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Email:

Dear

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/17/01/53.

You requested the following information:

How many mental health related call outs (e.g. categories such as psychiatric, abnormal behaviour, suicide attempt, self harm, etc) the Trust has received in 2016?

Please give the total figure for 2016.

Please then break this figure down and give a figure per county that the service covers.

Please see the table below which shows the emergency responses made to incidents where the problem nature was indicated as those mentioned in your question above. I would like to stress that these figures are based on the information provided to the call taker during triage of the 999 call and may not be what the crew find when they reach the patient.

County	Pathways: Suicide	Pathways: Mental Health, Mental Health Issues	Pathways: Police S.136, Section 136
Medway	13	1252	36
Brighton and Hove City	12	1754	27
East Sussex	15	2297	41
Hampshire	5	648	6
Kent	51	6181	146
Surrey	23	4517	276

West Sussex	24	3089	43
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The data is split out by the different pathways because we do not include hanged, self-harm and suicide as mental health within the mental health category as indicated and all results are shown on the table above. Police s136 refers to Section 136 of the Mental Health Act.

I hope you find this information useful.

If for any reason you are dissatisfied with our response, kindly in the first instance contact Caroline Smart, Information Governance Manager via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

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