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Dear Sam Mellor

**Official Information Act Request**

I refer to your two letters dated 17 February 2012 to the New Zealand Police. Please find the answers to your questions below:

***Over each of the years from 2000 - 2011, information in regards to disciplinary action and/or criminal charges brought against sworn police officers, specifically:***

**1a. *How many officers were charged with an offence in a given year, broken down nationwide?***

Your request has been refused pursuant to s 18(f) of the Official Information Act 1982 as the information requested prior to 2009 cannot be made available without substantial collation or research. However, the New Zealand Police is able to provide information from 2009 onward, as provided below:

Year	Number
2009	21
2010	24
2011	19

**1b. *How many officers were charged with an offence in a given year, broken down by district?***

Year	Number	District
2009	21	Auckland Metro Crime & Ops Support (1) Auckland (4) Bay of Plenty (1) Central (1) Commercial Vehicle Investigation Unit (1) Counties Manakau (1)

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2010	24	Auckland (5) Bay of Plenty (1) Canterbury (2) Central (1) Commercial Vehicle Investigation Unit (1) Counties Manakau (1) Crime (2) Eastern (3) Southern (2) Waikato (1) Waitemata (5)
2011	19	Auckland (1) Bay of Plenty (1) Canterbury (2) Central (2) Counties Manakau (5) Eastern (1) Training Service Centre (1) Waitemata (2) Wellington (4)

**2. How many officers were convicted of any offence in a given year?**

Your request has been refused pursuant to s 18(f) of the Official Information Act 1982 as the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

**3. In regards to those charged, how many were charged with an offence which occurred while performing police duties?**

Year	Number
2009	9
2010	6
2011	7

**4. With what offence(s) was each individual charged?**

Your request has been refused pursuant to s 18(f) of the Official Information Act 1982 as the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

**5. Of the officers charged with an offence; while subject to prosecution, how many:**

- a) Resigned
- b) Retired

**c) Were Formally Dismissed**

Year	No. of Officers	Action Taken
2009	6	Resigned during process
	1	Retired during process
	1	Were Formally Dismissed

Year	No. of Officers	Action Taken
2010	8	Resigned during process
	0	Retired during process
	0	Were Formally Dismissed

Year	No. of Officers	Action Taken
2011	2	Resigned during process
	0	Retired during process
	0	Were Formally Dismissed

A number of these cases are still active.

**6. Of the officers charged with an offence, how many were placed on enforced leave?**

No officers have been placed on enforced leave whilst charged with an offence, although suspension and restricted duties are often enacted.

You have the right, under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act 1982, to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision if you are not satisfied with the way I have responded to your request.

Yours sincerely



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