

An Garda Síochána

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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000083-2024 Request Granted

Dear

I refer to your request, dated and received on 29th February, 2024 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:

How many gardaí in Donegal Division took sick leave under the categories of critical illness, occupational injury, illness arising from duty and ordinary illness between June 2023 and December 2023, and in 2024 to date?

Can I have a breakdown of the length of time gardaí in Donegal Division were off work on sick leave between June and December 2023, and this year to date?

I wish to inform you that I have decided to grant your request on the 26th March 2024. 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. I have been advised that sickness absences are

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recorded and reported under the following categories – Critical Illness, Occupational Injury/Illness Arising from Duty and Ordinary Illness.

The tables below provide the records you seek in relation to days lost to illness by Garda members in the Donegal Division between June 2023 and December 2023, and in 2024 to date.

Absence Type	No. of Garda members availing of Sick Absence Jun 23 – Dec 23	No. of days lost due to Sick Absence Jun 23 – Dec 23
Critical Illness	5	1292
Occupational injury/Illness arising from duty	15	2383.50
Ordinary Illness	257	4075
Total	277	7750.50

Absence Type	No. of Garda members availing of Sick Absence Jan 24 – Feb 24	No. of days lost due to Sick Absence Jan 24 – Feb 24
Critical Illness	8	421
Occupational injury/Illness arising from duty	11	548
Ordinary Illness	150	1203.50
Total	169	2172.50

Sick leave Statistics as recorded on SAMS and reported @ 20.03.2024

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-000083-2024**.

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-000083-2024 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

26 MARCH, 2024.