

Request reference: 3329/10

**I am contacting you concerning the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991, as amended, legislation.**

**1) How many dogs have been seized under Section One of the Dangerous Dogs Act in 2009?**

160 dogs seized under Sec 1 DDA in 2009

**2) How many prosecutions under Section One and Section Three of the Dangerous Dogs Act did the West Midlands police proceed with in 2009?**

53 prosecutions commenced under Section 1  
35 prosecutions under Section 3

**3) How many dogs have been seized under Section One of the Dangerous Dogs Act (prohibited dogs) so far this year (2010)? Of those seized, how many have been signed over for destruction by their owners?**

24 Section 1 dogs have been seized so far in 2010, as of 03/03/10.  
Of those 12 were disclaimed by their owners and euthanized.

**4) How many applications have been made to the magistrates court under section 4b of the Dangerous Dogs Act in 2008 and 2009?**

**Of those 4b applications, how many resulted in destruction orders and how many resulted in registration onto the Index of Exempted Dogs?**

Please note that the data below refer to Section 4B.

In 2008 WMP placed 7 dogs on the Index of Exempted Dogs by means of 4B  
In 2009 WMP placed 6 dogs on the Index of Exempted Dogs by means of 4B

In 2009 WMP requested the destruction of 1 dog by means of 4B. Destruction was granted by Wolverhampton Magistrates.

**5) How many dogs are currently held under Section One and how many dogs are held under Section Three of the Dangerous Dogs Act?**

55 dogs are currently being held under Section 1.  
23 dogs are currently being held under Section 3.

**6) What number of dogs seized under Section One of the Dangerous Dogs Act during 2009, have been destroyed or have died whilst in police custody, due to illness, injury or disease?**

One, due to twisted scar tissue from an operation some 12 months earlier.

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**7) What number of dogs seized under Section Three of the Dangerous Dogs Act during 2009, have been destroyed or have died whilst in police custody, due to illness, injury or disease?**

None

**8) What is the cost to the police for the seizure, kennelling, veterinary treatemnt and legal costs for dogs seized under section one of the Dangerous Dogs Act in 2007, 2008 and 2009?**

<b>2007</b>	£37,739
<b>2008</b>	£89,524
<b>2009</b>	£292,117

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