



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

1. How many qualified Forensic Collision Investigators have been held by your force annually from 2009 to the present? Please can the data be provided annually.
2. How many live crash scenes were attended by your force annually from 2009 to the present, and of these, how many were attended by a Forensic Collision Investigator? Please can the data be provided annually.
3. How many serious injury road traffic collision cases were investigated by FCI's annually from 2009 to the present? Please can the data be broken down annually.
4. How many fatal road traffic collision cases were investigated by FCIs annually from 2009 to the present? Please can the data be broken down annually.



RESPONSE

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Year	No. of Qualified Collision Investigators
2009	No information held
2010-	5
2011-	5
2012-	6
2013-	6
2014-	5
2015-	5
2016-	4
2017-	5
2018-	9
2019-	10
2020-	8
2021-	9
2022-	10
2023-	14
2024-	15

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We cannot go back further than 2014.

We do not hold the data for total number of collisions across the force.

Personal Injury Collision Stats are available via the Welsh Gov website.

Please note - that Fatal Collisions also include those which are later deemed to be as a result of a preexisting medical condition (heart attack at the wheel for instance).

We attend these and investigate the scene, but they would then be disregarded for statistical purposes hence why some of the Fatal numbers would be disparate from the published stats

GWP FCIU Incidents 2014 - present	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Fatal	18	28	22	22	36	25	22	21	23	26	9
Serious	51	39	53	37	47	63	45	41	26	35	9



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Total numbers for FCIU	93	95	105	72	99	96	81	63	62	63	21
Includes											
Fatal											
Serious											
Slight											
Non-Injury											
Police Vehicle Collisions											

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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.