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The Code of Practice on the Exercise by Constables of Powers of Stop and Search of the Person in Scotland

The Code came into effect on 11 May 2017. The Code governs all situations in which constables stop and search a person without first making an arrest, unless the search is expressly excluded, either under the Code, by statute, or by virtue of the search being subject to a separate statutory Code or guidance as to its exercise. The Code also sets out the requirements to be followed by the Police for recording information in relation to all stop and search activity covered by the Code.

The Code requires as soon as practicable after the end of each reporting year (ending 31 March), the Chief Constable of a relevant police service must publish, information on how many times during the reporting year a stop and search was carried out in Scotland by constables of that service. In addition, so far as practicable, the information is to disclose:

- (a) the number of stops and searches carried out under each statutory power;
- (b) how many persons were searched on two or more occasions
- (c) the age and gender, and the ethnic and national origin, of the persons searched
- (d) the proportion of searches that resulted in
 - (i) something being seized by a constable, including information as to the number of cases in which the item seized was of the type suspected by the constable at the outset of the search
 - (ii) a case being reported to the procurator fiscal
- (e) the number of authorisations issued under section 60 of the Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994
- (f) the number of complaints made to a relevant police service about the carrying out of searches (or the manner in which they were carried out) in Scotland by constables of that service.
- (g) the number of receipts issued

The National Stop and Search Database was upgraded to coincide with the introduction of the Code. These changes included:

- (a) Cessation of the recording of consensual search
- (b) A new category to include searches of a person carried out in accordance with a search warrant issued by a court in Scotland
- (c) Addition of a new power under Section 66 of the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2016, removal of a person
- (d) A new search type 'Protection of Life' recorded for when an officer conducts a search (in accordance with section 3.4 of the Code), under the overarching principles of Section 20 or 32 of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012, as part of taking all steps necessary to protect life
- (e) A new search type 'Other' recorded for when an officer believes it is necessary to conduct a search that is not for the protection of life and where no specific statutory power exists and considers their actions to be justified, the officer should enter Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act as the 'Power of Search used'
- (f) Officer's estimate of the age group of the person searched (under the age of 18 or 18 years of age and over) if not provided
- (g) Seizures, although not explicitly covered by the Code are now recorded only under a statutory power to require surrender of alcohol or tobacco and/or tobacco products and seizures under an alcohol byelaw

The Code is available at police stations and on the stop and search page of the Police Scotland website (www.scotland.police.uk).

Commentary Notes on Management Information

Force Level Highlights

1. All statistics are provisional and should be treated as management information. All data have been extracted from Police Scotland internal systems and are correct as of 2nd April 2019.

2. This report shows the data of the enhanced database 1st April 2018 – 31st March 2019.

3. This data shows that Police Scotland is delivering the improvements set out in the Stop and Search Improvement Plan and is committed to sustaining and building on those improvements and maintaining community confidence.

4. An enhanced database was rolled out across Scotland on 1st June 2015 which included additional validations designed to improve the quality of the data by preventing inaccurate data capture through input error. Further enhancements have followed, significantly allowing more detail to be recorded since the introduction of the Code of Practice. Following the review of the data captured on the National Stop and Search Database for the period specified, it is evident that the introduction of these validation checks has made a significant impact on the level of data input errors.

5. In relation to outcomes the National Stop Search Unit (NSSU) do not validate or compare search outcomes from the National Stop Search Database with other Police systems.

Ongoing Quality Assurance

As part of Police Scotland's duty under data protection and our quality assurance process, records held on the database may be reviewed and may be subject to amendment. This involves liaising with the officer(s) involved to confirm any aspect of the recorded data which is unclear. Any adjustment in respect of these records will be reflected in future stop and search publications.

Complaints

For the period 1st April 2018 - 31st March 2019 a total of 58 complaints have been received by Police Scotland in relation to the use of stop and search.

Persons Searched on Two or More Occasions

Between 1st April 2018 and 31st March 2019, 4432 persons have been searched on two or more occasions. As the National Stop and Search Database is not nominal-centric this figure can be affected by a number of variables such as persons providing alias names or variations in spellings.

Comparisons with Historical Data

Due to changes in data recording to bring the National Stop and Search Database in line with the Code of Practice, direct comparisons with historical data would provide invalid or misleading conclusions.

