

10 September 2024

FOI Ref 16750

Request - You asked us the following:

1. the number of roadside screening breath tests carried out by your Police Force in 2023, split by month.
2. the number of positive/refused tests, split by month

If data has not yet been analysed for the whole year, please provide me with the months you do have.

We received your request on 14/04/2024 and have processed this under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

Please find below our response.

Staffordshire Police holds the following requested information.

1. the number of roadside screening breath tests carried out by your Police Force in 2023, split by month. – **Information held.**
2. the number of positive/refused tests, split by month – **Information held.**

Staffordshire Police discloses the following information.

1. the number of roadside screening breath tests carried out by your Police Force in 2023, split by month. – **Disclosed, please see accompanying file titled 'FOI 16750 Roadside Screening Breath Test Data.PDF'.**
2. the number of positive/refused tests, split by month – **Disclosed, please see accompanying file titled 'FOI 16750 Roadside Screening Breath Test Data.PDF'.**

Please note that positive tests are represented within our dataset as 'failed tests'. Also, please note that the data for refused tests has been retrieved from a search of our crime/occurrence recording systems for the following offences: 'Fail to provide specimen for analysis – vehicle driver', and 'Fail to provide specimen – person in charge of vehicle' that occurred in 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. 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.



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

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