

Freedom of Information Manager

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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: OUT OF CONTROL DOGS - DEMOGRAPHICS AND OUTCOMES

We refer to your email dated 19 September 2023 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on 19 September 2023.

We are treating your email as a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA 2000).

In your email you requested the following information:

Please provide figures under the Freedom of Information Act for each year from 2018 to the most recent complete month of 2023.

- 1) The number of times the offence of an 'out of control dog causing injury' (008/21) has been recorded.
- 2) Please provide the data from Q1 split by victim demographics, including, but not limited to:
- a) Age
- b) Gender
- c) Ethnicity
- d) Relationship between victim and suspect
- 3) The data from Q1 split by outcome
- 4) If available, please also provide the data from Q1 split by dog breed.

The Ministry of Defence Police have completed a search for the information requested and confirm that we do hold information in scope of your request, which is presented in the table below.

Year	Number of incidents	Victim age	Victim gender	Victim ethnicity	Relationship(s)	Dog breed(s)	outcome
2018	1	43	Male	White/British	No relationship	No breed stated	Passed to local Home Office police force
2019	0						
2020	3	55	Male	White/British	No relationship	no breed stated	No suspect
		50	Female	Not stated	Neighbour	French bulldog	Transferred to local Council dog warden
		30	Female	Not stated	No relationship	No breed stated	No suspect
2021	0						
2022	3	70	Male	Not stated	No relationship	No breed stated	Closed due to evidential difficulties
		21	Female	White/British	No relationship	No breed stated	No suspect
		1	Male	White British	No relationship	Jack russell	No suspect
2023	0						

If you wish to complain about the handling of your request, or the content of this response, you can request an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, Ground Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.gov.uk).

Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may raise your complaint directly to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not normally investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website at https://ico.org.uk/.

Yours sincerely

MDP Secretariat and Freedom of Information Office