

An Garda Síochána

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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000011-2022 Request Granted

Dear

I refer to your request, dated 1st January, 2022 and received on 4th January, 2022 which you have made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 (FOI Act) for records held by An Garda Síochána.

Part 1(n) of Schedule 1 of the FOI Act states that An Garda Síochána is listed as a partially included agency "insofar as it relates to administrative records relating to human resources, or finance or procurement matters". Therefore, only administrative records that relate to human resources, finance or procurement shall be considered.

Your request sought:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2014, I would like to request the total number of attacks on gardai in (i) 2019, (II) 2020 and (iii) 2021, with a breakdown by garda division, and by the injuries that were suffered.

I wish to inform you that I have decided to grant your request on the 13th January, 2021.

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.

1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision

Details of your request were provided to the relevant Sections of An Garda Síochána to identify records containing the information you have requested. Records have been located in respect of your request.

Please find attached appendices which detail the number of assaults that resulted in occupational injuries broken down by the types of injuries sustained for the years 2019 to 2021 (as of 09/01/2022).

An Garda Síochána is very mindful to the significant occupational demands placed on its members and the exposure to very stressful and traumatic situations. Critical support is provided by the Chief Medical Officer, the Employee Assistance Service, the Peer Support Network and counselling services.

2. Right of Appeal

In the event that you are not happy with this decision you may seek an Internal Review of the matter by writing to the address below and quoting reference number **FOI-000011-2022**.

Freedom of Information Office, An Garda Síochána, Athlumney House, IDA Business Park, Johnstown, Navan, Co. Meath C15 DR90

Please note that a fee applies. This fee has been set at €30 (€10 for a Medical Card holder). Payment should be made by way of bank draft, money order, postal order or personal cheque, and made payable to Accountant, Garda Finance Directorate, Garda Headquarters, Phoenix Park, Dublin 8. Payment can be made by electronic means, using the following details:

Account Name: An Garda Síochána Imprest Account

Account Number: 30000302

Sort Code: 951599

IBAN: IE28DABA95159930000302

BIC: DABAIE2D

You must ensure that your FOI reference number FOI-000011-2022 is included in the payment details.


You should submit your request for an Internal Review within 4 weeks from the date of this notification. The review will involve a complete reconsideration of the matter by a more senior member of An Garda Síochána and the decision will be communicated to you within 3 weeks. The making of a late appeal may be permitted in appropriate circumstances.

Please be advised that An Garda Síochána replies under Freedom of Information may be released in to the public domain via our website at www.garda.ie

Personal details in respect of your request have, where applicable, been removed to protect confidentiality.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the above, please contact the FOI Office by telephone at (046) 9036350.

Yours sincerely,



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
PAUL BASSETT
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER

 **JANUARY, 2022**

Number of Assaults on Gardaí Resulting in an Occupational Injury in 2019 (as of 09/01/2022)

Injury Type	Bruising/Grazes/ Bites	Closed Fracture	Dislocation	Internal Head Injuries	Internal Injuries (excluding the head)	Open Fracture (i.e. bone exposed)	Open Wounds	Other	Serious Multiple Injuries	Sprain/Strain	Assault Total
Division											
CAVAN / MONAGHAN	3	1				1	1			3	9
CLARE	1									1	2
CORK CITY	4							4		3	12
CORK NORTH	4	1	1				1	1		1	8
CORK WEST	3						1	2		4	10
D.M.R. EAST	1							1			2
D.M.R. NORTH	8	1					1	1		4	15
D.M.R. NORTH CENTRAL	10									3	13
D.M.R. SOUTH	7	1	1					1		1	11
D.M.R. SOUTH CENTRAL	10	5					2	1		2	20
D.M.R. WEST	5	1					3		1	3	13
DMR Roads Policing	1										1
DONEGAL	7										7
GALWAY	10							1		1	12
IMMIGRATION BUREAU										1	1
KERRY	19							6			25
KILDARE	2			1				1			4
KILKENNY/CARLOW	3							2			5
LAOIS / OEALY	2	1	2			1	1	1		6	13
LIMERICK	8						1	1		1	11
LOUTH	4	2								1	7
MAYO	3							1		1	5
MEATH	3							1		1	5
ROSCOMMON / LONGFORD	11									4	15
SLIGO / LEITRIM	2				1			1			4
TIPPERARY	3	1						3		1	8
WATERFORD	8	2	1				1	4			16
WESTMEATH	1							1		1	2
WEXFORD	3							1		4	8
WICKLOW	1		1					1			3
Total	147	17	6	1	1	2	12	33	1	47	267

