

Wednesday, 22 July 2026
Our ref: 01/FOI/26/017156/O

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/26/017156/O

I write in connection with your request for information dated 10/07/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

For the period 1st Jan 2025 - 30th Jun 2026, how many people have been charged under the Vagrancy Act 1824. Please provide a breakdown by month and by section of the Vagrancy Act 1824. If this is too costly, please just provide a breakdown by month.

Clarification

I was looking for the offence "being found in or upon any dwelling house, warehouse, coach-house, stable, or outhouse, or in any inclosed yard, garden, or area, for any unlawful purpose" which is part of section 4 Vagrancy Act. If that is not searchable then please continue the search with the home office code you have stated. - 104/31 'vagrant violently resisting a constable'

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police to locate information relevant to your request.

This is a nil return.

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 latest person outcome date between 01/01/2025 and 30/06/2026, where the person latest outcome is GMP outcome 1A 'charged', and the Home Office offence is 104/31 'vagrant violently resisting a constable', excluding

cancelled crimes. Further information about cancelled crimes can be obtained from the Home Office Counting Rules.

Please note GMP only holds the data under the crime recording rules by Home Office. Please see the below for details:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/counting-rules-for-recorded-crime>

I have searched on the Home Office guidance and the "being found in or upon any dwelling house, warehouse, coach-house, stable, or outhouse, or in any inclosed yard, garden, or area, for any unlawful purpose" is not on the list therefore we conducted the search on 104/31 for your request.