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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/23/011788/B

I write in connection with your request for information dated 13/12/2023, I note you seek access to the following information:

I seek the following information on racist hate crimes and/or hate incidents towards the following ethnic groups:

- Chinese
- East Asian
- South East Asian
- Asian
- "Oriental"
- Mainland China, Hong Kong, Macau, Taiwan, Japan, Mongolia, North Korea, and South Korea, Thailand, Vietnam, Malaysia, Singapore, the Philippines, Laos, Indonesia, Brunei, Burma (Myanmar), Cambodia and Timor-Leste
- Or any that had such appearance (set out above) (The "Relevant Groups")

And would like data for the following years, broken down by each month:

- 2017
- 2018
- 2021
- 2022
- 2023 (for this year, up until the FOI response date or whatever are the most recent statistics).

Request:

Provide the number of racist hate crimes and/or hate incidents reported where the victim(s) comprise of the Relevant Groups, broken down by each group where possible.

Please provide the data for my request in an Excel spreadsheet format with suggested row headings by year and month, with column headings:

- Month
- Year

- Number of hate crimes
- Number of hate incidents
- Ethnicity/ethnic appearance

Clarification

For Hate Crimes, if possible, we'd like all of the above.

If this is too much to ask, we'd specifically like to see the following groups, please:

- * Asian
- * Chinese, Japanese or any other South East Asian
- * Chinese, Japanese, or other Southeast Asian

Can you expand on what constitutes each of these groups? How do they differ, how are they used in labelling and would victims ever be double-counted if they fit multiple groups? We are also trying to avoid double-counting.

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.

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.

- This data contains crimes with a created date between 1st January 2017 and 30th November 2023 where the racial qualifier and hate crime flags are equal to 'yes' and the police-defined ethnicity at time of crime is 'Asian', 'Chinese, Japanese or any other South East Asian', or 'Chinese, Japanese, or other Southeast Asian', excluding cancelled crimes. Further information about cancelled crimes can be obtained from the Home Office Counting Rules.

Part 1

The breakdown for each group has not been provided as this information would significantly increase the likelihood of identifying the individual concerned, and as such the exemption in **Section 40(2) – Personal information** applies to that data. I have provided the total numbers from the groups instead.

Please find the remainder of the data requested below

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2017	40	46	73	64	79	86	88	67	73	69	55	38
2018	61	46	58	64	67	91	77	81	71	66	78	60
2019	63	56	72	71	79	44	75	102	89	95	84	114
2020	91	97	86	65	104	113	126	145	88	122	77	98
2021	100	98	95	131	115	145	155	146	152	152	116	111
2022	92	98	95	121	135	128	131	112	135	105	103	92
2023	88	94	96	129	101	107	107	95	88	87	72	N/A

Part 2: *Can you expand on what constitutes each of these groups?*

Answer: This is a national measure. Please direct your request to the College of Policing or the NPCC for the answer to this part of the request.