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Dear

Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

I write in connection with your request for information, which was received by Nottinghamshire Police on 19/12/2016.

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Nottinghamshire Police to locate the information you require.

RESPONSE

Under S 1 (1) (a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), I can confirm that Nottinghamshire Police does hold the information you have requested.

Please find below answers to your questions:-

I write to request information, in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, regarding the Police's safeguarding role for persons with dementia that become lost in the community.

Financial year 2013/2014, 2014/2015 and 2015/2016

- 1. Total number of missing adults**
- 2. Total number of missing persons with dementia (PwD)**
- 3. Number of missing PwD individuals defined as absent**
- 4. Number of missing PwD investigations that were classed as high-risk**
- 5. Number of missing PwD investigations that were classed as medium-risk**

6. Number of missing PwD found by the Police that were reported to the Police
7. Number of missing PwD cases determined to be repeat wanderers
8. Type of harm suffered by missing PwD whilst lost (numbers of)
 - Accidental
 - Emotional
 - Found deceased
 - Physical injury
 - Self-harmed
 - Sexual offence victim
 - No harm suffered
9. Number of missing PwD cases that received hospital treatment (Accident & Emergency) upon being found by the Police
10. Proportion of missing PwD from residential/nursing care facilities
11. Has the Police Service costed out missing PwD investigations
 - *Costs: please state whether they are officer hourly rate or full costs incorporating employer's on-costs. Please provide financial breakdown of individual case investigation costs calculated by the Force.
12. Provide total investigation time for each investigation (days/hours) and numbers of Officers & staff involved.

Please see below for the data held in relation to your request, in the form of a table.

Missing People with Dementia
(01/04/2013 - 31/03/2016)

Question No.	Question	Financial Year		
		2013/14	2014/15	2015/16
1	Total no. of adults missing	1448	1121	988
2	Total no. of missing persons with dementia*	127	108	126
3	Number of missing PwD individuals defined as absent**	-	-	-
4	Number of missing PwD investigations that were classed as high risk***	50	45	67
5	Number of missing PwD investigations that were classed as medium risk***	39	35	44
6	Number of missing PwD found by the police that were reported to the police	72	53	65
7	Number of missing PwD cases determined to be repeat wanderers	62	51	68
8	Type of harm suffered by PwD whilst lost (number of)			
	Accidental	1	0	3
	Emotional	0	0	0
	Found Deceased	0	0	0
	Physical Injury	3	6	2
	Self-harmed	0	1	0

	Sexual Offence Victim	0	0	0
	No Harm Suffered	137	110	137
9	No. of missing PwD cases that received hospital treatment (Accident & Emergency) upon being found by the police	0	0	0
10	No. of cases of missing PwD from residential/nursing care facilities****	9	9	16
11	Has the police service costed out missing PW investigations?	No		
12	Provide total investigation time for each investigation (days/hours) and numbers of officers and staff involved	As per the Portsmouth University research in 2015 the average cost per missing person investigation is between £1,525-£2,415.		

* Missing persons with dementia, Alzheimer's and Korsakoffs

**Not recorded within a field that can be easily extracted

*** This information is based on the risk assessments within a case. A person during a missing episode could have multiple risk assessments e.g. Initially graded as medium and then re-assessed as High risk. This will be counted within each category.

****As recorded in Compact: Residential Care Home for the Elderly, Private Care

Please Note:- This data has been extracted from a live crime system and may be subject to change
Source:- Performance & Insight 22/12/2016

Please note that costings are not held individually by investigation.

Please Note: Police forces in the United Kingdom are routinely required to provide crime 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 crime 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.**

Complaints Rights

Your attention is drawn to the enclosed review procedure, which details your right of complaint.

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addressed to the Force Solicitor, Nottinghamshire Police, Force Headquarters, Sherwood Lodge, Arnold, Nottinghamshire, NG5 8PP.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in Nottinghamshire Police.

Should you have any further enquiries concerning this matter, please write or contact the Freedom of Information Officer on telephone number 0115 9672507 or e-mail freedomofinformation@Nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

Disclosure Officer

Are you dissatisfied with your response?

Nottinghamshire Police has a duty to implement a complaints process in relation to Freedom of Information Act requests. If you are not content with our response, you may appeal, this process is known as an 'Internal Review'

Internal reviews are intended to be a fair and impartial means of reviewing the original request process.

You can appeal about your request if you:-

- Disagree with the Forces interpretation of your request;
- Believe the Force hold more information than has been disclosed to you;
- Disagree with the application of exemptions;

How do I appeal?

All appeals should be made in writing and sent to:-

Information Management
Nottinghamshire Police
Force Headquarters
Sherwood Lodge
Arnold
Notts
NG5 8PP

or alternatively freedomofinformation@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk

To deal with your appeal as quickly as possible please provide the unique identification number provided with your response and the reasons for your appeal.

Once we have received your request for appeal, your FOI response will be reviewed in full to identify any problems in the disclosure.

The review will be undertaken by someone different from, and preferably senior to, the original decision maker and this should be completed within 20 working days from receipt, in exceptional circumstances it may be extended by a further 20 working days.

What if I'm still not satisfied?

You can appeal to the Information Commissioner. You can contact the Information Commissioner Office at the following:-

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Tel: 0303 123 1113 (local rate) or 01625 545 745 (national rate)

E-mail: casework@ico.org.uk