



Freedom of Information Request FOI 23 82

DBS Check Statistics

Query and Response:

I'd like to submit a FOI request specifically with regards to the DBS process that you undertake on employee's within the Fire service with the below questions: -

How many DBS checks do you complete on average a year?

Please see the table below for the number of actual DBS check carried out for financial year 2022 -2023. These numbers are very similar year on year.

Type of check	Number completed between 1 st April 2022 – 31 st March 2023
Basic	121
Enhanced	28

What system do you use to complete your DBS checks
Dorset Council is our umbrella body.

How long do your DBS checks take, on average, to complete from point of submitting to be countersigned

Please see the table below, these times are the average time between submitting to the umbrella body to receiving the result.

Type of check	Average time between submitting to umbrella body to receiving result
Basic	2.05 days
Enhanced	7.9 days

How much is spent on average per year for DBS checks broken down by admin costs and DBS fee's

Please see the table below, these figures are based on the above number of checks completed per year at the current prices.

	Basic	Enhanced
Admin fees	£1,210	£280
DBS fees	£2,480.50	£1,134

Information/Detail accurate on the date provided: 13, July 2023