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Dear Maisie

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

Further to your email dated 26th September 2012, requesting information under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002. I can advise you as follows.

Fife Constabulary does not record the physical status of either the victim or perpetrator of crimes except where the individuals concerned has provide their occupation as "disabled". To assist you the table below provides details of when a perpetrator or Complained has provided their occupation as 'disabled'.

Year	Groups 1-6 charges recorded - Perpetrator			Groups 1-6 charges recorded – Complainer		
	Disabled	All charges	%	Disabled	All charges	%
2009-2010	58	28573	0.20%	341	28573	1.19%
2010-2011	42	28853	0.15%	178	28853	0.62%
2011-2012	25	32930	0.08%	258	32930	0.78%
Total	125	90356	0.14%	777	90356	0.86%

This is not an indication of the number of crimes, victims nor perpetrators in the periods cited. The total number of group 1-6 charges recorded in the fiscal years as reported is then used to calculate the proportion of charges that are connected to disabled people.

Year	Rape/ Sexual assault recorded - Perpetrator			Rape/ sexual assault recorded - Complainer		
	Disabled	Total	%	Disabled	Total	%
2009-2010	1	217	0.46%	2	217	0.92%
2010-2011	0	222	0.00%	0	222	0.00%
2011-2012	1	227	0.44%	0	227	0.00%
Total	2	666	0.30%	2	666	0.30%

The table above depicts the number of charges recorded where the perpetrator (accused or suspect) or the complainer has an occupation of "disabled" in relation to the crime of rape or sexual assault. This is not an indication of the number of crimes, victims nor perpetrators in the periods cited. The total number

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of Rape or Indecent Assault charges recorded in the fiscal years as reported is then used to calculate the proportion of these charges that are connected to disabled people.

From the above table, there are two rape or indecent assault charges where the complainer has an occupation of disabled.

Fife Constabulary does not record crimes by type of impairment.

All Fife Constabulary officers' receive disability awareness training; Probationers receive it at Scottish Police College where it is incorporated into Equality and Diversity (E&D) training. All other Police staff receive the same training, which is over 2 days E&D training within the force. Fife Constabulary is also in the process of organising disability "road-shows" where training and awareness material about disability issues is taken direct to officers in stations.

Fife Constabulary does not provide easy read material at stations. If someone required an easy read response or something specific, we would be able to provide that, via an external service.

I hope this information is of benefit to you, but if you require any further clarification or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me either at the address or the email address at the top of this letter.

If you are not satisfied with the way in which I have dealt with your request, you are entitled, in the first instance, to request a review of the decision made by the Force. Should you wish to request such a review, please write to me within 40 working days of receiving this letter. If, after having been informed of the review panel's decision, you are still not satisfied, you are then entitled to apply to the Scottish Information Commissioner for a decision within six months of the date of receipt of the review response. Contact details are: Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS, telephone 01334 464 610.

Yours sincerely,

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