



**HEDDLU
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NORTH WALES
POLICE**

Response Date:10/12/2024

2024/1083 - Dog attacks

In response to your recent request for information excess cost is relevant to part which removes the forces obligations under the Freedom of Information Act, as a gesture of goodwill, I have supplied information, relative to your request, retrieved or available before it was realised that the fees limit would be exceeded. I trust this is helpful, but it does not affect our legal right to rely on the fees regulations for the remainder of your request.

The number of reported dog attacks (Home Office code 008/21 – owner or person in charge allowing dog to be dangerously out of control in any place in England or Wales injuring any person or assistance dog) from Jan 1st 2023 to Nov 1st 2024, giving a month by month breakdown.

If time constrains allow - please provide the breed of dog involved in the attack.

HO Code	HO Description
008/21	Owner or person in charge allowing dog to be dangerously out of control in any place in England or Wales (whether or not a public place) injuring any person or assistance dog

	2023	2024
January	40	34
February	27	36
March	37	38
April	48	38
May	46	68
June	59	56
July	52	62
August	49	59
September	60	41
October	31	39
November	26	1
December	36	0

Our information is set up and searchable for our policing purposes. To establish if the breed is recorded would involve manually reviewing each Occurrence Enquiry Log (OEL) on our force system. The cost of providing you with the information is above the amount to which we are legally required to respond i.e. the cost of retrieving the information exceeds the 'appropriate level' as stated in the Freedom of Information (FOI) Fees and Appropriate Limit regulations 2004.

Therefore, in accordance with the FOI Act 2000 the information you have requested is exempt under Section 12 (1), and this letter acts as a Refusal Notice under section 17 (5) of the legislation.

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 04/12/2024