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### Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request

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#### Request

**During the calendar year 2018 how many prosecutions post charge were halted due to the untimely death of the alleged offender**

#### Response

The Crown Prosecution Service (CPS) Case Management System indicates that during the calendar year 2018, an outcome of 'Death of the Defendant' was recorded against 820 defendants<sup>1</sup>. Please note that as with any large scale recording system, this data is subject to possible errors with data entry and processing.

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<sup>1</sup> The CPS uses 'Defendant' to describe a person who has been charged or summonsed

