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Our ref: 844670



Mick Geen

Dear Mick Geen

Freedom of Information Act 2000

I can confirm that the information requested is held by Durham County Council. I have detailed below the information that is being released to you.

Please quote the reference number 844670 in any future communications.

You requested and Our response:

Please provide the following information regarding the use of the prison library at HMP Frankland

Please note: All figures taken from financial years April 1st to March 31st

1. How many individuals used the library each year [2010-2018](#)

2010-11	777
2011-12	780
2012-13	699
2013-14	713
2014-15	735
2015-16	685
2016-17	728
2017-18	741
2018-19	646

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2. How many books in total were borrowed from the prison library for each year [2010-2018](#)

2010-11	32805
2011-12	32252
2012-13	32252
2013-14	29663
2014-15	34853
2015-16	35900
2016-17	40095
2017-18	32714
2018-19	28402

3. How many fiction novels were borrowed each year [2010-2018](#)

2010-11	10299
2011-12	11271
2012-13	9839
2013-14	9547
2014-15	10943
2015-16	11838
2016-17	13796
2017-18	11638
2018-19	11263

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4. What were the most 50 borrowed fiction novels for each year 2010-2018

Please note: In respect of questions 4 and 5 we do not hold data prior to 1st April 2018. This is because records are only retained for one year in line with our retention and destruction policy.

Author	Title	Issues
Kane, Ben	Rebellion	79
Rowling, J.K.	Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix	32
Fitzgerald, F. Scott	The great Gatsby	27
Qiu, Xiaolong	Shanghai redemption	24
Child, Lee	The Midnight Line	23
Aaron, Jason	Heaven's on fire	23
Child, Lee	Night school	22
Chambers, Kimberley	Life of crime	21
Connelly, Michael	Two kinds of truth	19
Gwynne, John	Wrath	18
Haig, Matt	How to stop time	17

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Orwell, George	Nineteen eighty-four	16
Rothfuss, Patrick	The wise man's fear	16
Cole, Martina	Betrayal	16
Cole, Martina	Damaged	16
Patterson, James	Don't blink	16
Rothfuss, Patrick	The name of the wind	15
Brown, Dan	Origin	15
Kyle, Craig	X-necrosha	15
Jecks, Michael	Blood on the sand	15
Richardson, Mike	The Crimson empire saga	15
Hardy, Thomas	The return of the native	14
Gwynne, John	Malice	14
Sanderson, Brandon	Oathbringer	14
Child, Lee	Make me	14
Mitchell, Dreda Say	One false move	14
Canavan, Trudi	The magician's guild	14
Goodkind, Terry	Phantom	13

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Tolkien, J.R.R.	The Lord of the Rings	13
Higashino, Keigo	The devotion of suspect X	13
Sanderson, Brandon	The final empire	13
Abnett, Dan	Civil War II	13
Gwynne, John	Ruin	13
Leather, Stephen	Light touch	13
Ashley & Jaquavis	Tale of the murda mamas	13
Grisham, John	Ford County	13
Patterson, James	Tick, tock	13
Canavan, Trudi	The high lord	12
Kesey, Ken	One flew over the cuckoo's nest	12
Abraham, Daniel	The dragon's path	12
Grisham, John	The Brethren	11
Kipling, Rudyard	Kim	11
Gemmell, David A.	Drenai tales	11
Goodkind, Terry	Confessor	11
Brett, Peter V.	The painted man	11

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Delaney, Luke	Cold killing	11
Lawrence, Mark	Emperor of thorns	11
Da Costa, Portia	Kiss it better	11
Leckie, Ann	Ancillary justice	11
Gemmell, David	Hawk Queen omnibus	11

5. How many times were each of the top [50 borrowed fiction novels issued each year 2010-2018?](#)

Please see our response to question 4.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Please put your grounds for an appeal in writing and email us back explaining which internal review applies.

- Late (you want us to explain why the response was late or has not yet been provided)
- Disagree with exemption (wrong exemption, or applied incorrectly)
- Disagree with the public interest test (Explain in detail why you believe the public interest test favours disclosure.)
- Request is incomplete, information is missing (indicate what is missing), information is inaccurate Information is not what was requested.

Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to inforigxxx@xxxxxx.xxv.uk

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If you are still dissatisfied with the Council's response after the internal review you have a right of appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire SK9 5AF.
Telephone: 01625 545 700
Website: www.ico.gov.uk

I will now close your request as of this date.

Yours faithfully

Christine Paciorek
Freedom of Information and Data Protection Officer

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