



VANCOUVER POLICE DEPARTMENT | *Beyond the Call*

May 5, 2017

I&P Unit Reference: 17-0841A

VIA EMAIL

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Re: Records Access Request

We are replying to your request for information that was received in our office on March 22, 2017. In that request, you sought access to the following:

- 1) The rates of sexual assault within the jurisdiction of the Vancouver Police Department over the past decade. Information to be broken down by gender and if possible by community or district where the assault occurred.

On March 24th 2017 our office contacted you regarding a data set that met most of your requirements that is publicly available on our website. You agreed that this data set would be useful to you and asked for us to update you with the numbers for 2016.

We conducted our search using the following criteria:

- Stats Canada definition of sexual assault (please see page two of this letter);
- All offense method;
- Reported date (not date of occurrence); and
- All reported sexual assault (founded and unfounded).

Attached please find the responsive data.

Please be advised that conviction data must be requested directly from Provincial Crown.

For important information regarding statistical data, please refer to the "Accuracy of Statistics / Comparing Data" page on our website: <http://internal.vancouver.ca/police/organization/planning-research-audit/stats-accuracy-comparing-data.html> .

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If you have any questions, please contact the Information and Privacy Unit at (604) 717-3071 or by fax at (604) 606-2622.

Yours truly,
Clerk IV(VA5029)
Information and Privacy Unit-VPD

Statistics Canada defines "Sexual Assaults" as follows:

Sexual assaults (PART VIII of the criminal code - OFFENCES AGAINST THE PERSON AND REPUTATION):

- *Violations:*
 - *1310 (SEXUAL ASSAULT-AGGRAVATED)*
 - *1320 SEXUAL ASSAULT W/WEAPON OR CBH*
 - *1330 (SEXUAL ASSAULT)*
- *Mapped to sections 273,272,271 respectively of the criminal code*
- *Falls under "Assaults" in the section VII of CC.*

1. Number of Sexual Assaults Reported by Neighbourhood:

	2016
Arbutus Ridge	2
Central Business District	136
Dunbar - Southlands	4
Fairview	17
Grandview - Woodland	23
Hastings - Sunrise	21
Kensington - Cedar Cottage	26
Kerrisdale	1
Killarney	5
Kitsilano	18
Marpole	7
Mount Pleasant	33
Musqueam	2
NULL	23
Oakridge	7
Renfrew - Collingwood	19
Riley Park	11
Shaughnessy	5
South Cambie	4
Stanley Park	1
Strathcona	40
Sunset	22
Victoria - Fraserview	11
West End	39
West Point Grey	3
Grand Total	480

2. Number of Sexual Assault Files Recommended for Charge Approval:

	2016
Cleared by Charge	102

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