

Quarterly NSW Report

Dog attack incidents reported by all councils from 1 October 2018 to 31 December 2018 (2nd Quarter 2018/19)

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 2018/19

1,273

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	612
Child (Child is up to 16 years)	111
Dog	595
Cat	84
Livestock	367
Other (animal)	177

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	256
Dangerous dog declaration	67
Infringements issued	377
Seized & taken to pound	124
Seized & returned to owner	20
Police action	7
Court action	2
Dog destroyed	137
Restricted dog declaration	4
Menacing dog declaration	101
Warning issued	311
Investigation continuing	450
Other	200

Number of injuries on people

Note:

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No injury	338
Minor injury	198
Medical treatment required	142
Hospitalisation	45
Death	0

Number of injuries on animals	No injury	238
Note:	Minor injury	245
- As a single attack may involve multiple victims the totals category may exceed the total number of reported attacks.	Medical treatment required	228
	Hospitalisation	56
	Death	394

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		153
Bull Terrier (Staffordshire)		112
Australian Cattle Dog		72
German Shepherd Dog		66
Mastiff	Breed not identified	40
Rottweiler		37
Bull Terrier (Staffordshire)	Breed not identified	36
Australian Kelpie		31
Siberian Husky		28
Bullmastiff	Breed not identified	25
American Staffordshire Terrier	Breed not identified	24
Bull Terrier		21
Labrador Retriever		21
Mastiff		20
Border Collie		19
Australian Kelpie	Breed not identified	18
Bullmastiff		17
Australian Cattle Dog	Breed not identified	16
Jack Russell Terrier		14
Unknown	Breed not identified	288

Number of incidents involving 1 or more attacking dogs

1 Dog	943
2 Dogs	285
3 Dogs	37
4 Dogs	3
5 Dogs	5