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NORTH WALES
POLICE

Response Date:18/11/2026

2026/1170 - Arrest Nationality Recording

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

I request the following aggregate recorded information concerning nationality in your force's custody or arrest- recording systems.

Period: 1 January to 31 December 2025.

Please provide, where electronically retrievable:

1\. The total number of arrest or custody records created during the period.
2\. The number with a populated nationality field.
3\. The number where nationality is blank, unknown, not stated, refused, unspecified or otherwise unrecorded, using the categories your force actually holds.
4\. If already available through an existing report or routine query, the breakdown by individual recorded nationality.
5\. Any existing written recording guidance identifying whether nationality is self-declared, verified or obtained from another source, and whether subsequent changes to a person's record affect historical arrest extracts.

Please identify whether the counting basis is custody records, arrest events or unique people.

I am not requesting personal information, names, individual records, free-text searches or a manual investigation.

If a nationality breakdown is not reasonably extractable within the statutory cost limit, my priority is the simpler recording-completeness totals in questions 1–3.

Please advise under Section 16 how the request could be refined if necessary, including whether an existing reporting extract could provide a narrower answer.

Please distinguish information not held, information not retrievable within cost and a genuine recorded zero.

Nationality.	**Arrest Count**
;Afghanistan;	6
;Albania;	15
;Algeria;	2
;Angola;	1
;Argentina;	1
;Australia;	1
;Bangladesh;	8
;Belarus;	1
;Botswana;	1
;Brazil;	3
;Bulgaria;	26
;Bulgaria;Ukraine;	1
;Canada;	1
;China;	4
;Cuba;	2
;Cuba;Romania;	1
;Cyprus;	2
;Czech Republic;	2
;Egypt;	1
;England;	602
;England;UK;	7
;Eritrea;	2
;Estonia;	2
;Ethiopia;	2
;France;	1
;Gambia;	3
;Georgia;	7
;Germany;	4
;Ghana;	2
;Honduras;	1
;Hungary;	4
;Iceland;	1
;India;	35
;Iran, Islamic republic of;	9

;Iraq;	22
;Ireland;	122
;Italy;	8
;Jamaica;	2
;Kenya;	2
;Latvia;	7
;Lithuania;	25
;Luxembourg;	1
;Mexico;	3
;Moldova, Republic of;	2
;Morocco;	2
;Nepal;	3
;Netherlands;	3
;New Zealand;	1
;Niger;	2
;Nigeria;	38
;Nigeria;Ireland;	1
;Northern Ireland;	7
;Norway;	1
Not Recorded/Unknown	53
;Other;	6
;Pakistan;	17
;Philippines;	2
;Poland;	148
;Portugal;	13
;Portugal;South Africa;	1
;Romania;	126
;Romania;Ireland;	1
;Rwanda;Uganda;	1
;Scotland;	9
;Slovakia;	7
;Somalia;	1
;South Africa;	2
;South Africa;Ireland;	1
;Spain;	6

;Sri Lanka;	5
;Sudan;	1
;Switzerland;	3
;Syrian Arab Republic;	3
;Turkey;	16
;Turkmenistan;	1
;UK;	10854
;UK;Afghanistan;	1
;UK;Australia;	1
;UK;Bangladesh;	2
;UK;Bulgaria;	6
;UK;Canada;	1
;UK;Central African Republic;	1
;UK;England;	33
;UK;England;Wales;	1
;UK;Germany;	1
;UK;Greece;	1
;UK;India;	2
;UK;Iran, Islamic republic of;	1
;UK;Iraq;	5
;UK;Ireland;	10
;UK;Japan;	1
;UK;Lithuania;	2
;UK;Malaysia;	1
;UK;Nepal;	1
;UK;Netherlands;	1
;UK;Nigeria;	1
;UK;Other;	1
;UK;Pakistan;	2
;UK;Poland;	10
;UK;Portugal;	1
;Ukraine;	6
;UK;Romania;	11
;UK;South Africa;	2
;UK;Spain;	1

;UK;Turkey;	2
;UK;United Arab Emirates;	1
;UK;United States of America;	2
;UK;Viet Nam;	1
;UK;Wales;	29
;UK;Wales;Spain;	2
;United States of America;	6
;Unknown;	1
;Viet Nam;	13
;Wales;	800
;Zambia;	2
;Zimbabwe;	6

Arrest Count
13262

Not Recorded Unknown Nationality
54

Nationality Recorded
13208

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 16/11/2026