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2024/035 - Weapons seized in schools

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

- 1. Can you reveal the number of weapons seized in schools in the following years: 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023**
- 2. Can you also detail the incidents in 2023?**
- 3. What was the most common weapon found in each year?**

The table below shows all occurrences in the calendar years requested, where general property is recorded as seized and as weapons and the MO location subtype is school.

Note: the below data refer to the number of items Seized, and not to the distinct number of Occurrences

Weapon Description	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total
Knife	5	12	2	5	4	1	29
Other weapons - not guns	0	2	2	1	0	0	5
Hammer	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
Knuckle Duster	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Total	5	15	4	8	4	1	37

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 15/01/2024