

Our ref: FOI 1460173/22

1 - Please provide the number of stolen car reports your force has received over the last five years. Please categorise the results by calendar years as so: (a) 2022 (b) 2021 (c) 2020 (d) 2019 (e) 2018. Where the 2022 stats will not be complete, please provide the date they go up to.

2 - For each of these years please provide figures for how many reported stolen cars were successfully recovered. As above, please categorise these figures by (a) 2022 (b) 2021 (c) 2020 (d) 2019 and (e) 2018.

3 - If the cost limit for this request has not yet been reached, please provide figures for how many of the reportedly stolen vehicles mentioned in the prior question were recovered by the force and officers itself, rather than by another party (the victim, a third party employed by the victim, neighbours, through social media etc). As above, please provide figures for the last five calendar years.

4 - If the cost limit for this request has still not been reached, could you please provide figures for how many reportedly stolen vehicles were recovered by the victim, a third party employed by them or someone who made contact with them rather than the police force. As above, please provide figures for the last five calendar years.

5 - If the cost limit has still not been reached, please provide figures for how many stolen car reports resulted in charges being brought against a suspect. As above, please provide figures for the last five calendar years.

6 - If the cost limit has still not been reached, how many stolen car reports have resulted in convictions. As above, please provide figures for the last five calendar years.

This question would exceed the cost limit therefore we have disregarded this question. Please find attached the requested information for questions 1 to 5.

**Stolen cars, 01/01/2018 to 30/11/2022**

Period	Cars stolen	Cars recovered	Recovered by Police	Recovered by owner	Recovered by other agency	Recorded crimes	Charge /summons
2018	3,976	2,173	1,809	351	25	3,782	284
2019	3,699	2,047	1,664	379	15	3,508	272
2020	2,676	1,490	1,209	280	16	2,592	181
2021	2,565	1,294	1,002	281	16	2,500	157
2022	3,142	1,582	1,264	306	18	3,066	122

**Notes**

Information represents the number of CAR property items linked as STOLEN or TAKEN to crimes recorded during the period which:

- were not subsequently cancelled

Recovered information represents the number of car property items linked as RECOVERED BY POLICE, RECOVERED BY OWNER or RECOVERED BY OTHER AGENCY

Charge/summons information represents the number of those crimes recorded during the period which resulted in a charge/summons outcome (as at 21/12/2022)

Information is subject to further investigation, reclassification and cancellation, and may therefore change over time

Crime classifications based on Home Office Counting Rules for Recorded Crime <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/counting-rules-for-recorded-crime>