

7 September 2023

Dear

**ATISN 18825**

Thank you for your request which I received on 9 August 2023, you asked for the following information:

1. The number of times ministerial cars have been used by Welsh Government ministers from July 2022 to July 2023.
2. The total cost of all these journeys (including driver pay, petrol and any other costs recorded).
3. A list of the top 10 ministers for number of ministerial car journeys made in this period.
4. A list of the top 10 ministers for the amount of money spent on ministerial car journeys made in this period.
5. A copy of any internal memos or emails sent to ministers since July 2022 discouraging the use of ministerial cars or warning against increased scrutiny of ministerial car use.

The information you have requested is shown below:

1. The number of times ministerial cars have been used by Welsh Government ministers from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 is 1,873.
2. The total cost of all these journeys (including driver pay, petrol and other costs) was £490,484.
3. The list is as follows:
  - First Minister
  - Minister for Social Justice & Chief Whip
  - Minister for Economy
  - Minister for Rural Affairs, North Wales & Trefnydd
  - Minister for Education & Welsh Language
  - Minister for Health & Social Services
  - Deputy Minister for Arts, Sport & Tourism
  - Minister for Finance & Local Government
  - Deputy Minister for Social Partnership
  - Deputy Minister for Social Services
4. The Welsh Government does not record the cost of individual Ministerial car journeys.
5. Guidance for Ministers travel arrangements is provided in the Ministerial Code, paragraph 9.1 [Ministerial code \[HTML\] | GOV.WALES](#).

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an

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Information Rights Unit  
Welsh Government  
Cathays Park  
Cardiff  
CF10 3NQ

or e-mail: [Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales](mailto:Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales)

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Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113

Website: [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk)

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely