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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_26_0750

On 06/08/2026 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

I request the following information for the period 1 January 2024 to 13 May 2026.
Please provide the number of individuals arrested for rape and sexual offences, broken down by the recorded nationality of the arrested person.

Where an individual has been arrested more than once during the requested period for the offences within the scope of this request, please remove duplicate custody records so that each individual is counted only once, using the same methodology applied in your custody system where possible.

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 has been completed for all authorised detentions between 01/01/2024 and 09/02/2026 which has then been filtered for all sexual offences. Please note that, following the implementation of a new recording system, data is currently available only up to 09/02/2026. Efforts are currently underway to convert this information into a searchable format. Please see data table overleaf:

Given Nationality	2024	2025	2026	Grand Total
Afghanistan	1	1		2
Bangladesh		1		1
British Indian Ocean Territory		1		1
Bulgaria			1	1
Croatia	1			1
Czech Republic	1			1
England	17	27	2	46
Germany		1		1
Ghana		1		1
Greece	1			1
India	1	1		2
Iraq		1		1
Irish Republic	1	2		3
Jamaica		1		1
Kenya		1		1
Latvia	1	1		2
Lithuania	1	1		2
Morocco	1			1
Nigeria	4	1		5
Northern Ireland		1		1
Pakistan	3			3
Poland	2	5		7
Portugal	1			1
Romania	3	1		4
Slovak Republic		1		1
Somalia	1			1
South Africa		1		1
Sri Lanka	1			1
Sudan	2	1	2	5
Syria		1		1
Tunisia		1		1
United Kingdom	116	158	11	285
Unknown	3	4		7
Wales		1		1
Zimbabwe		2		2
Grand Total	162	218	16	396

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
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
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Yours sincerely,

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