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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI506635699

Thank you for your request for information relating to RIDDOR Reports.

You have requested the following information:

The information I am requesting relates to the RIDDOR reports submitted to your local authority (including any LAs which have come under your jurisdiction as of 1 April 2023) by businesses in your jurisdiction via the HSE portal.

To assist my research, I would be grateful if you could provide the following data from 1 April 2012 to 31 March 2023:

- 1. Total number of RIDDOR reports processed each month, broken down as follows:
- a. the number of RIDDOR reports received which were:
- b. confirmed as RIDDOR reportable once reviewed
- c. confirmed as not RIDDOR reportable once reviewed
- d. recorded as unknown or left blank on your database
- 2. For the RIDDOR reports above which were confirmed as RIDDOR reportable once reviewed (for a given month), please specify how many of those resulted in the following actions:

- a. Investigation / decision to investigate
- b. No investigation / decision not to investigate
- c. Total notices served, also specifying their breakdown:
- i. Improvement notice served
- ii. Prohibition notice served
- d. Total cautions and prosecutions, also specifying their breakdown:
- i. Simple caution issued
- ii. Prosecution sought

For Questions 1 to 3, we hold the information which you have asked for, but we have estimated that the cost of meeting your request would exceed the cost limit of £450 specified in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees Regulations 2004). This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 18 hours or more, in determining whether the information is held, locating, retrieving and extracting it.

The information is not held in a reportable format hence it would require an officer to manually review each record to collate the requested data. This has been estimated to exceed the 18-hour limit under the Act. This part of your request our request has been refused under section 12(2) of the Act.

4. Total number of active businesses in your local authority for each year.

i.e., the total number of businesses which were actively operating in your jurisdiction ((i.e., anyone trading in goods or services, to whom RIDDOR Regulations apply to, including schools, hospital, sole traders, etc) as of 31 March each year. This information will most likely be held by your business rates team.

31/03/2011: 7,970 31/03/2012: 7,998 31/03/2013: 8,031 31/03/2014: 8,183 31/03/2015: 8,300 31/03/2016: 8,317 31/03/2017: 8,543 31/03/2018: 8,803 31/03/2019: 8,799 31/03/2020: 8,791 31/03/2021: 8,726 31/03/2022: 8,721 31/03/2023: 8,721

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Please remember to quote the reference number above in your response.

Yours faithfully

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