

An Garda Síochána

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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000235-2024 Request Granted

Dear

I refer to your request, dated and received on 1st July, 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:

1. *The number of Garda personal currently employed within the Donegal Division*
2. *The number of civilian staff currently employed within the Donegal Division*
3. *The number of new Gardaí assigned to stations in the Donegal Garda Divisions in 2023*
4. *The number of new Gardaí assigned to stations in the Donegal Garda Divisions so far in 2024*
5. *A Breakdown, by rank, of the Garda personal currently employed within the Donegal Garda Division*
6. *The number of Garda personnel who retired from the Donegal Garda Division in 2022*
7. *The number of Garda personnel who retired from the Donegal Garda Division in 2023*
8. *The number of Garda personnel who have retired from the Donegal Garda Division so far in 2024*
9. *The number of Garda personnel who are due to retire from Donegal Garda Division in the next 6 months*
10. *The number of Garda personnel in the Donegal Garda Division currently off on sick leave and how many of those are due to occupational injury/illness arising from duty.*

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11. The number of Garda personnel in the Donegal Garda Division who have been off on sick leave so far in 2024 and how many of those are due to occupational injury/illness arising from duty

I wish to inform you that I have decided to **grant** your request on the 16th July 2024. I have numbered your request for ease of reference.

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. In relation to parts 1 and 2 of your request I have been advised that the number of Garda Members in the Donegal Division is 419 and the number of Garda Staff is 73.

Part 5 of your request sought a breakdown of the ranks of Garda Members in the Donegal Division. The table below provides the breakdown requested.

Chief Superintendent	Superintendent	Inspector	Sergeant	Garda
1	3	9	61	345

In respect of parts 3 & 4 of your request, I can advise that 6 new Gardai were assigned to the Donegal Division in 2023 and 3 new Gardai have been assigned to date in 2024.

The following table outlines the records requested in parts 6, 7, 8 and 9 of your request. The figures below include Voluntary, Compulsory and Cost Neutral Early Retirements.

Year	Number	Total
2022	14	14
2023	9	9
2024	4	4
2024 To Year End*	3	3
Total	30	30

*Based on figures available 11/07/2024

The tables below provide the records you seek in in parts 10 and 11 of your request.

Number of Garda personnel currently on sick leave	
Absence Type	No of Garda Personnel
Occupational injury/IOD	4
Ordinary illness	31

Number of Garda personnel that availed of sick leave since the start of 2024	
Absence Type	No of Garda Personnel
Occupational injury/IOD	0
Ordinary illness	250

Sick Leave Statistics as recorded on SAMS and reported @ 08.07.2024

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-000235-2024**.

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-000235-2024 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

16 JULY, 2024.