	3	7	2	3	4	3	22
Boyfriend/girlfriend	1	0	1	1	1	3	7
Brother/sister	0	1	0	0	2	1	4
Caregiver	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Ex-husband/ex-wife	0	0	0	0	0	1	1

Ex-partner	5	0	3	9	2	11	30
Father	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Husband/wife	2	0	0	0	2	4	8
Neighbour	1	0	0	0	1	0	2
Partner	0	2	5	2	3	6	18
Son/daughter	2	0	2	5	1	6	16
Stranger	0	3	3	1	0	0	7
Unknown	0	2	1	2	2	1	8
Not recorded	69	83	79	68	84	78	461
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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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Yours sincerely,

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