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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_ 26_0457

On 11/05/2026 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

For the financial years 2013/14 to the latest year available, a breakdown of the number of recorded victims of blackmail offences in that year by age.

I would accept a breakdown by age groups if individual ages are not available, and if it is necessary to suppress small numbers of victims in some categories due to risk of identification please do so.

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.

Financial Year	0-9	10-17	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Grand Total
2013/14		1	1	1		2	1		6
2014/15		1	3	4	4	1	2	2	17
015/16		3	7	4	2	2	3	2	23
2016/17		9	25	9	6	4	7	5	65
2017/18		11	7	8	5	9	4	6	50
2018/19		8	15	17	7	7	8	4	66
2019/20		11	20	22	14	7	3	5	82
2020/21		25	45	38	20	19	10	9	166
2021/22		39	86	48	20	22	10	14	239
2022/23	1	106	142	62	23	28	24	10	396
2023/24	1	94	166	70	54	27	21	15	448
2024/25	1	69	89	61	42	30	29	8	329
2025/26		101	71	51	39	24	17	18	321
Grand Total	3	478	677	395	236	182	139	98	2208

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 – Information Commissioner's Office
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Yours sincerely,

Disclosure Officer
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