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Dear

Freedom of Information Request Reference N^o: FOI 002182/16

I write in connection with your request for information received by the Norfolk Constabulary on the 2nd June 2016 in which you sought access to the following information:

- 1 How many reports of thefts of nitrous oxide you have had in the last year (or most recent timescale). Or how many canisters/what volume this was if that's how you measure it?
- 2 Any data you have showing this crime over the last 10 years
- 3 If available, what type of institutions these were taken from? (ie, hospitals, dentists, vets)
- 4 How many of these were recovered?

Norfolk Constabulary holds information relevant to your request.

Response to your Request

Norfolk Constabulary has located the following information as relevant to your request.

The Joint Performance and Analysis Department has undertaken research of recorded crimes which include either 'nitrous oxide' or 'laughing gas' within the text. This has returned the following:-

Crime Created	Crime Banding	Description of Theft	Recovered?
July 2009	Theft Other	6 x cylinders of nitrous oxide (50 litres)	No
July 2009	Burglary Non-Dwelling	4-6 Entonox cylinders, size D (50% oxygen and 50% nitrous oxide)	No
November 2009	Burglary Non-Dwelling	2 x nitrous oxide canisters	No
November 2009	Burglary Non-Dwelling	1 x cylinder of nitrous oxide	No
November 2009	Theft Other	1 x canister of medical grade nitrous oxide (size F)	No
November 2009	Theft Other	2 x cylinders of nitrous oxide (Size J)	No
April 2010	Theft Other	4 x 50 litre cylinders containing Nitrous Oxide (full)	No
April 2010	Burglary Non-Dwelling	3 nitrous oxide gas cylinders. 5ft in height.	No
November 2010	Theft Other	5 x Entonox cylinders	Yes
August 2011	Theft Other	6 x cylinders of Entonox gas	No

October 2011	Burglary Non-Dwelling	2 x nitrous oxide canisters, size F (2.5ft tall), 1 x nitrous oxide canister, size G (3.5ft tall), 1 x Entonox canister containing medical oxygen, size ED (1.5ft tall)	No
November 2011	Theft Other	12 x small Entonox cylinders	Yes
February 2013	Theft Other	3 x empty Entonox gas cylinders taken (500 litre).	No
November 2013	Burglary Non-Dwelling	5 x nitrous oxide cylinders (approx 5ft tall)	No
November 2013	Theft Other	4 x nitrous oxide canisters	No
October 2014	Theft Other	7 x nitrous oxide canisters	No
February 2016	Theft if not Classified Elsewhere	2 x nitrous oxide cylinders (J size)	No
April 2016	Theft from Shops and Stalls	2 x nitrous oxide canisters	No

Of the above, 3 have been from an ambulance station, 2 from hospitals, 5 from vets, 4 from welding companies and 4 from farm supply companies.

The data covers the Constabulary's crime systems which have been in place since September 2006.