

Response

Thank you for your request relating to the information contained within Table 12 of our Industry Statistics publication.

We provide information through the Industry Statistics publication in order to inform the public and interested stakeholders about the nature of gambling in Great Britain. We have carefully considered the level to which we can disaggregate this information to provide as detailed a picture as possible.

I am able to confirm that the Commission does hold the specific information that relates to your request, however due to the sensitive nature of the information I am unable to divulge any further details in relation to the sports in the “other” category.

In certain circumstances, the Commission will release more details on investigations where it would not compromise other ongoing or future investigations. We do not release details of individual events or investigations unless there is a strong public interest in doing so. This information is exempt under section 30 (1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) and is therefore being withheld. This is explained in the attached document.

The Information Commissioner’s Office (ICO) has previously considered an appeal in relation to a request for further information relating to disaggregated betting integrity information that is very similar to your own. The conclusion of the Commissioner in that case was that public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed disclosure of the information requested. The Information Commissioner stated that the public interest in protecting the ability of the Gambling Commission to investigate and institute criminal proceedings in respect of offences committed under the act is greater than the public interest in disclosure. You can find the Information Commissioner’s decision notice at the following link:

http://www.ico.gov.uk/~//media/documents/decisionnotices/2011/fs_50310415.ashx

Review of the decision

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your Freedom of Information request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to FOI Team, Gambling Commission, 4th floor, Victoria Square House, Victoria Square, Birmingham, B2 4BP.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner (ICO) for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Gambling Commission. The ICO can be contacted at: The Information Commissioners’ Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

Request

In table 12 of your Industry Statistics Report April 2009 to March 2014 you state there were 16 ‘other’ events that are SBIU closed cases. Could you provide me with a complete breakdown of these 16 by the sport or event concerned.