

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request 25/18 - Acid attacks

Under the Freedom of Information Act I request:-

1. Please can you tell me the number of acid attacks reported to you in each of the last five calendar years?

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Acid	0	1	0	1	0
Ammonia	1	9	14	18	7
Corrosive Substance	0	0	0	1	0
Noxious Substance	13	11	13	10	1
Total	14	21	27	30	8

2. Can you also tell me for each of the reports how many victims there were and their gender.

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Acid					
Female	0	0	0	0	0
Male	0	0	0	0	0
Unknown	0	1	0	1	0
Ammonia					
Female	0	1	2	4	1
Male	1	7	11	12	5
Unknown	0	1	1	2	1
Corrosive Substance					
Female	0	0	0	0	0
Male	0	0	0	1	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0
Noxious Substance					
Female	5	1	0	3	0
Male	7	9	13	7	1
Unknown	1	1	0	0	0

3. Can you also tell me if the crime was detected or not and what the outcome was. ie one offender arrested and charged, no offender identified etc.

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	Total
Acid						
Evidential Difficulties	0	0	0	1	0	1
Victim does not support police action	0	1	0	0	0	1
Ammonia						
Charge/Summons	0	6	10	3	1	20
Evidential Difficulties	0	2	1	5	1	9
Investigation Complete - No suspect identified	0	0	3	8	1	12
Ongoing Investigation	0	0	0	0	1	1
Undetected*	1	0	0	0	0	1
Victim declines or is unable to identify suspect	0	1	0	0	1	2
Victim does not support police action	0	0	0	2	2	4
Corrosive Substance						
Victim declines or is unable to identify suspect	0	0	0	1	0	1
Noxious Substance						
Charge/Summons	6	2	4	1	0	13
Evidential Difficulties	0	4	1	7	0	12
Investigation Complete - No suspect identified	0	1	5	2	0	8
Not in Public Interest (Police)	1	0	0	0	0	1
Undetected*	6	1	0	0	0	7
Victim declines or is unable to identify suspect	0	1	1	0	1	3
Victim does not support police action	0	2	2	0	0	4

*detections were used prior to April 2014