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Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/18/05/29.

You requested the following information, please also see our response below:

Could you please provide the number of ambulance call outs from people suffering from a mental health problem. Please provide a 5 calendar year breakdown from 2013 to 2017.

Please see table below. Please note this information has been obtained using the following problem natures:

- Mental Health
- Mental Health Issues
- Police S136
- Section 136

Please note that the problem nature is determined by the call taker and is not a diagnosis. It may also not represent what was found when a crew arrived on scene or what the patient was treated for if conveyed to hospital.

Year	Total
2013	16,427
2014	17,743
2015	20,220
2016	20,310
2017	14,321

If you can please specify the patients gender, ethnicity, if they were under or over 18 and a description of the illness. Please list the ages of those under 18, if possible

Please see tables below. This information has been obtained via the PCR (Patient Clinical Record) attached to the incident.

Please note that PCRs are paper forms which are scanned and only certain fields are validated. Therefore, the information such as the patient's age may have been incorrectly scanned or inputted incorrectly on the PCR.

There were also occasions whereby multiple PCRs were associated with one incident. This may be if there were multiple patients or if the incident number was incorrectly entered onto the PCR. Where there was multiple PCRs we have only given the information from the first PCR.

Ethnicity

Patient Ethnicity	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
African Sudanese	*Less than 10	11	*Less than 10	*Less than 10	*Less than 10
Any other Asian background					
Black/African/Caribbean/Black British	0	*Less than 10	*Less than 10	*Less than 10	*Less than 10
Any other Black, African or Caribbean background	0	*Less than 10	10	*Less than 10	*Less than 10
Any other ethnic group	0	0	*Less than 10	*Less than 10	
Any other mixed or multiple ethnic background	0	*Less than 10	*Less than 10	*Less than 10	*Less than 10
Any other white background	20	21	19	24	12
Arab	*Less than 10	12	11	10	*Less than 10
Bangladeshi	*Less than 10	0	0	*Less than 10	*Less than 10
British	2780	3542	4444	4068	2197
Caribbean	10	11	12	20	*Less than 10
Chinese	*Less than 10	0	*Less than 10	*Less than 10	*Less than 10
Indian	60	57	78	84	59
Irish	44	48	61	63	25
Irish Traveller, Gypsy, Roma	15	17	34	26	*Less than 10
Japanese	0	0	*Less than 10	*Less than 10	*Less than 10
None stated / preferred not to say	331	405	494	605	411
Unknown	11564	12080	13983	14775	11295
Pakistani	*Less than 10	*Less than 10	*Less than 10	*Less than 10	0
Turkish	0	0	0	*Less than 10	0
White - North European	1512	1432	918	496	195
White & Asian, Asian & Black African, Asian & Black Caribbean	*Less than 10	*Less than 10	*Less than 10	*Less than 10	*Less than 10
White & Black African	*Less than 10	0	*Less than 10	*Less than 10	0
White & Black Caribbean	57	78	75	75	56
White European	11	15	45	33	20

*As this figure is less than 10 we are unable to provide the exact number as it may be identifiable to individuals

Age

2013

Patient Ages	Count
1	13
2	*Less than 10
3	17
4	11
5	14
6	15
7	16
8	18
9	12
10	18
11	23
12	49
13	49
14	108
15	175
16	206
17	225
18	261
Over 18	11,163
Unknown	4,025

2014

Patient Ages	Count
1	14
2	24
3	26
4	12
5	13
6	17
7	19
8	10
9	17
10	19
11	19
12	35
13	71
14	124
15	199
16	188

17	301
18	306
Over 18	12,785
Unknown	3,544

2015

Patient Ages	Count
1	Less than 10
2	34
3	20
4	20
5	20
6	13
7	25
8	16
9	16
10	23
11	22
12	43
13	76
14	133
15	247
16	240
17	300
18	370
Over 18	14,719
Unknown	3,874

2016

Patient Ages	Count
1	16
2	23
3	25
4	11
5	28
6	13
7	33
8	16
9	18
10	42
11	56
12	102
13	61
14	104
15	161

16	181
17	305
18	319
Over 18	14,582
Unknown	4,214

2017

Patient Ages	Count
1	17
2	19
3	13
4	*Less than 10
5	10
6	*Less than 10
7	11
8	14
9	15
10	13
11	27
12	37
13	46
14	83
15	112
16	149
17	188
18	225
Over 18	9,271
Unknown	4,059

I hope you find this information of some assistance.

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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