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**Freedom of Information Request**

You requested the following.

**A figure for the number of people cautioned for or convicted of animal cruelty (108 - Cruelty to Animal) in (i) 2013, (ii) 2014, and (iii) 2015 with:**

**0 previous convictions or cautions**

**1-3 previous convictions or cautions**

**4-9 previous convictions or cautions**

**10-14 previous convictions or cautions**

**15-19 previous convictions or cautions**

**20-49 previous convictions or cautions**

**50-74 previous convictions or cautions**

**75-99 previous convictions or cautions**

**100 or more previous convictions or cautions**

**A figure for the number of people convicted of or cautioned, in the 2006-2015 period, of each of​ the following offence types and offences, who previously had one or more convictions or cautions for animal cruelty (108 Cruelty to Animal):**

**Offence types
a) Violence against the person
b) Sexual offences
c) Robbery
d) Theft offences
e) Criminal damage and arson
f) Drug offences
g) Possession of weapons
h) Public order offences
i) Miscellaneous crimes against society
j) Fraud offences

Specific offences
k) 1 Murder
l) 2 Attempted murder
m) 5A Wounding with intent to cause grievous bodily harm
n) 8F Wound / inflict grievous bodily harm without intent
o) 8.01 Assault occasioning actual bodily harm
p) 11 Cruelty to or Neglect of Children
q) 19D Rape of a female aged under 16
r) 19E Rape of a female child under 13 by a male
s) 19H Rape of a male child under 13 by a male
t) 20A.2 Sexual assault on a female
u) 20B.2 Sexual assault of a female child under 13**

Your request been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I can confirm that the MoJ holds the data that you have requested.

**Question 1**

Table 1 presents statistics on the number of offenders getting convictions or cautions for animal cruelty offences by the number of previous convictions or cautions for any offence in England and Wales between 2013 and 2015.



**Question 2**

Table 2 shows the number of offenders that were convicted or cautioned for selected offence groups between 2006 and 2015, where each offender had previously received at least one conviction or caution for an animal cruelty offences.



The figures provided have been drawn from an extract of the Police National Computer (PNC) data held by the Department. The PNC holds details of all convictions and cautions given for recordable offences and include a number of offences where it is not possible for offenders to be given a custodial sentence. As with any large scale recording system the PNC is subject to possible errors with data entry and processing so data provided may be subject to revision.