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# Identity & Passport Service

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Dear Xxxxx

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Thank you for your e-mail of 17 November, in which you ask for information about passports reported lost and stolen. Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You asked:-

**For each of the following years, I would like to know how many UK passports, according to Home Office figures, are:**

- a. lost**
- b. stolen**

- 1. 2006/07**
- 2. 2007/08**
- 3. 2008/09**
- 4. 2009/10**
- 5. 2010/11**

The Identity and Passport Service (IPS) response is:-

Year	Number of lost passports	Number of stolen passports
2004	212,745	50,737
2005	230,011	45,709
2006	237,879	41,830
2007	251,751	41,393
2008	249,261	38,120

2009	232,852	32,276
2010	267,247	36,634

In keeping with the Freedom of Information Act, we assume that all information can be released to the public unless it is exempt. In line with normal practice we are therefore releasing the information which you requested via the Home Office website.

I hope that this information meets your requirements. I would like to assure you that we have provided you with all relevant information that IPS holds.

If you are dissatisfied with this response you may request an independent internal review of our handling of your request by submitting a complaint within two months to the address below, quoting reference FOICR 20742/11. If you ask for an internal review, it would be helpful if you could say why you are dissatisfied with the response.

Information Access Team  
Home Office  
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e-mail: [FOIRequests@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:FOIRequests@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk)

As part of any internal review the Department's handling of your information request will be reassessed by staff who were not involved in providing you with this response. If you remain dissatisfied after this internal review, you would have a right of complaint to the Information Commissioner as established by section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act.

Yours sincerely

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**Freedom of Information Team**