

25 September 2024

FOI Ref 17168

Request - You asked us the following:

1. Please provide the total number of Domestic Violence Disclosure Scheme (DVDS) cases (also known as Clare's Law) finalised in each of the four months April, May, June and July 2024.
2. Please provide the number of these cases where disclosure was (i) given and (ii) not given.

We received your request on 19/08/2024 and have processed this under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

Please find below our response.

Staffordshire Police holds the following requested information.

- 1. Please provide the total number of Domestic Violence Disclosure Scheme (DVDS) cases (also known as Clare's Law) finalised in each of the four months April, May, June and July 2024. – **Information held.**
- 2. Please provide the number of these cases where disclosure was (i) given and (ii) not given. – **Information held.**

Staffordshire Police discloses/withholds the following information.

- 1. Please provide the total number of Domestic Violence Disclosure Scheme (DVDS) cases (also known as Clare's Law) finalised in each of the four months April, May, June and July 2024. – **Disclosed**
April 2024 - 78
May 2024 - 64
June 2024 - 53
July 2024 - 82
- 2. Please provide the number of these cases where disclosure was (i) given and (ii) not given. – **Disclosed**
April 2024 (i) 29 (ii) 49
May 2024 (i) 24 (ii) 36
June 2024 (i) 18 (ii) 33
July 2024 (i) 23 (ii) 58

Please be advised that some of the figures included in question one are still ongoing and have therefore not been included in question two.

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. Additional disclosures may have been recorded during these timescales but are awaiting finalisation and input onto these systems and would not be present within this dataset.

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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Or by Post to:

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Staffordshire Police HQ
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Please remember to quote the reference number in any future communications.

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