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REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2018/02034

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

could you please provide the following information, about cases referred to your police force for action/investigation after initially being reported to Action Fraud, the national fraud and cyber crime reporting centre.

Please provide:

The number of cases referred to your force in 2016, 2017 and 2018 (to date) and the number of these cases accepted for action/investigation.

For each year, please provide:

The number of these accepted cases where the total cash value of the alleged fraud was under £10,000.

The number of these accepted cases where the total cash value of the alleged fraud was between £10,000 - £24,999.99p.

The number of these cases where the total cash value of the alleged fraud was £25,000-£49,999.99.

The number of these cases where the total cash value of the alleged fraud was £50,000-£99,999.99.

The number of these cases where the total cash value of the alleged fraud was over £100,000.

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 – Between October 2015 and March 2016 509 individual fraud crimes were disseminated to Herts by NFIB (National Fraud Intelligence Bureau)
Apr 16 to Sept 16 – 405
Oct 16 to Mar 17 – 671
Apr to Sept – 548

Please note that to provide breakdowns regarding values requested would require each individual crime report to be viewed individually. This would vastly exceed the 18 hour appropriate limit as stated in the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

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.