



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

I would like to know how many incidents of shoplifting have occurred on Blackwood high St and convictions for shoplifting in the years 2023/ 2024 / 2024-2025

RESPONSE

Please note that Shoplifting is a crime and recorded as a crime. Our systems do not record it as an incident.

Please find below a table for Shoplifting crimes recorded from 1st January 2023 to 18th August 2025. To provide this data we have searched under the crime category of Shoplifting and filtered to location as High Street, Blackwood.

Crime Category	2023	2024	2025	Total
SHOPLIFTING	30	16	9	55

Gwent Police cannot provide convictions, as this data is help with the Crown Prosecution Service.



Please note, every effort is made to ensure that the figures presented are accurate and complete.

Freedom of Information Act is a public disclosure regime, not a private regime. Any information disclosed under the Act is thereafter deemed to be in the public domain, and therefore freely available to the public and will be published on the Gwent Police website.

If, upon receiving a response to a freedom of information request, you are unhappy with the outcome, you may request an internal review. **This should be made within 40 working days of the initial response.**

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.