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Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 000725/20

I write in connection with your request for information received by Norfolk Constabulary on the 18th February 2020 in which you sought access to the following information:

- The number of Wildlife Crimes under the jurisdiction of your police force in 2015?
- The number of Wildlife Crimes under the jurisdiction of your police force in 2016?
- The number of Wildlife Crimes under the jurisdiction of your police force in 2017?
- The number of Wildlife Crimes under the jurisdiction of your police force in 2018?
- The number of Wildlife Crimes under the jurisdiction of your police force in 2019?

If possible, please could you break down the number into the types of offence in each year?

To clarify, wildlife crimes now have the code 96 under the Home Office's Offence Classification Index and fall under the offence group of miscellaneous crimes against society.

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 19th February 2020.

Norfolk Constabulary has considered your request and our response is below.

There are some wildlife offences that are non-notifiable and therefore not recorded on the Constabulary's crime recording system. Please see recorded figures below:

YEAR	OFFENCE	NUMBER
2015	Triable Either Way Offences under: Control of Trade in Endangered Species (Enforcement) Regulations 1997	1
2016	Triable Either Way Offences under: Control of Trade in Endangered Species (Enforcement) Regulations 1997	1
2017	Triable Either Way Offences under: Control of Trade in Endangered Species (Enforcement) Regulations 1997	1
2017	Fish / take fish by other than licensable means in circumstances where fish / taking may or may not be authorised, or possess unlicensed instrument with intent to fish / take fish or without a S27A authority	1
2019	Carrying out or causing to permit to be carried out, any operation likely to damage part of an area of special scientific interest subject to notification by Nature Conservancy Council	1
TOTAL		5