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Dear Mr Edwards

**Subject: Freedom of Information Request**

You asked for the following information:

Please provide the number of police pensions in payment in England and Wales by Force Area.

Our answer is as follows:

The most up to date pensions in payment data we hold is from 31 March 2016. On this date there were 152,030 pensions in payment to pensioners or their dependants if they were deceased. A breakdown of these numbers by force can be found below.

Please note that the figures below are based on data collected for use in the 2016 actuarial valuation of the police pension schemes. The data has been checked and adjusted as appropriate to allow for any known omissions or inaccuracies which are material to the 2016 actuarial valuation. These checks do not represent a full independent audit of the data supplied and do not by themselves confirm or guarantee the overall quality or correctness of the data. In particular, the analysis relies on the general completeness and accuracy of the data supplied by police forces without independent verification. The data has been through the majority of the valuation data checking process but has not yet been formally signed off for use in the 2016 valuation.

We trust that this summary is sufficient to resolve your query.

<b>Force</b>	<b>Number of pensioners</b>	<b>Number of dependants</b>	<b>Total number of pensions in payment</b>
Avon & Somerset	3,399	556	3,955
Bedfordshire	1,005	201	1,206
Cambridgeshire	1,341	241	1,582
Cheshire	2,026	377	2,403
City of London	954	196	1,150
Cleveland	1,588	290	1,878
Cumbria	1,204	240	1,444
Derbyshire	1,938	309	2,247
Devon & Cornwall	3,196	600	3,796
Dorset	1,482	242	1,724
Durham	1,537	343	1,880
Dyfed-Powys	1,052	216	1,268
Essex	2,736	494	3,230
Gloucestershire	1,284	202	1,486
Greater Manchester	7,373	1,247	8,620
Gwent	1,216	228	1,444
Hampshire	3,335	576	3,911
Hertfordshire	1,554	267	1,821
Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary (HMIC)	25	4	29
Humberside	2,146	369	2,515
Kent	3,190	527	3,717
Lancashire	3,363	780	4,143
Leicestershire	2,024	353	2,377
Lincolnshire	1,423	285	1,708
Merseyside	4,911	1,028	5,939
Metropolitan	25,919	5,187	31,106
National Crime Agency	585	5	590
Norfolk	1,552	249	1,801
North Wales	1,497	278	1,775
North Yorkshire	1,610	302	1,912
Northamptonshire	1,157	206	1,363
Northumbria	3,765	683	4,448
Nottinghamshire	2,439	439	2,878
South Wales	3,156	628	3,784
South Yorkshire	3,047	490	3,537
Staffordshire	2,263	396	2,659
Suffolk	1,258	201	1,459
Surrey	1,656	296	1,952
Sussex	3,043	527	3,570
Thames Valley	3,592	590	4,182
Warwickshire	1,046	170	1,216
West Mercia	2,227	383	2,610
West Midlands	6,581	1,173	7,754
West Yorkshire	5,488	1,101	6,589
Wiltshire	1,161	211	1,372
<b>Total</b>	<b>128,344</b>	<b>23,686</b>	<b>152,030</b>

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Yours sincerely

**GAD FOI Team**