

29 October 2024

FOI Ref 17329

Request - You asked us the following:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, for the offence 'out of control dog causing injury' (008/21), how many times was a suspect identified for this offence more than once, for each year from 2018 – 2023?

If you do not have data for all of 2023, please provide it up until the most recent data available and specify that date.

We received your request on 07/10/2024 and have processed this under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

Staffordshire Police's response to your enquiry is as follows:

Staffordshire Police holds the requested information.

- Under the Freedom of Information Act, for the offence 'out of control dog causing injury' (008/21), how many times was a suspect identified for this offence more than once, for each year from 2018 – 2023? – **Disclosed, please see below:**

2018 - 4

2019 - 7

2020 - 6

2021 - 10

2022 - 10

2023 - 3

Please be advised the data disclosed, has been extracted from our crime recording system for the for the offence 'out of control dog causing injury' (008/21). The data includes a where a suspect has been and been identified for this offence more than once.

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.



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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:

foi@staffordshire.police.uk

Or by Post to:

Central Disclosure Unit
Staffordshire Police HQ
PO Box 3167
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Please remember to quote the reference number in any future communications.

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