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Dear XXXXX

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI 521/25

I refer to your request for information received by Cumbria Constabulary on 12 May 2025.
I note you seek access to the following information:

1. For 2024
 - a. 1. Using the key words 'Roblox', 'Fortnite', 'Clash of Clans', 'world of Warcraft', 'Minecraft' and 'FIFA', the number of reports of crimes involving online computer games.
 - b. The category of offence under which the report was logged - for example sexual activity of a child under 13
2. For 2023
 - a. 1. Using the key words 'Roblox', 'Fortnite', 'Clash of Clans', 'world of Warcraft', 'Minecraft' and 'FIFA', the number of reports of crimes involving online computer games.
 - b. The category of offence under which the report was logged - for example sexual activity of a child under 13
3. For 2022
 - a. 1. Using the key words 'Roblox', 'Fortnite', 'Clash of Clans', 'world of Warcraft', 'Minecraft' and 'FIFA', the number of reports of crimes involving online computer games.
 - b. The category of offence under which the report was logged - for example sexual activity of a child under 13

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.

(a)

	2022	2023	2024	Grand Total
Number of reported crimes	1	2	3	6

(b)

	2022	2023	2024	Grand Total
Blackmail	0	0	1	1
Obscene publications etc	0	1	0	1



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Sexual activity involving a child under 13	1	1	1	3
Sexual activity involving child under 16	0	0	1	1
Grand Total	1	2	3	6

Please note the following: -

- The above information has been obtained from our crime recording system.
- A keyword search of the following words was performed within our system:-

'Roblox', 'Fortnite', 'Clash of Clans', 'World of Warcraft', 'Minecraft' and 'FIFA'.

A keyword search may not accurately identify all information held by the Constabulary. If, for example, the words used as above were recorded in a different field, or if another name or term was used to describe the site, any such records would not be identified by the keyword search which has been undertaken.

- These results were then manually reviewed for relevance and are therefore subject to the Analyst's interpretation, knowledge and understanding of the subject matter.

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

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The Information Commissioner
Wycliffe House
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I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in Cumbria Constabulary



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