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**Freedom of Information Request - Reference No: 23.010258**

Thank you for your request for recorded data held by South Yorkshire Police.

**Response**

Please see the below data provided by Operational Support to answer your request.

**As a freedom of information request, I am seeking information as to which canine breeds are used for different tasks within the police forces in the UK. Specifically what breeds and how many of each breed do you use/have for:**

- 1. Search and Rescue** - None in SYP.
- 2. Detection** - Numbers fluctuate but currently 6 x Cocker Spaniels, 6 x Springer Spaniels, 4 x Labrador, 1 x Springador, 1 x Sprocker Spaniel.
- 3. Apprehension** - Nil
- 4. General Patrol Dogs** -14 x Malinois, 6 x Dutch Herder
- 5. Other (please specify)**

Police forces do not use generic systems or identical procedures for capturing the data. For these reasons this response to your questions should not be used for comparison purposes with responses you may receive from other police forces.