

An Roinn Gnóthaí Eachtracha agus Trádála

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Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Passport Office, Knockmaun House, 42-47 Mount Street Lower, Dublin 2 D02 TN83

Our Ref: FOI/Req/18/181

Leigh McManus

19th July, 2018.

Dear Ms. McManus,

I refer to the request which you have made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 for access to records held by this Department, as follows:

The figures of Irish Passports stolen/lost abroad over the last five years but if you could send me the figures from when you began keeping records that would be ideal.

I refer also to the acknowledgement of your request which was sent to you 29 June, 2018.

Our statistical record of passports reported as lost or stolen do not distinguish between the number of passports lost/stolen abroad and passports lost/stolen in Ireland. Our records go back to 2005.

The information requested is set out below:

Passports Reported as Lost or Stolen since 2005 to 2018 (Jan-Jun).

Year	Lost	Stolen
2005	20,460	3,699
2006	29,137	5,229
2007	31,353	5,447
2008	30,945	5,112
2009	28,212	4,736
2010	25,784	4,351
2011	24,909	4,124
2012	24,803	4,043
2013	25,148	3,670
2014	24,188	3,465
2015	23,764	2,968
2016	25,676	3003
2017	26,634	2,983
2018 (Jan-Jun)	13,784	1,410

Right of Appeal

Should you wish to appeal this decision, you may do so in writing to the Freedom of Information Unit, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, 76 – 78 Harcourt Street, Dublin 2 or by email to <u>foi@dfa.ie</u>. A fee applies for an appeal for access to non-personal information; the level of this fee has been set at €30. For methods of payment, please contact FOI Unit at <u>foi@dfa.ie</u> or 01-4082857.

If you wish to, you should make your appeal within 4 weeks (20 working days) from the date of this notification. However, the making of a late appeal may be permitted in appropriate circumstances. The appeal will involve a complete reconsideration of the matter by a more senior member of staff of this Department.

Yours sincerely,

Donal O'Driscoll

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