

12 August 2024

FOI Ref 16719

**Request - You asked us the following:**

1. Number of Forensic Collision Investigators (FCI) employed at the end of 2023.
2. Number of FCI posts that were approved but vacant at the end of 2023.
3. Number of fatal collisions investigated by FCIs in 2023
4. Number of non fatal collisions investigated by FCIs in 2023.
5. Number of non-fatal collisions attended by FCIs in 2023.
6. Total number of non-fatal collisions investigated by the Serious Collision Investigation Unit in 2023.

**We received your request on 07/04/2024 and have processed this under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).**

**Please find below our response.**

**Staffordshire Police holds the following requested information.**

1. Number of Forensic Collision Investigators (FCI) employed at the end of 2023. – **Information held.**
2. Number of FCI posts that were approved but vacant at the end of 2023. – **Information held.**
3. Number of fatal collisions investigated by FCIs in 2023. – **Information held.**
4. Number of non fatal collisions investigated by FCIs in 2023. – **Information held.**
5. Number of non-fatal collisions attended by FCIs in 2023. – **Information held.**
6. Total number of non-fatal collisions investigated by the Serious Collision Investigation Unit in 2023. – **Information held.**

**Staffordshire Police discloses the following information.**

1. Number of Forensic Collision Investigators (FCI) employed at the end of 2023. – **Disclosed – 7.**
2. Number of FCI posts that were approved but vacant at the end of 2023. – **Disclosed – 8.**
3. Number of fatal collisions investigated by FCIs in 2023. – **Disclosed – 44.**
4. Number of non fatal collisions investigated by FCIs in 2023. – **Disclosed – 37.**
5. Number of non-fatal collisions attended by FCIs in 2023. – **Disclosed – 37.**



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6. Total number of non-fatal collisions investigated by the Serious Collision Investigation Unit in 2023.  
– **Disclosed - 36 from 01/01/2023 to 31/12/2023.**

Please note that this data has been provided to the best of our ability, subject to the limitation of current recording protocols and systems/software.

Every effort is made to ensure that the data presented is accurate and complete. However, it is important to note that this has been extracted from multiple sources, developed for specific policing purposes, for which data extraction methods have not been specifically designed to directly correlate with the terminology of this request. Therefore, the data presented is subject to the inaccuracies and idiosyncrasies inherent in any large-scale recording system.

As a consequence, care should be taken in the interpretation and presentation of this data, so as to not misrepresent the whole or any part of the data disclosed.

### **Next steps**

You can ask us to review our response.

If you would like us to carry out a review of our response, please let us know within two months of the date of receipt of this email, review requests should be addressed to:

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