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I write in connection with your request for information dated 15/09/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

1.) The numbers of officers in the force who were signed off sick with stress, depression, anxiety or post-traumatic stress disorder, each year for the last five financial years (2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23, 2023/24, 2024/25).

Please can this information be broken down by financial 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.

- Source - Force Sickness records as at 31st March of relevant year
- Figures - Headcount figures for Police Officers; duration of 12 months previous absences e.g. at 31st March 2025 covers 1st April 2024 - 31st March 2025
- Data Parameters - Extracted data for each unique Officer who had at least one period of absence during the period in question, relating to the 'Dorset 12 Category' of 'Psychological Disorder' which encompasses the below sickness absence reasons:
- Bereavement
- Maternity Related - Post natal depression
- Nervous System Disorders - Anxiety
- Nervous System Disorders - Depression
- Nervous System Disorders - Drug or alcohol problems (inc. painkillers...)
- Nervous System Disorders - Mental Health
- Nervous System Disorders - Other mental health (inc. bipolar schizophrenia...)
- Nervous System Disorders - Other stress

- Nervous System Disorders - Post Traumatic Stress

Please note - There may be individuals who were absent in 1 or more of the financial years, in that scenario they will have been counted for each financial year they were absent in.

31st March	Number of Officers
2025	1050
2024	1028
2023	878
2022	727
2021	560