

<b>FOI REF:</b>	14814
<b>RESPONSE SENT:</b>	31/10/2024

**Request:**

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act regarding taxi licensing in your district. I would appreciate it if you could provide the following details:

1. How many licensed taxi drivers do you currently have?
2. Can you provide an aggregated breakdown of the ethnicity of licensed taxi drivers, if this data is collected?
3. How many taxi licenses have you renewed this year?
4. How many license renewals have you refused this year?
5. What are the top three reasons for refusing to renew licenses this year? If this information is not available or is subject to exemptions under the Act, I would be grateful if you could advise me accordingly.

**Response**

1. Currently Winchester has 362 licensed drivers.
2. We do not collect driver ethnicity as this is not relevant matter for the licensing regime.
3. If you mean all licensed vehicles from 1st January 2024 i.e. both hackney carriage and private hire vehicle licences:

Hackney Carriages: 88

Private Hire: 161

4. None

5. N/A

