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21st November 2024

Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI 982/24

I refer to your request for information received by Cumbria Constabulary on the 18th of November 2024. I note you seek access to the following information:

1. *Since 1 January 2020 to 1 November 2024, how many people has your force arrested following allegations that they have assaulted an emergency worker - offence code 00873?*

The offence code for assaulting an emergency worker is as follows:

TEW Violence against the person 8.22 Assault of an emergency worker 00873

00873 - Assault or assault by beating of an emergency worker and relates to Section 67 of the Sentencing Act 2020.

Please provide a breakdown of the number of arrests per calendar year.

2. *For each arrest, please provide the following information: (a) The gender (M/F) of the suspect
(b) The gender (M/F) of the victim
(c) The ethnicity of the suspect
(d) The ethnicity of the victim
(e) Whether the arrest led to a charge (Y/N)*
3. *Please can you provide me with Crime data for the offence of 'Assault or assault by beating of an emergency worker' using Home Office offence code 00873.*

Your request for information has now been considered and I can confirm Cumbria Constabulary does hold some information relevant to your request and where this is the case I have today decided to disclose this to you.

The information provided in response to your request has been extracted from the Constabulary's crime recording system. The data provided is from 1st January 2020 up to and including 31st of October 2024. The data includes the 2 Home Office Offences (Subclass code 008/73) 'Assault or assault by beating of a constable' 'Assault or assault by beating of an emergency worker (except a constable)' which are violence without injury offences.



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Please note that the Constabulary are unable to provide data directly linked to an arrest, as our crime recording system and custody system are not linked. Therefore, the data provided is crime data which is linked to an offender/suspect and then closed with a home office outcome code.

Question 1- Since 1 January 2020 to 1 November 2024, how many people has your force arrested following allegations that they have assaulted an emergency worker - offence code 00873?

	Calendar Year					
Count of Crimes	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Grand Total
Assault or assault by beating of a constable.	355	346	401	423	361	1886
Assault or assault by beating of an emergency worker (except a constable).	146	152	172	140	145	755
Grand Total	501	498	573	563	506	2641

Question 2- For each arrest, please provide the following information:

a) Gender (M/F) of the suspect

Offence	Assault or assault by beating of a constable.					
Suspect Gender (where provided)	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Grand Total
(blank)	1	1	3	1	1	7
Female / Transgender Female	116	114	184	164	148	726
Indeterminate			4	3		7
Male / Transgender Male	239	231	211	253	214	1148
Not Specified				1		1
Unknown				1		1
Grand Total	355	346	401	423	361	1886

Offence	Assault or assault by beating of an emergency worker (except a constable).					



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Suspect Gender (where provided)	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Grand Total
(blank)	1	2	3	1	5	12
Female / Transgender	43	66	91	68	65	333
Female					2	2
Indeterminate						
Male / Transgender	97	84	77	71	73	402
Male						
Not Specified			1			1
Unknown	5					5
Grand Total	146	152	172	140	145	755

b) The gender (M/F) of the victim

Offence	Assault or assault by beating of a constable.					
Victim Gender	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Grand Total
Female / Transgender Female	120	117	145	147	107	636
Male / Transgender Male	233	227	252	275	251	1238
Not Specified	1	1	4	1	3	10
Unknown	1	1				2
Grand Total	355	346	401	423	361	1886

Offence	Assault or assault by beating of an emergency worker (except a constable).					
Victim Gender	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Grand Total
Female / Transgender Female	89	95	108	92	77	461
Male / Transgender Male	56	57	61	48	68	290
Unknown	1		3			4
Grand Total	146	152	172	140	145	755

c) The ethnicity of the suspect

Offence	Assault or assault by beating of a constable.					
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Suspect Ethnicity (where provided)	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Grand Total
(blank)	1	1	3	1	1	7
Asian - Any Other Asian Background	1	1	1	1	1	5
Asian - Pakistani	1		1			2
Black - African			1	1	1	3
Black - Any Other Black Background	1			3	1	5
Black - Caribbean			4	1		5
Mixed - Any Other Mixed Background	2	1	5	1	4	13
Mixed - White and Asian	4				4	8
Mixed - White and Black African	1		4		4	9
Mixed - White and Black Caribbean				2	2	4
Not Stated	21	16	25	45	30	137
Other - Any Other Ethnic Group	1		2	2		5
White - Any Other White Background	4	2	12	5	2	25
White - British	314	324	340	358	311	1647
White - Irish	5	1	3	4		13
Grand Total	355	346	401	423	361	1886

Offence	Assault or assault by beating of an emergency worker (except a constable).
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Suspect Ethnicity (where provided)	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Grand Total
(blank)	1	2	3	1	5	12
Asian - Any Other Asian Background	1			1		2
Black - African				1	2	3
Mixed - Any Other Mixed Background			1			1
Not Stated	7	34	17	23	18	99
Other - Any Other Ethnic Group					6	6



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White - Any Other White Background	5		5	2		12
White - British	131	116	144	111	114	616
White - Irish	1		2	1		4
Grand Total	146	152	172	140	145	755

d) *The Ethnicity of the victim*

Offence	Assault or assault by beating of a constable.					
Victim Ethnicity (where provided)	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Grand Total
(blank)					1	1
Asian - Any Other Asian Background					1	1
Asian - Indian		2	1	1		4
Black - African	1					1
Black - Caribbean		1				1
Mixed - Any Other Mixed Background					3	3
Mixed - White and Asian		1	1		1	3
Mixed - White and Black Caribbean					1	1
Not Stated	16	5	24	18	18	81
Other - Chinese					1	1
White - Any Other White Background	3		4	3	3	13
White - British	335	335	371	401	330	1772
White - Irish		2			2	4
Grand Total	355	346	401	423	361	1886

Offence	Assault or assault by beating of an emergency worker (except a constable).					
Victim Ethnicity (where provided)	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Grand Total
(blank)					1	1



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e) *Whether the arrest led to a charge*

OutcomeCode	(Multiple Items)						
Offence	Assault or assault by beating of a constable.						
Home Office Outcome	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Grand Total	
(blank)				1	52	53	
Charge/summons	247	229	240	267	208	1191	
Charge/Summonsed with Alternate Offence	13	7	9	6	4	39	
Grand Total	260	236	249	274	264	1283	



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(blank)					20	20
Charge/summons	43	36	39	27	22	167
Charge/Summonsed with Alternate Offence	2		3		1	6
Grand Total	45	36	42	27	43	193

Question 3- *Please can you provide me with Crime data for the offence of 'Assault or assault by beating of an emergency worker' using Home Office offence code 00873.*

The crime data for the offences is detailed in the response to question 2.

Whilst every care has been taken in the retrieval of the information provided, please do not hesitate to contact us for clarification, if you do have any issues or queries relating to this data.

Complaint Rights

Your attention is drawn to the attached sheet, which details your right of complaint.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in Cumbria Constabulary.



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