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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/25/015679/H

I write in connection with your request for information dated 17/10/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide the proportion (percentage) of police officers employed by Greater Manchester Police Services who identify with each recorded religion or belief category, including but not limited to Muslim, Christian, Hindu, Sikh, Jewish, Buddhist, and those stating "No religion" or "Prefer not to say," as of the most recent available date.

If this request exceeds the Section 12 cost limit, please advise under Section 16 on how it may be refined. If any information is withheld, please release the non-exempt portions and specify the applicable exemption(s).

Thank you for your time and assistance.

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

Data Source: Force Strength Report as at 30th September 2025.

Headcount percentages for Police Officers only, excluding externally seconded or career break officers

Please note: 'Not Specified' is where this has been entered on the personnel record, 'Null Value' indicates where the field was blank for religion category and no information is held on our HR system.

Religion / Belief Category	Percentage of Total Headcount
Agnostic	1.53%
Atheist	3.41%
Buddhist	0.15%
Christian	23.74%
Christian - Orthodox	0.05%
Christian - Protestant	0.62%
Christian - Roman Catholic	1.86%
Confucianism	0.01%
Hinduism	0.20%
Islam - Shiite	0.04%
Islam - Sunni	0.48%
Judaism	0.29%
Judaism - Orthodox	0.01%
Judaism - Reformed	0.01%
Muslim	2.92%
Non-religious	23.56%
Not Specified	20.81%
Other	0.57%
Pagan	0.08%
Sikhism	0.10%
Null Value	19.58%