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REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2018/04981

I write in connection with your request for information received on 4th September. I note you seek access to the following information:

I'd like to make a Freedom of Information request for the information below. I would request the information be provided in an Excel document.

1. How many reports of petrol stations drive-offs (bilking) did your force receive for the calendar years between, and including, 2007 through to 2017. I would also ask for the 2018 figures from the 1st of January to the 1st of September.

2: For each of the years figures, mentioned above - How many resulted in a conviction?

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 find details of the number of recorded *Making off without Payment offences* (Home Office Class 53/25) that involved the theft of fuel from petrol stations. This excludes cancelled and out of force crimes.

Recorded Year	Making off without Payment Offences, of fuel from a petrol station
2007	1171
2008	1601
2009	1212
2010	814
2011	915
2012	885
2013	1326
2014	2095
2015	1561
2016	1844
2017	2283
2018	1419

*data to 01/09/2018

Q2 – Please note that Hertfordshire Constabulary do not record conviction data, this information will be held by 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.