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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_24_0632

On 02/07/2024 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

As your force is required to send in reports to the HOIE/NCCU on a monthly basis

1/ what is the number of arrests of foreign nationals and their nationality made each month during a 12-month period (12 reports in total).

2/ what type of offences (number of each type of offences committed by foreign nationals) made each month during a 12-month period.

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.

For question 1 I can confirm a search has been conducted of our Arrest Recording System for all arrests between 01/07/2023 and 30/06/2024 whereby the nationality is filtered to "foreign national". Please note this data has been broken down by years as any further

breakdown of this data would likely identify individuals and is therefore exempt under Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act (please see below).

Nationality	2023	2024	Total
Afghanistan	5	10	15
Albania	34	44	78
Algeria	2		2
Argentina	1		1
Australia	8	4	12
Austria		1	1
Bangladesh	4	5	9
Brazil	4	2	6
British Indian Ocean Territory	2	2	4
Bulgaria	19	12	31
Cameroon	1	2	3
China (People's Rep. Of)	4	8	12
Congo		2	2
Cote D'ivoire	2		2
Croatia	1		1
Cyprus		2	2
Czech Republic	41	37	78
Dominican Republic		1	1
Egypt	2	1	3
Eritrea	4	1	5
Fiji	1	3	4
France	5	1	6
Gambia	1	1	2
Georgia		2	2
Germany	3	1	4
Ghana	1		1
Greece	2	2	4
Guinea	1		1
Guinea-Bissau	1	1	2
Honduras		1	1
Hong Kong		2	2
Hungary	4	5	9

India	31	30	61
Indonesia	1		1
Iran	5	13	18
Iraq	4	13	17
Irish Republic	21	26	47
Italy	6	4	10
Jamaica	19	15	34
Kazakhstan		1	1
Kenya	5	9	14
Kosovo		1	1
Kyrgyzstan		1	1
Latvia	3	8	11
Libya	1		1
Lithuania	3	3	6
Macao		1	1
Malawi	1	1	2
Malaysia	1		1
Moldova	1		1
Morocco	4	4	8
Myanmar, Union Of (Burma)		1	1
Namibia	4	3	7
Nepal	1	1	2
Netherlands	3	5	8
New Zealand	2	1	3
Nigeria	20	12	32
Pakistan	6	7	13
Palestine		1	1
Philippines	1		1
Poland	99	68	167
Portugal	12	14	26
Republic Of Ireland	8	5	13
Romania	82	64	146
Russia		2	2
Samoa	1		1
Saudi Arabia	3		3

Senegal		1	1
Serbia	2		2
Slovak Republic	15	16	31
Somalia	1	2	3
South Africa	5	10	15
South Korea		2	2
Spain	5	2	7
Sri Lanka	5	8	13
St. Lucia	2		2
Sudan	5	9	14
Sweden		1	1
Syria		1	1
Thailand	2	3	5
Togo	1		1
Trinidad And Tobago	1	1	2
Turkey	3	4	7
Ukraine	1	1	2
United States	3	2	5
Vietnam	1	1	2
Zambia	1	2	3
Zimbabwe	11	7	18
Total	565	540	1105

For question 2 I can confirm a search has been conducted of our Crime Recording System for all substantiated crimes recorded between 01/07/2023 and 30/06/2024 whereby the nationality is filtered to “foreign national”, this has then been broken down by offence groups. Please note this data has been broken down by years. As any further breakdown of this data would likely identify individuals and is therefore exempt under Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act (please see below).

Offence	2023	2024	Total
Arson and criminal damage	8	5	13
Burglary	14	7	21
Drug offences	40	33	73
Fraud		1	1
Miscellaneous crimes against society	8	4	12
Possession of weapons	8	1	9

Public Order	14	23	37
Robbery	1		1
Sexual offences	3		3
Theft	30	29	59
Vehicle offences	3	2	5
Violence against the person	56	26	82
Total	185	131	316

Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires Gloucestershire Constabulary, when refusing to provide information (because the information is exempt) to provide you the applicant with a notice which: (a) states the fact, (b) specifies the exemption in question and (c) states (if not otherwise apparent) why the exemption applies.

With regard to any further information, the following exemption applies:

Section 40(2) Personal Information

Section 40(2) applies to third party personal data. This would not be released under the Freedom of Information Act unless there is a strong public interest. The disclosure of any information which could lead to the identification of an individual would breach the Data Protection Principles contained with the Data Protection Act 2018, namely the first principle which states that personal data shall be processed lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner in relation to individuals

This exemption is absolute and class based therefore I am not required to apply either the public interest test or harm test in disclosure.

In accordance with the Act, this letter represents a Refusal Notice for this part of your request.

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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