

# An Garda Síochána

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## Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000127-2023 Request Granted

*Dear*

I refer to your request, dated and clarified and received on **28<sup>th</sup> March, 2023** 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:

*a record/database/spreadsheet of the number of days lost to illness by garda staff in 2022 in the following categories: flu/viral, mental health, musculoskeletal, not provided, other-please specify, post pregnancy, pregnancy related, surgery/post op, injury on duty: accident, injury on duty: RTA, malicious injury off duty, malicious injury on duty, occupational illness arising from duty, critical illness.*

*a record/database/spreadsheet of the number of days lost to illness by garda staff in total for 2022.*

*Clarified Request:*

*Both please. And if possible, if the figures could be provided separately.*

I wish to inform you that I have decided to grant your request on the 4<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

The purpose of this letter is to explain that decision.

### 1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision

Upon receipt, your request was forwarded to the relevant section of An Garda Síochána to retrieve the information requested by you and a number of records have been identified.

The tables below sets out the number of days lost to illness by Garda Members and Garda Staff in 2022.

Sickness absences are recorded and reported under the following categories – Ordinary Illness; Occupational Injury/Illness Arising from Duty and Critical Illness.

<b>Number of days lost due to illness by Garda Members in 2022</b>	
Critical Illness	25,351.5
<b>Occupational Injury/Illness arising from Duty Category</b>	
Not specified	770
Injury on Duty: Accident	40,217
Injury on Duty: RTA	6,822.5
Malicious injury off duty	20
Malicious injury on duty	20,807.50
Occupational illness arising from duty	6,715.50
<b>Ordinary Illness Category</b>	
Not specified	3,085
Flu/Viral	53,112
Mental Health	5,141
Musculoskeletal	9,504
Not Provided	20,974
Other – Please Specify	26,144
Post-Pregnancy	697
Pregnancy related	5,610
Surgery/Post Op	10,771.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>235,742.5</b>

<b>Number of days lost due to illness by Garda staff in 2022</b>	
Critical Illness	9,139.5
<b>Occupational injury illness arising from Duty Category</b>	
Injury on Duty: Accident	337.5
Occupational illness arising from duty	3
<b>Ordinary illness category</b>	
Not specified	2,476
Flu/Viral	14,900.50
Mental Health	1,669
Musculoskeletal	1,767
Not Provided	4,120
Other – Please specify	8,178.50
Other illness	34
Post-pregnancy	421
Pregnancy related	1,305
Surgery/Post Op	1,800
<b>Total</b>	<b>46,151</b>

## 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-000127-2023**.

**Freedom of Information Office, An Garda Síochána, Athlumney House, IDA Business Park, Navan, Co. Meath, C15 ND62.**

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-000127-2023 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](http://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**

 **APRIL 2023**