

Reference: FOI 474 Freedom of Information request

Thank you for your emails, which we received on 10 and 11 May 2023. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You asked us:

To provide a spreadsheet on the location of the death, the date, gender and age group of all drug-related fatal incident reports published on the Prisons and Probation Ombudsman's website from 2018 until now.

Our response:

We have searched our records and we hold the requested information.

A copy of the information that you requested is enclosed with our response.

On our website, we categorise drug-related deaths, where there is not enough evidence to classify them as a self-inflicted death, as other non-natural deaths. This category covers deaths that have not happened organically, as they are non-natural but cannot be readily classified as self-inflicted or homicide. They include accidents and cases where the post-mortem has not ascertained a cause of death.

You have the right to appeal against our response if you think it is incorrect. Details can be found in the 'How to Appeal' section attached at the end of this letter.

The Prisons and Probation Ombudsman (PPO) carries out **independent investigations** into complaints and deaths in custody. The detailed role and responsibilities of the PPO are set out in our office's Terms of Reference. The PPO has three main duties:

- to **investigate complaints** made by prisoners, young people in detention (prisons and secure training centres), offenders under probation supervision and individuals detained under immigration powers (detained individuals)
- to **investigate deaths** of prisoners, young people in detention, approved premises' residents and detained individuals due to any cause, including any apparent suicides and natural causes
- to **investigate deaths of recently released prisoners** that occur within 14 days of release from prison (except homicide)

The purpose of these investigations is **to understand what happened, to correct injustices** and **to identify learning** for the organisations whose actions we oversee so that the PPO makes a significant contribution to safer, fairer custody and offender supervision.

We may use or share your data only to the necessary extent when conducting our independent investigations in the exercise of our official authority. We will share your data with third parties (e.g. the prison) in order to make sure the information is accurate; to prevent or detect failings; and to identify lessons learnt. We may sometimes need to share your data with third parties if required by law. We only keep your personal data for as long as it is needed, as set out in our data retention policy. If you need any further information about how your data is used, please contact us.

How to Appeal

Internal Review

If you are not satisfied with this response, you have the right to an internal review. The handling of your request will be looked at by someone who was not responsible for the original case, and they will make a decision as to whether we answered your request correctly.

If you would like to request a review, please write or send an email to the Prisons and Probation Ombudsman's office **within two months of the date of this letter**, at the following address:

Prisons and Probation Ombudsman
Third Floor
10 South Colonnade
Canary Wharf
London
E14 4PU
E-mail: Mail@ppo.gov.uk

Information Commissioner's Office (ICO)

If you remain dissatisfied after an internal review decision, you have the right to apply to the Information Commissioner's Office. The Commissioner is an independent regulator who has the power to direct us to respond to your request differently, if he considers that we have handled it incorrectly.

You can contact the ICO at the following address:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Internet address: <https://ico.org.uk/>

