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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_25_0144

On 04/02/2025 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

I would like to make a request for the following information under the FOI Act please:

1. How many exposure offences have been recorded in Gloucestershire in the last 3 years?
2. What is the breakdown of these offences per local authority area?
3. Of these offences, how many are committed by men and how many are committed by women?
4. How many offenders have received custodial sentences for exposure in the last 3 years?

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, initial searches were conducted of the Crime Recording System for substantiated crime recorded 01/01/2022 – 31/12/2024 where the offence is listed as:

088/09 – Exposure and Voyeurism

The results are as follows:

I have numbered your request for ease

1. Number of Exposure offences

Year	Total
2022	85
2023	100
2024	96
Total	281

2. Number of Exposure offences by Local Policing Area (LPA)

LPA	Total
Cheltenham LPA	52
Cotswolds LPA	29
Forest LPA	24
Gloucester LPA	102
Stroud LPA	48
Tewkesbury LPA	17
Unclassified LPA	9
Total	281

3. Exposure offences committed by male or female, where an offender has been identified

Gender	Total
F	1
M	38
Total	39

4. Please note that the Constabulary only holds data in relation to the number of individuals charged/summoned for a particular offence. The ultimate outcome of these offences depends on what happens at court i.e. whether the offender is found guilty (convicted) or not. This information comes from the court results which do not come within our systems. Hence we record the detection disposals for each case but do not have the ultimate conviction data.

Therefore any information relating to the outcome of a case, the length of sentence or whether any appeal was made is not held by the constabulary, but by the HM Courts Service. Please find a link below to their website:

www.justice.gov.uk/

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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