Definition of a Stop and Search and a Seizure

Stop and Search

A stop and search is one conducted by a police officer in the course of their duties where a person who is not in police custody is searched using a specific statutory provision or in accordance with a search warrant issued by a court in Scotland.

Positive Stop and Search

A positive stop and search is when an item is recovered where possession of same implies criminality on the part of the person being searched or any other or where an item has been recovered which is potentially harmful.

N.B. When a stop and search under a statutory provision has taken place and alcohol, tobacco or NPS is recovered, depending on the circumstances this should be recorded as a positive stop and search on the Stop and Search Database.

Recordable Stop and Search (must be recorded on the National Stop and Search Database)

A recordable stop and search is any stop and search, with the exception of condition of entry searches (Section 67 Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2016) or Schedule 7 of the Terrorism Act 2000 (which is governed by different Codes of Practice).

Seizure

A seizure occurs when;

- alcohol, and/or
- tobacco product, and/or
- cigarette papers

are surrendered by any person to a police officer using specific statutory provisions, or are removed by a police officer from that person in pursuance of an alcohol byelaw, where no physical search of a person has taken place, **or prior to any search under a different enactment.**

Stop and Searches, Legislation

The following table identifies the type of searches recorded on the National Stop and Search Database, along with the specific legislation relative to each search type:

Search Type	Recordable Statute
Search Warrants	S109(1) Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988 (Piracy and trademark offences etc)
Search Warrants	S142(1) Criminal Justice Act, 1988 (Search of premises for offensive weapons)
Search Warrants	S23(3) Misuse Of Drugs Act 1971
Search Warrants	S24(1) Forgery and Counterfeiting Act, 1981 (Search for counterfeit money)
Search Warrants	S27 Deer (Scotland) Act 1996
Search Warrants	S28B(4) Immigration Act 1971
Search Warrants	S292(3) Mental Health Care and Treatment Scotland Act 2003
Search Warrants	S42(1) Terrorism Act 2000
Search Warrants	S46(1) Firearms Act 1968
Search Warrants	Other Legislation
Drugs	S23(2) Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (Controlled Drugs)
Drugs	S23A Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (Temp Class Drugs)
Care and Welfare	S66 Criminal Justice (Scot) Act 2016
NPS	S36 Psychoactive Substances Act 2016 (Supply etc.)
Stolen Property	S60 Civic Government (Scot) Act 1982
Weapons	S48(1) Criminal Law (Cons) (Scot) Act 1995 (Offensive weapons)
Weapons	S49(B) Criminal Law (Cons) (Scot) Act 1995 (Offensive weapons in Schools)
Weapons	S50 Criminal Law (Cons) (Scot) Act 1995 (Bladed or Pointed Articles)
Firearms	S47(1) Firearms Act 1968
Firearms	S4 Crossbows Act 1987
Fireworks	S11A Fireworks Act 2003
Protection of Life	S20/32 Police & Fire Reform (Scot) Act 2012
Aviation	S24B Aviation Security Act 1982 (Stolen or prohibited items in Aerodromes)
Aviation	Edinburgh Airport Byelaws 2015 (Search in interest of public safety)
Wildlife	S19 Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981
Wildlife	S11 Protection of Badgers Act 1992
Wildlife	S101 Conservation (Natural Habitats etc.) Regulations 1994
Wildlife	S27 Deer (Scot) Act 1996
Wildlife	S4 Wild Mammals (Protection) Act 1996
Wildlife	S7 Wild Mammals (Scot) Act 2002
Wildlife	S53(1) Salmon & Freshwater Fisheries (Cons) (Scot) Act 2003
Terrorism	S43 Terrorism Act 2000 (Suspect terrorist)
Terrorism	S47A Terrorism Act 2000 (Authority of Assistant Chief Constable or above)
Sporting Events	S21 Criminal Law (Cons) (Scot) Act 1995 (Controlled items) - Alcohol
Sporting Events	S21 Criminal Law (Cons) (Scot) Act 1995 (Controlled items) - Controlled Containers
Sporting Events	S21 Criminal Law (Cons) (Scot) Act 1995 (Controlled items) - Controlled Article or Substance
Public Order	S60 Criminal Justice & Public Order Act 1994 (Authority of inspector or above)
Proceeds of Crime	S289 Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Prior approval - cash)
Proceeds of Crime	S303C Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Prior approval - listed assets)
Other	S20/32 Police & Fire Reform (Scot) Act 2012