Age	Date of death	Cause	Establishment	Gender	Published	Location
31-40	8/12/2022	Other non-natural	Portland	Male	3/30/2023	Post-release
61+	6/20/2022	Other non-natural	Gartree	Male	1/13/2023	Prison
61+	4/8/2022	Other non-natural	Nottingham	Male	12/5/2022	Prison
41-50	4/1/2022	Other non-natural	Leyhill	Male	8/8/2022	Prison
41-50	3/22/2022	Other non-natural	Cardiff	Male	4/6/2023	Post-release
61+	3/11/2022	Other non-natural	Manchester	Male	10/27/2022	Prison
41-50	2/27/2022	Other non-natural	Highpoint	Male	4/13/2023	Prison
41-50	2/27/2022	Other non-natural	Highpoint	Male	4/17/2023	Post-release
41-50	2/25/2022	Other non-natural	Bristol	Male	2/3/2023	Prison
61+	12/1/2021	Other non-natural	Altcourse	Male	6/13/2022	Post-release
61+	10/20/2021	Other non-natural	Garth	Male	2/21/2023	Prison
41-50	10/17/2021	Other non-natural	High Down	Male	3/24/2023	Post-release
41-50	10/2/2021	Other non-natural	Nelson House	Male	10/6/2022	Approved premises
41-50	7/31/2021	Other non-natural	Hatfield	Male	3/28/2023	Prison
41-50	7/21/2021	Other non-natural	Hewell	Male	9/22/2022	Prison
51-60	5/17/2021	Other non-natural	High Down	Male	9/28/2022	Prison
51-60	5/1/2021	Other non-natural	Send	Female	9/22/2022	Prison
41-50	4/25/2021	Other non-natural	Woodhill	Male	5/6/2022	Prison
31-40	4/21/2021	Other non-natural	Moorland Closed	Male	5/10/2022	Prison
61+	4/20/2021	Other non-natural	Norwich	Male	7/7/2022	Prison
61+	3/21/2021	Other non-natural	Pentonville	Male	5/11/2022	Prison
61+	2/21/2021	Other non-natural	Norwich	Male	3/16/2022	Prison
61+	2/3/2021	Other non-natural	Littlehey	Male	2/15/2022	Prison
61+	1/24/2021	Other non-natural	Littlehey	Male	6/21/2022	Prison
22-30	1/9/2021	Other non-natural	Garth	Male	11/28/2022	Prison
41-50	12/29/2020	Other non-natural	Garth	Male	1/26/2022	Prison
51-60	11/24/2020	Other non-natural	HMP Altcourse	Male	2/14/2023	Prison
31-40	11/19/2020	Other non-natural	Full Sutton	Male	11/29/2021	Prison
61+	10/8/2020	Other non-natural	Littlehey	Male	1/9/2023	Prison
22-30	9/20/2020	Other non-natural	Durham	Male	1/27/2023	Prison
31-40	9/15/2020	Other non-natural	Wordsworth House	Male	4/20/2023	Prison
31-40	9/15/2020	Other non-natural	Wordsworth House	Male	4/21/2023	Approved premises
31-40	8/16/2020	Other non-natural	Doncaster	Male	12/22/2021	Prison
31-40	8/15/2020	Other non-natural	Leeds	Male	7/4/2022	Prison
22-30	8/13/2020	Other non-natural	Lindholme	Male	12/2/2022	Prison
61+	8/12/2020	Other non-natural	North Sea Camp	Male	8/17/2021	Prison

61+	8/10/2020	Other non-natural	The Verne	Male	10/28/2022	Prison
31-40	8/1/2020	Other non-natural	Bure	Male	10/27/2021	Prison
41-50	7/31/2020	Other non-natural	Hull	Male	5/13/2022	Prison
31-40	7/31/2020	Other non-natural	Guys Marsh	Male	2/3/2023	Prison
31-40	7/15/2020	Other non-natural	Bedford	Male	1/11/2022	Prison
41-50	7/7/2020	Other non-natural	Wymott	Male	7/6/2021	Prison
61+	6/7/2020	Other non-natural	Wymott	Male	3/15/2021	Prison
61+	5/22/2020	Other non-natural	Bure	Male	12/2/2022	Prison
61+	5/20/2020	Other non-natural	Littlehey	Male	4/28/2021	Prison
51-60	5/8/2020	Other non-natural	Lincoln	Male	1/26/2022	Prison
41-50	5/2/2020	Other non-natural	Durham	Male	7/30/2021	Prison
41-50	3/29/2020	Other non-natural	Wandswoth	Male	1/25/2021	Prison
51-60	1/23/2020	Other non-natural	Berwyn	Male	11/23/2022	Prison
41-50	12/21/2019	Other non-natural	Grendon	Male	5/6/2022	Prison
61+	11/28/2019	Other non-natural	Rye Hill	Male	6/17/2020	Prison
51-60	11/21/2019	Other non-natural	Thameside	Male	8/31/2022	Prison
31-40	11/3/2019	Other non-natural	Swaleside	Male	5/4/2021	Prison
31-40	11/2/2019	Other non-natural	Weston AP	Male	12/6/2021	Approved premises
61+	10/31/2019	Other non-natural	Lancaster Farms	Male	3/10/2020	Prison
22-30	10/28/2019	Other non-natural	Hull	Male	6/1/2022	Prison
51-60	10/24/2019	Other non-natural	Isle of Wight	Male	3/9/2022	Prison
51-60	10/1/2019	Other non-natural	Wymott	Male	6/16/2021	Prison
61+	9/29/2019	Other non-natural	Norwich	Male	4/20/2021	Prison
31-40	9/25/2019	Other non-natural	HMP Altcourse	Male	1/26/2022	Prison
31-40	9/25/2019	Other non-natural	Cardiff	Male	10/6/2022	Prison
31-40	9/12/2019	Other non-natural	Wayland	Male	3/9/2021	Prison
61+	9/9/2019	Other non-natural	Wayland	Male	11/11/2020	Prison
61+	7/13/2019	Other non-natural	Whatton	Male	1/28/2020	Prison
51-60	7/1/2019	Other non-natural	Standford Hill	Male	1/22/2021	Prison
61+	6/22/2019	Other non-natural	Whatton	Male	3/9/2020	Prison
41-50	6/18/2019	Other non-natural	Ford	Male	6/2/2020	Prison
31-40	6/7/2019	Other non-natural	Wealstun	Male	10/11/2021	Prison
31-40	6/5/2019	Other non-natural	Norwich	Male	11/25/2020	Prison
61+	6/1/2019	Other non-natural	Coldingley	Male	6/17/2020	Prison
41-50	5/31/2019	Other non-natural	Ripon House	Female	3/25/2020	Approved premises
61+	5/26/2019	Other non-natural	Leeds	Male	3/10/2020	Prison

