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Dear Ms Sandy,

**Re: Freedom of Information Act application**

In reference to your application made pursuant to the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 1991, access was sought to:

*"Total number of licensed firearms reported stolen to police this year and last year (mutually exclusive please)? What are the dates and locations (limit to City, or if it's not a city, LSA) this year. Were the licensed firearms reportedly stolen from residential or commercial premises? How many of those reported stolen licensed firearms were unsecured? And related AV material – up to five video clips. If footage isn't capture, photos please."*

On 1 December 2020 in an email you clarified the scope time frame of your request to the past two (2) financial years 2018/2019 and 2019/2020.

**In relation to the following part of your request:**

*"Total number of licensed firearms reported stolen to police this year and last year (mutually exclusive please)? What are the dates and locations (limit to City, or if it's not a city, LSA) this year..."*

When interpreting the data please note data is regarding licenced firearm holders reporting stolen firearms.

It is determined to **release in full** data that falls within this part of your request. The data has been presented in the table below and was correct as at 3 December 2020.

Financial year 2018 / 2019		
Date of theft	Number of firearms stolen	District/LSA
02/07/2018	3	Western District
08/07/2018	4	Western District



25/07/2018	2	Limestone Coast LSA
30/07/2018	18	York Mid North LSA
17/08/2018	8	Limestone Coast LSA
20/08/2018	3	Limestone Coast LSA
20/08/2018	3	Barossa LSA
20/08/2018	4	Eastern District
28/08/2018	6	Eastern District
28/08/2018	2	Far North LSA
07/09/2018	1	Western District
09/09/2018	2	Hills Fleurieu LSA
21/09/2018	10	York Mid North LSA
26/09/2018	16	Southern District
01/10/2018	2	York Mid North LSA
01/10/2018	1	Eyre & Western LSA
08/11/2018	1	Hills Fleurieu LSA
10/11/2018	2	Eastern District
14/11/2018	1	Eastern District
16/11/2018	2	Eastern District
19/11/2018	5	Southern District
27/11/2018	1	Barossa LSA
10/12/2018	2	Eyre & Western LSA
14/12/2018	2	Limestone Coast LSA
23/12/2018	1	York Mid North LSA
26/12/2018	2	Barossa LSA
31/12/2018	4	Limestone Coast LSA
08/01/2019	1	Eastern District
14/01/2019	7	Hills Fleurieu LSA
07/02/2019	1	Southern District
21/02/2019	9	Eastern District
22/02/2019	2	Hills Fleurieu LSA
25/02/2019	4	Far North LSA
06/03/2019	1	Northern District
08/03/2019	1	Limestone Coast LSA
14/03/2019	3	Southern District
17/03/2019	1	Far North LSA
24/03/2019	1	Western District
30/03/2019	1	Northern District
30/03/2019	7	Western District
13/04/2019	1	Murray Mallee LSA
19/04/2019	4	Southern District
06/05/2019	2	Northern District
15/05/2019	3	Northern District
20/05/2019	2	Limestone Coast LSA
02/06/2019	3	York Mid North LSA

04/06/2019	2	Eyre & Western LSA
05/06/2019	1	Murray Mallee LSA
05/06/2019	10	Barossa LSA
06/06/2019	1	York Mid North LSA
10/06/2019	2	Barossa LSA
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<b>Financial year 2019 / 2020</b>		
<b>Date of theft</b>	<b>Number of firearms stolen</b>	<b>District/LSA</b>
02/07/2019	1	York Mid North LSA
17/07/2019	1	Eastern District
31/07/2019	2	Eastern District
07/09/2019	5	Southern District
12/09/2019	8	Western District
14/09/2019	6	Limestone Coast LSA
02/11/2019	2	Hills Fleurieu LSA
05/11/2019	11	Far North LSA
13/11/2019	2	Far North LSA
19/11/2019	5	Northern District
19/12/2019	3	Eyre & Western LSA
25/12/2019	2	Barossa LSA
08/01/2020	1	Eyre & Western LSA
10/01/2020	5	Southern District
03/02/2020	4	Murray Mallee LSA
23/02/2020	10	Eyre & Western LSA
13/03/2020	10	Murray Mallee LSA
15/03/2020	4	Southern District
18/03/2020	7	Northern District
30/03/2020	6	York Mid North LSA
01/04/2020	1	Northern District
09/04/2020	2	Limestone Coast LSA
19/04/2020	1	Eastern District
03/05/2020	3	Western District
18/05/2020	1	Southern District
26/05/2020	6	Limestone Coast LSA
20/06/2020	1	Eastern District
20/06/2020	1	Eyre & Western LSA
20/06/2020	2	Limestone Coast LSA
25/06/2020	1	Murray Mallee LSA
26/06/2020	2	Western District
28/06/2020	5	York Mid North LSA
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**In relation to the following part of your request:**

*"...Were the licenced firearms reportedly stolen from residential or commercial premises?..."*

It is determined to **release in full** data that falls within this part of your request. The data was correct as at 3 December 2020.

When interpreting the data please note data is regarding licenced firearm holders reporting stolen firearms. For the financial year 2018/2019 eight (8) firearms were stolen from commercial premises and one hundred and seventy (170) were stolen from residential premises. For the financial year 2019/2020 two (2) firearms were stolen from commercial premises and one hundred and nineteen (119) were stolen from residential premises.

**In relation to the following part of your request:**

*"...How many of these reported licensed firearms were unsecured?..."*

It is determined to **release in full** data that falls within this part of your request was correct as at 3 December 2020.

When interpreting the data please note data regarding firearms not secured in accordance with the Code of Practice 35(3) South Australian Firearms Act, 2015. For the financial year 2018/2019 four (4) firearms were insecure and for the financial year 2019/2020 three (3) firearms were insecure.

**In relation to the following part of your request:**

*"...And related AV material – up to five video clips. If footage isn't capture, photos please."*

No documents that fall within the scope of your request could be located.

In accordance with the requirements of Premier and Cabinet Circular PC045, details of your FOI application, and the documents to which you are given access, will be published on the SAPOL website Disclosure Log. A copy of PC045 can be found at <http://dpc.sa.gov.au/what-we-do/services-for-government/premier-and-cabinet-circulars>. If you disagree with publication, please advise the undersigned in writing by **15 March 2021**.

Yours sincerely,



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(Interim Accredited Freedom of Information Officer)

17 February 2021