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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/26/016261/K

I write in connection with your request for information dated 28/01/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

1. In the last three years, how many crimes were recorded by the force where a suspect identified could not be prosecuted because they were under the age of criminal responsibility (10)?

A. Please break the data down by calendar years, for the years 2023, 2024 and 2025.

2. Please also include:

- A. Age of suspect**
- B. Type of offence (e.g. criminal damage, robbery.)**
- C. The date of offence (day/month/year)**
- D. Town/city (or force district area/division)**
- E. Brief description of the offence where it exists (if this would not exceed the request limit)**

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 some of the information requested is held by GMP.

Prosecution data is held by the courts and so GMP cannot answer this part of the request. However, please find below a response that should satisfy this request.

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 January 2023' and '31 December 2025', where the identified suspect/offender **age field is populated as under 10 years old**, 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.
- Age has been calculated using the crime committed date and the person date of birth. Please note:
 - The crime committed date may be different to other dates e.g. reported or created.
 - The crime committed date may be recorded as a range where the crime occurred over a period of time or where it is not possible to say exactly when it occurred. In these cases, the first date in the range has been used for the calculation.
 - Age cannot be calculated where the crime committed date and/or person date of birth has not been recorded.
 - The calculated age may be incorrect where the person date of birth has been recorded incorrectly.
- There are some records in this response where the suspect age is below 0 which is obviously incorrect. This is due to data quality issues.
- Suspects/offenders in this data may be included more than once if they are attached to multiple crimes.
- There have been over 3300 records located, as such to review each description for publication would apply a burden on GMP and as such would invoke a S14 exemption. For these reasons this data has been omitted as per you comment (*if this would not exceed the request limit*)

Please see attached the Crime tree level 4 offences for each year along with the district the offences took place in.

As we can report age accurately as laid out above, we have provided all offences recorded **as under 10 years old**.

2023 - Offence	Total
Other sexual offences	174
Public order offences	114
Violence without injury	242
Violence with injury	105
Possession of weapon offences	13
Miscellaneous crimes against society	93
Rape	80
Criminal damage and arson offences	82
Stalking and harassment	134
Residential burglary	3
All other theft offences	8
Shoplifting	8
Robbery of personal property	8
Possession of drugs	3
Vehicle offences	2

Business and community burglary	2
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2023 - District	Total
CoM North	69
CoM Central	15
Bolton	113
CoM South	68
Stockport	97
Salford	160
Tameside	88
Oldham	79
Manchester Airport	3
Trafford	49
Wigan	139
Bury	78
Rochdale	112

2024 - Offence	Total
Other sexual offences	180
Miscellaneous crimes against society	45
Violence without injury	273
Stalking and harassment	145
Shoplifting	9
Criminal damage and arson offences	108
Possession of weapon offences	39
Violence with injury	118
All other theft offences	19
Public order offences	66
Robbery of personal property	1
Rape	58
Bicycle theft	3
Theft from the person	1
Business and community burglary	2
Residential burglary	2
Possession of drugs	1

2024 - District	Total
CoM Central	40
CoM North	70
Oldham	105

Bolton	137
Salford	125
CoM South	72
Trafford	36
Wigan	147
Tameside	85
Stockport	85
Bury	74
Rochdale	94

2025 - Offence	Total
Violence with injury	151
Violence without injury	348
Other sexual offences	179
Public order offences	85
Stalking and harassment	150
Criminal damage and arson offences	92
Miscellaneous crimes against society	21
Possession of weapon offences	38
Rape	60
All other theft offences	20
Shoplifting	6
Robbery of personal property	5
Business and community burglary	1
Possession of drugs	1
Vehicle offences	1
Residential burglary	2
Theft from the person	1

2025 - District	Total
CoM Central	50
CoM North	118
Trafford	35
CoM South	68
Salford	139
Wigan	123
Tameside	118
Stockport	82
Oldham	110
Rochdale	112
Bolton	140

Bury	66
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