

WILTSHIRE POLICE



Police Headquarters
London Road
DEVIZES
Wiltshire
SN10 2DN

Date: August 26, 2026

Our ref: FOI 2026/771

Reply contact name:

Dear,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 19th August 2026 concerning shoplifting.

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 top ten individuals with the highest number of recorded shoplifting offences within your police force area between 2020-21 to 2025-26. Split the number of recorded shoplifting offences attributed to them by financial year and provide a total across the period.
2. For each of those individuals, provide the number of offences resulting in charge/summons, caution, no further action split by financial year and a total across the period.

Response:

Question One

Offender One

2020-2021	27
2021-2022	21
2022-2023	44
2023-2024	41
2024-2025	53

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2025-2026	26
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Offender Two

2020-2021	1
2021-2022	6
2022-2023	10
2023-2024	29
2024-2025	59
2025-2026	35

Offender Three

2020-2021	25
2021-2022	27
2022-2023	11
2023-2024	14
2024-2025	10
2025-2026	1

Offender Four

2022-2023	38
2023-2024	20
2024-2025	11
2025-2026	14

Offender Five

2023-2024	18
2024-2025	24
2025-2026	41

Offender Six

2021-2022	5
2022-2023	20
2023-2024	5
2024-2025	16
2025-2026	25

Offender Seven

2021-2022	9
2022-2023	21
2023-2024	8

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2024-2025	8
2025-2026	23

Offender Eight

2020-2021	16
2021-2022	19
2022-2023	9
2023-2024	4
2024-2025	2
2025-2026	16

Offender Nine

2023-2024	38
2024-2025	10
2025-2026	5

Offender Ten

2020-2021	1
2023-2024	9
2024-2025	30
2025-2026	7

Question Two

Offender One

	Charged	NFA
2020-2021	23	4
2021-2022	21	0
2022-2023	43	1
2023-2024	40	1
2024-2025	52	1
2025-2026	26	0

Offender Two

	Charged	NFA
2020-2021	1	0
2021-2022	6	0
2022-2023	10	0
2023-2024	29	0
2024-2025	59	0
2025-2026	34	1

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Offender Three

	Charged	NFA
2020-2021	7	2
2021-2022	23	0
2022-2023	11	0
2023-2024	14	0
2024-2025	10	0
2025-2026	1	0

Offender Four

	Charged	NFA
2022-2023	38	0
2023-2024	19	1
2024-2025	11	0
2025-2026	14	0

Offender Five

	Charged	NFA
2023-2024	18	0
2024-2025	23	1
2025-2026	41	0

Offender Six

	Charged
2021-2022	5
2022-2023	20
2023-2024	5
2024-2025	16
2025-2026	25

Offender Seven

	Charged
2021-2022	9
2022-2023	21
2023-2024	8
2024-2025	8
2025-2026	23

Offender Eight

	Charged
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2020-2021	16
2021-2022	19
2022-2023	9
2023-2024	4
2024-2025	2
2025-2026	16

Offender Nine

	Charged	NFA
2023-2024	37	1
2024-2025	10	0
2025-2026	5	0

Offender Ten

	Charged	NFA
2020-2021	1	0
2023-2024	8	1
2024-2025	30	0
2025-2026	7	0

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.

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:

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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/>