



Freedom of Information Request

REQUEST NUMBER: HC/002144

KEYWORD: Crime Statistics

Request	Response
For the period 26 May 2016 to 19 September 2017, could the provide the following information:	Crimes are recorded in line with Home Office counting rules as follows: https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/534972/count-drug-july-2016.pdf Therefore searches have been undertaken for the relevant Home Office codes relating to Psychoactive Substances as follows: • Export a psychoactive Substance – 93/46 • Import a psychoactive substance – 93/45 • Offer to supply a psychoactive substance – 93/43 • Produce a psychoactive substance – 93/41 • Supply a psychoactive substance – 93/42 • Possess a psychoactive substance with intent to supply – 93/44
1. How many crimes under the Psychoactive Substances Act were recorded?	1. Between 26/05/2016 and 19/09/2017, 27 crimes were recorded.
2. For each crime recorded under the Psychoactive Substances Act, could you tell me the substance involved and the type of offence (i.e. supply of a psychoactive substance, production, possession)	2. Substances recorded as psychoactive in line with the HO offence definitions listed above.
3. How many arrests were made for offences under the Psychoactive Substances Act?	3. 65 arrests have been recorded for the stated crimes. <i>Please note that individuals can be arrested for multiple offences.</i>

4. How many people were charged for offences under the Psychoactive Substances Act?

4. Of the arrests listed above, 11 persons have been charged.

Please note due to the recent date period requested, the arrest & disposal figures are likely to increase.