Request:

The number of hate crimes reported where the victim was identified as Gypsy, Roma or Traveller. If possible, I would also like this information broken down by the ethnic group of the victim i.e. Gypsy, Roma or Traveller. I would like this information for the last five years, broken down by year i.e. 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020.

Response:

This data is based on self-defined ethnicity which is the choice of the person involved, and can be refused.

Data has been searched where there is a pattern match for ethnicity "W3" to identify Traveller-Gypsy for the period 1st January 2016-28th July 2020:

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Total
W3. Gypsy or Irish Traveller	1	1	4	2	8	**16**

Due to the different methods of recording information across 43 forces, a specific response from one constabulary should not be seen as an indication of what information could be supplied (within cost) by another. Systems used for recording this information are not generic, nor are the procedures used locally in capturing the information. For this reason responses between forces may differ, and should not be used for comparative purposes.

Every effort is made to ensure that the figures presented are accurate and complete. However, it is important to note that this data has been extracted from a number of data sources used by forces for police purposes. The detail collected to respond specifically to your request is subject to the inaccuracies inherent in any large scale recording system. As a consequence, care should be taken to ensure data collection processes and their inevitable limitations are taken into account when interpreting this data.

The numerical data presented in this response is an un-audited snapshot of un-published data sourced from "live" systems and is subject to the interpretation of the original request by the individual extracting the data. The figures provided therefore are our best interpretation of relevance of data to your request, but you should be aware that the collation of figures for ad hoc requests may have limitations and this should be taken into account when those data are used.

If you decide to write an article / use the enclosed data we would ask you to take into consideration the factors highlighted in this document so as to not mislead members of the public or official bodies, or misrepresent the relevance of the whole or any part of this disclosed material.