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{By Email}

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Dear [REDACTED]

PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information about the Ivory Act, which the Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA) received on 07 March 2023. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000.

The information you requested and the response is detailed below:

“Please can you tell me how many successful prosecutions have there been over the last 20 years for the dealing in illegal ivory in the UK? “

Not Held, if this is in reference to the Ivory Act, this has only been in place since 6th June 2022.

The prosecuting bodies would be the Border Force or local Authorities and Police. Please see links below:

[Border Force - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](http://www.gov.uk)

[Find your local council - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](http://www.gov.uk)

[Find a police station | Police.uk \(www.police.uk\)](http://www.police.uk)

and ...

Since the Ivory Act came into force on 6th June 2022, can you please tell me ..

“How many Antique Ivory Exemptions (cost £250) have been applied for ?”

120

“How many Antique Ivory Exemptions have been granted ?”

91

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Yours sincerely

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Annex

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