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Friday, 04 October 2024

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/24/013360/G

I write in connection with your request for information dated 01/10/2024, I note you seek access to the following information:

Please provide the number of crimes reported that include

- 1. Harassment (with online/ cyber flag OR where key words "online gaming", "online dating", "WhatsApp", "Tiktok", "Instagram", "snapchat" are used) where the victim is under 18.*
- 2. Disclosure of private sexual photographs and videos with intent to cause distress (with a cyber flag OR where key words "online gaming", "online dating", "WhatsApp", "Tiktok", "Instagram", "snapchat" are used) where the victim is under 18.*
- 3. Child sexual exploitation (with an online/cyber flag) where the victim is under 18.*

Please provide annual figures for July 2021- July 2022, July 2022- July 2023, July 2023- July 2024.

If possible please provide the age of the youngest child involved in the reported crimes above.

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.

- The crime total is all the crimes counted based on the crime reference HO Codes on the table below where the victim is under 18 & there is an online flag for the period 01/07/2021-30/06/2024.

Class	Offence	Full HO Code
Violence Against The Person	Breach of conditions of injunction against harassment	008/29
Violence Against The Person	Putting people in fear of violence	008/30
Violence Against The Person	Breach of a restraining order	008/31
Violence Against The Person	Disclose private sexual photographs with intent to cause distress	008/71
Sexual Offences	Arranging or facilitating the commission of a child sex offence	071/01
Sexual Offences	Paying for the sexual services of a child - Female child under 13	071/02
Sexual Offences	Paying for the sexual services of a child - Male child under 13	071/03
Sexual Offences	Paying for the sexual services of a child - Female child under 16 - no penetration	071/04
Sexual Offences	Paying for the sexual services of a child - Male child under 16 - no penetration	071/05
Sexual Offences	Paying for the sexual services of a child - Female child under 18	071/06
Sexual Offences	Paying for the sexual services of a child - Male child under 18	071/07
Sexual Offences	Cause or incite the sexual exploitation of a child - Child 13 - 17	071/08
Sexual Offences	Controlling a child subject to sexual exploitation - Child 13 - 17	071/09
Sexual Offences	Arranging or facilitating the sexual exploitation of a child - Child 13 - 17	071/10
Sexual Offences	Cause or incite the sexual exploitation of a child - Child under 13	071/11
Sexual Offences	Controlling a child subject to sexual exploitation - Child under 13	071/12
Sexual Offences	Arranging or facilitating the sexual exploitation of a child - Child under 13	071/13
Sexual Offences	Paying for the sexual services of a child - Female child under 16	071/14

Sexual Offences	Paying for the sexual services of a child - Male child under 16	071/15
Sexual Offences	Possess a paedophile manual	071/16

- The month relates to when the crime was recorded and not when the incident occurred.
- Where possible duplicates have been removed.

Data

	Part 1	Part 2	Part 3
2021/2022	114	39	33
2022/2023	140	46	23
2023/2024	210	25	35

The age of the youngest victim has been exempted from disclosure under **Section 40(2) Personal Information** – this information constitutes personal data of an identifiable living individual, and to disclose this information would breach the principles of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and the Data Protection Act 2018. Personal data is defined by Section 1 of the Data Protection Act 1998 and means data that relates to an individual who can be identified directly or indirectly from that data.