

15 June 2018

**Freedom of Information Request - Reference No: 20180874**

**REQUEST**

1. The number of drivers caught over the legal drink-drive limit in your force area, broken down by month for the years 2016, 2017 and 2018 to date.
2. The number of drivers caught over the legal drink-drive limit in your force area, broken down by age and gender of the offender, and broken down by year for 2016, 2017 and 2018 to date.
3. The three dates of the year that most people were caught over the legal drink-drive limit in your force area, including the number of offenders caught on each of these days, broken down by year for 2016, 2017 and 2018 to date.

**RESPONSE**

Data in relation to 2016 and 2017 has previously been provided to you – FOI Reference 20171848 refers. For your convenience, I have enclosed a copy of our covering letter and data. Whilst the questions would appear to be different to this request, the data is the same.

With regard to new data for 2018, I approached our Crime Management Data Returns Officer for assistance. Our Crime Management System - Connect is used to record complaints or allegations of those matters, which the Home Office specify should be recorded as 'crimes' from 5<sup>th</sup> December 2017 onwards.

She conducted a search of the system and provided me with the enclosed spreadsheet and the following explanation of her search criteria .

**Please also note some important caveats regarding the quality of the data for 2018**

*The data provided is the raw data in respect of breath tests conducted using lion alcolmeter 500B devices by South Yorkshire Police between 01-JAN-2018 AND 30-APR-2018.*

*The figures are taken from devices that are currently downloaded, as such the numbers are expected to increase in the coming months as more devices are downloaded, which could affect the totals provided at this point in time.*

*Whilst we are obliged to provide you with the requested recorded information under FOI legislation, we would exercise caution with regard to the accuracy of the data provided. There appears to be a discrepancy with the data due to some of the data being archived. This is an IT technical issue which we are currently trying to resolve, as such the data provided for 2018 is expected to change if and when the issue is resolved.*

*There may be an error for the test results by the age of offender.*

*Caveats provided for the pervious request 20171848 is still applicable and this data only includes FAILS and not FAILED TO PROVIDE.*