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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/24/012845/S

I write in connection with your request for information dated 24/06/2024, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

How many rapes and sexual offences have taken place in Taxis or equivalents (for instances Ubers) from 2018 to 2023?

If you can:

It would be appreciated if you can split total sexual offences and then specifically rapes

If you could also split the columns into general cabs and specifically Ubers that would be great!

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police (GMP) to locate information relevant to your request. I can confirm that the information you have requested is held by GMP. However, I am not obliged to supply you with all the information 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 information you have requested is exempt from disclosure by virtue of the following exemption: **Section 40(2) – Personal Information.**

Where Section 40 has been used, this represents information that identifies a living individual, to disclose this information would breach the principles of the GDPR and the Data Protection

Act 2018. Personal data is defined by Article 4 of the GDPR and Part 1 of the Data Protection Act 2018 and means any information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person ('data subject'). An identified natural person is one who can be identified directly or indirectly from that data. In this case the number of rapes in Ubers is exempt as the low numbers could potentially identify those involved. Additionally, on the below table the figure of "other sexual offences" in Ubers for 2020 is exempt and replaced with an X for the same reason.

In accordance with the Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, this letter acts as a Refusal Notice for those pieces of information. The rest of your requested information is below. It is subject to the following **caveats**:

Data has been provided for the period 01/01/2018 to 31/12/2023.

A report has been run for All Rape & Other Sexual Offences & then the keywords 'Taxi' & 'Uber' have been searched on.

Years searched are calendar years from 1st January to 31st December.

The date used is the crime recorded date and not the crime committed date.

Where possible duplicates have been removed.

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.

	Total Recorded Crimes	Rape - Taxi/ Cab	OSO - Uber	OSO - Taxi/ Cab
2018	114	23	7	33
2019	89	17	9	59
2020	51	13	x	35
2021	74	17	8	49
2022	93	17	15	60
2023	109	17	27	61