



Freedom of Information Request 344/17

Response date: 10th April 2017

This request relates to the following offences set out in the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971:

i. Possession of Cannabis - s.5(1) of the Act; ii. Possession of Cannabis with intent to supply - s.5(3) of the Act.

1. For each of these two offences separately, please supply the following data broken down by each year a) 2004, b) 2005, c) 2006, d) 2007, e) 2008 and f) 2009 g) 2015 h) 2016:

- a) The total number of individuals arrested by your force
- b) The total number of individuals cautioned by your force
- c) The total number of individuals charged by your force

RESPONSE

We have consulted with our analysts who have provided the below information to answer your request.

Please Note: Our current crime and incident recording system (Niche RMS) was introduced in 2007 and so we are unable to provide information prior to this date.

Possession of Cannabis - s.5(1)			
Year	Arrests	Cautions	Charges
2007	295	153	88
2008	455	219	171
2009	302	118	135
2015	397	95	172
2016	350	69	160
Grand Total	2034	758	824

Possession of Cannabis with intent to supply - s.5(3)			
Year	Arrests	Cautions	Charges
2007	91	18	45
2008	167	19	101
2009	105	11	57
2015	273	28	137
2016	213	19	93
Grand Total	915	100	476

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