

**Police Headquarters**

London Road  
DEVIZES  
Wiltshire  
SN10 2DN

Date: January 17, 2025

**Our ref: FOI 2024/1131**

Reply contact name:

Dear,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 24<sup>th</sup> December 2024 concerning knife crime.

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 would want to know the ages of people who committed knife crimes from lowest to highest

I want statistical data on knife crimes( not serious and serious) over the years from 2010 to 2024.

I also want to know about which street or area most knife crimes happens in and at which time of day.

**Response:****Question One**

10 = 37  
11 = 102  
12 = 142  
13 = 255  
14 = 416  
15 = 456  
16 = 517  
17 = 532

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18 = 450  
19 = 383  
20 = 336  
21 = 287  
22 = 238  
23 = 259  
24 = 232  
25 = 222  
26 = 212  
27 = 210  
28 = 186  
29 = 197  
30 = 187  
31 = 188  
32 = 137  
33 = 146  
34 = 144  
35 = 148  
36 = 145  
37 = 133  
38 = 149  
39 = 109  
40 = 99  
41 = 124  
42 = 117  
43 = 104  
44 = 90  
45 = 79  
46 = 66  
47 = 65  
48 = 66  
49 = 69  
50 = 56  
51 = 45  
52 = 52  
53 = 32  
54 = 43  
55 = 51  
56 = 26  
57 = 22  
58 = 36  
59 = 23  
60 = 13  
61 = 34  
62 = 13  
63 = 12  
64 = 20  
65 = 10  
66 = 8  
67 = 11  
68 = 7  
69 = 6  
70 = 7  
71 = 6

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72 = 6  
73 = 9  
74 = 4  
75 = 2  
76 = 1  
77 = 3  
78 = 1  
79 = 4  
80 = 5  
83 = 3  
84 = 1  
87 = 4  
94 = 1  
98 = 1

## **Question Two**

### **Knife / Blade - Used / threatened**

2010 = 338  
2011 = 211  
2012 = 222  
2013 = 198  
2014 = 252  
2015 = 321  
2016 = 337  
2017 = 309  
2018 = 405  
2019 = 439  
2020 = 445  
2021 = 393  
2022 = 485  
2023 = 544  
2024 = 423

### **Knife / Blade (Possession)**

2010 = 170  
2011 = 109  
2012 = 93  
2013 = 109  
2014 = 137  
2015 = 255  
2016 = 223  
2017 = 221  
2018 = 222  
2019 = 308  
2020 = 235  
2021 = 273  
2022 = 393  
2023 = 282  
2024 = 260

## Question Three

Swindon

16:00

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,

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](mailto: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

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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  
Fax: 01625 524 510  
Email: [mail@ico.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:mail@ico.gsi.gov.uk)

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