



Our Ref: 002780/20

Your Ref:

Address Correspondence to: Information Management

Date 02 September 2020

Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write further to your request for information received 20/08/2020.

I note you seek access to the following information:

I would like to request the following information for the years 1st January 2015 to 31st December 2018 inclusive:

1. *In total (for all ages), how many murder-suicide incidents were recorded in your force between 1st January 2015 and 31st December 2018? Please provide a breakdown by year (e.g. 10 in 2015, 20 in 2016, 30 in 2015, total = 60)*
2. *How many of these murder-suicides (number not percentage please) involved a victim who was aged 60 or over? Please provide a breakdown by year (e.g. 10 in 2015, 20 in 2016, 30 in 2015, total = 60)*
3. *How many murders involving a victim aged 60 or over were recorded during the same period (number not % please) Please provide a breakdown by year (e.g. 10 in 2015, 20 in 2016, 30 in 2015, total = 60). Please note - this question is designed to allow me to ascertain how many murders of older people are murder-suicide cases.*
4. *For each of the recorded murder-suicide cases involving an older victim (60 or over) (as per question 2, above), please provide the victim, offender and crime details on an individual case basis as per the attached table - if possible please complete a table for each recorded offence or provide the same information in a different format if preferred but please provide this on an individual basis - please do not aggregate the information). This request has been carefully designed to ensure the data requested is anonymous (e.g. using age categories rather than asking for specific ages, not requesting any personal data on victims or suspects such as names, addresses, date of birth and so on). I am seeking information on closed cases only.*

Please note, I have previously made requests for details on other offences, including sexual offences and, relatedly, murder/manslaughter asking for almost identical information and the Information Commissioner upheld my appeal for this information on the basis that this did not engage section 30, section 38 or section 40. For further detail please see here: <https://ico.org.uk/media/action-weve-taken/decision-notices/2017/2014260/fs50663201.pdf>.

Following receipt of your request, searches were conducted within Leicestershire Police to locate information relevant to your request.

Your request for information has now been considered and the information asked for is as follows: -

Please find below response to FOI 2780/20.

1.)

Time Period	Number of recorded murder-suicides
1st January 2015 – 31st December 2015	0
1st January 2016 – 31st December 2016	2
1st January 2017 – 31st December 2017	0
1st January 2018 – 31st December 2018	2
Total	4

2.) None of the recorded murder-suicides involved a victim aged 60 or over.

3.)

Date Period	Number of recorded murders involving older victim
1st January 2015 – 31st December 2015	3
1st January 2016 – 31st December 2016	0
1st January 2017 – 31st December 2017	3
1st January 2018 – 31st December 2018	1
Total	7

4.) Not provided as there were no murder-suicides recorded with a victim aged 60 or over.

Leicestershire Police provides you the right to ask for a re-examination of your request under its review procedure. Letters should be addressed to Information Manager, Corporate Services Department at the above address. If you decide to request such a review and having followed the Force's full process you are still dissatisfied, then you have the right to direct your comments to the Information Commissioner who will give it consideration.

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Officer
Leicestershire Police

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