

Quarterly NSW Report

Dog attack incidents reported by all councils from 1 October 2021 to 31 December 2021 (2nd Quarter 2021/22)

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 2021/22			1,092
Number of victims			
Note: <i>As a single attack may involve multiple victims the totals in this category may exceed the total number of reported attacks.</i>	Adult		544
	Child (Child is up to 16 years)		97
	Dog		594
	Cat		69
	Livestock		170
	Other (animal)		120
Number of actions taken			
Note: - <i>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".</i> - <i>As councils may take multiple actions with regard to one attack the totals in this category may exceed the total number of reported attacks.</i> - <i>"Investigation - no action required" indicates that the attack has been reported and investigated by council, but no further action has been deemed necessary.</i>	Investigation - no action required		265
	Dangerous dog declaration		45
	Infringements issued		240
	Seized & taken to pound		63
	Seized & returned to owner		6
	Police action		5
	Court action		1
	Dog destroyed		79
	Restricted dog declaration		1
	Menacing dog declaration		70
	Warning issued		229
	Investigation continuing		485
	Other		164
Number of injuries on people			
Note: - <i>As a single attack may involve multiple victims the totals category may exceed the total number of reported attacks.</i>	No injury		244
	Minor injury		187
	Medical treatment required		141
	Hospitalisation		69
	Death		0

Number of injuries on animals	No injury	265
Note:	Minor injury	191
- As a single attack may involve multiple victims the totals category may exceed the total number of reported attacks.	Medical treatment required	188
	Hospitalisation	53
	Death	256

Number of Attacking Dogs by Breed (Top 20)

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.

Breed	Cross breed	
American Staffordshire Terrier		165
Bull Terrier (Staffordshire)		90
German Shepherd Dog		69
Australian Cattle Dog		52
Rottweiler		38
Border Collie		29
Bull Terrier (Staffordshire)	Breed not identified	29
Australian Kelpie		20
Siberian Husky		20
American Staffordshire Terrier	Breed not identified	19
Australian Kelpie	Breed not identified	16
Labrador Retriever		16
Mastiff	Breed not identified	15
Bullmastiff	Breed not identified	14
Bullmastiff		14
Great Dane		14
Australian Cattle Dog	Breed not identified	12
Bull Terrier		11
Bull Terrier (English)		11
Breed not identified	Breed not identified	255

Number of incidents involving 1 or more attacking dogs

1 Dog	856
2 Dogs	198
3 Dogs	32
4 Dogs	4
5 Dogs	0
6 Dogs	0
7 Dogs	0
8 Dogs	0
9 Dogs	1
10 Dogs	1