



Access to Public Information Request

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Request for information regarding the number of custody records completed for arrested persons in 2019

Request for information:

Can I please request anonymised information to clarify the number of custody records completed for arrested persons in 2019. In addition to this could I also please request the following:

1. Of the number of people arrested how many had consumed or were under the influence of alcohol
2. Of those arrested the number of those who were under the influence of controlled substances
3. as per 1 and 2 above the number of each who had been involved in violence leading up to, during or after their arrest.
- 4) of those arrested and who had been violent the number who had consumed cannabis.

Response:

Response from Guernsey Police:

The API Code does not require the States of Guernsey to provide information that is already in the public domain. The number of custody records and the number of those under the influence of alcohol are contained in the Law Enforcement annual report, however we have pulled relevant data from it to help answer as much of your request as possible. You can find the 2019 version here

<https://www.guernsey.police.uk/CHttpHandler.ashx?id=127363&p=0> and there may further information in there of interest to you.

The total number of custody record in 2019 was 1,263, with 396 of those identified as being under the influence of alcohol.

Individuals arrested are not routinely tested for other controlled substances so we do not have data to answer question 2 or 4.

In terms of your question about the number of instances where an individual under arrest had been violent, in order to retrieve this information an officer would need to review all 1,263 custody records as this data is not captured within the annual report. Unfortunately we could not justify this as an appropriate use of an officer's time so are unable to provide that data.