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Dear Mr Towndrow,

Thank you for your request for information on the number of people who have been attacked by dangerous dogs in Hertfordshire in the last ten years and the number of those that were children.

I am able to confirm that your request has been processed under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI).

Following enquiries within the Constabulary, please find attached a table with the total number of dog related offences (as defined by the Home Office Offences listed below) recorded by Hertfordshire Constabulary between 01/01/1999 & 31/12/2009. Please note no-crime and out-of-force offences have been excluded as per Home Office Counting Rules.

Please find below tables with figures for the number of persons under the age of 18 years injured, where an offender has been charged and the number of ALL persons injured, where an offender has been charged.

Number of persons under the age of 18 years injured, where an offender has been charged with the following offences:

Offence	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Total
Owner Or Person In Charge Allowing Dog To Be Sec.3(1) ["Aggravated Offences"] Dangerously Out Of Control In A Public Place Injuring Any Person	1	1	1	4	3	6	28	17	25	7	11	104
Owner Or Person In Charge Allowing Dog To Enter A Non Public Place And Injure Any Person					1	1		1				3
Grand Total	1	1	1	4	4	7	28	18	25	7	11	107

Number of ALL persons injured, where an offender has been charged with the following offences:

Offence	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Total
Owner Or Person In Charge Allowing Dog To Be Sec.3(1) ["Aggravated Offences"] Dangerously Out Of Control In A Public Place Injuring Any Person	4	8	2	11	18	44	76	76	64	57	40	400
Owner Or Person In Charge Allowing Dog To Enter A Non Public Place And Injure Any Person				1	3	3	10	6	4	4	1	32
Grand Total	4	8	2	12	21	47	86	82	68	61	41	432

Yours sincerely,

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