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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NUMBER 041/2025

Thank you for your request for information regarding ViSOR; which has now been considered.

Applicant Question:

1. Details on how gender identity/gender presentation is recorded on ViSOR, including all available data categories and subcategories (for example, in drop-down menus or similar).
2. In what year/month, recording on offender gender identity/gender presentation was first introduced.
3. Copies of any assessments, analysis or similar undertaken in relation to the introduction of recording offender gender identity/gender presentation. For example, Equality Impact Assessment, risk assessments etc.

NPCC Response:

The NPCC does hold partial information captured by part of your request.

I have consulted with the NPCC ViSOR Portfolio who confirms that the portfolio does not have access to the ViSOR database.

In wishing to assist you, outside of the Act, there is a NPCC MOSOVO portfolio which has Home Office representation and I am able to provide the following:

Gender Presentation was introduced in ViSOR v18.0 (Dec 2008) ; its use is optional, available options are:

Androgynous
Either
Female
Male

Gender Identity was introduced in ViSOR v34.0 (Feb 2022) – its use is also optional; available options are:

Agender
Androgyne

Androgynous
Bigender
Cis
Cis Female
Cis Male
Cis Man
Cis Woman
Cisgender
Cisgender Female
Cisgender Male
Cisgender Man
Cisgender Woman
FTM
Female
Female to Male
Gender Fluid
Gender Nonconforming
Gender Questioning
Gender Variant
Genderqueer
Intersex
MTF
Male
Male to Female
Neither
Neutrois
Non-binary
Other
Pangender
Trans
Trans Female
Trans Male
Trans Man
Trans Person
Trans Woman
Trans*
Trans* Female
Trans* Male
Trans* Man
Trans* Person
Trans* Woman

Transfeminine
Transgender
Transgender Female
Transgender Male
Transgender Man
Transgender Person
Transgender Woman
Transmasculine

It is understood that no formal risk assessments / impact assessments were undertaken in relation to the instruction of these values.

Normal Standard of proof to apply in determining whether a public authority does hold any requested information is the civil standard of the balance of probabilities. In deciding where the balance lies, the Information Commissioner considers the scope, quality, thoroughness and results of the searches carried out by the public authority as well as considering where appropriate, any other reasons offered by the public authority to explain why the information is not held.

I have undertaken all of the necessary checks in establishing whether information is held which is captured by your request and any necessary steps with regard to retrieval of such information.

Searches have been conducted with the NPCC portfolio(s) that relates to the subject matter and I am satisfied that the search conducted to locate the information that you have requested has been robust.

A consideration for you is to make a request with individual police forces.

Unfortunately, I do not hold a public facing list of force FOI contact details, however they will be available [here](#).

You are able to send a request to multiple forces by way of one email, with each force having a lawful responsibility under the Act to respond to you.

Yours sincerely

Sherry Traquair
Freedom of Information Officer & Decision Maker

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COMPLAINT RIGHTS

Internal Review

Any request for an internal review will be acknowledged and responded to, based on the specific wording of your initial request only.

We ask that any rationale to request an internal review, does not include any requests for new information and ask that these be submitted by separate email. We will acknowledge as a new request and aggregate to your initial request in compliance with the legislation.

If you are dissatisfied with the response you have been provided with in compliance with the Freedom of Information legislation, you can lodge a complaint with NPCC to have the decision reviewed within 40 working days of the date of this response.

The handling of your request will be looked at by someone independent of the original decision and a fresh response provided.

It would be helpful, if requesting a review, for you to articulate in detail the reasons you are not satisfied with this reply.

If you would like to request a review, please write or send an email to NPCC Freedom of Information, c/o PO Box 481, Fareham, Hampshire, PO14 9FS.

Annex A

Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires the NPCC, when refusing to provide information by way of exemption in question and (c) states why the exemption applies. In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 this letter acts as a refusal notice to those aspects of your request.

Legislation – Section 16

- (1) It shall be the duty of a public authority to provide advice and assistance, so far as it would be reasonable to expect the authority to do so, to persons who propose to make, or have made, requests for information to it.