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Table 1.1
Stop and Searches by Local Authority - Police Scotland
 Period: April 2018 to March 2019

Local Authority	Number of Searches	Positive Searches	Positive Rate (%)
North			
Highland	2 082	836	40.2
Orkney Islands	75	23	30.7
Shetland Islands	240	57	23.8
Eilean Siar	82	24	29.3
Aberdeen City	2 623	870	33.2
Aberdeenshire	2 341	610	26.1
Moray	556	147	26.4
Perth and Kinross	627	257	41.0
Dundee	1 648	725	44.0
Angus	445	150	33.7
East			
Fife	1 297	585	45.1
East Lothian	391	170	43.5
Edinburgh City	2 519	902	35.8
Midlothian	572	246	43.0
Scottish Borders	667	220	33.0
West Lothian	470	186	39.6
Clackmannanshire	214	100	46.7
Falkirk	960	390	40.6
Stirling	679	282	41.5
West			
Argyll & Bute	805	237	29.4
East Ayrshire	789	480	60.8
East Dunbartonshire	562	194	34.5
East Renfrewshire	405	185	45.7
Glasgow City	4 490	2 014	44.9
Inverclyde	1 067	296	27.7
North Ayrshire	542	268	49.4
North Lanarkshire	2 418	1 011	41.8
Renfrewshire	1 749	722	41.3
South Ayrshire	720	348	48.3
South Lanarkshire	1 458	573	39.3
West Dunbartonshire	1 229	460	37.4
Dumfries and Galloway	1 585	521	32.9
Force	36 307	14 089	38.8

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Table 1.2
Stop and Search by Legislation - Police Scotland
 Period: April 2018 to March 2019

Legislation	Number of Searches	Positive Searches	Positive Rate (%)
Drugs	28 399	11 160	39.3
S23(2) Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (Controlled Drugs)	28 395	11 159	39.3
S23A Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (Temp Class Drugs)	4	1	25.0
NPS	-	-	-
S36 Psychoactive Substances Act 2016 (Supply etc.)	-	-	-
Weapons	1 734	468	27.0
S48(1) Criminal Law (Cons) (Scot) Act 1995 (Offensive weapons)	635	187	29.4
S49(B) Criminal Law (Cons) (Scot) Act 1995 (Offensive weapons in Schools)	55	10	18.2
S50 Criminal Law (Cons) (Scot) Act 1995 (Bladed or Pointed Articles)	1 044	271	26.0
Stolen Property	2 442	1 172	48.0
S60 Civic Government (Scot) Act 1982	2 442	1 172	48.0
Sporting Events	7	2	28.6
S21 Criminal Law (Cons) (Scot) Act 1995 (Controlled items)	7	2	28.6
Firearms	77	17	22.1
S47(1) Firearms Act 1968	77	17	22.1
S4 Crossbows Act 1987	-	-	-
Fireworks	29	5	17.2
S11A Fireworks Act 2003	29	5	17.2
Terrorism	8	-	-
S43 Terrorism Act 2000	8	-	-
Public Order	7	0	0.0
S60 Criminal Justice & Public Order Act 1994 (Authority of inspector or above)	7	0	0.0
Wildlife	6	0	0.0
S19 Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981	2	0	0.0
S11 Protection of Badgers Act 1992	-	-	-
S101 Conservation (Natural Habitats etc.) Regulations 1994	-	-	-
S27 Deer (Scot) Act 1996	-	-	-
S4 Wild Mammals (Protection) Act 1996	-	-	-
S7 Wild Mammals (Scot) Act 2002	1	0	0.0
S53(1) Salmon & Freshwater Fisheries (Cons) (Scot) Act 2003	3	0	0.0
Aviation	5	0	0.0
S24B Aviation Security Act 1982 (Stolen or prohibited items in Aerodromes)	2	0	0.0
Edinburgh Airport Byelaws 2015 (Search in interest of public safety)	3	0	0.0
Search Warrants	2 642	1 120	42.4
S109(1) Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988 (Piracy and trademark offences etc)	-	-	-
S142(1) Criminal Justice Act, 1988 (Search of premises for offensive weapons)	-	-	-
S23(3) Misuse Of Drugs Act 1971	2 526	1 084	42.9
S24(1) Forgery and Counterfeiting Act, 1981 (Search for counterfeit money)	-	-	-
S27 Deer (Scotland) Act 1996	-	-	-
S28B(4) Immigration Act 1971	-	-	-
S292(3) Mental Health Care and Treatment Scotland Act 2003	-	-	-
S42(1) Terrorism Act 2000	-	-	-
S46(1) Firearms Act 1968	30	11	36.7
Other Legislation	86	25	29.1
Proceeds of Crime	3	0	0.0
S289 Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Prior approval required - cash)	3	0	0.0
S303C Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Prior approval required - listed assets)	-	-	-
Care and Welfare	875	123	14.1
S66 Criminal Justice (Scot) Act 2016	875	123	14.1
Protection of Life	57	18	31.6
S20/32 Police & Fire Reform (Scot) Act 2012	57	18	31.6
Other	16	4	25.0
S20/32 Police & Fire Reform (Scot) Act 2012	16	4	25.0
Total Searches	36 307	14 089	38.8

