



Freedom of Information request 01/FOI/24/2374  
We received your request on the 16/01/2024.

### Request

You asked us:

What is the total number of sexual assaults that were reported and took place on the tube in the calendar years 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020 and 2019?

What is the total number of sexual assaults that were reported and took place on London buses in the calendar years 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020 and 2019?

*We have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)*

### Our response:

Question 1

The British Transport Police crime system was searched for offences recorded between 01/01/2019 and 31/12/2023 and allocated to a London Underground line where the crime classification is one of eight BTP crime classifications relating to sexual assault/sexual assault by penetration (crime codes E20, E21, E28, E29, E45, E46, E47, E48). It should be noted that this does not include other sexual offences including rape that are categorised separately.

The dataset includes the time period of the Covid Pandemic, during which there were periods where travel restrictions or other restrictions in place and where passenger footfall on the transport network was reduced. This corresponded to a fall in crime numbers during this time.

BTP NUMBER OF RECORDED "SEXUAL ASSAULT" CRIMES FROM 01/01/2019 TO 31/12/2023 (BY RECORDED DATE) THAT HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED TO LONDON UNDERGROUND LINES		
Recorded Year	Sexual Assault	Sexual Assault By Penetration
2019	809	6
2020	296	0
2021	326	0
2022	599	6
2023	656	2
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>2686</b>	<b>14</b>

Question 2

Information not held. British Transport Police does not have jurisdiction for London buses and any crimes occurring on them would be recorded by the police force in whose jurisdiction the crime occurred (either the Metropolitan Police or City of London Police).