

30 September 2024

FOI Ref 17127

Request - You asked us the following:

For the period 1st January to 3th June 2024

1. How many suspected Section 1 dogs (per type) did your force seize under the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991 (DDA).

1.2. For each S1 dog seized the average length of time between seizure and court hearing.

1.3. For each S1 dog seized the cost per day per dog for kennelling.

2. The number of dogs seized as suspected prohibited types, deemed by the courts as being of each of the five different banned types Pit Bull Terrier Dogo Argentino Japanese Tosa.

Fila Brasileiro.

American Bully XL

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3. How many Section 3 offences were taken to court?

3.1 of these how many were Section 3 offences including a dog of a type proscribed under Section 1 of the DDA?

3.2 For each dog involved in a Section 3 offence, what was their breed or type?

4. How many dogs were seized for S1 offences and euthanised

4.1 how many of those were each of the five banned types Pit Bull Terrier Dogo Argentino Japanese Tosa.

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Clarification received 06/08/2024:

In reference to this FOI request, would just like to clarify that instead of "June 3th" it is June 30th.

We received your request on 06/08/2024 and have processed this under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

Please find below our response.

Staffordshire Police holds the following requested information.

For the period 1st January to 30th June 2024

- 1. How many suspected Section 1 dogs (per type) did your force seize under the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991 (DDA). – **Information held.**
- 1.2. For each S1 dog seized the average length of time between seizure and court hearing. – **No information held.**
- 1.3. For each S1 dog seized the cost per day per dog for kennelling. – **Information held.**

- 2. The number of dogs seized as suspected prohibited types, deemed by the courts as being of each of the five different banned types Pit Bull Terrier Dogo Argentino Japanese Tosa. Fila Brasileiro.
American Bully XL – **Information held.**
- 3. How many Section 3 offences were taken to court? – **Information held.**
- 3.1 of these how many were Section 3 offences including a dog of a type proscribed under Section 1 of the DDA? – **Information held.**
- 3.2 For each dog involved in a Section 3 offence, what was their breed or type? – **Information held.**
- 4. How many dogs were seized for S1 offences and euthanized – **Information held.**
- 4.1 how many of those were each of the five banned types Pit Bull Terrier Dogo Argentino Japanese Tosa. Fila Brasileiro.
American Bully XL – **Information held.**

Staffordshire Police discloses the following information.

For the period 1st January to 30th June 2024

- 1. How many suspected Section 1 dogs (per type) did your force seize under the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991 (DDA). – **Disclosed, 59 dogs.**
- 1.3. For each S1 dog seized the cost per day per dog for kennelling. – **Disclosed, £30 per day.**
- 2. The number of dogs seized as suspected prohibited types, deemed by the courts as being of each of the five different banned types Pit Bull Terrier Dogo Argentino Japanese Tosa. Fila Brasileiro.
American Bully XL – **Disclosed, 59 dogs.**
- 3. How many Section 3 offences were taken to court? – **Disclosed, 1.**
- 3.1 of these how many were Section 3 offences including a dog of a type proscribed under Section 1 of the DDA? – **Disclosed, 7 dogs.**
- 3.2 For each dog involved in a Section 3 offence, what was their breed or type? – **Disclosed, 6 XL Bullies, 2 Malinois, 1 Pit Bull, 1 American Akita, 3 German Shepherds, 1 Japanese Akita.**
- 4. How many dogs were seized for S1 offences and euthanized – **Disclosed, 1.**
- 4.1 how many of those were each of the five banned types Pit Bull Terrier Dogo Argentino Japanese Tosa.



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American Bully XL – **Disclosed, 1.**

Please note that this data has been provided to the best of our ability, subject to the limitation of current recording protocols and systems/software. Additional offences may have been recorded during these timescales but are awaiting finalisation and input onto these systems and would not be present within this dataset.

Every effort is made to ensure that the data presented is accurate and complete. However, it is important to note that this has been extracted from multiple sources, developed for specific policing purposes, for which data extraction methods have not been specifically designed to directly correlate with the terminology of this request. Therefore, the data presented is subject to the inaccuracies and idiosyncrasies inherent in any large-scale recording system.

As a consequence, care should be taken in the interpretation and presentation of this data, so as to not misrepresent the whole or any part of the data disclosed.

Next steps

You can ask us to review our response.

If you would like us to carry out a review of our response, please let us know within two months of the date of receipt of this email, review requests should be addressed to:

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Or by Post to:

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Please remember to quote the reference number in any future communications.

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