1 - The search type 'Other' refers to when an officer believes it is necessary to conduct a search that is not for the protection of life and where no specific statutory power exists and considers their actions to be justified.

2 - Positive rates for searches under the Terrorism Act 2000 are not published for operational and security reasons. Statistical information about the operation of police powers under the Terrorism Act 2000 is available at <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/operation-of-police-powers-under-the-terrorism-act-2000>.

Table 1.3
Search Outcomes - Police Scotland
Period: April 2018 to March 2019

Disposal	Number of Searches	% Of Total Searches
Fixed Penalty Notice	131	0.4
SPR2	10 023	27.6
No Further Action	14 863	40.9
IVPD	1 575	4.3
SID Log	11 047	30.4
Recorded Police Warning	4 427	12.2

Key: SPR2 – Standard Prosecution Reports
IVPD – Interim Vulnerable Persons Database
SID - Scottish Intelligence Database

3 - Any anomalies in percentage changes are due to rounding up to the nearest decimal place.

4 - Some searches are recorded with more than one disposal so totals will not equal the actual number of stop and searches.

5 - A search can have more than one disposal from the list and provides the outcome and/or further action taken by officers.

6 - The NSSU do not currently validate disposals on the National Stop and Search Database against other recording systems. This information is captured for internal management purposes only.

7 - SPR2 is a new category of disposal introduced on the 11 May 2017 to meet reporting requirements of the Code of Practice.

Table 1.4
Stop and Search Receipts - Police Scotland
Period: April 2018 to March 2019

	Number of Searches	Receipts Issued	Issue Rate (%)
Force	36 307	30 267	83.4

8 - Officers may not issue a receipt if the person searched refuses to accept it or if the officer is called to an urgent incident. In all cases the record will be subject to a review to ensure compliance with the Code of Practice.

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Table 2.1
Main Item Found Classification by Search Reason - Police Scotland
 Period: April 2018 to March 2019

Reason for Search	Total Positive Searches	Main Item Found Classification											
		Drugs	NPS	Stolen Property	Weapons	Firearms	Fireworks	Controlled Container	Controlled Article	Alcohol	Tobacco and Cigarette Papers	Money	Other
Drugs	11 160	10 749	55	33	315	6	1	-	-	105	108	38	99
New Psychoactive Substances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stolen Property	1 172	184	5	946	48	2	1	-	-	38	10	3	65
Weapons	468	119	1	6	361	2	-	-	-	7	4	-	10
Firearms	17	4	-	-	1	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Fireworks	5	1	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Aviation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wildlife	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sporting Events	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-
Public Order	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Proceed of Crime	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Care & Welfare	123	79	2	-	26	-	-	-	-	6	4	1	7
Warrant	1120	1 085	7	11	8	12	-	-	-	-	4	14	11
Protection of Life	18	9	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	3
Other	4	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-
Force	14 089	12 231	70	997	766	35	6	1	-	162	130	56	196

9 - Items found may be higher than total positive searches as multiple items may be found in one search.

