



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

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Dear requester,

Thank you for your recent request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Section 1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) places two duties on public authorities. Unless exemptions apply, the first duty at, **Section 1(1) (a)**, is to confirm or deny whether the information specified in a request is held. The second duty at, **Section 1 (1) (b)**, is to disclose information that has been confirmed as being held.

The information that you are seeking is in relation to the following:

REQUEST

Q1. How many reports of mobile phone theft have you received in your area in 2023?

Q2. How many reports of mobile phone theft have you received in your area in the following years? Please provide a figure for each year

- 2022
- 2021
- 2024 to date

Q.3 How many reports of mobile phone robbery (i.e. a mobile phone snatched from a person) have you received in your council area in the following years? Please provide a figure for each year

- 2023
- 2022
- 2021
- 2024 to date

RESPONSE

Q1. How many reports of mobile phone theft have you received in your area in 2023?

The below data shows the number of crimes recorded under the crime categories “All other theft” and “Theft from the person” from 1st January 2021 – 25th February 2024 under a key word search, based on recorded date. A key word search of “mobile



phone” and “phone” have been searched within the crime summaries. Please note that the key word search is restricted to the summaries as a key word search of the full data log is not available. If the key word was not mentioned within the summaries, then it would not be highlighted for us to check.

Theft (year)	Total
2023	385

Q2. How many reports of mobile phone theft have you received in your area in the following years? Please provide a figure for each year

- **2022**
- **2021**
- **2024 to date**

The below table shows the number of crimes recorded broken down by year. Please note if the crime was not relevant (for example, someone was on the phone and had a different item stolen) as this was not the mobile phone stolen itself this has been removed from the below figures.

Theft (year)	Total
2021	311
2022	364
2024	35
Total	1095

Q.3 How many reports of mobile phone robbery (i.e. a mobile phone snatched from a person) have you received in your council area in the following years? Please provide a figure for each year

- **2023**
- **2022**
- **2021**
- **2024 to date**

The below data shows the number of crimes recorded under the crime category “robbery” from 1st January 2021 – 25th February 2024 under a key word search, based on recorded date. A key word search of “mobile phone” and “phone” have been searched within the crime summaries. Please note that the key word search is restricted to the summaries as a key word search of the full data log is not available. If the key word was not mentioned within the summaries, then it would not be highlighted for us to check.

The below table shows the number of crimes recorded broken down by year. Please note where the incident did not relate to a mobile phone itself being taken; this has been removed from the below table.



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Robbery (year)	Total
2021	57
2022	78
2023	70
2024	16
Total	221

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Please direct any internal review requests to FOI@gwent.police.uk

You have the right to request an appeal from the Information Commissioners Office about your Freedom of Information request, if you are dissatisfied with your internal review response.

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Thank you for your interest in Gwent Police.