



States of
Guernsey

Freedom of Information Request

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Freedom of Information request regarding Taxi usage

Request:

1. Number of licenses/plates by type in issue for each year.
2. Taxi fare revenue for the entire industry.
3. Taxi fare revenue split by plate type.
4. If you have data on the number of rides per year, month or day, please may you provide this too.

Response provided by the Traffic and Highway Services:

1. Three years ago, the number of general taxi licences was capped at 115. There were also ten semi-retirement (reduced mileage requirement) taxi plates and four wheelchair accessible plates. Approximately two years ago, the semi-retirement plates were ceased in favour of encouraging those taxi drivers looking to reduce their working hours to work for another existing plate holder. Also, an additional two wheelchair accessible licences were issued. This year, the number of general taxi licences remains at 115 and another two accessible licences have been issued. Also, following a review of the taxi and private hire industry in the Island, nine private hire licence holders have had their licence exchanged for a taxi licence as the work they undertake is more akin to taxi work.
2. Driver & Vehicle Licensing do not request licence holders to declare their earnings.
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4. Driver & Vehicle Licensing do not ask the taxi trade to record the number of journeys they take.