

WILTSHIRE POLICE



Via Email



Police Headquarters

London Road
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Date: 11/10/2024

Our ref: FOI 2024/872

Reply contact name:

Dear,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 01/10/2024 concerning rapes and sexual offences between September 2023 – September 2024.

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:

1. The number of rape and sexual offences recorded from September 2023 - September 2024? Can this be broken down by type of sexual offence plus age of victim and age of suspect/perpetrator
 - 1a) Of those, how many were charged?

Response – Please note:

Not all occ numbers have a suspect, and some have more than one suspect

Data includes reports of historical crimes so age of aggrieved / suspect not always indicative of their age at the time of the offence.

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Offence Description	Distinct Count of Occ Number
Abuse of position of trust: Causing or inciting a child to engage in sexual activity - female victim aged 13-17	1
Abuse of position of trust: Causing or inciting a child to engage in sexual activity - male victim aged 13-17	1
Abuse of position of trust: Sexual activity with a child - male victim aged 13-17	1
Administering a substance with intent	6
Arrange/facilitate sexual activity with a child - no penetration	2
Arrange/facilitate sexual activity with a child/incite a child to engage - penetration	2
Arranging or facilitating the commission of a child sex offence - sexual assault	1
Arranging or facilitating the sexual exploitation of a child: child 13 - 17	3
Arranging or facilitating the sexual exploitation of a child: child under 13	1
Assault of a female 13 or over by penetration	47
Assault of a female child under 13 by penetration	8
Assault of a male child under 13 by penetration	5
Assault on a male 13 or over by penetration	2
Attempted rape of a female aged 16 or over	6
Attempted rape of a female aged under 16	6
Attempted rape of a male aged 16 or over	2
Attempted rape of a male child under 13 by a male	1
Care workers: Causing or inciting sexual activity with a person with a mental disorder: penetration	2
Care workers: Sexual activity with a person with a mental disorder: female person - no penetration	1
Causing a child under 13 to watch a sexual act by an offender over 18 years of age	4
Causing a child under 13 to watch a sexual act by an offender under 18 years of age	4
Causing a child under 16 to watch a sexual act, offender aged 18 years or over	13
Causing a child under 16 to watch a sexual act, offender under 18 years	7
Causing a person to engage in sexual activity without consent: female person	5
Causing a person to engage in sexual activity without consent: female person - no penetration	4
Causing a person to engage in sexual activity without consent: male person	5
Causing a person to engage in sexual activity without consent: male person - no penetration	1
Causing or inciting a child under 13 to engage in sexual activity by an offender under 18 years of age: female child - no penetration	10
Causing or inciting a child under 13 to engage in sexual activity by an offender under 18 years of age: male child - no penetration	6
Causing or inciting a child under 13 to engage in sexual activity by and offender under 18 years of age: female child - penetration	5
Causing or inciting a child under 13 to engage in sexual activity by and offender under 18 years of age: male child - penetration	1
Causing or inciting a child under 13 to engage in sexual activity: female child - no penetration	26
Causing or inciting a child under 13 to engage in sexual activity: female child - penetration	7
Causing or inciting a child under 13 to engage in sexual activity: male child - no penetration	8
Causing or inciting a child under 16 to engage in sexual activity: female victim - no penetration, age of offender 18 years or over	18
Causing or inciting a child under 16 to engage in sexual activity: female victim - no penetration, age of offender under 18 years	18

