



WILTSHIRE POLICE

Force Disclosure Unit

Police Headquarters
London Road
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Wiltshire
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Date: 3rd July 2023

Ref: FOI 2023/545

Dear,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 16th May 2023 concerning hate crimes. My apologies for the delayed response.

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 after having consulted the Performance Team – I am now able to respond as follows.

You wrote:

Can you provide the annual data (from 2015 to 2022) for each of the following hate crime strands disaggregated by sex of the a) victim, and b) perpetrators: Race hate crime (broken down by ethnicity) & Religion hate crime (against Muslims).

Our response:

Reported years of racial hate crimes by the gender of the victim:

Reported Year / Gender of Victim	F	M	U
2015	128	196	56
2016	135	231	68
2017	133	227	60
2018	177	282	53
2019	149	258	46
2020	205	294	75
2021	220	279	61
2022	205	310	73

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Reported years of racial hate crimes by primary self-defined race of the victim:

Reported Year / Primary Self-Defined Race of Victim	A1. Indian	A2. Pakistani	A3. Bangladeshi	A4. Chinese	A9. Any other Asian background	B1. Caribbean	B2. African	B9. Any other Black background	M1. White and Black Caribbean	M2. White and Black African	M3. White and Asian	M9. Any other mixed	Not Stated	O2. Arab	O9. Any other	W1. British	W2. Irish	W3. Gypsy or Irish Traveller	W9. Any other white background
2015	21	9	9	1	12	13	12	15	18	4	1	3	180	1	4	52			25
2016	13	7	8	1	20	10	14	11	15	3	1	8	235		10	49		1	28
2017	14	11	11		14	19	12	14	10	3	5	5	238		3	42			19
2018	21	8	5		15	13	17	14	13	4	4	16	276		11	67	1		27
2019	13	4	16	2	18	14	14	18	8	6	2	6	257	1	4	47	1		22
2020	26	5	5	1	21	13	20	21	35	3	3	7	311		8	69	1		25
2021	14	5	9	1	16	12	14	24	11	2	6	13	305		14	78	1		35
2022	14	6	6	2	12	8	22	24	21	2	10	19	358		10	54		1	19

Reported years 2018-2022 of religion hate crimes against Muslims by gender of the victim:

Reported Year / Gender of Victim	F	M	Not stated
2018	-	1	1
2019	4	11	-
2020	3	5	2
2021	1	3	1
2022	1	5	2

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Please note, that in relation to the table above, we are only able to provide the requested data from 2018 onwards because this hate crime dimension was not available to search on prior to 2018. Also, please be aware that the hate crime dimension (stating the religion) is not currently a mandatory field, so the data listed is likely to be significantly under reported.

Reported years of racial hate crimes by gender of the suspect:

Reported Year / Gender of Suspect	F	M	U
2015	60	189	9
2016	64	182	1
2017	72	193	4
2018	99	267	12
2019	93	232	12
2020	132	272	3
2021	130	283	18
2022	122	291	10

Reported years of racial hate crimes by primary self-defined race of the suspect:

Reported Year / Primary Self-Defined Race of Suspect	A1. Indian	A2. Pakistani	A3. Bangladeshi	A9. Any other Asian background	B1. Caribbean	B2. African	B9. Any other Black background	M1. White and Black Caribbean	M2. White and Black African	M3. White and Asian	M9. Any other mixed	Not Stated	O2. Arab	O9. Any other	W1. British	W2. Irish	W3. Gypsy or Irish Traveller	W9. Any other white background
2015			1		2	2	2	1	1		3	51		23	168	1		3
2016	1	1	1	4	1	2	1	1				57			164	4		10

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2017		1		2	2	2	2	2		1	3	67		2	177	4		4
2018	2	1	1	3	6	1	7	11		1	6	79		1	246	1	3	9
2019	2			2	4	2	4	6	1	1	5	86		3	212	4		5
2020				2	4	5	3	10		1	2	84			280	7	1	8
2021	1			4	6	3	10	14	5	1	2	124			248	4		9
2022	1			6	6		7	6			5	120	1		257	1	1	12

Reported years 2018-2022 of religion hate crimes against Muslims by gender of the suspect:

Reported Year / Gender of Suspect	F	M
2018	-	2
2019	3	6
2020	-	5
2021	-	4
2022	1	-

Similarly to what's been mentioned above, we are only able to provide the requested data from 2018 onwards because this hate crime dimension was not available to search on prior to 2018. Also, please be aware that the hate crime dimension (stating the religion) is not currently a mandatory field, so the data listed is likely to be significantly under reported.

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

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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.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.

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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
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Tel: 01625 545 700
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