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Dear

Freedom of Information Request: ATISN 27406

Thank you for your request for information which was received on 24 August 2026.

You have asked for reports of vehicles being driven in the wrong direction on motorways and A roads. Specifically, you have requested:

1. The number of reports received of vehicles being driven the wrong way on a motorway or A road during the 12 months up to 24 August 2026.
2. Of those reports, the number received during the three months up to 24 August 2026.

Our response

The Welsh Government is responsible for the management of the motorway and trunk road network in Wales. Not all A roads are trunk roads, and many are the responsibility of local authorities. Accordingly, the information provided below relates only to the motorway and strategic trunk road network managed by the Welsh Government. For information relating to other A roads in Wales, you would need to contact the relevant local authority directly.

During the 12-month period from 25 August 2025 to 24 August 2026, a total of 70 reports were recorded of vehicles being driven the wrong way on a motorway or trunk road. Of these, 14 reports were recorded during the three-month period from 25 May 2026 to 24 August 2026.

Next Steps

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 internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at:

Information Rights Unit
Welsh Government
Cathays Park
Cardiff
CF10 3NQ

or Email: Freedomofinformation@gov.wales

Please remember to quote the ATISN reference number above.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113

Website: 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