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I write in connection with your request for information received by the Norfolk Constabulary on the 3rd January 2017 in which you sought access to the following information:

For the 2016 Calendar Year could you please tell me the TOTAL number of recorded allegations of assault etc. whereby injury/death has been caused by a knife, sword, blade, screwdriver or any other pointed article (I do not require these to be answered or sub-totalled separately).

If it is possible to retrieve the information could this be broken down into sex, age group and ethnicity of the victim(s) please?

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 using relevant keywords. The results are therefore dependent on the words being correctly recorded within the crime text.

The crimes have then been filtered to meet the criteria of knife crime. The criteria is:-

All offences of Murder, attempted murder, threats to kill, manslaughter, infanticide, wounding or carrying out an act endangering life, GBH without intent, ABH and other injury, sexual assault, rape, robbery where a knife or sharp instrument (defined as any instrument that can pierce the skin) has been used.

Simple possession is excluded (For example, when a police search results in a discovery of possession of a weapon).

Please see tables below:-

