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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: FOI/26/016951/D

I write in connection with your request for information dated 27/05/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

- 1. Can you provide the total number of complaints made to the police related to the specific offence of cyber flashing since it became a criminal offence in England and Wales on 31/01/2024? NB: To confirm, I am looking for complaints made to the police, rather than about the police.***
- 2. Can the number of complaints be broken down by month from 31/01/2024 to the most recent recorded monthly figure? So, I would be looking for a monthly figure for complaints made to police in February 2024 and for every month recorded since then.***

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 01/02/2024 and 31/05/2026 where the HO 5-digit code is '008/14', 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.

Month	Count
Feb-24	2

Mar-24	3
Apr-24	7
May-24	12
Jun-24	13
Jul-24	12
Aug-24	11
Sep-24	14
Oct-24	15
Nov-24	9
Dec-24	7
Jan-25	7
Feb-25	18
Mar-25	13
Apr-25	9
May-25	13
Jun-25	15
Jul-25	13
Aug-25	10
Sep-25	12
Oct-25	16
Nov-25	14
Dec-25	12
Jan-26	20
Feb-26	18
Mar-26	14
Apr-26	18
May-26	21
Total	348