



Our Ref: 001216/21

Your Ref:

Address Correspondence to: Information Management

Date 30 April 2021

Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write further to your request for information received 12/04/2021.

I note you seek access to the following information:

1. *The total number of motorists caught driving without insurance in your force area broken down by year for the years 2019, 2020 and 2021 to date.*
2. *The total number of cars seized for not being insured in your force area broken down by year for the years 2019, 2020 and 2021 to date.*
3. *The amount paid by drivers to release seized cars (for not having the correct insurance) in your force area, broken down by year for the years 2019, 2020 and 2021 to date.*
4. *The number of cars destroyed after being seized for not having the correct insurance, broken down by year for the years 2019, 2020 and 2021 to date.*
5. *The number of cars sold / auctioned after being seized for not having the correct insurance, and the total amount of money made through sales, broken down by year for the years 2019, 2020 and 2021 to date.*

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: -

Leicestershire Police have recorded the below in relation to your request:

1. The total number of motorists caught driving without insurance in the years requested:
 - a. 2019 – 2223
 - b. 2020 – 2370
 - c. 2021 (to date) - 418
2. The total number of cars seized for not being insured in the years requested:
 - a. 2019 – 2037
 - b. 2020 – 3748
 - c. 2021 (up to 31/03/21) – 903

* This is all vehicles seized under the legislation and includes vehicles seized from unlicensed drivers who did have insurance, this is a minority typically around 6.5% of the vehicles.

3. The amount paid by drivers to release seized cars (for not having the correct insurance) in the years requested
 - a. 2019 – £240,798
 - b. 2020 – £337,550
 - c. 2021 (up to 31/03/21) – £90,630
4. The number of cars destroyed after being seized for not having the correct insurance in the years requested:
 - a. 2019 – 1401
 - b. 2020 – 1569
 - c. 2021 (up to 31/03/21) – 434
5. The number of cars sold / auctioned after being seized for not having the correct insurance total amount of money made through sales in the years requested:
 - a. 2019 – £270,698
 - b. 2020 – £379,870
 - c. 2021 (up to 31/03/21) – £141,867

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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