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Dear Mr McQuillan,

To ask the Minister of Justice how many drug seizures have taken place in each policing district since the appointment of the current Chief Constable; and for the estimated monetary value of seizures in each district.   7063/10

The above mentioned question was placed before the Minister of Justice, who has deemed that this is an operational matter for the Police Service of Northern Ireland. Therefore the Chief Constable has been asked to respond directly.

The information you require is contained in the appended table.

If you have any queries regarding this response, please address your correspondence to Command Secretariat, PSNI Headquarters, 65 Knock Road, Belfast, Northern Ireland BT5 6LE.

I trust this is of assistance.

Yours sincerely,

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Drug Seizures – Seizure Incidents and Street Value by District

1st September 2009 – 31st May 2010

District	Seizure Incidents[1]	Street Value[1,2]
A District	321	£690,304
B District	373	£1,038,244
C District	272	£1,473,200
D District	288	£376,109
E District	314	£1,777,753
F District	246	£93,281
G District	254	£511,104
H District	312	£764,644
Northern Ireland	**2,380**	**£6,724,638**

[1] 2010/11 statistics are provisional and may be subject to minor amendment as there are currently drug forms still to be processed between April and May 2010.

[2] Please note that the street value is derived from a set price per gram or tablet as indicated by SOCA (Serious Organised Crime Agency) and the figures do not include street values for drugs such as benzodiazepines, steroids, piperazines or ketamine despite these being included in the total number of seizure incidents.

Source: Central Statistics Unit, Police Service of Northern Ireland, Lisnasharragh