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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/25/015085/N

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

I am writing to update and clarify my request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

The purpose of this request is to gather data on the number of emergency service callouts linked to sleep, fatigue or tiredness in the region.

*Similar information has previously been released under the Freedom of Information Act: "Out of the 21 UK constituencies that responded to a Freedom of Information request, Thames Valley recorded the highest number of fatigue-related accidents over the three-year time period with nearly 400 accidents, while Surrey reported the highest number of fatalities."
Specifically, I am seeking anonymised data on the following:*

The total number of incidents attended by your service where sleep, fatigue or driving while tired was recorded as a factor for each of the past five calendar years (2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and partial data for 2025 if available)

Incidents could include, but are not limited to: Falling asleep while driving, road traffic collisions where driver fatigue was cited, etc

If there is no specific marker or code for "sleep" or "fatigue", I would be grateful if you could instead provide the number of incidents in which any relevant fatigue-related terms were noted

in officer or incident logs-e.g., via keyword search for: "sleep", "fatigue", "tired", "exhaustion", "drowsy", etc.

If you are unable to provide the specified information:

If it is not possible to provide the information requested due to the information exceeding the cost of compliance limits identified in Section 12, please provide advice and assistance, under the Section 16 obligations of the Act, as to how I can refine my request.

*If you are unable to provide the specified information exactly as requested, please provide *any* data you have that is relevant to the request, e.g. 2024 only, and explain why the other information cannot be provided.*

I would like you to provide the information in the following format:

Please provide the information in electronic format, preferably as an Excel spreadsheet or CSV file. I have attached an Excel Template for your convenience.

Please use this template whenever possible to ensure consistency and facilitate easy data extraction. Please avoid sending PDFs or Word documents.

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.

The data excludes incidents with a closing code of L10 Duplicate, L19 Error or L22 Test or training.

We have counted incidents as attended where the earliest arrival timestamp field is not blank.

Counts and proportions of incidents with no recorded arrival are presented as a data quality measure. The fact that arrival was not recorded does not necessarily mean that an incident was not attended. Equally, it is not possible to assume that all incidents with no recorded arrival were attended.

For each incident, the attendance time is defined as the difference between the earliest arrival date/time - where recorded - and the latest grade date/time.

Attendance time = earliest arrival timestamp – latest grade timestamp

Please see the number of incidents created where the closing code includes either:

T03	Road related offence
T10	Transport incident – Not road related
T13	Highway disruption

And there was the word "*sleep*", "*fatigue*", "*tired*", "*exhaustion*" or "*drowsy*" present in the *Title*, *Details* or *Contact Comments*

	Number of incidents	Number Attended
2020	89	52
2021	118	48
2022	142	64
2023	156	66
2024	145	64
2025*	75	44

*01.01.25 – 31.08.25