

Quarterly NSW Report

Dog attack incidents reported by all councils from 1 October 2016 to 31 December 2016 (2nd Quarter 2016/17)

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 2016/17

1,177

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	488
Child (Child is up to 16 years)	127
Dog	573
Cat	76
Livestock	324
Other (animal)	107

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	258
Dangerous dog declaration	69
Infringements issued	343
Seized & taken to pound	130
Seized & returned to owner	18
Police action	33
Court action	5
Dog destroyed	119
Restricted dog declaration	2
Menacing dog declaration	108
Warning issued	264
Investigation continuing	405
Other	250

Number of injuries on people

Note:

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No injury	252
Minor injury	190
Medical treatment required	128
Hospitalisation	44
Death	0

Number of injuries on animals	No injury	254
Note:	Minor injury	164
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	Hospitalisation	56
	Death	362

Number of Attacking Dogs by Breed (Top 20)	Breed	Cross breed	
Note:	Bull Terrier (Staffordshire)		116
- Only the top 20 attacking dog breeds are reported.	American Staffordshire Terrier		113
- As a single attack may involve multiple attacking dogs the totals in this category may exceed the total number of reported attacks.	German Shepherd Dog		67
- These figures include attacks on people and animals.	Australian Cattle Dog		56
- If only one breed is displayed this indicates a pure bred dog.	Bull Terrier (Staffordshire)	Breed not identified	42
	Rottweiler		32
	Mastiff	Breed not identified	27
	Bullmastiff	Breed not identified	25
	Mastiff		25
	Jack Russell Terrier		24
	American Staffordshire Terrier	Breed not identified	20
	Australian Kelpie	Breed not identified	20
	Australian Kelpie		19
	Bullmastiff		19
	Siberian Husky		18
	Labrador Retriever		17
	Australian Bulldog		15
	Border Collie		15
	Boxer		14
	Breed not identified		296

Number of incidents involving 1 or more attacking dogs	1 Dog	838
	2 Dogs	303
	3 Dogs	32
	4 Dogs	4
	5 Dogs	0
	6 Dogs	0