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Our ref: FOI 2025-1081

Dear XXXX,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 13th November regarding the Dangerous Dogs Act.

I am required by the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to handle all requests in a manner that is blind as to the identity and motives of the requestor. Any information released as a response to a request is regarded as being published and therefore in the public domain without caveat.

Following receipt of your request, research was conducted by the dog section at Wiltshire Police.

Your request for information has now been considered, and I am able to respond as follows.

You wrote:

I would like to request information under the Freedom of Information Act regarding dogs seized and put down under the Dangerous Dog Act.

Please can you provide the following:

- 1) The number of dogs seized under the Dangerous Dog Act per month from January 2019 to the most recent complete month.
- 2) The number of dogs put down under the Dangerous Dog Act per month from January 2019 to the most recent complete month.
- 3) The number of dogs seized per year since 2019, broken down by breed type. Please include the 'XL Bully' / 'American Bully' and all other breed types. If possible, clarify which months are included in the year 2025.

Our response:

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1.

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
January		4			1	1	3
February	1	3	3	2		6	5
March	1	1	3		1	8	9
April			3	1	2	8	5
May	2		1	3		3	8
June	1	1	2	3	2	5	6
July			1	3	3	5	7
August			2	1	3	5	12
September		1	4	2		8	8
October	1		4	1	2	5	6
November			1	1		4	7
December		1	1	2		10	

2.

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
January		2				1	2
February	1	1		1		3	
March	1		2			3	3
April				1	1	1	1
May						2	4
June				1	2	1	2
July				1	1	1	5
August							7
September		1	1			1	
October	1		1	1	1		2
November							
December							

3.

2020:

- Pitbull Terrier: 6
- Crossbreed: 8
- Staffy: 1

2021:

- Staffy: 1
- Pitbull Terrier: 9
- Crossbreed: 16

2022:

- Staffy: 2
- Pitbull Terrier: 6
- Crossbreed: 8
- Mastiff: 1
- Greyhound/lurcher/Whippet: 3
- Bulldog: 1
- Border Collie: 1
- Rottweiler: 1

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2023:

- Greyhound/Lurcher/Whippet: 2
- XL Bully: 3
- German Shepherd: 4
- Pitbull Terrier: 3
- Staffy: 1
- English Bull Terrier: 2
- Border Collie: 1
- Crossbreed: 10
- Rottweiler: 1
- Mastiff: 1
- Bulldog: 1

2024:

- English Bull Terrier: 1
- Pitbull Terrier: 10
- XL Bully: 32
- Jack Russell: 1
- Staffy: 4
- Pocket Bully: 1
- Rottweiler: 2
- German Shepherd: 2
- Crossbreed: 17
- Akita: 1
- Bulldog: 1

2025:

- Greyhound/Lurcher/Whippet: 7
- XL Bully: 33
- Crossbreed: 25
- German Shepherd: 4
- Pitbull Terrier: 14
- Staffy: 7
- Akita: 2
- Mastiff/Mastiff cross: 4
- Spaniel: 2
- Border collie: 2
- Pocket Bully: 5
- Rottweiler: 2
- Bulldog: 1

I am satisfied that all the relevant information has been passed to me and considered in the light of your request within the time constraints applicable under the legislation.

Wiltshire Police would like to thank you for the interest that you have shown in the Force.

Yours sincerely

Force Disclosure Decision Maker

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