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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/26/016803/S

I write in connection with your request for information dated 30/04/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

1. For each of the last three financial years, a breakdown of the total number of crimes reported, including categorisation by offence type where available?

2. Specifically, for the same period, the number of reported incidents relating to:

- Street harassment***
- Intimidation***
- Sexual offences***

3. Where such data is held, please provide a breakdown of the above offences by:

- Nationality of the suspect/offender***
- Immigration status of the suspect/offender?***

If complete data for nationality or immigration status is not available, I would appreciate any partial data, internal assessments, or explanations regarding why such information is not recorded or cannot be disclosed.

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.

However, GMP does not hold some of the information that you have requested in an easily retrievable format.

In relation to the Immigration data, you have requested in question 3, GMP would be required to conduct a manual review to locate and extract this part of the request. This is because this information is not stored in a searchable manner and cannot be easily exported. This review would be a

substantial one consisting of over 950,000 records. Under the circumstances I am confident that to locate, retrieve and extract the information you seek would by far exceed the time obligations upon this authority to comply, and in doing so would exceed the fees limits.

Therefore, as per **Section 12(1)** of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the cost of providing you with the information is above the amount to which we are legally required to respond i.e. the cost of locating and retrieving the information exceeds the 'appropriate level' as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, this letter acts as a Refusal Notice.

GMP is obligated, pursuant to section 16(1) of the Act to provide you with advice and assistance on refining your request to bring compliance within the fees limit. In order for the force to attempt to keep this within the fees limit, the information you are requesting will need revising with the removal of question 3. With any request that requires a manual review there is always a chance of a request being refused under S12 due to the enormity of work that is usually needed to provide the data, therefore the resulting response cannot be guaranteed at this point as it will be dependent upon the number of records that fall within the scope of any new request, as they would still have to be manually assessed.

Should you wish to refine and resubmit your request in line with the advice above please respond to freedomofinformation@gmp.police.uk.

Although excess costs remove GMP's obligations under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, as a gesture of goodwill I have supplied some information relative to your request that was retrieved before it was realised that the fees limit would be exceed (see below information). I hope that this is of use to you, but it does not affect our legal right to rely on the fee's regulations for the remainder of your 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 April 2023' and '31 March 2026', 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.

There may be more than one suspect attached to a crime. Suspects may be attached to more than one crime during this time period, which means that the data cannot be used to identify the number of unique suspects.

Suspects have been included even if no action has been taken against them e.g. eliminated, insufficient evidence, wanted.

Crime Tree Level 4	2023/2024	2024/2025	2025/2026
All other theft offences	29,988	24,482	23,099
Bicycle theft	2,936	2,435	2,512
Business and community burglary	4,730	3,539	3,153
Criminal damage and arson offences	30,052	26,394	25,328

Death or serious injury caused by unlawful driving	87	85	62
Fraud	0	0	2
Homicide	33	25	19
Miscellaneous crimes against society	9,266	9,193	9,606
Other sexual offences	7,088	7,904	8,276
Possession of drugs	7,952	8,614	12,683
Possession of weapon offences	4,542	4,890	5,213
Public order offences	39,899	35,973	33,310
Rape	4,233	4,151	4,498
Residential burglary	12,231	10,266	8,402
Robbery of business property	561	708	1,371
Robbery of personal property	4,132	3,853	3,198
Shoplifting	18,397	22,024	19,364
Stalking and harassment	49,428	43,323	43,324
Theft from the person	6,584	4,932	3,387
Trafficking of drugs	6,583	6,958	6,926
Vehicle offences	20,348	17,429	16,188
Violence with injury	29,128	27,781	27,848
Violence without injury	53,577	53,473	54,443
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