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NORTH WALES
POLICE

Response Date:02/11/2026

2026/1114 - Offences recorded under code 8/21

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

All offences recorded by North Wales Police under Home Office classification code 8/21, also written 008/21, owner or person in charge allowing a 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, contrary to section 3(1) of the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991 as amended by the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014.

PERIOD

Seven complete financial years, April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2026.

REQUESTED INFORMATION

1. The total number of offences recorded under code 8/21 in each of those seven financial years.

Occurrences of Home Office classification 008/71 per calendar year

Fiscal Year	count
2019	345
2020	324
2021	375
2022	471
2023	518
2024	522
2025	523

2. The same totals broken down by local authority district, Community Safety Partnership area or Basic Command Unit, whichever your force holds as standard, for each of those financial years.

Occurrences of Home Office classification 008/71 per calendar year and Occurrence Local Policing Area (LPA).
Please note that North Wales Police (NWP) LPA does not align with Local Goverment LPA.

LPA	Fiscal Year	count
Anglesey	2019	43
	2020	28
	2021	36
	2022	41
	2023	38
	2024	45
	2025	34

LPA	Fiscal Year	count
Conwy and Denbigh Rural	2019	30
	2020	32
	2021	37
	2022	37
	2023	43
	2024	37
	2025	55

LPA	Fiscal Year	count
Denbighshire Coastal	2019	37
	2020	37
	2021	52
	2022	58
	2023	96
	2024	85
	2025	88

LPA	Fiscal Year	count
Flintshire North	2019	55
	2020	43
	2021	44

	2022	63
	2023	54
	2024	73
	2025	68

LPA	Fiscal Year	count
Flintshire South	2019	28
	2020	40
	2021	32
	2022	51
	2023	44
	2024	53
	2025	40

LPA	Fiscal Year	count
Gwynedd North	2019	37
	2020	32
	2021	31
	2022	38
	2023	37
	2024	52
	2025	43

LPA	Fiscal Year	count
Gwynedd South	2019	25
	2020	20
	2021	31
	2022	46
	2023	40
	2024	46
	2025	52

LPA	Fiscal Year	count
Out Of Force	2025	1

LPA	Fiscal Year	count
West conwy Coastal	2019	20
	2020	33
	2021	39
	2022	47
	2023	72
	2024	44
	2025	53

LPA	Fiscal Year	count
Wrexham City	2019	25
	2020	19
	2021	26
	2022	33
	2023	32
	2024	27
	2025	37

LPA	Fiscal Year	count
Wrexham Rural	2019	43
	2020	40
	2021	47
	2022	57
	2023	62
	2024	63
	2025	57

LPA	Fiscal Year	count
XX	2019	2

3. The same totals broken down by victim age band for each of those financial years, using whatever standard age bands your force applies. If age band data is not readily retrievable, a split between victims aged under 18 and victims aged 18 and over would be sufficient.

Occurrences of Home Office classification 008/71 per calendar year and Victim Age. While counting rules say that there should only be 1 victim per occurrence, this cannot not be gauranteed with live data and therefore counts on this page may not match counts on page 1.

Victim Age Band	Fiscal Year	count
1. No Victim	2019	22
	2020	21
	2021	31
	2022	35
	2023	55
	2024	32
	2025	32

Victim Age Band	Fiscal Year	count
2. DOB not recorded	2019	7
	2020	13
	2021	12
	2022	11
	2023	13
	2024	14
	2025	20

Victim Age Band	Fiscal Year	count
3. Under 18	2019	66
	2020	72
	2021	74
	2022	109
	2023	113
	2024	153
	2025	138

Victim Age Band	Fiscal Year	count
4. 18-24	2019	16
	2020	19
	2021	23
	2022	18
	2023	32
	2024	28
	2025	33

Victim Age Band	Fiscal Year	count
5. 25-34	2019	37
	2020	28
	2021	50
	2022	64
	2023	61
	2024	57
	2025	62

Victim Age Band	Fiscal Year	count
6. 35-44	2019	37
	2020	44
	2021	41
	2022	56
	2023	62
	2024	58
	2025	56

Victim Age Band	Fiscal Year	count
7. 45-54	2019	61
	2020	56
	2021	52
	2022	69
	2023	67
	2024	65
	2025	61

Victim Age Band	Fiscal Year	count
8. 55-64	2019	60
	2020	39
	2021	50
	2022	64
	2023	59
	2024	60
	2025	64

Victim Age Band	Fiscal Year	count
9. 65 and over	2019	39
	2020	33
	2021	44
	2022	47
	2023	58
	2024	62
	2025	58

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 27/10/2026