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Request

On 22 November 2024 you requested:

"an extract of the database used to power this dashboard:

<https://icosearch.ico.org.uk/s/search.html?collection=ico-meta&profile=decisions&query>"

"in xml or csv format, and include at least the following fields:

ICO Decision (complaint not upheld/partly upheld/upheld)

Date

Authority

Section

Sector

Summary

DN reference/case number

Link to public PDF document

Please provide this data for the entire public dataset, which as of today consists of 22,796 decision notices."

We have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the FOIA).

Response

We hold information that falls within scope of your request, and technically this is exempt in accordance with Section 21 of the FOIA, as it is accessible to you.

While our decision notice information is not drawn from a single database (and is therefore not held in the exact format you have requested), as it is derived from

a series of publicly available .xml files (one for each month of each year), it is possible for you to convert this information into your chosen format.

If you want to convert it into spreadsheet format (or compile extracts) as per the categories described within your request, the publicly available .xml files can be converted using commonly available spreadsheet software, such as Excel.

The files can be downloaded using your browser of preference. For example, you can find the decision notices for June 2024 in .xml format at the following link:

<https://ico.org.uk/action-weve-taken/decision-notices.xml?year=2024&month=06>

Navigating the files via a web browser requires manually changing the year and month values in the address field of your browser. For example, you might change the above values to year=2021&month=02 to access the February 2021 entries.

Alternatively you can use the search function within the decision notices section to search for entries for a particular month, and save the resulting web page as a html file. Where there are no entries currently published for a given month, only the website directory for the next month's entry will appear.

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](#) on our website.

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

Our [privacy notice](#) explains what we do with the personal data you provide to us, and sets out [your rights](#). Our [Retention and Disposal Policy](#) details how long we keep information.

Yours sincerely



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