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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_24_0607

On 21/06/2024 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

For 1 Apr 2023 to 31 March 2024, please could you provide a breakdown of the number of crime outcomes for your police force split by whether the suspect was an adult, child (under 18), or unknown.

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.

In order to extract the information requested two searches are required – a search of crime data for the outcomes and a search of person data for the age group.

1 A search of the crime recording system carried out for all substantiated crimes recorded between 01/04/2023 to 31/03/2024, please see the table below for the recorded outcomes. Please note that this is a count of crime records using the highest category and does not take into account where there are multiple offenders with different outcomes (i.e 1 offender charged, 2 offenders no further action).

Home Office Outcomes	Number of records
1 - Charged/Summons	3669
10 - Not in public interest (Police)	9
11 - Prosecution prevented: suspect under age	142
12 - Prosecution prevented: suspect too ill	270
13 - Prosecution prevented: victim/key witness dead/too ill	69
14 - Evidential difficulties: suspect not identified; victim does not support further action	2791
15 - Evidential difficulties: suspect identified; victim supports action	11615
16 - Evidential difficulties: suspect identified; victim does not support further action	13108
17 - Prosecution time limit expired	161
18 - Investigation complete: no suspect identified	19151
2 - Youth Caution	20
20 - Action undertaken by another body/agency	744
21 - Further investigation to support formal action not in the public interest	546
22 - Diversionary	169
3 - Adult Caution	336
4 - Taken into consideration	495
5 - Offender died	6
8 - Community Resolution	2294
UNKNOWN	1

2 A search of the crime recording system carried out for person records linked to the crimes recorded between 01/04/2023 to 31/03/2024, please see the table below for the breakdown of the requested data. Please note that this is a count of people records linked to a crime not the number of crime records as there maybe multiple offenders for one crime. As such the totals in each table will not correlate.

Home Office Outcomes	Adult	Child	Unknown
1 - Charged/Summons	3708	245	6
10 - Not in public interest (Police)	8	2	0
12 - Prosecution prevented: suspect too ill	2	0	0
13 - Prosecution prevented: victim/key witness dead/too ill	1	0	0

14 - Evidential difficulties: suspect not identified; victim does not support further action	1	0	0
15 - Evidential difficulties: suspect identified; victim supports action	24	3	0
16 - Evidential difficulties: suspect identified; victim does not support further action	10	2	2
17 - Prosecution time limit expired	1	0	0
18 - Investigation complete: no suspect identified	1	1	0
2 - Youth Caution	0	23	0
20 - Action undertaken by another body/agency	2	0	0
22 - Diversionary	8	1	0
3 - Adult Caution	340	6	0
4 - Taken into consideration	497	0	0
5 - Offender died	6	0	0
8 - Community Resolution	1862	559	18
UNKNOWN	1	0	0

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

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Yours sincerely,

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