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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI 76/25 Missing/wanted Sex offenders

I refer to your request for information received by Cumbria Constabulary on the 17th of January 2025. I note you seek access to the following information:

1. How many sex offenders went missing or were wanted for arrest between 2021 and 2025?

1a. Please break this down by dates and offences

2. How many sex offenders who went missing or were wanted for arrest between 2021 and 2025 had changed their name/ had an alias?

3. How many sex offenders notified police forces of lawful name changes between 2021 and 2025?

3a. Please also provide a note of how many sex offenders were found to have changed their name and failed to notify police in the same period.

4. How many sex offenders had the occupation taxi driver or private hire vehicle driver between 2021-2025?

If possible please provide:

- A note of how many were child sex offenders*
- A note of how many were involved in grooming gang activity*
- A breakdown including year and offences*

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 provided by the Constabulary's Management of sexual and violent offenders (MOSOVO) department.

Question 1- How many sex offenders went missing or were wanted for arrest between 2021 and 2025?

2021 – 1

2022 – 3

2023 – 3



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2024 – 3
2025 – 3

Question 1a- *Please break this down by dates and offences*

2021 –

Historic offences Sexual activity with a child (1995), sexual activity with Male child U13 (1997)

2022 –

- Historic offences Sexual activity with a child (1995), sexual activity with Male child U13 (1997).
- Fail to comply with notification requirements.
- Breaches SHPO and fail to comply with notification requirements.

2023 –

- Historic offences Sexual activity with a child (1995), sexual activity with Male child U13 (1997).
- Fail to comply with notification requirements.
- Breaches SHPO and fail to comply with notification requirements.

2024 –

- Historic offences Sexual activity with a child (1995), sexual activity with Male child U13 (1997).
- Fail to comply with notification requirements.
- Breaches SHPO and fail to comply with notification requirements.

2025 –

- Historic offences Sexual activity with a child (1995), sexual activity with Male child U13 (1997).
- Fail to comply with notification requirements.
- Breaches SHPO and fail to comply with notification requirements.

Question 2 – *How many sex offenders who went missing or were wanted for arrest between 2021 and 2025 had changed their name/ had an alias?*

2021 – 0
2022 – 2
2023 – 2
2024 – 3
2025 – 3

Question 3 - *How many sex offenders notified police forces of lawful name changes between 2021 and 2025?*

2021 – 8
2022 – 5
2023 – 5



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2024 – 1
2025 – 1 as of 20/01/2025

Question 3a - *Please also provide a note of how many sex offenders were found to have changed their name and failed to notify police in the same period.*

No information held.

Question 4 - *How many sex offenders had the occupation taxi driver or private hire vehicle driver between 2021-2025?*

0

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.

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



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