

Date: 11/11/2024
Our ref: 01/FOI/24/013531/H

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/24/013531/H

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

- a) the total number of arrests made by your organisation since 1 January 2024***
- b) the number of arrests of foreign nationals by your organisation since 1 January 2024***
- c) If possible, a breakdown of the alleged crimes committed by arrested foreign nationals since 1 January 2024.***
- d) If possible, a breakdown of arrested non-UK nationals by their nationality.***

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.

However, GMP does not hold some of the information that you have requested in an easily retrievable format.

We can produce a report to show the total number of arrests over a period of time, however, due to how our systems holds the information, to break this report down to identify if the arrest was of a foreign national would require a manually review. The review will be needed to remove any duplicates that may occur as when we attempted to retrieve the information the results for the number of arrests added with the number of foreign nationals did not match one another. This would provide an accurate response for parts B, C and D of this request. Searches have brought back over 69,000 results and so this request will not be able to be completed in full within the time limits permitted.

Therefore, as per **section 12(1)** of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the cost of providing you with the information is above the amount to which we are legally required to respond i.e. the cost of locating and retrieving the information exceeds the 'appropriate level' as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, this letter acts as a Refusal Notice.

GMP is obligated, pursuant to section 16(1) of the Act to provide you with advice and assistance on refining your request to bring compliance within the fees limit. In order for the force to keep this within the fees limit, the information you are requesting will need revising with the removal of parts B, C and D. With any request that requires a manual review there is always a chance of a request being refused under S12 due to the enormity of work that is usually needed to provide the data, therefore the resulting response cannot be guaranteed at this point as it will be dependent upon the number of records that fall within the scope of any new request, as they would still have to be manually assessed.

Should you wish to refine and resubmit your request in line with the advice above please respond to freedomofinformation@gmp.police.uk.

Information Compliance & Records Management Unit, Information Management Branch, Greater Manchester Police Openshaw Complex, Lawton Street, Openshaw, Manchester, M11 2NS