



**Freedom of Information Request Reference No.:** FOI 12440 – Domestic Homicides April 2014 to March 2017

**Signposting**-links to information already in public domain

Office for National Statistics

<https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/crimeandjustice/datasets/appendixtableshomicideinenglandandwales>

I note you seek access to the following information:

I would like to receive information regarding offences recorded as domestic homicides by the police force from 2014-15 to 2016-17 (i.e. 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17).

Specifically, I would like to know:

1 – How many domestic homicide offences have been recorded by the police force from 2014-15 to 2016-17?

2 – In each of these domestic homicide offences, was there one or more previous calls to police flagged with a domestic violence marker?

**Decisions and Exemptions:** (Full/Partial/Refused):**Partial**

Having completed enquiries within Essex Police and in respect of Sec 1(1) (a), Essex Police does hold information relating to your request.

Under Section 1(1) (b) the attached data has been provided in relation to your FOI submission.

**Response:**

Please find below the response to your **request issued on 21/02/2019**.

**Information correct as of 03/12/2018**

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**FOI 12440 DOMESTIC HOMICIDES**

(Recorded/repeat victims\* 1st April 2014 - 31st March 2017)

|                | Period Recorded |           |           |
|----------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|
|                | 2014/2015       | 2015/2016 | 2016/2017 |
| Recorded       | 1               | 5         | 1         |
| Repeat Victim* | 0               | 0         | 0         |

The Table as above shows the number of Homicides as per the HMIC Crime Tree categorised as Domestic, broken down by the Fiscal Year the offence was recorded.

A Breakdown is then provided in respect of how many of these offences involved repeat victims\*, where a repeat is categorised based on whether in the previous 12 months (based on crime recorded date) the Homicide victim has previously been a victim of Domestic Abuse.

The victim is identified as a repeat based on their Surname, Forename Dob or (where recorded) their unique Nominal ID number.

To clarify if a D.A. Homicide was recorded in 2014/2015, the victim's unique details have been analysed against all D.A. Crimes recorded in 2013/2014 to see whether they have been a previous victim of D.A.