



Response Date:19/09/2025

2025/968 - Seized/ethanised dogs

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

I'd be very grateful if you can find information for me in response to the following questions.

For the years 2023, 2024 and 2025 to current date:

1. How many dogs were seized by your force?

2023 – 40 Dogs Seized
2024 – 78 Dogs Seized
2025 – (To Date) 47 Dogs Seized

2. How many of these dogs (1.) died while being held in pounds?

2023 – 0
2024 – 1
2025 – 0

3. How many of these dogs (1.) were later euthanised by a vet?

2023 - 20
2024 - 31
2025 – 22

4. Of the dogs that were euthanised (3.) how many were either suspected or assessed to be XL Bullies.

2023 – No Data Held as XL Bully Confirmation Standard was not yet established
2024 – 20
2025 – 7

5. How many dogs that were seized (1.) were returned to their owners?

Please note: North Wales only hold data for this category for a small time frame (after the alliance with Cheshire Police Dog Unit split).

2025 – to date data. = 4

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