



**Freedom of Information request 01/FOI/22/1336**

**For each year ending 31 March between 2009 and 2020 in your police force area:**

- 1. What was the total number of Armed Fire Armed Officers (AFOs)?**
- 2. What was the total number of police officers, excluding police staff and AFOs?**

**RESPONSE**

1. Please note British Transport Police did not have an Armed Policing department before 2012.

<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of AFOs</b>
<b>2012</b>	36
<b>2013</b>	56
<b>2014</b>	56
<b>2015</b>	75
<b>2016</b>	100
<b>2017</b>	121
<b>2018</b>	158
<b>2019</b>	152
<b>2020</b>	166

2. Please see the below summary of officers as of 31 March 2014-2020, this includes AFOs.

AFO numbers would need to be subtracted from this figure, however, please note that officer numbers can fluctuate throughout the year. Where AFO numbers are overall for the year, the total officer numbers below are at a specific date. Therefore, subtracting the AFO numbers above from the total officer numbers below may not be an accurate representation of the numbers on any specific date during that year.

<b>Year</b>	<b>Police Officer Total, including AFOs (as at 31<sup>st</sup> March)</b>
<b>2012</b>	
<b>2013</b>	
<b>2014</b>	2896
<b>2015</b>	2938
<b>2016</b>	3036
<b>2017</b>	2903
<b>2018</b>	3089
<b>2019</b>	2988
<b>2020</b>	2838