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Dear XXXXX

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI 1224/25

I refer to your request for information received by Cumbria Constabulary on 14 August 2025.
I note you seek access to the following information:

For the purpose of this request, the time frames to be considered are:

*April 2020 - 31 March 2021,
April 2021 - 31 March 2022,
April 2022 - 31 March 2023,
April 2023 - 31 March 2024,
April 2024 - 31 March 2025.*

Broken down by the above timeframes, how many people aged 65 and over have been arrested on possession of a bladed article or offensive weapon?

Of those number, please can you detail how many of these arrests were of males and how many were females?

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

Year	Distinct Number of people arrested
FY 2020/21	2
FY 2021/22	3
FY 2022/23	5
FY 2023/24	6
FY 2024/25	8
Grand Total	24

All the above relate to Males no Females have been arrested

Please note:-

- The above data relates to the number of distinct persons rather than the volume of crime
- All offence codes relating to possession of bladed or offensive weapon were searched to obtain the information provided.



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The above information has been obtained from our crime recording system.

Police forces in the United Kingdom are routinely required to provide statistics to government bodies and the recording criteria is set nationally. However, the systems used for recording these figures are not generic, nor are the procedures used locally in capturing the data. It should be noted that for these reasons this force's response to your questions should not be used for comparison purposes with any other response you may receive.

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

If you believe your request has not been properly handled, or you are otherwise dissatisfied with the outcome of your request, you have the right to request an internal review.

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If you remain dissatisfied following conclusion of the internal review, you have the right, under section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act, to complain directly to the Information Commissioner.

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The Information Commissioner
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

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



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