

**Force Disclosure Unit**

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XXXXXX – by E Mail

Date: 10th August 2022

Your ref: FOI

Our ref: FOI 2022 / 637

Reply contact name is: Nick Penny

Dear XXXXXX,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 5th August 2022 concerning Violence Against the Person Offences (age specific).

I am required by the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to handle all requests in a manner that is blind as to the identity and motives of the requestor. Any information released as a response to a request is regarded as being published and therefore in the public domain without caveat.

Your request for information has now been considered and – having consulted our Business Performance Team - I am now able to respond as follows.

You wrote (and Our Response) :

In relation to the years - April 2020-March 2021 and April 2021- March 2022. I require the following information,

The number of violence against the person offences recorded by Wiltshire Police Force involving victims in age categories 65-74 and 75+

Age Group	VAP Crimes Recorded	
	1st April 2020 to 31st March 2021	1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022
65-74	366	461
75+	470	614



INVESTOR IN PEOPLE

A breakdown of the gender of the victims identified above.

Age Group	Gender	VAP Crimes Recorded	
		1st April 2020 to 31st March 2021	1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022
65-74	Male	172	228
	Female	194	233
75+	Male	187	217
	Female	283	397

A breakdown of the relationship of victim to principal suspect for each victim identified above.

Age Group 65-74 1st April 2020 - 31st March 2021			
Victim - Accused Relationship	Female	Male	Total
Acquaintance	20	18	38
Brother (incl. step/half/adopted)	2	1	3
Carer	3	2	5
Daughter (incl. step/half/adopted)	13	1	14
Ex spouse/partner	10	8	18
Family - other	5	4	9
Father (incl. step/half/adopted)		1	1
Grandchild (incl. step/adopted)	11	1	12
Grandparent (incl. step/adopted)	1		1
Mother (incl. step/half/adopted)	1		1
Neighbour	19	30	49
Niece	1		1
None	19	34	53
NULL		1	1
Other	16	24	40
Son (incl. step/half/adopted)	19	13	32
Spouse/partner	40	18	58
Stranger - seen but not known	14	16	30
Grand Total	194	172	366

Age Group 75+ 1st April 2020 - 31st March 2021			
Victim - Accused Relationship	Female	Male	Total
Acquaintance	32	31	63
Brother (incl. step/half/adopted)	1	2	3
Carer	9	10	19
Daughter (incl. step/half/adopted)	13	1	14
Ex spouse/partner	5	3	8
Family - other	2	3	5
Grandchild (incl. step/adopted)	3	6	9
Mother (incl. step/half/adopted)	1		1
Neighbour	10	11	21
Nephew		1	1
None	17	13	30
NULL	2		2
Other	122	65	187
Sister (incl. step/half/adopted)	1		1
Son (incl. step/half/adopted)	11	5	16
Spouse/partner	52	28	80
Stranger - seen but not known	1	8	9
Victimless/crime against state	1		1
Grand Total	283	187	470

Age Group 65-74 1st April 2021 - 31st March 2022			
Victim - Accused Relationship	Female	Male	Total
Acquaintance	19	30	49
Brother (incl. step/half/adopted)	1	2	3
Carer	7	3	10
Daughter (incl. step/half/adopted)	7	7	14
Ex spouse/partner	11	7	18
Family - other	9	2	11
Father (incl. step/half/adopted)		2	2
Grandchild (incl. step/adopted)	6	3	9
Mother (incl. step/half/adopted)	2		2
Neighbour	25	27	52
None	28	47	75
Other	26	14	40
Other sexual relationship		2	2
Sister (incl. step/half/adopted)	1	2	3
Son (incl. step/half/adopted)	19	22	41
Spouse/partner	58	20	78
Stranger - seen but not known	14	37	51
Victimless/crime against state		1	1
Grand Total	233	228	461

Age Group 75+ 1st April 2021 - 31st March 2022			
Victim - Accused Relationship	Female	Male	Total
Acquaintance	48	21	69
Brother (incl. step/half/adopted)	1		1
Carer	12	6	18
Cousin		1	1
Daughter (incl. step/half/adopted)	11	3	14
Ex spouse/partner	2	3	5
Family - other	1	3	4
Grandchild (incl. step/adopted)	3	4	7
Neighbour	20	16	36
Niece		1	1
None	28	23	51
NULL	1		1
Other	209	93	302
Son (incl. step/half/adopted)	15	13	28
Spouse/partner	45	25	70
Stranger - seen but not known	1	5	6
Grand Total	397	217	614

Please Note

- There is no mandatory requirement from a crime-recording perspective for any Force to physically record the Victim-Accused Relationship.
- In most cases this has been recorded (where known), but there are records in the above table showing as either “Null” or “None” – in those instances, the relationship was either not known at the time the crime was recorded or not recorded.

I am satisfied that all the relevant information has been passed to me and been considered in the light of your request within the time constraints applicable under the legislation.

Wiltshire Police would like to thank you for the interest that you have shown in the Force.

Yours sincerely,

Nick Penny
Disclosure Decision Maker

Wiltshire Police offers a re-examination of your case under its review procedure.



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Freedom of Information Request Appeals Procedure

1. Who Can Ask for a Review

Any person who has requested information from Wiltshire Police, which has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act, is entitled to complain and request an internal review, if they are dissatisfied with the response they received.

2. How to Request a Review

Requests for review of a Freedom of Information request must be made in writing to the:

Force Disclosure Unit
Wiltshire Police Headquarters,
London Road, Devizes,
Wiltshire,
SN10 2DN

Email at disclosure@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk.

The reference number, date of the request and details of why the review is being requested must be included. Requests for review should be brought to the attention of the Force Disclosure Unit within 20 working days of the Force's response to the original Fol request.

3. Review Procedure

Receipt of a request for review will be acknowledged in writing to include confirmation of the reasons for the review. The review will be conducted by another Decision Maker, who is independent from the original Decision Maker. The Force Disclosure Unit will set a target date for a response. The response will be made as soon as is practicable with the intention to complete the review within twenty working days. In more complex cases the review may take up to 40 working days.

The Independent Decision Maker will conduct a review of the handling of the request for information and of decisions taken, including decisions taken about where the public interest lies in respect of exempt information where applicable. The review enables a re-evaluation of the case, taking into account the matters raised by the complaint.

4. Conclusion of the Appeal

On completion of the review the Independent Decision Maker will reply to the complainant with the result of the review. If the complainant is still dissatisfied following the review they should contact the Information Commissioner to make an appeal. The Information Commissioner can be contacted via the following details:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
Tel: 01625 545 700
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