

21 October 2024

FOI Ref 17232

Request - You asked us the following:

1. Please state how many Registered Sex Offenders (Category 1) your force had responsibility for as at 1.1.24?
 2. How many of these RSOs (Category 1) referred to in Question 1 did you NOT have an up-to-date address for in that you did NOT know where they were living?
 3. How many of the 'missing' RSOs (Category 1) referred to in Question 2 are (a) believed to have moved and be living abroad, or (b) thought to have No Fixed Address and may be homeless.
 3. Of those 'missing' RSOs (Category 1) referred to in Question 2 how many were designated as being managed at (i) Level 1, (ii) Level 2 and (iii) Level 3?
- NOTE: If you cannot do this calculation for 1.1.24, then please do the calculation for the most recent date you can.

CLARIFICATION RECEIVED 15/10/2024

Happy to confirm that you take the present date from Q.1 and that in relation to Q2 you answer the question on the basis that the people are categorised as "wanted".

We received your request on 06/09/2024 and have processed this under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

Staffordshire Police's response to your enquiry is as follows:

Staffordshire Police holds the requested information.

- 1. Please state how many Registered Sex Offenders (Category 1) your force had responsibility for as at 1.1.24? **Disclosed, 1,932.**

Please be advised, as agreed the data has been disclosed as of 10/10/2024.

- 2. How many of these RSOs (Category 1) referred to in Question 1 did you NOT have an up-to-date address for in that you did NOT know where they were living? – **Disclosed, 9.**

As agreed, the data disclosed is the number of wanted offenders.

- 3. How many of the 'missing' RSOs (Category 1) referred to in Question 2 are (a) believed to have moved and be living abroad, or (b) thought to have No Fixed Address and may be homeless. – **Disclosed, please see below:**

- a) 2
- b) 0

- 4. Of those 'missing' RSOs (Category 1) referred to in Question 2 how many were designated as being managed at (i) Level 1, (ii) Level 2 and (iii) Level 3? **Disclosed, please see below:**

Level 1 – 9.

Level 2 – 0.

Level 3 – 0.

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 offenders 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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Please remember to quote the reference number in any future communications.

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