Number of Assaults on Gardaí Resulting in an Occupational Injury in 2020 (as of 09/01/2022)										
Injury Type	Bruising/Grazes/Bites	Closed Fracture	Dislocation	Infection	Open Wounds	Other	Serious Multiple Injuries	Sprain/Strain	Assault Total	
Division										
CAVAN / MONAGHAN	5				1	1		2	9	
CLARE	2							1	3	
CORK CITY	4				2	2		1	9	
CORK WEST	1			1				2	4	
D.M.R. EAST	3	1			2	1		1	8	
D.M.R. NORTH	4	1	1		1	5		3	15	
D.M.R. NORTH CENTRAL	4	1				2		5	12	
D.M.R. SOUTH	4	1			1	2			8	
D.M.R. SOUTH CENTRAL	2	1			1				4	
D.M.R. WEST	4	1	1		2			1	9	
DONEGAL	2		1			2		1	6	
GALWAY	4					8		4	16	
GARDA COLLEGE & RESEARCH	2								2	
KERRY	2	1						2	5	
KILDARE	3				1				4	
KILKENNY/CARLOW	3					1			4	
LAOIS / OFFALY	15	1							16	
LIMERICK	3				1	2			6	
LOUTH	2			1		2	1	1	7	
MAYO	4				1				5	
MEATH	2	1						2	5	
ROSCOMMON / LONGFORD	2					1	1		4	
SLIGO / LETRIM	1				1	1		3	6	
TIPPERARY	6	1				1		1	9	
WATERFORD	8		1		2	14		5	30	
WESTMEATH					1			2	4	
WEXFORD	4					2		2	8	
WICKLOW	2							3	5	
Total	98	10	5	2	17	47	2	42	223	

Number of Assaults on Gardaí Resulting in an Occupational Injury in 2021 (as of 09/01/2022)											
Injury Type	Bruising/Grazes/ Bites	Closed Fracture	Dislocation	Infection	Internal Head Injuries	Internal Injuries (excluding the head)	Open Wounds	Other	Serious Multiple Injuries	Sprain/ Strain	Total Assaults
Division											
CAVAN / MONAGHAN	4	1					1	1		5	12
CLARE							1	2		1	4
CORK CITY	6	3						1		5	15
CORK NORTH	4							2	2	3	11
CORK WEST							1			1	1
D.M.R. EAST	3						2			1	6
D.M.R. NORTH	1				1			3		1	6
D.M.R. NORTH CENTRAL	1		2				1	1		2	7
D.M.R. SOUTH	2	3					1	1		2	9
D.M.R. SOUTH CENTRAL	5	2	1	2			1	1		6	18
D.M.R. WEST	4						1	3	2	2	12
D.O.C.B.										1	1
DONEGAL	4	1	1					1		2	9
GALWAY	6									1	7
KERRY	8	1	1				1	1		4	16
KILDARE	4		1					3		2	10
KILKENNY/CARLOW	5	1		1		1	2			2	12
LAOIS / OFFALY	7	1			1	1	1			3	16
LIMERICK	1	1								1	3
LOUTH	3							2		4	9
MAYO	4									3	7
MEATH	2										2
ROSCOMMON / LONGFORD	2									2	4
SLIGO / LEITRIM	2						1			1	4
TIPPERARY	10				1	2		3		1	17
WATERFORD	6	1					1	2		2	12
WESTMEATH	1									1	2
WEXFORD	3		1					3		4	11
Total	98	15	7	3	3	4	15	32	4	62	243