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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/24/013226/B

I write in connection with your request for information dated 06/09/2024, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act, can you please provide the following?

1. The number of crimes involving individuals under the age of 18, either as suspects or victims in the last three years? [Between April 6 - April 5 2021/22, 2022/23, 2023/24] Can the figures be broken down by year and separated by the number of victims and the number of suspects.

1a) Of those, how many pertain to violent crimes? Broken down by year and separated by victim / suspect.

**By violent crimes, I refer to any act that physically harms or threatens to harm another person, or includes the use of a weapon. Such as assault, gun/knife crimes, sexual violence etc.*

2. For the last year alone [Between April 6- April 5 2023/24], can you provide the 10 most common crimes/offences involving under 18s (as either suspects or victims). Can you include the name of the offence and the number of offences.

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 crimes with a created date between 06/04/2021 and 05/04/2024, where either the victim, accused, offender or suspect are under the age of 18, excluding cancelled crimes. Further information about cancelled crimes can be obtained from the Home Office Counting Rules.

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.

There may be more than one suspect attached to a crime. For this reason, **the number of rows in the tables is not the same as the number of crimes**. Suspects may be attached to more than one crime during this time period.

Suspects have been included even if no action has been taken against them e.g. eliminated, insufficient evidence, wanted.

We are aware of an issue with our crime recording system that allows more than one victim to be attached to a crime, which is incorrect as stated in the Home Office Counting Rules.

Part 1:

Victims

Crime tree level 4	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	Total
All other theft offences	717	1095	1210	3022
Bicycle theft	572	580	555	1707
Business and community burglary	8	12	5	25
Criminal damage and arson offences	191	193	164	548
Death or serious injury caused by unlawful driving	11	8	8	27
Fraud	0	0	2	2
Homicide	7	5	7	19
Miscellaneous crimes against society	394	562	444	1400
Other sexual offences	3924	3884	3702	11510
Possession of drugs	1	3	0	4
Possession of weapon offences	296	366	313	975
Public order offences	2695	3121	2566	8382
Rape	1531	1506	1486	4523
Residential burglary	49	92	49	190

Robbery of business property	2	1	3	6
Robbery of personal property	1018	1120	1062	3200
Shoplifting	12	17	0	29
Stalking and harassment	4495	5921	5155	15571
Theft from the person	334	337	316	987
Trafficking of drugs	4	9	7	20
Vehicle offences	110	109	88	307
Violence with injury	4904	5599	5181	15684
Violence without injury	8080	8874	8872	25826
Total	29355	33414	31195	93964

Suspects:

Crime tree level 4	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	Total
All other theft offences	483	574	480	1537
Bicycle theft	95	96	142	333
Business and community burglary	270	213	260	743
Criminal damage and arson offences	3043	2791	2676	8510
Death or serious injury caused by unlawful driving	7	6	1	14
Fraud	0	0	4	4
Homicide	42	8	15	65
Miscellaneous crimes against society	1681	1881	1885	5447
Other sexual offences	1440	1479	1340	4259
Possession of drugs	806	1187	1227	3220
Possession of weapon offences	1068	1160	1051	3279
Public order offences	3294	3189	2362	8845
Rape	611	588	563	1762
Residential burglary	994	1035	715	2744
Robbery of business property	25	41	16	82
Robbery of personal property	762	988	851	2601
Shoplifting	808	765	768	2341
Stalking and harassment	3595	4246	3770	11611
Theft from the person	138	145	104	387
Trafficking of drugs	288	342	370	1000
Vehicle offences	866	891	857	2614
Violence with injury	3357	3781	3423	10561
Violence without injury	6326	6836	6482	19644
Total	29999	32242	29362	91603

Part 2:

Violent crime (victims):

Crime tree level 4	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	Total
Violence with injury	4904	5599	5181	15684
Violence without injury	8080	8874	8872	25826
Total	12984	14473	14053	41510

Violent crime (suspects):

Crime tree level 4	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	Total
Violence with injury	3357	3781	3423	10561
Violence without injury	6326	6836	6482	19644
Total	9683	10617	9905	30205

Part 3:

Top 10 crime types for either victims or suspects under 18 for 23/24:

Crime tree level 4	2023/24
Violence without injury	12864
Violence with injury	6324
Stalking and harassment	6241
Other sexual offences	3857
Public order offences	3853
Criminal damage and arson offences	2328
Miscellaneous crimes against society	1944
All other theft offences	1560
Rape	1503
Robbery of personal property	1214