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Table 2.2
Drugs found by Local Authority Area - Police Scotland
 Period: April 2018 to March 2019

Local Authority	Class A	Class B	Class C	NPS	Total
Number of searches where drugs were found					
North					
Highland	191	527	129	7	854
Orkney Islands	3	17	1	-	21
Shetland Islands	28	30	5	-	63
Eilean Siar	7	12	1	-	20
Aberdeen City	239	517	65	1	822
Aberdeenshire	155	395	37	4	591
Moray	39	93	11	-	143
Perth & Kinross	69	126	21	3	219
Dundee	225	278	135	6	644
Angus	37	76	22	-	135
East					
Fife	127	326	90	2	545
East Lothian	37	120	10	-	167
Edinburgh City	216	517	77	4	814
Midlothian	38	171	26	3	238
Scottish Borders	55	141	16	2	214
West Lothian	30	138	11	3	182
Clackmannanshire	13	60	20	1	94
Falkirk	69	256	62	2	389
Stirling	44	188	43	1	276
West					
Argyll & Bute	40	173	18	-	231
East Ayrshire	105	235	103	2	445
East Dunbartonshire	33	139	25	-	197
East Renfrewshire	11	157	17	1	186
Glasgow City	420	1,080	471	2	1 973
Inverclyde	59	144	74	6	283
North Ayrshire	60	157	43	1	261
North Lanarkshire	168	669	102	4	943
Renfrewshire	129	377	85	2	593
South Ayrshire	94	133	44	-	271
South Lanarkshire	87	346	67	2	502
West Dunbartonshire	59	310	67	1	437
Dumfries & Galloway	110	314	49	10	483
Force	2 997	8 222	1 947	70	13 236

10 - Due to multiple items being found in one search, the totals will not reflect the overall number of searches.

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Table 2.3
Weapons found by Local Authority Area - Police Scotland
 Period: April 2018 to March 2019

Local Authority	Bladed Instrument	Blunt Instrument	Pointed Article	Pointed Instrument	Other	Total
Number of searches where weapons were found						
North						
Highland	21	5	2	-	6	34
Orkney Islands	1	-	-	-	-	1
Shetland Islands	2	-	-	-	-	2
Eilean Siar	-	-	-	-	1	1
Aberdeen City	20	9	6	-	7	42
Aberdeenshire	11	1	2	-	5	19
Moray	2	3	-	-	-	5
Perth & Kinross	7	-	3	-	2	12
Dundee	21	9	8	-	9	47
Angus	8	5	7	-	2	22
East						
Fife	21	3	10	-	6	40
East Lothian	6	5	2	-	-	13
Edinburgh City	41	13	11	-	8	73
Midlothian	6	2	3	-	-	11
Scottish Borders	7	1	1	-	1	10
West Lothian	6	1	2	-	-	9
Clackmannanshire	3	-	4	-	-	7
Falkirk	14	5	2	-	2	23
Stirling	11	1	-	-	3	15
West						
Argyll & Bute	5	-	3	-	-	8
East Ayrshire	11	3	6	-	-	20
East Dunbartonshire	4	1	-	-	1	6
East Renfrewshire	4	-	1	-	2	7
Glasgow City	85	16	19	-	11	131
Inverclyde	9	6	3	-	3	21
North Ayrshire	9	5	1	-	-	15
North Lanarkshire	45	21	16	-	5	87
Renfrewshire	24	9	6	-	4	43
South Ayrshire	8	3	8	-	2	21
South Lanarkshire	40	5	4	-	-	49
West Dunbartonshire	20	4	4	-	2	30
Dumfries & Galloway	10	4	4	-	5	23
Force	482	140	138	-	87	847

11 - Due to multiple items being found in one search, the totals will not reflect the overall number of searches.

