

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act for information regarding your force's use of mobile fingerprint technology. Please provide the following information about your force's use of mobile biometric technology for the periods between 1st January 2022 and today's date; if you do not hold this information for the whole length of the period stated above, please provide it for the period starting from the date you began recording the information:

1. The number of times the mobile biometrics devices were used.

4,947 for the period 01/01/2022 - 26/07/2023

2. The following information about each search:

- a) which database was searched (Police [IDENT1] or Immigration [IABS]) or both)

Month/Year	IABS	IDENT1	Grand Total
2022	1,552	1,472	3,024
Jan	130	168	298
Feb	111	142	253
Mar	186	119	305
Apr	160	142	302
May	131	144	275
Jun	188	105	293
Jul	117	103	220
Aug	134	137	271
Sep	76	119	195
Oct	112	122	234
Nov	71	53	124
Dec	136	118	254
2023	1,035	888	1,923
Jan	123	138	261
Feb	147	145	292
Mar	171	157	328
Apr	185	120	305
May	138	115	253
Jun	144	103	247
Jul	127	110	237
Grand Total	2,587	2,360	4,947

- b) date

Please see answer to question 2a

- c) reason for fingerprinting

No recorded information held. There is no biographic information stored against these searches as the only criteria used to capture them was the fingerprint itself.

d) officer defined ethnicity

No recorded information held

e) self-defined ethnicity

No recorded information held

f) gender of the person scanned

No recorded information held. There is no biographic information stored against these searches as the only criteria used to capture them was the fingerprint itself.

g) age of person scanned

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h) response (i.e., whether the search returned a record. If so, please specify which database the record was returned from)

We have made enquiries with the relevant departments and have been advised that this information is not held by us.

3. How many times was Command & Control contacted following a search.

This information would exceed the appropriate limit (FOIA, s.12).

4. What were the nationalities of those people arrested during these scans for a suspected immigration enforcement offence between 1st January 2022 until today's date.

This information would exceed the appropriate limit (FOIA, s.12).

5. How many people were arrested during these scans for:

- a) a suspected Immigration Enforcement offence?**
- b) a criminal offence?**

This information would exceed the appropriate limit (FOIA, s.12).

6. If your force does not currently use mobile biometric scanners, please state if there are plans to adopt the use of the devices, and if yes on what date.

N/A