

Request Reference: 11961/17

As part of the below request I would like the search to include the following weapons;

09 - KNIFE - DAGGER
10 - KNIFE - FLICK
11 - KNIFE - KITCHEN
12 - KNIFE - MACHETTE
13 - KNIFE - PEN
14 - KNIFE - CRAFT
83 - SWORD
84 - AXE
70 - DAGGER
71 - FLICK KNIFE
72 - KITCHEN KNIFE
73 - MACHETE
74 - PEN KNIFE
75 - CRAFT KNIFE
76 - LOCK KNIFE
77 - KNIFE - UNKNOWN
33 - KNIFE (N/K)
87 - MEAT CLEAVER

1. The number of knife crime offences reported to the force in 2017 (01 January 2017 to 31 August 2017). I would like this information broken down into each calendar month.

TABLE 1

Month	Total
January	364
February	372
March	443
April	354
May	473
June	418
July	443
August	424
Grand Total	3,291

2. I would like to know how many of the knife crime offences were fatal (with this based on the offences of murder and manslaughter).

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3. Can you provide the outcomes for all knife crime offences between 01 January 2017 to 31 August 2017?

TABLE 2

Outcome	Total
NC1: Non Crime Closure	25
OC10: Formal action against the offender not in public interest (Police)	4
OC11: Prosecution prevented – Named suspect identified but below the age of criminal responsibility	5
OC12: Prosecution prevented – Named suspect identified, too ill (physical or mental health) to prosecute	4
OC14: Evidential Difficulties Victim Based – No Named suspect: Crime confirmed but victim declined / unable to support further investigation to identify offender.	80
OC15: Named Suspect identified: victim support but evidential difficulties prevent further action	329
OC16: Named Suspect identified: evidential difficulties prevent further action; victim does not support (or has withdrawn support from) police action	324
OC18: Investigation Complete: No suspect identified. Investigated as far as possible – Case closed pending further investigative opportunities	1,328
OC1a: Charge/summons	585
OC1b: Postal Charge	69
OC1c: Turning Point Project	1
OC1d: Charge/summons with Alternative Offence	128
OC1e: Postal Charge with Alternative Offence	12
OC2: Caution – YOUTH (inc Conditional Caution)	31
OC20: Further action resulting from crime report will be undertaken by another body or agency	15
OC21: Named Suspect identified: Further investigation to support formal action being taken against the suspect not in the public interest (police)	2
OC2a: Youth Caution (inc Conditional Caution) with Alternative Offence	4
OC3: Caution – ADULT (inc Conditional Caution)	17
OC3a: Adult Caution (inc Conditional Caution) with Alternative Offence	1
OC4: Taken into consideration (TIC)	1
OC5: The Offender has Died	3
OC8: Community Resolution	12
OC9: Prosecution not in public interest (CPS)	1
Blank	310
Grand Total	3,291