Date: 30/09/2026
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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/26/017637/A

I write in connection with your request for information dated 11/09/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

I would like to request data relating to arrests made by your police force, broken down by the nationality of the person arrested, covering the period from 1 January 2021 to the most recent date for which data is available.

For each calendar year, and for the most recent period available in the current year, I would be grateful if you could provide:
1. The total number of arrests made.
2. The number of arrests by the recorded nationality of the person arrested.
3. Where available, the nationality category recorded in your system (for example, British, Irish, Polish, Romanian, Indian, Pakistani, etc.).
4. Where available, a breakdown by year, so that the figures can be provided separately for:
o 2021
o 2022
o 2023
o 2024
o 2025
o 2026 to the latest available date.

If nationality is not recorded for some arrests, please provide the number or percentage for which nationality was unknown, not stated, not recorded, or otherwise unavailable.
I am seeking arrest data rather than convictions, charges or prosecutions.

- ***the date range covered by the data supplied;***
- ***whether nationality refers to self-reported nationality, nationality recorded by the police, or another definition; and***

- ***any relevant caveats concerning the completeness or reliability of the nationality data.***

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.

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

Management of Police Information regulations state that non-essential records should be removed from police systems six financial years after the year in which they were originally created. This means that data that is more than six financial years old may be incomplete and should not be compared to more recent data.

With the above caveats in mind:

- Dates: 01/01/2021 – 11/09/2026

From this data, a distinct count was applied to remove duplicate records. Nationality is self-reported.

Due to some low results per nationality, some data has been replaced with X as by providing all this information split by individual nationality 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 the data this way, it can be provided in its entirety.

Nationality	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Unknown	39	133	238	151	166	131
Afghanistan	89	102	167	226	349	242
Albania	177	257	355	349	275	155
Algeria	22	35	67	60	48	52
Andorra		X				
Angola	33	43	60	50	72	30
Antigua And Barbuda		X	X			
Argentina	X	X	X	X	X	X
Armenia		X	X	X	X	
Aruba			X			
Australia	X	6	9	10	X	11
Austria	X	9	7	9	8	8
Azerbaijan		X	X		X	X
Bahamas					X	
Bahrain				X	X	X
Bangladesh	73	131	134	152	211	133
Barbados	X	X		X	6	X
Belgian Congo		X				
Belgium	16	18	19	32	31	18

Belize	X		X			
Benin	X		X	X		
Bermuda	6	25	33	29	17	8
Bhutan		X	5	X	9	
Bohemia	X					
Bolivia		X		X	X	X
Bosnia-Hercegovina	X				X	
Botswana	X	X	6	11	10	9
Brazil	13	21	34	44	58	39
British Central Africa		X		X	X	
British East Africa	X			X	X	5
British Indian Ocean Territory	X		X	6	X	X
British Subject - No Citizenship	X	X	X	X	X	
Bulgaria	17	48	46	47	44	49
Burkina Faso				X	X	
Burma				X	X	X
Burundi	X	X	6	X	5	11
Byelorussia			X		X	
Cambodia			X			
Cameroon	18	23	28	22	31	26
Canada	X	7	8	17	12	X
Cape Verde	X	X	5			X
Cayman Islands	X		X	X	X	X
Central African Empire	X	X	6	X	X	
Central African Republic	14	14	12	21	21	14
Chad	6	X	X	X	9	X
Channel Islands		X		X		X
Chile	X	X	X	X	X	X
China (People's Rep. Of)	38	69	124	102	133	101
Colombia	5	X	9	7	X	X
Congo	36	62	90	106	88	65
Congo (Brazzaville)		X		X		
Cote D'Ivoire		X	X	X		X
Croatia			X	X	X	X
Cuba	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cyprus	X	7	X	X	8	X
Czechoslovakia	101	168	153	201	164	125
Denmark	8	12	15	12	7	22
Djibouti					X	
Dominica			X	X		X
Dominican Republic	X	X	8	10	10	X
Dutch East Indies				X	X	
Dutch Guiana			X	X	X	X

East Germany	X		X		X	X
East Pakistan	X	X	X	X		X
Ecuador	X	X		X		
Egypt	23	24	61	68	79	78
Eire	145	197	238	252	268	184
El Salvador	X	X	X	X	X	7
England	9008	13458	15425	16521	17346	12261
Equatorial Guinea	X	X	X	5	X	X
Eritrea	113	108	153	174	187	147
Estonia	X	5	X	12	8	X
Ethiopia	67	53	59	78	68	37
Fiji	X	X	X	X	6	
Finland	6	X	X	6	5	X
France	26	38	56	63	56	37
French Guiana					X	
French Southern Territories	X		X			X
French Sudan					X	
Gabon		X				X
Gambia	13	34	27	42	45	24
Georgia		X	X	16	16	10
German Democratic Republic	X					
German East Africa	X		X	X		X
Germany	32	39	39	57	49	46
Ghana	28	44	44	69	64	42
Gibraltar						X
Greece	22	26	27	38	36	24
Grenada		X		X	X	X
Guatemala		X			X	
Guinea	7	5	8	15	21	29
Guinea-Bissau	X	9	9	X	11	X
Guyana	X	X	X		5	X
Haiti	X			X		
Hawaiian Islands				X		
Honduras		X	X	X	X	
Hong Kong	9	15	15	18	34	17
Hungary	99	166	143	181	164	114
Iceland	X			X	X	X
India	62	112	212	264	330	217
Indonesia			X			X
Iran	183	352	473	539	575	442
Iraq	203	248	333	366	342	283
Irish Free State	X	X	6		X	6
Irish Republic	155	212	263	311	310	191

