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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: FOI/25/014430/G

I write in connection with your request for information dated 18/03/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

The number of thefts in pubs and on pub premises that occurred annually going back to 2018 - so one figure for each year.

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.

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 year between 2020 and 2024, where the crime tree level 2 was 'theft offences' and the MO keyword for location 'public house' was ticked, excluding cancelled crimes and crimes classified as fraud. Further information about cancelled crimes can be obtained from the Home Office Counting Rules. Details regarding fraud crime can be obtained by contacting the NFIB.
- The MO keywords are not mandatory and may not be completed.

Year	Total
2020	55
2021	136
2022	433

2023	595
2024	564

Please note - There is no data returned for a full year before 2020 as GMP changed systems during 2019 in which the field used to search for 'public house' became available. The MO keywords field which includes 'public house' is an optional field, so there may be various reasons for differences in figures. These fields are optional, and it isn't necessarily reflective of the amount of thefts in pubs happening as there may be other crimes on the system that are thefts that occurred in pubs where the 'public house' flag may not have been ticked, due to it being optional.