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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/26/016809/Y

I write in connection with your request for information dated 01/05/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

I request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding drug-facilitated sexual assault (DFSA) committed by an intimate partner for the period 1st January 2015 to 31st December 2025. I am seeking statistical data only and am not requesting any personally identifiable information about victims, suspects, or offenders. Where a question cannot be answered for the full period due to recording limitations, please provide data for whatever period is available and state the reason. If the request exceeds the Section 12 cost limit, please provide advice and assistance under Section 16 as to how I may refine it. I am content to receive information in any standard format convenient to you.

1. *How many offences were recorded each year (2015–2025) where a victim was allegedly drugged or had a substance administered without their consent by an intimate partner (spouse, cohabiting partner, or boyfriend/girlfriend), and a sexual offence was subsequently committed against them while incapacitated? Please include data regardless of how the investigation originated- whether victim-reported, arising from third parties, device seizures, platform referrals, or where police identified and approached the victim directly.*
2. *In how many of those cases were there allegations that one or more third parties also committed or attempted to commit a sexual offence against the victim while they were incapacitated? Please include the total number of suspects identified across each case and data for suspects for non-contact offences.*
3. *Of those recorded offences, how many resulted in:*
 - a. *arrest of a suspect*
 - b. *arrest of additional suspects within the same investigation*

- c. a file submitted to the Crown Prosecution Service
 - d. a conviction
 - e. no further action
4. In how many cases was there an allegation or evidence that images or video recordings of the victim were made without their consent during the offence?
5. Of the cases in question 4, in how many was there an allegation or evidence that such material was shared with third parties via:
- (a) adult or pornographic websites;
 - (b) encrypted or private messaging platforms;
 - (c) file-sharing platforms? Please provide a count for each category where recorded
- (note: I am not requesting a breakdown by individual platform name, only by category, to assist with proportionality).
6. This final question is not limited to cases involving an intimate partner. How many recorded offences or investigations between 2015 and 2025 have featured suspected DFSA where video or imagery of the victim being sexually assaulted whilst in a state of incapacitation was subsequently posted on:
- (a) adult or pornographic websites;
 - (b) encrypted or private messaging platforms;
 - (c) file-sharing platforms?
- Please provide a count for each category where recorded. Please include data regardless of how the investigation originated- whether victim-reported, arising from third parties, device seizures, platform referrals, or where police identified and approached the victim directly.

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police (GMP) to locate information relevant to your request. I can confirm that the information you have 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.

The crime total is all the Rape and Other Sexual Offences (RASSO) crimes counted with on the HO code 088/05, for the period 01/01/2015 - 31/12/2025.

The data is based on the crime recorded date, not the date the crime was committed.

Duplicates have been removed where possible.

'Unknown' or 'Missing Value' refers to where there is a missing value in our data.

The data provided for this request is subject to change as crimes are progressed and/ or updated.

Due to low numbers being returned for some crimes, some of the totals have been replaced with X, as by providing exact figures as you have requested would significantly increase the likelihood of identifying the individual(s) concerned, and as such the exemption under S40(2) – Personal Information, would be engaged and result in information being refused. By replacing this data in this way, it can be provided in its entirety.

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
RASSO Crimes with 088/05 HO Code	0	X	6	5	3	12	16	13	17	8	X
Allegations/ Evidence of Images/ Video taken during the offence without Consent	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	X	X	X
As above but where Imagery/ Video Shared	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	X	0

Crimes where Perpetrator is an Intimate Partner	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
RASSO Crimes with 088/05 HO Code	0	X	X	X	X	0	X	X	X	X	0
RASSO Crimes with 088/05 HO Code where another Third Party Perpetrator involved	0	0	0	0	X	0	0	X	0	0	0
Allegations/ Evidence of Images/ Video taken during the offence without Consent	0	0	0	0	0	0	X	0	0	0	0
As above but where Imagery/ Video Shared	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Outcomes	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Charge (1A)	N/A	-	X	-	-	-	X	-	X	X	-
Suspect Identified- Insufficient Evidence CPS (15A)	N/A	-	-	-	-	X	X	-	-	-	-
Suspect Identified- Insufficient Evidence Police (15B)	N/A	-	X	-	X	6	8	10	12	5	X
Suspect Identified- Insufficient Other (15C)	N/A	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-
Suspect Identified- Victim Does not Support (16)	N/A	X	X	X	-	X	5	X	X	-	-
Investigation Complete - No Suspect Identified (18)	N/A	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	X	-
Eliminated (99A)	N/A	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	X