

23 October 2024

FOI Ref 17292

Request - You asked us the following:

1. For the period fiscal year 2023-2024, how many offences of rape charged under Section 1 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 were recorded as having been committed by a male, or where the suspect is recorded as male.
2. As above, but recorded as having been committed by a female or where the suspect is recorded as female.
3. For the period fiscal year 2022-2023, as at Q1.
4. For the period fiscal year 2022-2023, as at Q2.
5. For the period fiscal year 2021-2022, as at Q1.
6. For the period fiscal year 2021-2022, as at Q2.

By way of explanation fiscal year is 01 April to 31 March, and Section 1 Rape is Rape of a Female aged 16 or over and Rape of a Female aged Under 16.

Clarification received 27/09/2024:

Further to my original request. I wish to clarify the information I am seeking.

In relation to each question I will require the following.

I will require both male and female victims to be included. This should therefore include the following.

Rape Crime Classifications

19C Rape of a female aged 16 and over

19D Rape of a female child under 16

19E Rape of a female child under 13

19J

Rape of a female – multiple undefined offenders

19F

Rape of a male aged 16 and over

19G Rape of a male child under 16

19H Rape of a male child under 13

19K Rape of a male – multiple undefined offenders

We received your request on 25/09/2024 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. For the period fiscal year 2023-2024, how many offences of rape charged under Section 1 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 were recorded as having been committed by a male, or where the suspect is recorded as male. – **Disclosed, 674.**
- 2. As above, but recorded as having been committed by a female or where the suspect is recorded as female. – **Disclosed, 6.**
- For the period fiscal year 2022-2023, as at Q1. – **Disclosed, 560.**
- For the period fiscal year 2022-2023, as at Q2. – **Disclosed, 23.**
- For the period fiscal year 2021-2022, as at Q1. – **Disclosed, 507.**
- For the period fiscal year 2021-2022, as at Q2. – **Disclosed, 16.**

Please be advised the data disclosed, has been provided for the requested rape crime classifications, broken down by gender for your requested fiscal time periods. Furthermore, the dataset disclosed does not include where the gender of suspect has not been recorded.

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 offences 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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