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REQUEST

1. i. What were the total number of dog theft crimes in 2018?

1.ii. What was the outcome (charge/summons, community resolution, active investigation, evidential difficulties, no suspect identified) for each dog theft crime in 2018?

RESPONSE

I approached our Crime Data Returns Officer for assistance with your request. The Crime Management system - CONNECT is used to record complaints or allegations of those matters, which the Home Office specify should be recorded as 'crimes'.

She conducted a search of the system and provided me with the enclosed spreadsheet in response and the following explanation regarding her search criteria:

I have included a count of offences recorded on CONNECT between 01-Jan-2018 and 31-Dec-2018 where the Property Class 3 is DOGS and the Property class is STOLEN, broken down by the offence outcome.

Please note – this is a count of offences and not a count of stolen dogs, more than 1 dog can be recorded as stolen on any offence.