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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: GSA 2511/23

I write in connection with your request for information dated 25/05/2023, I note you seek access to the following information:

Can you provide the annual data (from 2015 to 2022) for each of the following hate crime strands disaggregated by sex of the a) victim, and b) perpetrators:

Race hate crime (broken down by ethnicity) & Religion hate crime (against Muslims).

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request, searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police to locate information relevant to your request. I can confirm that the information you have requested is held by Greater Manchester Police but I am not obliged to provide all of it as an exemption applies.

Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires Greater Manchester Police, when refusing to provide such information (because this information is exempt) to provide you, the applicant, with a notice which: (a) states that fact, (b) specifies the exemption in question and (c) states (if that would not otherwise be apparent) why the exemption applies.

- The redacted information on the data file (black filled) – due to the low numbers on some of the results
- Ethnicity breakdown for Race hate crimes – I have provided the Ethnicity breakdown for all hate crimes instead.

The information mentioned above have been exempted from disclosure under **Section 40(2) Personal Information** – this information constitutes personal data of an identifiable living individual, and to disclose this information would breach the principles of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and the Data Protection Act 2018. Personal data is defined by Section 1 of the Data Protection Act 1998 and means data that relates to an individual who can be identified directly or indirectly from that data.

In accordance with the Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, this letter acts as a Refusal Notice for the particular pieces of information.

Please see the remainder of the data below.

Caveats

In July 2019, GMP implemented one of the largest IT infrastructure changes in UK policing. The systems are in continual development and the data provided for this request is what the systems currently hold.

Crime data

- This data contains crimes with a created date between 1st January 2015 and 31st December 2022 where the Race, Religion or Perceived religion targeted – Muslim hate motivation flags are equal to Yes, excluding cancelled crimes. Further information about cancelled crimes can be obtained from the Home Office Counting Rules. Non-crime hate incidents are not included in the data.
- Due to the change in system, there are some issues affecting migrated crimes with some crime flags. This issue caused flags to be lost i.e. change from Yes to blank incorrectly during the migration process. The following flags are affected:
 - Race hate motivation flag
 - Religion hate motivation flag
- There are crimes with no victim attached. These may be state based crimes (which do not need a victim), crimes where the victim has not been identified, or they may be system errors.
- Management of Police Information regulations state that non-essential records should be removed from police systems six financial years after the year in which they were originally created. This means that data that is more than six financial years old may be incomplete and should not be compared to more recent data.

Table 1 – this provides the total number of hate crimes

Table 2

- Hate crimes may have more than one motivation e.g. race and religion. This means that the numbers for each motivation will add up to more than the total number of hate crimes.
- The 'Perceived religion targeted – Muslim' flag is one of multiple potential ways of recording Islamophobic hate crimes in the recording system, and the others are not available in the new performance system. This means that the data provided for this request is unlikely to be complete.

Victim data

- This data contains victims attached to crimes in the crime data.

Table 3

- The victim gender has been provided

Table 5

- The victim self-defined ethnicity has been provided. There may be multiple variations of the same ethnicity description. Manual review was completed to combine the relevant groups together.
- Unknown data is included these categories – Unknown, Not Provided, Not Stated, Officer Called Away, Public Order, Reg or Business Victim, Third Party Report, Declined, and Did not Understand.
- N/A – No data available

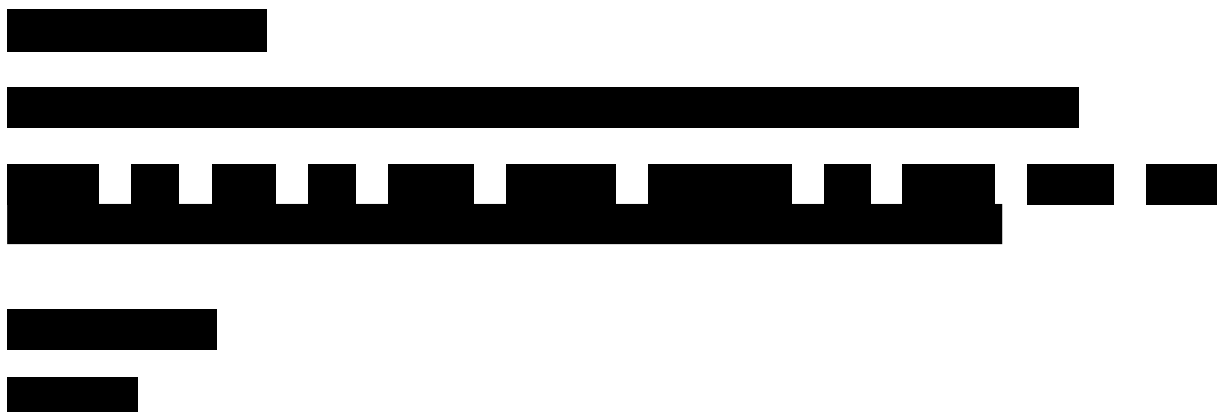
Suspect data

- This data contains suspects attached to crimes in the crime data. Suspects have been included even if no action has been taken against them e.g. eliminated, insufficient evidence, wanted.
- Suspects may be attached to more than one crime during this time period, which means that the data cannot be used to identify the number of unique suspects.

Table 4

- The suspect gender has been provided.

Response – Please see the attached data file



Number of **crimes**

Table 1

Hate crimes	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Total	4119	4676	7887	6863	6295

Table 2

Motivation	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Race	3957	4447	6569	6419	5926
Religion	410	706	2132	1155	1064
Perceived religion targeted - Muslim		0	0		46

Table 3

Victim Gender	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Male	2005	2486	3817	3706	3449
Female	1090	1420	3142	2287	2154
Unknown	1024	747	927	861	526

Table 4

Suspect Gender	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Male	1601	1592	3883	2291	2145
Female	563	610	835	966	970
Unknown	106	65	54	44	44

Table 5

Victim self-defined ethnicity	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Any Other Asian Background	276	305	446	400	310
Any Other Black Background	130	154	204	206	198
Any Other Ethnic Group	50	38	56	68	78
Any Other Mixed Background	54	74	81	78	52
Any Other White Background	117	124	157	142	182
Arab	47	42	84	62	67
Asian - Bangladeshi	95	83	101	89	68
Asian - Chinese	51	36	66	56	53
Asian - Indian	170	164	169	178	155
Asian - Pakistani	938	865	1001	937	777
Black - African	362	381	417	389	373
Black - Caribbean	111	122	116	130	106
British	573	615	853	769	688
Eastern European	88	96	156	161	68
Gypsy or Irish Traveller			5		5
Irish	18	22	25	27	24
Jewish	80	60	67	54	20
Mixed - White and Asian	27	33	34	32	45
Mixed - White and Black African	24	17	17	39	29
Mixed - White and Black Caribbean	42	77	54	56	58
Unknown	864	1367	3777	2977	2776

2020	2021	2022
6823	9537	8509

2020	2021	2022
6516	9117	8163
760	1024	829
440	539	460

2020	2021	2022
3671	4879	4234
2383	3306	2870
400	711	780

2020	2021	2022
2701	3874	3451
1163	1718	1618
48	74	94

2020	2021	2022
134	409	406
86	264	230
46	126	132
24	90	79
111	277	240
15		
48	78	77
30	30	35
86	168	158
344	887	778
227	545	496
54	188	100
448	983	867
N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A
9	35	42
N/A	N/A	N/A
20	52	46
17	36	38
49	81	99
4706	4644	4057