

Freedom of Information – Response – 26863

I am writing to make an open government request for information to which I am entitled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Please provide the following information for the period 1 January 2025 – 31 December 2025.

1. Do you record 'parental conflict' as a risk factor / vulnerability marker / push / pull factor or equivalent in your Return Home Interviews?

No

2. If the answer to question 1 is yes, please tell us:

a. How many Return Home Interviews were completed in the period 1 January 2025 – 31 December 2025?

b. In how many of those Return Home Interviews was 'parental conflict' identified?

N/A.

3. If the answer to 1 is no, please tell us:

a. Do you routinely record another type of risk factor / vulnerability marker / push / pull factor that is similar or equivalent to parental conflict?¹ If so, please list those here

No

b. How many Return Home Interviews were completed in the period 1 January 2025 – 31 December 2025?

¹¹ The definition of parental conflict is: Some level of arguing and conflict between parents is often a normal part of everyday life. However, there is strong evidence to show how inter-parental conflict that is frequent, intense and poorly resolved can have a significant negative impact on children's mental health and long-term life chances.

Damaging conflict between parents can be expressed in many ways such as:

- unresolved arguing
- silence
- lack of respect
- lack of resolution

Conflict can affect children in all types of parental relationships, including:

- parents who are in a relationship, whether married or not
- parents who have separated or divorced
- biological and step parents
- other family members playing a parenting role
- foster and adoptive parents
- same-sex couples

There were 624 RHI's completed in 2025

c. In how many of those Return Home Interviews was / were the answer(s) to 3a identified?

N/A