

Request Reference: 12438/17

I am submitting a Freedom of Information request relating to disclosure of details on hate crimes recorded by West Midlands police force during the period April 2016 to March 2017, inclusive, as follows:

**Q1. The total number of race hate crimes recorded by police for the census period stated.**

4,096

**Q2. In relation to Q1 - please provide a breakdown by calendar month.**

TABLE 1

Mth-Yr	Total
Apr-16	292
May-16	353
Jun-16	373
Jul-16	502
Aug-16	342
Sep-16	372
Oct-16	378
Nov-16	334
Dec-16	289
Jan-17	253
Feb-17	320
Mar-17	288
Grand Total	4,096

**Q3. Further to Question 1, of the total number of race hate crimes recorded, please provide a breakdown by ethnicity of the victims, including those where ethnic identity was not specified or not recorded. Please also include in the response a breakdown by sex of the victim; male / female.**

See Tables 2 and 3 below

TABLE 2

Ethnicity	Total
ASIAN	1,541
BANGLADESHI	1
BLACK	794
CHINESE	4
CHINESE/JAPANESE/SOUTH EAST ASIAN	34
MIDDLE EASTERN	52
NOT KNOWN	108
OTHER	168
WHITE NORTH EUROPEAN	1,104
WHITE SOUTH EUROPEAN	39
BLANK	251
Grand Total	4,096

TABLE 3

Sex	Total
Female	1,732
Male	2,216
Unknown	25
Blank	123
Grand Total	4,096

**Q4. The total number of religious hate crimes recorded by police for the census period stated.**

3,099

**Q5. In relation to Q4 - please provide a breakdown by calendar month.**

See Table 4 below

**TABLE 4**

Mth-Yr	Total
Apr-16	211
May-16	273
Jun-16	286
Jul-16	379
Aug-16	261
Sep-16	279
Oct-16	297
Nov-16	244
Dec-16	218
Jan-17	188
Feb-17	242
Mar-17	221
Grand Total	3,099

**Q6. Further to Question 4, of the total number of religious hate crimes recorded, please provide details of the number of religious hate crimes where the victim's religious identity was recorded as Muslim or perceived Muslim, and those where religious identity was not specified or not recorded. Please also include in the response a breakdown by ethnicity of the victim and the breakdown by sex of the victim; male / female.**

See Tables 5, 6 and 7 below

TABLE 5

Religion	Total
ISLAM	842
UNKNOWN	920

TABLE 6

Ethnicity	Religion		Total
	ISLAM	UNKNOWN	
ASIAN	669	212	881
BANGLADESHI	1	0	1
BLACK	77	244	321
CHINESE	0	2	2
CHINESE/JAPANESE/SOUTH EAST ASIAN	0	14	14
MIDDLE EASTERN	32	10	42
NOT KNOWN	16	25	41
OTHER	23	52	75
WHITE NORTH EUROPEAN	20	345	365
WHITE SOUTH EUROPEAN	3	13	16
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Grand Total	842	920	1,762

TABLE 7

Sex	Religion		Total
	ISLAM	UNKNOWN	
Female	352	408	760
Male	489	505	994
Unknown	1	7	8
Grand Total	842	920	1,762

**Q7. Please confirm if your police force has implemented the 2015 Home Office directive to record anti-Muslim offences as a separate category of hate crime.**

Yes