41-50	5/11/2019	Other non-natural	Warren Hill	Male	6/9/2021	Prison
51-60	5/9/2019	Other non-natural	Woodhill	Male	3/18/2021	Prison
41-50	3/3/2019	Other non-natural	Swaleside	Male	12/3/2020	Prison
41-50	2/26/2019	Other non-natural	Kirkham	Male	3/10/2020	Prison
41-50	2/22/2019	Other non-natural	Exeter	Male	12/22/2021	Prison
61+	2/13/2019	Other non-natural	Wakefield	Male	2/17/2020	Prison
31-40	2/8/2019	Other non-natural	Long Lartin	Male	6/1/2021	Prison
51-60	2/2/2019	Other non-natural	Birmingham	Male	10/1/2019	Prison
31-40	2/2/2019	Other non-natural	Garth	Male	6/7/2022	Prison
31-40	1/10/2019	Other non-natural	Wilton Place	Male	3/24/2020	Approved premises
61+	1/1/2019	Other non-natural	Parc	Male	8/8/2019	Prison
61+	12/26/2018	Other non-natural	Isle of Wight	Male	3/24/2020	Prison
22-30	12/21/2018	Other non-natural	Humber	Male	5/25/2021	Prison
18-21	12/14/2018	Other non-natural	Ranby	Male	8/3/2022	Prison
31-40	12/13/2018	Other non-natural	Nottingham	Male	3/10/2020	Prison
18-21	12/7/2018	Other non-natural	Exeter	Male	10/25/2021	Prison
51-60	12/2/2018	Other non-natural	Harmondsworth	Male	1/6/2020	Immigration removal centre
41-50	11/14/2018	Other non-natural	Winchester	Male	3/13/2020	Prison
51-60	10/20/2018	Other non-natural	Wymott	Male	1/13/2021	Prison
31-40	10/17/2018	Other non-natural	Chelmsford	Male	5/23/2023	Prison
41-50	10/7/2018	Other non-natural	Holme House	Male	5/25/2022	Prison
22-30	10/4/2018	Other non-natural	Lowdham Grange	Male	8/30/2019	Prison
51-60	9/27/2018	Other non-natural	Birmingham	Male	12/11/2019	Prison
41-50	9/22/2018	Other non-natural	Dovegate	Male	6/2/2020	Prison
41-50	9/22/2018	Other non-natural	Leeds	Male	2/14/2022	Prison
61+	9/9/2018	Other non-natural	Rye Hill	Male	7/22/2019	Prison
51-60	9/5/2018	Other non-natural	Doncaster	Male	7/1/2021	Prison
61+	9/4/2018	Other non-natural	Norwich	Male	7/17/2019	Prison
31-40	8/18/2018	Other non-natural	Woodhill	Male	4/27/2021	Prison
51-60	8/14/2018	Other non-natural	Full Sutton	Male	4/16/2019	Prison
61+	8/6/2018	Other non-natural	Littlehey	Male	7/31/2019	Prison
61+	8/5/2018	Other non-natural	Birmingham	Male	5/3/2019	Prison
41-50	8/5/2018	Other non-natural	Channings Wood	Male	12/14/2020	Prison
31-40	7/31/2018	Other non-natural	Norwich	Male	6/1/2020	Prison
51-60	7/23/2018	Other non-natural	Isle of Wight	Male	3/24/2020	Prison
51-60	7/16/2018	Other non-natural	Whatton	Male	7/17/2019	Prison
61+	7/14/2018	Other non-natural	Isle of Wight	Male	7/11/2019	Prison

