Quarterly NSW Report

Dog attack incidents reported by all councils from 1 October 2019 to 31 December 2019 (2nd Quarter 2019/20)

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 2019/20		1,216
Number of victims	Adult	596
Note: As a single attack may involve multiple victims the totals in this category may exceed the total number of reported attacks.	Child (Child is up to 16 years)	118
	Dog	653
	Cat	77
	Livestock	193
	Other (animal)	144
Number of actions taken	Investigation - no action required	262
- 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	Dangerous dog declaration	60
	Infringements issued	340
	Seized & taken to pound	101
	Seized & returned to owner	19
action taken as "Police Action". As councils may take mutiple actions with regard to one attack the totals in this category may	Police action	9
exceed the total number of reported attacks.	Court action	0
. "Investigation - no action required" indicates that the attack has been reported and investigated	Dog destroyed	104
by council, but no further action has been deemed necessary.	Restricted dog declaration	1
	Menacing dog declaration	90
	Warning issued	254
	Investigation continuing	471
	Other	207
Number of injuries on people	No injury	321
Note:	Minor injury	189
- As a single attack may involve multiple victims the totals category may exceed the total number of reported attacks.	Medical treatment required	156
	Hospitalisation	48
	Death	0

Number of injuries on animals	No injury	236
Note:	Minor injury	189
- As a single attack may involve multiple victims the totals category may exceed the total number $$	Medical treatment required	220
of reported attacks.	Hospitalisation	74
	Death	327

Number of Attacking Dogs by Breed (Top 20)	Breed	Cross breed	
Note: - Only the top 20 attacking dog breeds are reported. - As a single attack may involve multiple attacking dogs the totals in this category may exceed the total number of reported attacks. - These figures include attacks on people and animals. - If only one breed is displayed this indicates a pure bred dog.	American Staffordshire Terrier		151
	Bull Terrier (Staffordshire)		147
	German Shepherd Dog		73
	Australian Cattle Dog		63
	Rottweiler		50
	Bull Terrier (Staffordshire)	Breed not identified	41
	Australian Kelpie		36
	Australian Cattle Dog	Breed not identified	22
	Mastiff	Breed not identified	22
	Siberian Husky		22
	American Staffordshire Terrier	Breed not identified	19
	Bull Terrier		18
	Bullmastiff	Breed not identified	18
	Labrador Retriever		18
	Maremma Sheepdog		18
	Jack Russell Terrier		17
	Mastiff		15
	Australian Kelpie	Breed not identified	13
	Border Collie		13
	Breed not identified		264
Number of incidents involving 1 or more attacking dogs	1 Dog		951
	2 Dogs		245
	3 Dogs		16
	4 Dogs		2
	5 Dogs		0
	6 Dogs		0
	7 Dogs		2