

I would like to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act:

Please provide the number of children under 16, broken down by age, who were arrested in the past five years on suspicion of;

- a) drugs possession offences and
- b) drugs supply offences.

Please provide a table showing the number of children by age arrested for the two different offence types for each of the last five years.

Possession Offences

Age	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
11		1				1
12			1	2	1	4
13	12	4	5	9	4	34
14	57	24	27	26	24	158
15	87	69	63	41	44	304
Total	156	98	96	78	73	501

Possession with Intent to Supply Offences

Age	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
12			1	1		2
13	2	1	2		2	7
14	3	2	1	4	5	15
15	11	13	9	11	9	53
Total	16	16	13	16	16	77

Supply Offences

Age	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
12				1		1
13		1				1
14	3	1		1		5
15	3	5	2	3		13
Total	6	7	2	5	0	20

Please note that the data contains duplicates, as a person under 15 could have been arrested for a possession and a supply offence at the same time. Each person has been counted once for each possession, supply or possession with intent to supply offence in the data.