51-60	7/6/2018	Other non-natural	HMP Altcourse	Male	4/4/2022	Prison
51-60	6/30/2018	Other non-natural	Littlehey	Male	4/2/2019	Prison
51-60	6/23/2018	Other non-natural	Forest Bank	Male	11/18/2022	Prison
31-40	6/18/2018	Other non-natural	Winchester	Male	6/8/2021	Prison
41-50	6/15/2018	Other non-natural	Featherstone	Male	12/2/2020	Prison
61+	6/10/2018	Other non-natural	Stonnall Road	Male	4/25/2019	Approved premises
31-40	6/8/2018	Other non-natural	Guys Marsh	Male	1/31/2022	Prison
22-30	6/6/2018	Other non-natural	Lincoln	Male	1/14/2020	Prison
22-30	6/6/2018	Other non-natural	Wealstun	Male	6/23/2021	Prison
61+	5/28/2018	Other non-natural	Lewes	Male	2/4/2019	Prison
41-50	5/24/2018	Other non-natural	Cardigan House	Male	7/15/2019	Approved premises
61+	5/24/2018	Other non-natural	Oakwood	Male	8/19/2019	Prison
61+	5/23/2018	Other non-natural	Doncaster	Male	7/16/2019	Prison
51-60	5/18/2018	Other non-natural	Long Lartin	Male	2/18/2020	Prison
22-30	5/15/2018	Other non-natural	Lancaster Farms	Male	7/27/2021	Prison
61+	5/14/2018	Other non-natural	Berwyn	Male	7/6/2021	Prison
61+	5/5/2018	Other non-natural	North Sea Camp	Male	11/13/2019	Prison
51-60	5/3/2018	Other non-natural	Belmarsh	Male	3/5/2019	Prison
31-40	4/27/2018	Other non-natural	Lincoln	Male	3/23/2020	Prison
41-50	4/9/2018	Other non-natural	St Johns	Male	2/3/2020	Approved premises
61+	4/8/2018	Other non-natural	Moorland Closed	Male	7/12/2019	Prison
22-30	3/31/2018	Other non-natural	Berwyn	Male	12/3/2019	Prison
41-50	3/29/2018	Other non-natural	Durham	Male	9/30/2019	Prison
61+	3/27/2018	Other non-natural	Elmley	Male	10/5/2018	Prison
18-21	3/25/2018	Other non-natural	Brinsford	Male	7/19/2019	Prison
41-50	3/24/2018	Other non-natural	Oakwood	Male	8/23/2019	Prison
41-50	3/17/2018	Other non-natural	Rochester	Male	8/12/2019	Prison
61+	3/13/2018	Other non-natural	Whatton	Male	7/12/2019	Prison
61+	3/10/2018	Other non-natural	Preston	Male	3/21/2019	Prison
41-50	2/28/2018	Other non-natural	Humber	Male	1/30/2020	Prison
22-30	2/26/2018	Other non-natural	Pentonville	Male	1/23/2019	Prison
41-50	2/23/2018	Other non-natural	Wormwood Scrubs	Male	1/28/2022	Prison
51-60	2/22/2018	Other non-natural	Belmarsh	Male	3/11/2019	Prison
31-40	2/16/2018	Other non-natural	Durham	Male	12/2/2020	Prison
51-60	2/12/2018	Other non-natural	Norwich	Male	2/20/2019	Prison
41-50	1/28/2018	Other non-natural	Eastwood Park	Female	4/11/2019	Prison
61+	1/15/2018	Other non-natural	Bristol	Male	6/3/2020	Prison

61+	1/13/2018	Other non-natural	High Down	Male	7/19/2019	Prison
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