

I would like to obtain information on the number of registered sex offenders whose whereabouts are unknown, as well as any available details regarding the crimes committed by these missing offenders. I am particularly interested in cases involving rape, sexual assault, and sexual abuse of children.

I understand that police forces play a vital role in monitoring and managing registered sex offenders to ensure public safety. Therefore, I kindly request the following information for the period of the last five years:

- The total number of registered sex offenders within your jurisdiction.
- The number of registered sex offenders whose whereabouts are currently unknown.

Year (as of 31 st December)	Number of WANTED/Missing	Total
2018	36	4520
2019	48	4601
2020	43	4607
2021	51	4657
2022	60	4622

- Any available details regarding the crimes committed by the missing registered sex offenders, including but not limited to cases of rape, sexual assault, and sexual abuse of children.

To locate and retrieve the individual crimes as requested in the final question would exceed the FOI time limit, we would need to manually review all of the 238 records, which at 30 minutes per record would equate to 119 hours.

These totals are only valid for the date in question because the information is dynamic and changes as arrests are made or new cases come to light through proactive intelligence led policing or routine visits to registered offenders.