



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

Under the Freedom of Information Act I request the following information:

A dataset containing all police recorded hate crime offences recorded by the Gwent police force in the financial year(s) 2016/17, 2017/18, 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23 and 2023/24 disaggregated by i) Community Safety Partnership (CSP) area, ii) motivating factor and iii) month. i.e. every row should show the total number of hate crimes committed by a certain motivating factor in a certain month in a certain CSP area. The motivating factors covered should include "Disability", "Race", "Sexual Orientation", "Religion" and "Transgender Identity".

RESPONSE

Please note, we are only able to obtain record data from 2017 onwards.

Please see the below table. The table is not displayed by area as the chances of identification are high. As such, the following exemption has been applied:

Section 40(2) Personal Information

The exemption applicable to the information you have requested for this question can be found at Section 40(2) Personal Information, of the Act and this refusal notice is issued under Section 17.

Due to the low numbers, the chances of identification are extremely high. Information of this nature is the personal sensitive information of that individual.



To make a disclosure here would be in breach of the first GDPR data protection principle (DPA Act 2018) which is for data to be processed lawfully, fairly and transparently. Also, it may lead to the identification of individuals concerned or permit further information to be gleaned around the circumstances of each case.

Gwent Police is withholding the information you have requested on the basis that the exemption contained in s 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act applies in that the information you have requested is personal data of third parties and the disclosure of the data would breach one of the principles contained in the Data Protection Act. The relevant principle is the first principle which states that:

Personal data shall be processed fairly and lawfully and in particular shall not be processed unless –

(a) at least one of the conditions in Schedule 2 is met and

(b) in the case of sensitive personal data, at least one of the conditions in Schedule 3 is met

It is only necessary to consider (a) in respect of the information requested. The relevant condition in Schedule 2 is condition 6 which states that:

"The processing is necessary for the purposes of legitimate interests pursued by the data controller or by the third party or parties to whom the data are disclosed, except where the processing is unwarranted in any particular case by reason of prejudice to the rights and freedoms or legitimate interests of the data subject"

Month/year Section	Disability	Sexual orientation	Racial	Religious	Transphobic	Grand Total
2017	113	151	495	23	7	789
Jan-17	3	5	37			45
Feb-17	11	8	25	1	2	47
Mar-17	7	15	43	3	1	69
Apr-17	10	17	28	3		58
May-17	5	13	50	3		71
Jun-17	7	15	58	6		86
Jul-17	7	21	46	1		75
Aug-17	9	17	51	1	2	80
Sep-17	9	11	43			63
Oct-17	16	13	43		2	74
Nov-17	16	9	41	3		69
Dec-17	13	7	30	2		52
2018	148	169	608	16	27	968
Jan-18	6	10	33		1	50
Feb-18	17	8	35	1	2	63
Mar-18	8	17	74	4	5	108



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Apr-18	12	13	47	1	1	74
May-18	13	11	61		3	88
Jun-18	10	22	36	2	3	73
Jul-18	18	15	65	4	3	105
Aug-18	12	18	57	1	1	89
Sep-18	19	13	62		1	95
Oct-18	14	17	49	1	2	83
Nov-18	6	11	42		2	61
Dec-18	13	14	47	2	3	79
2019	162	178	566	12	23	941
Jan-19	13	12	40		5	70
Feb-19	18	20	36	1		75
Mar-19	16	14	58	4	1	93
Apr-19	14	23	55	1	1	94
May-19	16	13	54	1	1	85
Jun-19	6	16	49	1	2	74
Jul-19	14	14	60		5	93
Aug-19	14	14	48		1	77
Sep-19	14	18	40	1	1	74
Oct-19	15	16	47	2	2	82
Nov-19	15	6	45		3	69
Dec-19	7	12	34	1	1	55
2020	140	160	590	10	24	924
Jan-20	19	16	36	2	1	74
Feb-20	5	12	32		3	52
Mar-20	19	5	32		1	57
Apr-20	3	8	45	1		57
May-20	10	13	52		1	76
Jun-20	7	18	73		6	104
Jul-20	17	12	65	1	2	97
Aug-20	10	20	62		2	94
Sep-20	18	16	58	2	3	97
Oct-20	12	14	60		2	88
Nov-20	16	15	44	3	1	79
Dec-20	4	11	31	1	2	49
2021	240	215	710	19	70	1254
Jan-21	14	12	30	1	8	65
Feb-21	4	18	30		3	55
Mar-21	19	12	56	1	4	92
Apr-21	14	20	36	2	4	76
May-21	12	17	62	3	5	99
Jun-21	16	19	86	1	9	131



Jul-21	16	10	71		4	101
Aug-21	20	30	71	2	1	124
Sep-21	34	17	80	3	6	140
Oct-21	32	20	64	4	10	130
Nov-21	32	30	77	2	10	151
Dec-21	27	10	47		6	90
2022	309	281	768	38	84	1480
Jan-22	27	33	58	1	11	130
Feb-22	21	28	46	3	7	105
Mar-22	31	22	73	3	8	137
Apr-22	33	28	77	2	5	145
May-22	27	20	58	1	6	112
Jun-22	14	24	57	8	6	109
Jul-22	34	26	80	2	5	147
Aug-22	30	20	66		6	122
Sep-22	16	26	76	2	4	124
Oct-22	28	21	55	7	6	117
Nov-22	31	17	64	5	12	129
Dec-22	17	16	58	4	8	103
2023	274	199	853	37	60	1423
Jan-23	9	14	69		4	96
Feb-23	19	7	76	3	4	109
Mar-23	25	17	76		10	128
Apr-23	28	10	60	4	9	111
May-23	30	15	78	2	4	129
Jun-23	33	27	77	2	3	142
Jul-23	21	15	72	2	5	115
Aug-23	17	20	67	3	3	110
Sep-23	14	18	72	4	4	112
Oct-23	37	21	73	6	5	142
Nov-23	21	21	72	3	4	121
Dec-23	20	14	61	8	5	108
2024	63	49	222	10	21	365
Jan-24	15	12	66	2	9	104
Feb-24	23	12	59	7	8	109
Mar-24	25	25	97	1	4	152
Grand Total	1449	1402	4812	165	316	8144



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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.