

FOI 008

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BY EMAIL

Dear Member of the public

Following your request for information regarding distraction crimes I am writing with a quick update. I have asked the Constabulary about the number of incidents of this type of crime.

The Force Control Room (that takes 999 calls) have a number of "tags" by which they classify the types of crimes they are being called about. Unfortunately they do not have a specific tag for this type of incident and are therefore unable to tell me how many such incidents have occurred in the last two years. They are most likely classified as theft or fraud.

Kind regards