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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/24/013526/K

I write in connection with your request for information dated 24/10/2024, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

I would like to know how many knife-related offences were carried out by 10-17 year olds as well as how many were charged with the offence separately in the years 2022, 2023 and 2024 so far.

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.

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 knife crimes as defined by the ADR 160 with a created date between 01/01/2022 and 24/10/24, where the offender, suspect or accused persons age is greater than or equal to 10 and less than or equal to 17 years, excluding cancelled crimes. Further information about cancelled crimes can be obtained from the Home Office Counting Rules.

- Suspects have been included even if no action has been taken against them e.g. eliminated, insufficient evidence, wanted.
- Charges have been defined by GMP person outcome 1A (charged)

- We are aware of an issue affecting suspect outcomes for some crimes with more than one suspect attached. This issue means that the outcome shown for some suspects attached to those crimes may be incorrect.
- Offenders 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 offenders.

Age has been calculated using the crime committed date and the person date of birth. Please note:

- The crime committed date may be different to other dates e.g. reported or created.
- The crime committed date may be recorded as a range where the crime occurred over a period of time or where it is not possible to say exactly when it occurred. In these cases, the first date in the range has been used for the calculation.
- Age cannot be calculated where the crime committed date and/or person date of birth has not been recorded.
- The calculated age may be incorrect where the person date of birth has been recorded incorrectly.

Year	Knife Related Offences	Charged
2022	600	109
2023	574	95
2024	494	39