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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: FOI/24/013775/Z

I write in connection with your request for information dated 09/12/2024, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

How many racial and or religiously aggravated NCHIs AND Hate Crime records against Christians does Greater Manchester police hold.

I would like a percentage of the above records [in %] that Greater Manchester Police hold in their records against Christians compared to NCHIs AND race hate crimes against Muslims

My request covers the years 2000 to 2024

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.

Hate Crimes:

- This data contains hate crimes with a religion or race motivation flag with a created date between 01/01/2000 and 09/12/2024, excluding cancelled crimes. Further information about cancelled crimes can be obtained from the Home Office Counting Rules.

- We are aware of a system issue affecting **migrated crimes with some crime flags**. This issue caused flags to be lost i.e. change from Yes to blank incorrectly during the migration process. The following flags are affected:
 - Hate crime flag
 - Race hate motivation flag
 - Religion hate motivation flag
- Hate crimes may have more than one motivation e.g. race and religion.
- We are aware of a system issue that allows more than one religion to be selected. Some crimes may have victims with more than one perceived religion. This affects 12 hate crimes in this data set.
- Analysis has suggested that GMP recorded hate crimes may be higher than the numbers reported. This appears to be owing to inconsistency in the use of hate crime flags and qualifiers on the recording system. As such we would advise caution in interpreting the level of hate crime reported. We are reassured that all crimes are being recorded, but some may not be flagged as hate which may affect counts and any analysis conducted on this data.

Please note we do not record data in a percentage format and therefore cannot provide this data.

Year	Count of Records with Race or Religion Hate Motivation			
	Hate Crime		Non-Crime Hate Incidents	
	Perceived Religion Targeted - Christian	Perceived Religion Targeted - Muslim	Perceived Religion Targeted - Christian	Perceived Religion Targeted - Muslim
2000	0	0	0	0
2001	0	1	0	0
2002	0	0	0	0
2003	0	0	0	0
2004	0	0	0	0
2005	0	0	0	0
2006	0	0	0	0
2007	0	0	0	0
2008	0	0	0	0
2009	0	0	0	0
2010	0	0	0	0
2011	0	0	0	0
2012	0	0	0	0
2013	0	0	0	0
2014	0	0	0	0
2015	0	0	0	0
2016	0	0	0	0
2017	0	0	0	0
2018	0	2	0	0
2019	1	39	0	0
2020	39	425	1	33
2021	52	546	7	39
2022	48	478	2	17
2023	41	423	1	23
2024	23	437	4	20