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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 13/05/2014.

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:-

- The number of reported thefts from outer-buildings (e.g. garages, garden sheds, summerhouses and other outer-buildings) in the past five years (split by the years 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 to date). Please exclude all car theft figures when responding to this FOI;***
- The number of 'sheds' (only) burgled in each constabulary in the past five years (split by the years 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 to date);***
- The total number of outer-building `break-ins¿ and attempted `break-ins¿ over the past five years (split by the years 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 to date);***

Please see the below table of results:

Number of Burglaries of Out Buildings (Garages, Garden Sheds etc) from 2009

Home Office Offence	Premises Cat Finite Desc	Year						Total
		2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014*	
Burglary Other	Garages	52	33	39	57	59	23	263
	Outbuildings	85	107	109	65	72	26	464
	Sheds	50	56	33	20	35	11	205
	Stables	19	18	14	8	17	8	84
Burglary Other - Shed etc	Garages	975	786	691	601	543	198	3794
	Outbuildings	183	140	138	135	116	50	762
	Sheds	1339	1173	1098	948	914	370	5842
	Stables	16	11	10	10	14	4	65
Burglary Other Attempted	Garages	11	15	17	31	19	6	99
	Outbuildings	15	9	18	7	7	3	59
	Sheds	9	5	5	13	15	4	51
	Stables	1	2	1	1	0	0	5
Total		2755	2355	2173	1896	1811	703	11693

* 2014 data from 01/01/14 to 30/04/2014

-The number of 'outer-building thefts' by month in the past three years, the number of 'outer-building thefts' by day of the week and the number of 'out-building thefts' by hour of the day/night;

Number of Burglaries**** of Out Buildings (Garages, Garden Sheds etc) in Past 3 Years*** by Month of the Year

Month	Year				Total
	2011	2012	2013	2014 *	
January	195	155	113	143	606
February	193	182	138	175	688
March	238	151	158	206	753
April	200	166	162	179	707
May	165	191	167		523
June	188	163	163		514
July	191	145	137		473
August	163	180	157		500
September	214	137	185		536
October	158	140	134		432
November	153	169	172		494
December	115	117	125		357
Total	2173	1896	1811	703	6583

** More than 1 item can be stolen in 1 recorded crime and counted where the item was recorded in "Property Type Description". There were 1462 blank Property types

*** Date range 01/01/2011 to 30/04/2014

**** Used the following Home Office Offence codes to provide the above data for Burglary: 30, 30A, 30B

Please Note-: This data was extracted from a live crime system and may be subject to change

Source-: Management Information 30.05.2014

Number of Burglaries of Out Buildings**** (Garages, Garden Sheds etc) in Past 3 Years*** by Day of the Week

Day of Week	Year				Total
	2011	2012	2013	2014 *	
Monday	322	266	216	96	900
Tuesday	324	283	286	95	988
Wednesday	307	276	270	100	953
Thursday	320	281	302	104	1007
Friday	286	259	249	95	889
Saturday	324	258	229	102	913
Sunday	290	273	259	111	933
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Number of Burglaries**** of Out Buildings (Garages, Garden Sheds etc) in Past 3 Years*** by Hour of the Day

Hour	Year				Total
	2011	2012	2013	2014 *	
00:00:00 - 00:59:59	10	25	14	3	52
01:00:00 - 01:59:59	8	21	10	2	41
02:00:00 - 02:59:59	16	23	4	1	44
03:00:00 - 03:59:59	7	21	9	4	41
04:00:00 - 04:59:59	7	14	13	1	35
05:00:00 - 05:59:59	8	15	13	10	46
06:00:00 - 06:59:59	18	12	12	4	46
07:00:00 - 07:59:59	43	45	44	4	136
08:00:00 - 08:59:59	138	52	75	15	280
09:00:00 - 09:59:59	244	105	51	11	411
10:00:00 - 10:59:59	188	127	70	31	416
11:00:00 - 11:59:59	195	135	70	32	432
12:00:00 - 12:59:59	149	96	65	40	350
13:00:00 - 13:59:59	165	145	141	45	496
14:00:00 - 14:59:59	175	166	176	63	580
15:00:00 - 15:59:59	170	192	208	71	641
16:00:00 - 16:59:59	111	174	177	83	545
17:00:00 - 17:59:59	90	98	125	50	363
18:00:00 - 18:59:59	124	90	117	47	378
19:00:00 - 19:59:59	109	89	140	60	398
20:00:00 - 20:59:59	97	92	136	60	385
21:00:00 - 21:59:59	58	72	89	40	259
22:00:00 - 22:59:59	24	51	35	14	124
23:00:00 - 23:59:59	19	36	17	12	84
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-Most common items (top 20) stolen from outer-buildings e.g. bikes, tools, garden furniture;

Top 20 Most Common Stolen Items in the Past 3 years*****

Property Type Description	Total
Cycle	2373
Tools	1997
General Non Specific	1115
Miscellaneous	1071
Garden Equipment	1004
Sports/Leisure	861
Fixtures And Fittings	692
Electrical	374
Undesignated Off Road Vehicle	127
Garage Equipment	119
Clothing	116
Alcohol	96
Vehicle Parts	95
Food	81
Building Materials	78
Toys	67
Computers	61
Bags	59
Scrap Metal	59
Hi-Fi Equipment	57

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-The proportion of break-ins where the property/outer-building was not securely locked (please estimate this figure if unable to provide exact figures).

This information is not recorded in an easily retrievable format. To locate, retrieve and extract the requested information requires a manual search of all records held in relation to break in's of outbuildings to ascertain which had involved an insecure property. As above at question 1, the total number of records which would be required to be reviewed would be 11,693.

It is estimated that to search one record would take approximately 5-10 minutes (this is a conservative estimate as some crime and incident reports can run into several pages) which would equate to approximately 974.42 working hours (at the more conservative estimate of 5 minutes per record). This takes the request over the cost threshold of 18 working hours and engages Section 12 (1) of the Act.

This letter constitutes a refusal notice under Section 17(5) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 with Section 12(1) of the act being applied

12. – (1) Section 1(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.

Should you wish for the Force to continue with your request, a more accurate figure will be provided within a fee's notice. The cost will need to be paid by you, prior to any further investigation. Please advise if you wish to proceed.

Alternatively you are invited to refine your request to bring it within the cost threshold – perhaps by reducing the number of years you require data for, and resubmitting the request.

In accordance with the Act, once one part of the request is excess cost the whole request exceeds the cost threshold. In the spirit of the Act but outside of it I am happy to provide you with that information as above which was able to be retrieved within the cost threshold.

Complaints Rights

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

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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;
- Are still waiting for a response and are unhappy with the delay.

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 Officer 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