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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: FOI/26/016567/Z

I write in connection with your request for information dated 12/03/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

Would it be possible to receive the total number of 008/21 offences recorded under the Dangerous Dogs Act for each year from 2015 to 2025?

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police (GMP) to locate the requested information. 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 date between 01/01/2015 and 31/12/2025 where the HO 5-digit code is 008/21, excluding cancelled crimes and crimes classified as non-counting 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.

Year	Count
2015	912
2016	987
2017	1076
2018	893
2019	837

2020	818
2021	922
2022	1259
2023	1533
2024	1620
2025	1678
Total	12535