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Dear

Re: Freedom of Information Act application

In reference to your application made pursuant to the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* (FOI Act), access was sought to:

"Data on the number of youths and adults charged with breach of bail in 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024. Table form sufficient. The number of individuals with multiple charges for breach of bail in 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 ranked by most charges to one charge only. The age of the accused in the top 20 ranked by most charges"

South Australia Police (SAPOL) has located information that falls within the scope of your request and agree to *release this information to you in full*.

Breach of Bail charges were extracted from SAPOL's Shield Charges database utilising SAP Business Objects, by the date charged between 1st January 2021 and 12th December 2024.

The data included below is all charges listed within the Shield database. This is likely to include charges that have been discontinued or re-laid throughout the adjudication/prosecution process. Additionally, in some instances, discrepancies may exist due to the initial data entry process. This may have affected the accused listed date of birth; offence start date or other administrative errors.

In relation to this part of your request:

"Data on the number of youths and adults charged with breach of bail in 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024."



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The following table shows the number of Youths (0-17yrs), the number of Adults (18yrs +) adults and the total number of people charged with Breach of Bail offences in years 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024:

| | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | Total |
|-----------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Youth (0-17yrs) | 1,496 | 2,471 | 2,613 | 2,535 | 9,115 |
| Adult (18yrs+) | 11,266 | 11,899 | 12,948 | 13,282 | 49,395 |
| Undefined Age | 2 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 11 |
| Total | 12,764 | 14,372 | 15,562 | 15,823 | 58,521 |

In relation to this part of your request:

"The age of the accused in the top 20 ranked by most charges."

The following Table shows the top 20 accused by the total number of charges for breach of bail offences over the four-year period of 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 and the total broken down into the applicable year.

| Year Born | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | Total |
|-----------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| 2008 | 28 | 59 | 32 | 5 | 124 |
| 2009 | 20 | 42 | 21 | 25 | 108 |
| 2008 | - | 19 | 31 | 49 | 99 |
| 1987 | 3 | 5 | 10 | 74 | 92 |
| 1981 | - | 3 | 86 | - | 89 |
| 1999 | 4 | 69 | 14 | - | 87 |
| 1971 | 54 | 29 | 4 | - | 87 |
| 1980 | 6 | 79 | - | - | 85 |
| 2008 | 45 | 11 | 3 | 22 | 81 |
| 1983 | - | 1 | 4 | 73 | 78 |
| 2010 | - | 2 | 19 | 57 | 78 |
| 2003 | 2 | - | 76 | - | 78 |
| 1989 | - | 11 | - | 66 | 77 |
| 2005 | 13 | 17 | 24 | 22 | 76 |
| 2008 | - | 50 | 14 | 3 | 76 |
| 1985 | 70 | - | 5 | 1 | 76 |
| 2009 | 39 | 19 | 8 | 9 | 75 |
| 2006 | 18 | 31 | 15 | 11 | 75 |
| 2008 | 38 | 7 | 25 | 3 | 73 |
| 1995 | 19 | 52 | - | - | 71 |
| 2009 | 3 | 38 | 12 | 17 | 70 |
| 2011 | - | - | 31 | 39 | 70 |
| 1989 | 7 | 63 | - | - | 70 |
| 1976 | 70 | - | - | - | 70 |

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Note: Offender's age recorded as the year they were born for consistency, as age at the time of the offence differs across the multiple years.

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"The number of individuals with multiple charges for breach of bail in 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 ranked by most charges to one charge only".

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| 1 | Breach of Bail Charges | Full Release | | |

Disclosure Log

In accordance with the requirements of Premier and Cabinet Circular PC045, details of your FOI application, and the documents to which you are given access will be published on the SAPOL website Disclosure Log. A copy of PC045 can be found at: <u>https://www.dpc.sa.gov.au/ data/assets/pdf file/0019/20818/PC045-Disclosure-Logs.pdf</u>.

If you disagree with publication, please advise the undersigned in writing by 6 February 2025.

Yours sincerely

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