

Quarterly NSW Report

Dog attack incidents reported by all councils from 1 October 2020 to 31 December 2020 (2nd Quarter 2020/21)

A dog attack can include any incident where a dog rushes at, attacks, bites, harasses or chases any person or animal (other than vermin), whether or not any injury is caused to the person or animal.
For more detailed information about dog attacks occurring in your area please contact your local council.

Total number of dog attack incidents reported to council in the 2nd Quarter of 2020/21

1,141

Number of victims

Note: As a single attack may involve multiple victims the totals in this category may exceed the total number of reported attacks.

Adult	567
Child (Child is up to 16 years)	96
Dog	577
Cat	64
Livestock	132
Other (animal)	164

Number of actions taken

Note:

- This information relates to action taken by councils following dog attack investigations. Where Police are the primary investigating body councils may not have access to all information about an attack or the outcome of investigations. In such cases councils generally record the type of action taken as "Police Action".

- As councils may take multiple actions with regard to one attack the totals in this category may exceed the total number of reported attacks.

- "Investigation - no action required" indicates that the attack has been reported and investigated by council, but no further action has been deemed necessary.

Investigation - no action required	261
Dangerous dog declaration	33
Infringements issued	382
Seized & taken to pound	61
Seized & returned to owner	15
Police action	5
Court action	3
Dog destroyed	88
Restricted dog declaration	0
Menacing dog declaration	111
Warning issued	296
Investigation continuing	395
Other	248

Number of injuries on people

Note:

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No injury	276
Minor injury	203
Medical treatment required	135
Hospitalisation	49
Death	0

Number of injuries on animals	No injury	227
Note:	Minor injury	193
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	Hospitalisation	52
	Death	264

Number of Attacking Dogs by Breed (Top 20)	Breed	Cross breed	
Note:	American Staffordshire Terrier		198
- Only the top 20 attacking dog breeds are reported.	Bull Terrier (Staffordshire)		107
- As a single attack may involve multiple attacking dogs the totals in this category may exceed the total number of reported attacks.	Australian Cattle Dog		56
- These figures include attacks on people and animals.	German Shepherd Dog		45
- If only one breed is displayed this indicates a pure bred dog.	Bull Terrier (Staffordshire)	Breed not identified	39
	Border Collie		30
	Rottweiler		29
	Australian Kelpie		26
	Siberian Husky		25
	Great Dane		19
	Labrador Retriever		19
	Mastiff	Breed not identified	19
	Bullmastiff		18
	American Staffordshire Terrier	Breed not identified	16
	Australian Cattle Dog	Breed not identified	15
	Jack Russell Terrier		14
	Boxer		13
	Bulldog (american)		13
	Bullmastiff	Breed not identified	13
	Breed not identified	Breed not identified	269

Number of incidents involving 1 or more attacking dogs	1 Dog	870
	2 Dogs	222
	3 Dogs	35
	4 Dogs	7
	5 Dogs	4
	6 Dogs	2
	7 Dogs	0
	8 Dogs	1