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I write in connection with your request for information dated 12/03/2024, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

The number of reports of a child missing from home in Greater Manchester - in each calendar year from 2019 to 2023 inclusive, broken down by calendar year.

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police (GMP) to locate the requested information and I can confirm the information requested is held by GMP.

Caveat.

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.

2019 – Due to the changes above part way through the year, full year statistics are not available.
2020 – **15,269** missing person investigations were generated by children under the age of 18 years
2021 – **13,782** missing person investigations were generated by children under the age of 18 years
2022 – **15,273** missing person investigations were generated by children under the age of 18 years
2023 – **15,647** missing person investigations were generated by children under the age of 18 years