



Via Email



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Dear,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 21/07/2022 concerning under 16's arrested for class A and class B drug offences.

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 I am able to respond as follows.

You wrote:

I write under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act to request the number of under 16's who were arrested for drug offences (including possession and intent to supply) between 2014 and June 2022.

As part of this request, I would like the information to be broken down into the following;

- i) The number of under 16's arrested for drug offences, broken down into years (e.g. 2014, 2015, 2016 etc) and a grand total;
- ii) The number of under 16's arrested for drug offences, broken down into offence type (e.g. possession, intent to supply);
- iii) Out of the grand total, how many under 16's were arrested for possession and supply of Class A substances, and how many under 16's were arrested for supply of Class A substances
- iv) Out of the grand total, how many under 16's were arrested for possession and supply of Class C substances, and how many under 16's were arrested for supply of Class C substances;
- v) The youngest under 16 to be arrested for drug possession, and the youngest under 16 to be arrested for supplying;



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Update to request dated 25/07/2022:

I would also like data on how many under 16's were arrested for possession and supply of Class B substances, and how many under 16's were arrested for supply of Class B substances within said time frame.

Response

Arrest Year	Arrest Reason	Totals	13	14	15
Totals		226	10	56	160
2014	Totals	24	-	4	20
	Concerned in production of a controlled drug of Class B - cannabis (recordable)	2	-	-	2
	Cultivate cannabis plant a class B controlled drug - but see the note below before using this wording NEW	1	-	-	1
	Possess a controlled drug of Class A - Other (recordable)	2	-	-	2
	Possess a controlled drug of Class B - Amphetamine (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Possess a controlled drug of Class B - Cannabis / Cannabis Resin (recordable)	6	-	2	4
	Possess a controlled drug of Class B - Other (recordable)	3	-	-	3
	Possess cannabis a class B controlled drug NEW	2	-	-	2
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class B - Cannabis NEW	1	-	1	-
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class A - Other (recordable)	4	-	-	4
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class B - Cannabis Resin (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class B - Other (recordable)	4	-	1	3
	Supply article to administer a controlled drug (recordable)	2	-	-	2
2015	Totals	24	3	8	13
	Concerned in the supply of a controlled drug of Class B - cannabis (recordable)	2	-	-	2
	Possess a controlled drug of Class A - Methadone (recordable)	1	1	-	-
	Possess a controlled drug of Class B - Cannabis / Cannabis Resin (recordable)	10	-	2	8
	Possess cannabis a class B controlled drug NEW	4	1	1	2
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class B - Cannabis NEW	3	-	2	1
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class A - Other (recordable)	4	1	2	1
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class B - Cannabis (recordable)	1	-	1	-
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class B - Other (recordable)	4	-	2	2
2016	Totals	25	1	12	12
	Concerned in the supply of a class A drug - other	2	1	1	-

	(recordable)				
	Concerned in the supply of a controlled drug of Class B - cannabis (recordable)	2	-	1	1
	Concerned in the supply of class B drug - other (recordable)	1	-	1	-
	Conspire to supply a class A controlled drug - other (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Cultivate cannabis plant a class B controlled drug - but see the note below before using this wording NEW	1	-	-	1
	Possess a controlled drug of Class B - Cannabis / Cannabis Resin (recordable)	4	-	2	2
	Possess a controlled drug of Class B - Other (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Possess cannabis a class B controlled drug NEW	6	-	4	2
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class B - Cannabis NEW	1	-	-	1
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class A - Other (recordable)	5	-	3	2
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class B - Cannabis (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class B - Other (recordable)	1	-	1	-
2017	Totals	28	1	6	21
	Concerned in production of a controlled drug of Class B - cannabis (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Concerned in the supply of a class A drug - other (recordable)	7	-	2	5
	Conspire to supply a class A controlled drug - other (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Possess a controlled drug of Class A - Other (recordable)	3	-	1	2
	Possess a controlled drug of Class B - Cannabis / Cannabis Resin (recordable)	7	-	3	4
	Possess a controlled drug of Class B - Other (recordable)	2	-	1	1
	Possess cannabis a class B controlled drug NEW	1	-	-	1
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class B - Cannabis NEW	2	-	-	2
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class A - Other (recordable)	4	1	-	3
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class B - Cannabis (recordable)	2	-	-	2
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class C - Other (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Supply a controlled drug of Class A - Other (recordable)	1	-	-	1
2018	Totals	29	2	4	23
	Concerned in the supply of a class A drug - other (recordable)	6	-	1	5
	Concerned in the supply of class B drug - other (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Cultivate cannabis plant a class B controlled drug - but see the note below before using this wording NEW	1	-	-	1
	Possess a controlled drug of Class A - Other	1	-	-	1

