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**REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2018/00789**

I write in connection with your request for information received on 13th February. I note you seek access to the following information:

**I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information:**

- 1. The annual number of cases classified as homicide since 2012 (up to and including the most recent data you hold), categorised by the ethnicity of the victim.**
- 2. The percentage of those cases categorised by the ethnicity of the victim, for a suspect(s) has been charged or convicted (ie, the case is considered 'solved').**

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**

**Q1** - Please see the below table detailing the information you have requested.

Recorded Ethnicity	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Grand Total
<b>W1 - White British</b>	5	8	7	3	6	3	2	<b>34</b>
<b>W9 - Any Other White Background</b>	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	<b>3</b>
<b>B2 - Black or Black British - African</b>	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	<b>2</b>
<b>B9 - Any Other Black Background</b>	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	<b>2</b>
<b>A9 - Any Other Asian Background</b>	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	<b>2</b>
<b>M1 - White and Black Caribbean</b>	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	<b>1</b>
<b>M3 - White and Asian</b>	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	<b>1</b>
<b>M9 - Any Other Mixed</b>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
<b>Not recorded/Unknown</b>	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	<b>6</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>52</b>

*Please note homicide includes the offence classes Murder, Manslaughter, Corporate Manslaughter and Infanticide under the Home Office Counting Rules. All Hertfordshire offences, excluding cancelled crime and out of force crime, recorded under these offence classes were counted. 2018 is for the year to date as of 06-03-18.*

**Q2** – Please see the below table detailing the information you have requested.

Recorded Ethnicity	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Grand Total
<b>W1 - White British</b>	40%	75%	86%	100%	83%	67%	100%	<b>76%</b>

<b>W9 - Any Other White Background</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100%	0%	N/A	<b>67%</b>
<b>B2 - Black or Black British - African</b>	N/A	N/A	100%	N/A	N/A	N/A	100%	<b>100%</b>
<b>B9 - Any Other Black Background</b>	N/A	100%	N/A	100%	N/A	N/A	N/A	<b>100%</b>
<b>A9 - Any Other Asian Background</b>	N/A	N/A	100%	N/A	N/A	100%	N/A	<b>100%</b>
<b>M1 - White and Black Caribbean</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100%	N/A	<b>100%</b>
<b>M3 - White and Asian</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100%	N/A	<b>100%</b>
<b>M9 - Any Other Mixed</b>	100%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	<b>100%</b>
<b>Not recorded/Unknown</b>	100%	50%	0%	N/A	N/A	100%	N/A	<b>67%</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>75%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>79%</b>

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.