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Dear XXXXXXXX

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI 129/25

I refer to your request for information received by Cumbria Constabulary on 28 January 2025.
I note you seek access to the following information:

- 1. How many dogs were reported to you as stolen in 2024?*
- 2. Of those dogs stolen, how many dogs were then returned to their owners in 2024?*
- 3. What were the top three breeds stolen in 2024?*

Your request for information has now been considered and I can confirm Cumbria Constabulary does hold information relevant to your request and I have today decided to disclose this to you.

Question 1

Month	Count of Crime Number	Quantity of Dogs Stolen
Jan	1	2
Feb	2	4
Mar	4	4
Apr	1	1
May	3	3
Jun	2	2
Jul	1	1
Aug	3	6
Sep	4	4
Oct	1	1
Nov	5	5
Dec	1	1
Grand Total	28	34



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Question 2

Month	Count of Crime Number
Mar	1
Apr	1
May	1
Jul	1
Aug	1
Nov	1
Grand Total	6

Question 3

Position	Breed	Quantity Stolen
1	Spaniel	5
2	Lurcher	4
2	Staffordshire Bull Terrier	4
3	Rottweiler	3
4	Husky	2
4	French Bulldog	2
4	Jack Russell	2
4	Cockapoo	2
5	Terrier	1
5	German Shepherd	1
5	XL Bully	1
5	Crossbreed	1
5	Labrador	1
	Not Stated	5

The above information has been obtained from our crime recording system.

Police forces in the United Kingdom are routinely required to provide statistics to government bodies and the recording criteria is set nationally. However, the systems used for recording these figures are not generic, nor are the procedures used locally in capturing the data. It should be noted that for these reasons this force's response to your questions should not be used for comparison purposes with any other response you may receive.

Whilst every care has been taken in the retrieval of the information provided, please do not hesitate to contact us for clarification, if you do have any issues or queries relating to this data.

Complaint Rights

Your attention is drawn to the attached sheet, which details your right of complaint.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in Cumbria Constabulary.



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