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**REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2019/04795**

I write in connection with your request for information received on 25th July. I note you seek access to the following information:

**I am seeking information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to the theft of or theft from motor vehicles using keyless or relay devices as reported in your force area.**

**To that end, could you tell me:**

**1) The number of reports of “theft from a motor vehicle” over the last five years in which the reported incident was suspected to involve a “keyless” entry device, “relay attack” or other similar method of entry. Please supply data for the last five years – 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015 and 2014. Note: if data is only available by financial year please supply this for 2018/19, 2017/18, 2016/17, 2015/16 and 2014/15.**

**2) The number of reports of “theft of a motor vehicle” over the five years in which the reported incident was suspected to involve a “keyless” entry device, “relay attack” or other similar method of entry. Again, please supply data for the last five years – 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015 and 2014. Note: if data is only available by financial year please supply this for 2018/19, 2017/18, 2016/17, 2015/16 and 2014/15.**

I am required by the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (The Act) to handle all requests in a manner that is blind to the identity of the requestor. Any information released in response to a request is regarded as being published and therefore, in the public domain without caveat.

Following enquiries within the Force please see our response below.

Recorded Crime for Vehicle Offences, where word 'KEYLESS' is recorded in the MO or Crime Text Dates between: 1.1.2014 – 31.12.2018						
Offence	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Grand Total
<b>KEYLESS</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>30</b>
(B) INTERFERENCE WITH MOTOR VEHICLE				1	2	3
(B) THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	3	3	5	5	3	19
(B) THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE	1	2			5	8
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>30</b>

Bedfordshire Police are unable to search the text within their crime recording systems on more than one word and not phrases.

The numerical data presented in this response is an un-audited snapshot of un-published data sourced from "live" systems and is subject to the interpretation of the original request by the individual extracting the data.

Should you have any further enquiries concerning this matter please do not hesitate to contact me quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

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Bedfordshire Police provides you the right to request an independent review of this response under its review procedure. If you require such a review you must notify us within two months from the date of this letter. After lodging a complaint with Bedfordshire Police if you are still dissatisfied with the decision you may make an application to the Information Commissioner. For information on how to make a complaint please visit their website at <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/> or contact them on 0303 123 1113.