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Dear Ms Williams

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request – 112615

Thank you for your request dated 15 June in which you asked for the following information from the Ministry of Justice (MoJ):

I have a FOI request concerning transgender people in the 12 womens prisons in England and Wales:

- 1) How many prisoners are currently housed who were assigned male at birth and now identify as a transgender woman.**
- 2) How many prisoners from question 1 have a GRC (gender reassignment certificate)**
- 3) How many prisoners from question 1 have undergone sex-reassignment surgery to convert their penis into a vulva/vagina.**
- 4) How many prisoners from question 1 are convicted of any form of violence towards women.**
- 5) How many prisoners have been transferred to a women's prison following a Transgender Case Board review since the new policy guidelines have been implemented (see below)**
- 6) How many prisoners have been deemed unsuitable for transfer to a women's prison following a Transgender Case board review.**

Your request has been handled under the FOIA.

I can confirm that MoJ does not hold any information in the scope of your request. This is because there is no legal or business requirement for MoJ to do so. The FOIA does not oblige a public authority to create information to answer a request if the requested information is not held. The duty is to only provide the recorded information held.

Appeal Rights

If you are not satisfied with this response you have the right to request an internal review by responding in writing to one of the addresses below within two months of the date of this response.

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