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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI 527/25 Case outcomes 2024-2025

I refer to your request for information received by Cumbria Constabulary on the 15th of May 2025. I note you seek access to the following information:

1. For 1 Apr 2024 to 31 March 2025, please could you provide a breakdown of the number of crime outcomes for your police force split by whether the suspect was an adult, child (under 18), or unknown. Please use the outcome groups from the Home Office police outcomes statistics, which are listed below.

Outcome group	Adults	Children	Unknown
Out-of-court (formal) - i.e. cautions and penalty notices for disorder			
Out-of-court (informal) - i.e. community resolutions			
Diversionary, educational or intervention activity, resulting from the crime report, has been undertaken and it is not in the public interest to take any further action.			
Charged/Summonsed			
Evidential difficulties (suspect identified; victim supports action)			
Evidential difficulties (victim does not support action)			
Prosecution prevented or not in the public interest			
Further investigation to support formal action not in the public interest – police decision			
Responsibility for further investigation transferred to another body			



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Taken into consideration			
Investigation complete – no suspect identified			
Not yet assigned an outcome			

If your outcome data are not grouped as above, we would be grateful if you could please group them accordingly using the below guide (retrieved from [this Home Office document](#)):

2. Please also provide figures on how many children (age 17 and under) were remanded (charged and detained for court) by your police force in the 12 months to y/e March 2025, broken down by ethnicity and offence type.

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 and arrest and custody recording systems.

Question 1 –

Please note this data is for crimes recorded during the requested period and shows the number of crimes and not the number of people.

Unless, for the same crime there were suspects/offenders in more than one category (e.g. 1 adult and 1 child). In this case there would be a crime shown in both the adult and the child categories.

As a result of the way we can access our data, these results show the overall outcome of a crime not the individual outcome for a person.

Therefore, if for example one offender was Charged and the other No Further Action, then the crime would be shown as Charged.

Outcome group	Adults	Children	Unknown
Out-of-court (formal) - i.e. cautions and penalty notices for disorder	265	68	12
Out-of-court (informal) - i.e. community resolutions	1344	789	130
Diversionary, educational or intervention activity, resulting from the crime report, has been undertaken and it is not in the public interest to take any further action.	338	54	15
Charged/Summonsed	4055	235	214
Evidential difficulties (suspect identified; victim supports action)	2895	400	354
Evidential difficulties (victim does not support action)	8058	1648	1621



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Prosecution prevented or not in the public interest	561	302	53
Further investigation to support formal action not in the public interest – police decision	603	290	131
Responsibility for further investigation transferred to another body	250	118	23
Taken into consideration	8		3
Investigation complete – no suspect identified	1075	203	2507
Not yet assigned an outcome	2079	484	350

Question 2 –

This data is based on Arrival in Custody date between the requested period

Please note the total of the figures shown in the table are higher than the total number of children (14) because some children will have been charged with more than one offence.

Offence Group	Black - Any Other Black	
	Background	White - British
Arson and Criminal Damage	0	2
Burglary	0	2
Drug offences	0	3
Miscellaneous Crimes Against Society	0	1
Possession of weapons offences	0	3
Public order offences	0	4
Robbery	0	2
Sexual offences	0	1
Vehicle Offences	0	1
Violence against the person	1	7
Grand Total	1	14

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.

The address for the Information Commissioner can be found below:

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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