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Dear Rachael Venables,

I write in response to the above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request submitted on the 21/11/2018. Thames Valley Police has now considered this request, which for clarity, has been repeated below:

#### Request

I wish to know details of all people who have been arrested for hate crime offences over the past five years.

Providing the following by each financial year (2013-14, 14-15, 15-16, 16-17, 17-18) can you list first:

- the arrested person's age
- then their gender
- the type of hate crime (race, religion, disability etc.)
- whether they were charged
- and, only if this is possible, any details you have available on the crime itself; whether online/in person, verbal / physical etc.

#### Response

This request is being refused under **Section 12(1)** of the FOIA.

Section 12 of the FOIA allows that public authorities do not have to comply with section 1(1) of the Act if the cost of complying would exceed the appropriate limit. In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, this letter represents a Refusal Notice for this request.

The information relating to your request is not held in an easily retrievable format. In the request time frame there has been thousands of arrests relating to Hate Crime. In order to provide details of each arrest, a manual review of each report would be required. This would exceed cost limits under FOI.

Section 16:- Further advice & assistance.

We have continued to provide



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information where possible. The provision of this data does not affect our legal right to rely on Section 12 for the rest of your request.
Please see the table below.

The number of arrests made for hate crime offences between 01/04/2013 - 31/03/2018, broken down by financial year and type of hate crime.

### 13-14

Hate Crime	Number of arrests
Disablist	14
Faith Related	10
Faith	
Related/Transphobic	1
Homophobic	48
Racial	630
Racial/Faith Related	10
Racial/Homophobic	5
Racial/Transphobic	1
Transphobic	17
Total	736

#### 14-15

	Number of
Hate Crime	arrests
Disablist	12
Faith Related	11
Homophobic	37
Racial	520
Racial/Disablist	2
Racial/Disablist/Homophobic	1
Racial/Faith Related	7
Racial/Faith	
Related/Transphobic	1
Racial/Homophobic	6
Transphobic	5
Total	602

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# 15-16

Hate Crime	Number of arrests
Disablist	32
Faith Related	4
Homophobic	48
Homophobic/Transphobic	1
Racial	487
Racial/Disablist	1
Racial/Faith Related	12
Racial/Faith	
Related/Homophobic	1
Racial/Homophobic	10
Total	596

# 16-17

Hate Crime	Number of arrests
Disablist	20
Faith Related	12
Homophobic	44
Homophobic/Transphobic	9
Racial	458
Racial/Disablist	2
Racial/Faith Related	15
Racial/Homophobic	7
Transphobic	2
Total	569

# 17-18

Hate Crime	Number of arrests
Disablist	37
Disablist/Transphobic	1
Faith Related	17
Faith Related/Homophobic	1
Homophobic	45
Homophobic/Transphobic	2
Racial	492
Racial/Disablist	4



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Racial/Disablist/Homophobic	1
Racial/Faith Related	23
Racial/Faith	
Related/Homophobic	1
Racial/Homophobic	8
Transphobic	4
Total	636

Note: Duplicate individuals may be included if they have been arrested on separate occasions for different hate crime offences. Therefore this data does not equate to the number of individual people.

#### **Complaint Rights**

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If, after lodging a complaint with Thames Valley Police, you are still unhappy with the outcome, you may make application to the Information Commissioner at the Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

If you require any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Yours sincerely

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