

FOIA - 327/19 - Knife crime in schools

Under the Freedom of Information Act I request:-

For the last three calendar years (2016, 2017 and 2018) and for January and February 2019. Please could you provide:

a. The number of incidents reported to police of an under 18 in possession of a knife (article with a blade or point) in school or on school property. For each offence, please detail:

- i. the age of the pupil reported to be in possession of the knife
- ii. the type of knife (ie. kitchen knife, sword)

a.	Year	Count
	2016	16
	2017	12
	2018	8
	2019	2
	Total	38

i	Age	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
	10	1				1
	11	3	2	1		6
	12	1	5	1	1	8
	13	4	3	3	1	11
	14	3	2	1		6
	15	3		1		4
	16	1		1		2
	Total	16	12	8	2	38

ii	Weapon	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
	Blade		1			1
	Flick Knife			1		1
	Kitchen Knife	5	3	1	1	10
	Kitchen Knife Nail Wood	1				1
	Kitchen Knife Stanley Knife			1		1
	Kitchen Knife Swiss Army Knife		1			1
	Knife	5	3	3		11
	Lock Knife	2		1	1	4
	Marker Pen Razor Blade	1				1
	Pen Knife		1			1
	Pointed Obj/Ins Sharp Instrument	1				1
	Scissors		1			1
	Stanley Knife	1	1			2
	Steak Knife		1			1
	Swiss Army Knife			1		1
	Total	16	12	8	2	38

b. The number of people under 18 arrested for crimes involving knives reported on school grounds. Please give a breakdown of each incident by:

- i. The age of the person arrested.
- ii. What the knife was used for (ie. Stabbing)

i	Age	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
	11	1				1
	13		1			1
	14	1				1
	Total	2	1	0	0	3

ii	Knife use	2016	2017	Total
	Knife drawn but not used	1		1
	None - Possession only	1	1	2
	Total	2	1	3