	(recordable)				
	Possess a controlled drug of Class B - Cannabis / Cannabis Resin (recordable)	2	-	-	2
	Possess cannabis a class B controlled drug NEW	9	-	3	6
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class A - Heroin (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class A - Other (recordable)	4	-	1	3
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class B - Cannabis (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class B - Cannabis Resin (recordable)	3	-	-	3
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class B - Other (recordable)	3	2	-	1
2019	Totals	29	-	9	20
	Concerned in the supply of a class A drug - other (recordable)	8	-	-	8
	Concerned in the supply of class B drug - other (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Drive a vehicle whilst unfit through drugs (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Possess a controlled drug of Class A - Other (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Possess a controlled drug of Class B - Cannabis / Cannabis Resin (recordable)	8	-	4	4
	Possess a controlled drug of Class B - Other (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Possess cannabis a class B controlled drug NEW	3	-	1	2
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class B - Cannabis NEW	5	-	4	1
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class A - Cocaine (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class A - Other (recordable)	3	-	-	3
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class B - Other (recordable)	2	-	-	2
2020	Totals	32	-	9	23
	Concerned in offer to supply a class A drug - other (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Concerned in the supply of a class A drug - other (recordable)	8	-	2	6
	Concerned in the supply of a controlled drug of Class B - cannabis (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Conspire to supply a class A controlled drug - other (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Possess a controlled drug of Class A - Other (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Possess a controlled drug of Class B - Cannabis / Cannabis Resin (recordable)	11	-	4	7
	Possess a controlled drug of Class B - Other (recordable)	1	-	1	-
	Possess cannabis a class B controlled drug NEW	2	-	-	2
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class B - Cannabis NEW	4	-	1	3
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of	1	-	-	1

	Class A - Cocaine (recordable)				
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class A - Crack Cocaine (recordable)	1	-	1	-
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class A - Heroin (recordable)	1	-	1	-
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class A - Other (recordable)	2	-	-	2
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class B - Other (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Supply a controlled drug of Class A - Heroin (recordable)	1	-	1	-
	Supply a controlled drug of Class A - Other (recordable)	1	-	-	1
2021	Totals	22	2	2	18
	Concerned in offer to supply a class A drug - other (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Concerned in the supply of a class A drug - other (recordable)	7	-	1	6
	Concerned in the supply of a controlled drug of Class B - cannabis (recordable)	3	-	-	3
	Concerned in the supply of class B drug - other (recordable)	1	-	1	-
	Conspire to supply a class A controlled drug - other (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Drive motor vehicle with a proportion of a specified controlled drug above the specified limit (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Possess a controlled drug of Class B - Cannabis / Cannabis Resin (recordable)	7	1	1	5
	Possess a controlled drug of Class B - Other (recordable)	1	1	-	-
	Possess cannabis a class B controlled drug NEW	1	-	-	1
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class A - Crack Cocaine (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class A - Other (recordable)	2	-	-	2
2022	Totals	13	1	2	10
	Concerned in the supply of a class A drug - other (recordable)	3	-	2	1
	Concerned in the supply of a controlled drug of Class B - cannabis (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Drive motor vehicle with a proportion of a specified controlled drug above the specified limit (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Possess a controlled drug of Class B - Cannabis / Cannabis Resin (recordable)	2	1	-	1
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class B - Cannabis NEW	5	-	-	5
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class A - Crack Cocaine (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class A - Heroin (recordable)	1	-	1	-
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class A - Other (recordable)	1	-	-	1

	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class B - Cannabis Resin (recordable)	1	-	-	1
	Possess with intent to supply a controlled drug of Class B - Other (recordable)	1	1	-	-

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

Force 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:
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Wiltshire Police Headquarters,
London Road, Devizes,
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Email at disclosure@wiltshire.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 FoI 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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