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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: FOI/24/013389/T

I write in connection with your request for information dated 03/10/2024, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

Question 1

I would like information, on a month by month basis for the last 12 months on the number of rape cases reported in Greater Manchester

Question 2

I would like information on a month by month basis for the last 12 months on the number of sexual crimes reported to GMP

If available then breakdown into what the sexual crimes are and the number of each one

If also available then break down into the regions where they were reported

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.

Due to some low numbers returned, the totals have been merged together and some replaced by 'X' as by providing all this information split by month as you have requested would significantly increase the likelihood of identifying the individual(s) concerned, and as such the exemption under S40(2) – Personal Information, would be engaged and result in information being refused. By merging this data, it can be provided in its entirety.

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. Any data provided for this request is subject to change as crimes are progressed and/or updated.

I have ran a search on the Home Office offence categories 'Rape' and 'Other Sexual Offences' for offences recorded between 01/10/2023 to 30/09/2024 inclusive.

Question 1 – Number of Rape cases reported in Greater Manchester.

Month	Total
October 2023	372
November 2023	378
December 2023	344
January 2024	365
February 2024	359
March 2024	385
April 2024	355
May 2024	427
June 2024	395
July 2024	375
August 2024	353
September 2024	359

District	Total
City of Manchester Central	435
City of Manchester North	482
City of Manchester South	348
Salford	431
Tameside	315
Manchester Airport	X
Stockport	321
Bolton	458
Wigan	349
Trafford	232
Bury	313
Rochdale	348
Oldham	429
Unknown	4

Question 2 – Number of Sexual Crimes

Month	Total
October 2023	563
November 2023	605
December 2023	519
January 2024	599
February 2024	578

March 2024	683
April 2024	698
May 2024	767
June 2024	686
July 2024	738
August 2024	644
September 2024	707

District	Total
City of Manchester Central	779
City of Manchester North	727
City of Manchester South	513
Salford	689
Tameside	608
Manchester Airport	20
Stockport	620
Bolton	758
Wigan	808
Trafford	408
Bury	492
Rochdale	639
Oldham	720
Unknown	6

Sexual Offence Type	Total
Administering a Substance with Intent	24
Arrange/Facilitate a Sexual Offence	59
Causing/Inciting a Child to Engage in Sexual Activity	990
Causing/Inciting a Person to Engage in Sexual Activity	51
Engage in Sexual Communication with a Child	498
Engaging in Sexual Activity in the Presence of a Child	40
Exposure	628
Intercourse with an Animal	X
Meeting a Child Following Sexual Grooming	35
Paying for the Sexual Services of a Child	X
Possess a Paedophile Manual	X
Sending or Threatening to Send Intimate Photographs/Films	389
Sexual Assault of a Child	1,247
Sexual Assault of a Female	2,943
Sexual Assault of a Male	694
Voyeurism	175