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Causing or inciting a child under 16 to engage in sexual activity: female victim - penetration, age of offender 18 years or over	1
Causing or inciting a child under 16 to engage in sexual activity: female victim - penetration, age of offender under 18 years	2
Causing or inciting a child under 16 to engage in sexual activity: male victim - no penetration, age of offender 18 years or over	7
Causing or inciting a child under 16 to engage in sexual activity: male victim - no penetration, age of offender under 18 years	6
Causing or inciting a child under 16 to engage in sexual activity: male victim - penetration, age of offender under 18 years	3
Causing or inciting the sexual exploitation of a child: child 13 - 17	2
Engage in sexual communication with a child	80
Engaging in sexual activity in presence of a child under 13 by an offender over 18 years of age	5
Engaging in sexual activity in the presence of a child under 16, offender aged 18 years or over	4
Engaging in sexual activity in the presence of a child under 16, offender aged under 18 years	1
Exposure	75
Inciting a child family member to engage in sexual activity: female victim under 13 - no penetration. Offender aged 18 years or over	3
Meeting a female child following sexual grooming etc. - offender aged 18 years or over and victim is under 16 years	5
Paying for sexual service of a child: female child under 16 - no penetration	3
Paying for sexual service of a child: female child under 18	2
Paying for sexual service of a child: male child under 18	1
Rape of a female aged 16 or over	451
Rape of a female aged 16 or over - multiple undefined offenders	14
Rape of a female aged under 16	94
Rape of a female aged under 16 - multiple undefined offenders	1
Rape of a female child under 13 by a male	40
Rape of a male aged 16 or over	26
Rape of a male aged under 16	3
Rape of a male child under 13 by a male	11
Send photograph or film of genitals to cause alarm distress or humiliation	20
Sexual activity with a child family member: female victim aged 13 - 17 - no penetration. Offender aged 18 years or over	1
Sexual activity with a child family member: female victim aged under 13 - no penetration. Offender aged 18 years or over	2
Sexual activity with a child family member: female victim aged under 13 - penetration. Offender aged 18 years or over	2
Sexual activity with a child family member: female victim under 13 - no penetration. Offender under 18 years	1
Sexual activity with a child under 13 by an offender under 18 years of age: female child - no penetration	4
Sexual activity with a child under 13 by an offender under 18 years of age: female child - penetration	2
Sexual activity with a child under 13 by an offender under 18 years of age: male child - no penetration	1
Sexual activity with a child under 16: female victim - no penetration, age of offender 18 years or over	5
Sexual activity with a child under 16: female victim - no penetration, age of offender under 18 years	3
Sexual activity with a child under 16: female victim - penetration, age of offender 18 years or over	8

Sexual activity with a child under 16: female victim - penetration, age of offender under 18 years	24
Sexual activity with a child under 16: male victim - no penetration, age of offender 18 years or over	2
Sexual activity with a child under 16: male victim - no penetration, age of offender under 18 years	2
Sexual activity with a child under 16: male victim - penetration, age of offender 18 years or over	1
Sexual activity with a person with a mental disorder impeding choice: female person	1
Sexual assault of a female child under 13	76
Sexual assault on a female aged 13 or over	499
Sexual assault on a male aged 13 or over	86
Sexual assault on a male child under 13	42
Share photograph or film of person in intimate state without consent	21
Sharing intimate photograph or film to cause alarm, distress or humiliation or for sexual gratification	33
Threaten to share intimate photograph or film	16
Trespass with intent to commit a sexual offence	1
Voyeurism	26
Voyeurism additional offences (upskirting)	6
Grand Total	1965
Aggrieved Age Group	Sum of Distinct Count of OccNo
Under 18	721
18-24	311
25-34	330
35-44	250
45-54	136
55-64	107
65-74	23
75+	30
Grand Total	1908
Suspect Age Group	Sum of Distinct Count of OccNo
Under 18	295
18-24	157
25-34	267
35-44	247
45-54	164
55-64	114
65-74	47
75+	44
Grand Total	1335

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Outcome	Distinct Count of OccNo
1: Charged	37
1: Summoned/postal requisition	15
10: Police - formal action not in public interest	1
11: Named suspect below age of criminal responsibility	21
12: Named suspect too ill to prosecute	27
13: Named suspect but victim/key witness deceased or too ill	3
14: Victim declines/unable to support action to identify offender	114
15: CPS - named suspect, victim supports but evidential difficulties	21
15: Police - named suspect, victim supports but evidential difficulties	249
16: Victim declines/withdraws support - named suspect identified	396
17: Suspect identified but prosecution time limit expired	2
18: Investigation complete no suspect identified	232
1A: Alternate offence charged	4
20: Other body/agency has investigation primacy	73
21: Police - named suspect, investigation not in the public interest	23
22: Diversionary, educational or intervention activity, resulting from crime reports, has been undertaken and is not in the public interest to take any further action.	5
3: Adult caution	2
3A: Alternate offence adult conditional caution	1
5: Offender has died	6
6: Penalty notice for disorder	1
8: Community resolution	3
8: Youth restorative disposal	9
New	720
Grand Total	1965

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.



Force Disclosure Unit

Wiltshire Police HQ, London Road, Devizes, Wiltshire SN10 2DN



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 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

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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
Fax: 01625 524 510
Email: mail@ico.gsi.gov.uk

Please note that the ICO's offices will be closed for the foreseeable future and are therefore unable to receive correspondence via post.

If you should wish you contact them, please visit <https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/>