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Request

You asked us:

"Under the NIS regime, operators of essential services (specifically digital service providers) have a duty to notify you as a competent authority in the case of a network and information systems incident.

Please can you provide to me:

(1) The total number of NIS incidents reported to you per year since the law came into effect.

(2) If there were other incidents reported to you which did not meet the threshold for mandatory reporting under the NIS, the total number of these incidents reported to you per year over the same time period."

We received your request on 28 June 2023. We have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the FOIA).

Our response

I can confirm we hold information in scope of your request.

I can confirm there have been 19 total incidents reported to us as NIS incidents. The breakdown by calendar year is as follows:

- 2020: 2.
- 2021: 3.
- 2022: 4
- 2023 (YTD): 10.

For clarity, the above numbers are all incidents reported to us as a NIS incident, including the incidents that – following our assessment – were not NIS incidents or did not necessary meet the mandatory threshold.

I can confirm there have been ten (10) incidents reported to us that, following our assessment, we considered actually were NIS incidents. The breakdown by calendar year is as follows:

- 2020: 1.
- 2021: 2.
- 2022: 2.
- 2023 (YTD): 5.

Included in the above breakdown are two (2) incidents that we assessed were NIS incidents but did not meet the mandatory reporting requirement. These were reported in 2020 and 2021.

This concludes our response to your request.

Next steps

You can ask us to review our response. Please let us know in writing if you want us to carry out a review. Please do so within 40 working days.

You can read a copy of our full review procedure [here](#).

If we perform a review but you are still dissatisfied, you can complain to the ICO as regulator of the FOIA. This complaint will be handled just like a complaint made to the ICO about any other public authority.

You can [raise a complaint through our website](#).

Your information

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Yours sincerely



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