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**REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2018/01462**

I write in connection with your request for information received on 16th March. I note you seek access to the following information:

**Please tell me on how many occasions in each year over the past five years has a stop and search been carried out by a police.**

**Please tell me on how many of these occasions an offending weapon or illegal substance was found on the person being searched.**

**How many of these stop and searches have resulted in an arrest?**

**How many of these stop and searches have resulted in a prosecution?**

I am required by the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (The Act) to handle all requests in a manner that is blind to the identity of the requestor. Any information released in response to a request is regarded as being published and therefore, in the public domain without caveat.

Following enquiries within the Constabulary please see our response below.

**Response** – Please see the below table detailing the information you have requested.

Year	Number of Stop and Search	Property found	Result Code 'arrested'
2013-14	25028	2627	2648
2014-15	11391	2271	1427
2015-16	8121	1090	1144
2016-17	7451	2711	1272
2017-18	6813	2624	1266

*Please note that Hertfordshire Constabulary do not record prosecution data. This is the responsibility of the Crown Prosecution Service.*

The numerical data presented in this response is an un-audited snapshot of un-published data sourced from "live" systems and is subject to the interpretation of the original request by the individual extracting the data.

Should you have any further enquiries concerning this matter please do not hesitate to contact me quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

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Hertfordshire Constabulary provides you the right to request an independent review of this response under its review procedure. If you require such a review you must notify us within two months from the date of this letter. After lodging a complaint with Hertfordshire Constabulary if you are still dissatisfied with the decision you may make an application to the Information Commissioner. For information on how to make a complaint please visit their website at <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/> or contact them on 0303 123 1113.