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Dear Mr Reeves

### **Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request – 200929008**

Thank you for your request dated 29 September 2020 in which you asked for the following information from the Ministry of Justice (MoJ):

**Under the Freedom of Information Act can you please provide statistics for the number of Misconduct in Public Office offences (code 99.1) split by police force area. Could you provide data for at least the last 5yrs, split by year (longer would be better and appreciated).**

**Information in electronic data format (xls or csv) is preferred.**

Your request has been handled under the FOIA.

I can confirm that the MoJ holds the information that you have requested. However, the information is exempt from disclosure under section 21 of the FOIA, because it is reasonably accessible to you. The information can be accessed via the following link to the most recent criminal justice statistics publication, which carries statistics covering the period from 2013 to 2019 (the latest data available) in the **'Principal offence proceedings and outcomes by Home Office offence code data tool'**.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/criminal-justice-system-statistics-quarterly-december-2019>

Within the "2019" tool, select '*Misconduct in Public Office by act or omission*' from the 'Detailed offence' drop-down box. From the "Police Force area" drop-down box you can select the police force area you are interested in.

Alternatively, you can view the information in the **'Data behind interactive tools - 2 (csv)'** also available at the above link. Within this tool you can download the underlying data for the 'Principal offence proceedings and outcomes by Home Office offence code data tool'. The relevant file is 'Ho-code-principal-offence-2019.csv'. Once the data have been loaded, you can filter the information of interest in the same way as in the published pivot.

### **Appeal Rights**

If you are not satisfied with this response you have the right to request an internal review by responding in writing to one of the addresses below within two months of the date of this response.

[data.access@justice.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:data.access@justice.gsi.gov.uk)

Disclosure Team, Ministry of Justice, 10.25, 102 Petty France, London, SW1H 9AJ

You do have the right to ask the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) to investigate any aspect of your complaint. However, please note that the ICO is likely to expect internal complaints procedures to have been exhausted before beginning their investigation.

Yours sincerely

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