

Quarterly NSW Report

Dog attack incidents reported by all councils from 1 April 2018 to 30 June 2018 (4th Quarter 2017/18)

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 4th Quarter of 2017/18

1,245

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	554
Child (Child is up to 16 years)	90
Dog	635
Cat	103
Livestock	340
Other (animal)	189

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	240
Dangerous dog declaration	48
Infringements issued	372
Seized & taken to pound	114
Seized & returned to owner	22
Police action	20
Court action	5
Dog destroyed	147
Restricted dog declaration	4
Menacing dog declaration	113
Warning issued	270
Investigation continuing	434
Other	210

Number of injuries on people

Note:

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No injury	303
Minor injury	177
Medical treatment required	133
Hospitalisation	31
Death	0

Number of injuries on animals	No injury	224
Note:	Minor injury	194
- As a single attack may involve multiple victims the totals category may exceed the total number of reported attacks.	Medical treatment required	207
	Hospitalisation	53
	Death	449

Number of Attacking Dogs by Breed (Top 20)	Breed	Cross breed	
Note:	American Staffordshire Terrier		155
- Only the top 20 attacking dog breeds are reported.	Bull Terrier (Staffordshire)		110
- 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		69
- These figures include attacks on people and animals.	German Shepherd Dog		68
- If only one breed is displayed this indicates a pure bred dog.	Bull Terrier (Staffordshire)	Breed not identified	41
	American Staffordshire Terrier	Breed not identified	29
	Rottweiler		29
	Mastiff	Breed not identified	28
	Labrador Retriever		27
	Siberian Husky		27
	Australian Kelpie		26
	Bull Terrier		25
	Jack Russell Terrier		19
	Australian Kelpie	Breed not identified	18
	Border Collie		17
	Bullmastiff		17
	Boxer		15
	Alaskan Malamute		14
	Australian Cattle Dog	Breed not identified	12
	Breed not identified		275

Number of incidents involving 1 or more attacking dogs	1 Dog	909
	2 Dogs	296
	3 Dogs	31
	4 Dogs	5
	5 Dogs	4
	6 Dogs	0