

WILTSHIRE POLICE



XXXXXXX
By email

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Date 1st October 2026

Our Ref FOI 2026-889

Dear XXXXX,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 26th September 2026, concerning spiking 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.

Following receipt of your request, research was conducted by the Business Intelligence department at Wiltshire Police.

Your request for information has now been considered and I am able to respond as follows.

You wrote:

Please provide me with the following information:

1. The number of spiking-related offences recorded by your force in the years 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025 and 2026. For 2026, please provide me with data up to September (1 January 2026 to 1 September 2026), or if data is not held up to 1 September, the most recent available data. Please break this data down by year and, if possible, by month.
2. For each year, please also provide me a summary of the outcome of each offence (e.g., in 2026, 100 offences led to a charge, 200 led to a caution, etc.).
3. If this falls within the time/cost limit, please provide me with information on the nature of spiking incidents in each year, offering a description of what was spiked (for example, in 2026, 100 offences involved vape spiking; 60 involved spiking of prescription medication; 200 involved spiking of drinks; etc. I appreciate the descriptive categories held by your force may be different - these are simply illustrative examples. But if the offences can be categorised in any way to clarify what item was spiked, that'd be great).

Our response:

Please note, the reporting period is up to 31st August 2026 as this is the most recent available data for your request. Any months with a blank section have zero offences

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Q1 - Number of spiking related offences

Reported Month Year / Offence description	Administering a substance with intent	Administering a substance with intent (S61, SOA 2003)	Administering poison so as to endanger life	Administering poison with intent to injure or annoy	Cause administer poison with intent to injure / aggrieve / annoy	Grand Total
2021			1		13	14
Feb					1	1
May					1	1
Jul			1			1
Aug					1	1
Sep					3	3
Nov					4	4
Dec					3	3
2022	1	3	2	10	13	29
Jan					3	3
Feb		2	1		8	11
Mar		1				1
Apr					2	2
Jun				2		2
Jul				1		1
Aug				1		1
Sep	1		1	3		5
Oct				2		2
Dec				1		1
2023	8			17		25
Jan				1		1
Feb				1		1
Mar	1					1
Apr	2			2		4
May				1		1
Jul				2		2
Aug	2			2		4
Sep	2			2		4
Oct				3		3
Nov	1					1
Dec				3		3
2024	6			10		16
Jan				1		1
Feb	1			2		3
Mar	2					2
May				1		1
Jul				1		1
Aug				1		1
Sep				2		2
Nov	2			1		3
Dec	1			1		2
2025	4		1	25		30

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Jan				3		3
Feb				2		2
Mar	1			4		5
Apr				1		1
May				4		4
Jun				4		4
Jul				2		2
Aug	1					1
Sep			1	1		2
Oct	2					2
Nov				3		3
Dec				1		1
2026	6		2	9		17
Mar				2		2
Apr	1			2		3
May			1	3		4
Jun	1		1			2
Jul	2			1		3
Aug	2			1		3
Grand Total	25	3	6	71	26	131

Q2 - Outcome of spiking related offences

Reported Month Year / Detection Status	14: Victim declines/unable to support action to identify offender	15: CPS - named suspect, victim supports but evidential difficulties	15: Police - named suspect, victim supports but evidential difficulties	16: Victim declines/withdraws support - named suspect identified	18: Investigation complete no suspect identified	20: Other body/agency has investigation primacy	New	Grand Total
2021	2		2	2	8			14
Feb				1				1
May				1				1
Jul			1					1
Aug	1							1
Sep					3			3
Nov	1		1		2			4
Dec					3			3
2022	1		7	2	19			29
Jan				1	2			3
Feb	1		4		6			11
Mar			1					1
Apr			1		1			2

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Jun					2			2
Jul				1				1
Aug					1			1
Sep			1		4			5
Oct					2			2
Dec					1			1
2023			7	2	16			25
Jan					1			1
Feb					1			1
Mar			1					1
Apr			3		1			4
May			1					1
Jul					2			2
Aug					4			4
Sep				1	3			4
Oct			1	1	1			3
Nov			1					1
Dec					3			3
2024		1	2	1	11	1		16
Jan					1			1
Feb			1	1		1		3
Mar		1	1					2
May					1			1
Jul					1			1
Aug					1			1
Sep					2			2
Nov					3			3
Dec					2			2
2025	2		7	3	18			30
Jan			2		1			3
Feb	1				1			2
Mar			1	1	3			5
Apr				1				1
May					4			4
Jun			3		1			4
Jul				1	1			2
Aug					1			1
Sep					2			2
Oct			1		1			2
Nov					3			3
Dec	1							1
2026	1		2	1	5		8	17
Mar	1			1				2
Apr					2		1	3
May			2		2			4
Jun							2	2
Jul					1		2	3
Aug							3	3
Grand Total	6	1	27	11	77	1	8	131

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Q3 - Method of spiking

Reported Month Year / Nature of Spiking	Drink	Drink / Needle Stick	Needle Stick	Other drugs	Over the counter medicine	Unknown	Vape	Grand Total
2021	11	1		1		1		14
Feb	1							1
May						1		1
Jul				1				1
Aug	1							1
Sep	3							3
Nov	4							4
Dec	2	1						3
2022	18		4	4		3		29
Jan	2		1					3
Feb	6		2	2		1		11
Mar	1							1
Apr	2							2
Jun	1		1					2
Jul				1				1
Aug	1							1
Sep	4			1				5
Oct	1					1		2
Dec						1		1
2023	15	1		2	1	6		25
Jan	1							1
Feb						1		1
Mar	1							1
Apr	2					2		4
May	1							1
Jul	2							2
Aug	2	1				1		4
Sep	3			1				4
Oct	1				1	1		3
Nov						1		1
Dec	2			1				3
2024	8			1		7		16
Jan	1							1
Feb	2			1				3
Mar						2		2
May						1		1
Jul						1		1
Aug	1							1
Sep	2							2
Nov	1					2		3
Dec	1					1		2
2025	15			2		13		30

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Jan	2					1		3
Feb				1		1		2
Mar	4			1				5
Apr						1		1
May	1					3		4
Jun	2					2		4
Jul	1					1		2
Aug	1							1
Sep	1					1		2
Oct	2							2
Nov						3		3
Dec	1							1
2026	6		2	2		6	1	17
Mar						1	1	2
Apr	1					2		3
May	1		1	1		1		4
Jun				1		1		2
Jul	1		1			1		3
Aug	3							3
Grand Total	73	2	6	12	1	36	1	131

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,

FDU Decision Maker