Isle Of Man	X	X	X	5	5	6
Israel	5	X	X	6	17	8
Italy	106	148	213	256	255	159
Ivory Coast	X	6	14	6	6	X
Jamaica	42	59	91	88	85	69
Japan	X				X	
Jordan	X	5	6	13	29	23
Kazakhstan			X	X	X	X
Kenya	17	28	18	46	30	15
Korea					X	X
Korea, Dem. P. Rep. (North Korea)		X			X	
Korea, Republic Of (South Korea)	X	X		X	X	X
Kosovo	X	6	6	8	12	5
Kuwait	52	87	95	146	184	125
Kyrgyzstan				X	X	
Latvia	75	100	85	85	100	65
Lebanon	X	X	6	5	10	12
Liberia	15	X	18	16	9	10
Libya	37	58	75	103	102	83
Lithuania	99	100	173	121	146	75
Luxembourg		X		X		X
Macao	X					
Macedonia		X	X	X		
Madagascar				X		
Malawi	13	18	15	15	27	10
Malaya				X	X	
Malaysia	X	7	6	24	12	8
Mali	X	X	X	X	6	X
Malta			X	X	X	X
Mauritania	X	X		X	X	X
Mauritius	X	X	9	8	12	7
Mexico	X	6	7	X	X	
Moldova	13	14	15	23	10	8
Mongolia	X	7	X	X	X	
Montserrat		X		X	X	X
Morocco	24	41	41	44	58	44
Mozambique	X	X	X	X		
Myanmar, Union Of (Burma)		X			X	X
Namibia	10	6	29	23	29	6
Nepal		7	6	9	10	X
Netherlands	51	101	83	98	90	84
New Zealand	X	X	X	X	X	X

Nicaragua		X		X		X
Niger			6	8	12	X
Nigeria	192	366	494	573	661	473
North Vietnam	X	X	X	X	X	X
Northern Ireland	41	74	91	101	132	107
Norway	X	7	16	14	20	11
Oman	X	X	X	X	X	X
Pakistan	374	588	829	952	1038	749
Palau			X			
Palestine	8	22	23	27	35	21
Panama	X		X	X		X
Papua New Guinea		X	X			
Paraguay	X		X	X		
Persia						X
Peru	X			X	X	X
Philippines	X	9	11	10	9	6
Poland	414	593	666	710	687	423
Portugal	126	210	260	283	305	190
Portugese East Africa	X		X		7	8
Portugese Guinea	X	5	6	X	X	X
Portugese West Africa		6	X		X	X
Qatar	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rhodesia		X				X
Romania	322	543	663	638	600	375
Russia	8	13	16	7	7	X
Rwanda	7	8	X	X	7	5
Samoa			X			
Sao Tome And Principe	X	X	X	X	X	X
Saudi Arabia	8	17	25	41	49	28
Scotland	96	151	154	175	190	143
Senegal	7	10	15	21	22	15
Senegambia And Niger Territories				X		
Serbia	9	X	X	12	7	X
Seychelles	X	X	X	X	X	X
Sierra Leone	10	18	28	19	26	14
Singapore	X	X		X		X
Slovakia	46	58	63	81	62	47
Slovenia	X	X	5	6	X	X
Somalia	82	139	154	176	212	138
Somaliland		X	X		X	
South Africa	32	42	51	69	88	45
South Georgia					X	

South Vietnam		X			X	
South West Africa	X	X	X	X	5	
Southern Rhodesia						X
Southern Yemen		X				X
Spain	52	107	118	143	173	124
Spanish Guiana	X	7	X	6	5	X
Spanish Sahara			X	X		X
Sri Lanka	10	25	17	30	32	17
St. Kitts And Nevis		X	X	X	X	X
St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla		X				
St. Lucia	X	X	6	X	5	X
St. Vincent And The Grenadines	X		X		X	X
Stateless/No Country	5	X	5	X	X	X
Sudan	130	168	202	310	340	306
Surinam (E)			X		X	
Swaziland					X	
Sweden	16	17	24	19	21	25
Switzerland	X		5	X	X	X
Syria	66	115	142	153	159	153
Taiwan	X	X	X	X		X
Tajikistan					X	
Tanzania	14	7	11	19	9	8
Thailand	7	8	15	18	8	8
Tibet			X			
Togo	X			X	X	X
Tonga				X	X	X
Trinidad And Tobago	5		5	14	20	8
Tunisia	12	8	27	16	34	33
Turkey	13	24	32	34	58	35
Turks And Caicos Islands	X	X	7	14	7	X
Uganda	X	6	6	8	15	7
Ukraine	6	17	29	29	37	28
United Arab Emirates	X	X	6	5	8	7
United Arab Republics				X	X	
United Kingdom	21602	32998	37965	39250	41750	30543
United States	24	15	61	45	45	24
Unknown	350	663	722	815	769	688
Upper Senegal And Niger					X	X
Uruguay			X			X
Usa Minor Outlying Islands				X		
Ussr	X			X		
Uzbekistan		X	X	X		X
Venezuela	X		X	X	X	X

Vietnam	38	46	56	61	70	20
Virgin Islands (British)			X	X		X
Wales	56	54	68	91	78	62
West Germany		X	X		X	
West Pakistan		X	X		X	X
Western Sahara				X		
Yanam						X
Yemen (Arab Republic)	X	6	13	21	21	17
Yemen (Dem. Peoples Republic)	X		X		X	X
Yugoslavia	X	X	X	X	X	
Zaire	X	X		X	X	X
Zambia	X	7	14	6	17	5
Zanzibar			X		X	
Zimbabwe	72	106	136	144	160	127
Total	**35882**	**54568**	**63653**	**67256**	**71237**	**51473**