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Table 2.4
Other Items found by Local Authority Area - Police Scotland
 Period: April 2018 to March 2019

Local Authority	Firearms	Fireworks	Stolen Property	Alcohol	Other	Total
Number of searches where other items were found						
North						
Highland	1	-	42	2	7	52
Orkney Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shetland Islands	-	-	-	1	-	1
Eilean Siar	-	-	3	1	-	4
Aberdeen City	3	-	55	8	16	82
Aberdeenshire	2	-	17	15	11	45
Moray	-	-	3	4	-	7
Perth & Kinross	-	-	45	2	6	53
Dundee	-	1	95	4	16	116
Angus	-	-	13	-	6	19
East						
Fife	2	-	54	9	10	75
East Lothian	2	-	2	2	1	7
Edinburgh City	5	2	71	7	30	115
Midlothian	1	-	9	-	1	11
Scottish Borders	1	-	12	1	3	17
West Lothian	1	1	5	5	2	14
Clackmannanshire	-	-	12	2	2	16
Falkirk	1	-	17	3	3	24
Stirling	-	-	10	-	5	15
West						
Argyll & Bute	-	-	9	4	5	18
East Ayrshire	1	-	47	2	4	54
East Dunbartonshire	1	-	7	-	1	9
East Renfrewshire	-	-	2	3	1	6
Glasgow City	6	1	52	12	15	86
Inverclyde	1	-	17	3	4	25
North Ayrshire	-	-	16	5	5	26
North Lanarkshire	2	-	51	11	10	74
Renfrewshire	1	1	133	14	14	163
South Ayrshire	1	-	91	1	6	99
South Lanarkshire	2	-	45	18	3	68
West Dunbartonshire	-	-	20	12	2	34
Dumfries & Galloway	1	-	42	11	7	61
Force	35	6	997	162	196	1 396

12 - Due to multiple items being found in one search, the totals will not reflect the overall number of searches.

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Table 3.1
Searches by Ethnicity/National Origin - Police Scotland
 Period: April 2018 to March 2019

Ethnicity/National Origin	Number of Searches	Positive Searches	Positive Rate (%)
Number			
White Scottish	29 814	11 720	39.3
White British Other	2 638	1 022	38.7
White Irish	112	43	38.4
White Gypsy/Traveller	33	9	27.3
White Polish	591	224	37.9
White Other	636	225	35.4
Any Mixed Ethnic Group	235	78	33.2
Pakistani	462	189	40.9
Indian	71	25	35.2
Bangladeshi	16	8	50.0
Chinese	19	9	47.4
Asian Other	143	56	39.2
African, African Scottish, African British	154	54	35.1
African Other	49	21	42.9
Caribbean, Caribbean Scottish or Caribbean British	62	21	33.9
Black, Black Scottish or Black British	217	85	39.2
Black Other	-	-	-
Arab, Arab Scottish, Arab British	54	20	37.0
Other Ethnic Group	164	54	32.9
Not Provided/Unknown	837	226	27.0
Percentage			
White Scottish	82.1	83.2	
White British Other	7.3	7.3	
White Irish	0.3	0.3	
White Gypsy/Traveller	0.1	0.1	
White Polish	1.6	1.6	
White Other	1.8	1.6	
Any Mixed Ethnic Group	0.6	0.6	
Pakistani	1.3	1.3	
Indian	0.2	0.2	
Bangladeshi	0.0	0.1	
Chinese	0.1	0.1	
Asian Other	0.4	0.4	
African, African Scottish, African British	0.4	0.4	
African Other	0.1	0.1	
Caribbean, Caribbean Scottish or Caribbean British	0.2	0.1	
Black, Black Scottish or Black British	0.6	0.6	
Black Other	-	-	
Arab, Arab Scottish, Arab British	0.1	0.1	
Other Ethnic Group	0.5	0.4	
Not Provided/Unknown	2.3	1.6	

13 - Any anomalies in percentage changes are due to rounding up to the nearest decimal place.

Table 3.2
Searches by Age and Gender - Police Scotland
 Period: April 2018 to March 2019

Demographic	Number of Searches	Positive Searches	Positive Rate (%)
Gender			
	Number		
Male	30 982	12 165	39.3
Female	5 325	1 924	36.1
Not Provided	-	-	-
Age Group			
1 - 11 Years	10	2	20.0
12 - 15 Years	1 958	488	24.9
16 - 17 Years	2 817	929	33.0
18 - 19 Years	3 617	1 390	38.4
20 - 24 Years	6 644	2 822	42.5
25 - 29 Years	4 947	2 143	43.3
30 - 39 Years	8 937	3 532	39.5
40 - 49 Years	5 377	2 099	39.0
50 - 59 Years	1 601	581	36.3
60 - 69 Years	247	86	34.8
70 Years and Over	48	16	33.3
Age Unknown	104	1	1.0
Gender			
	Percentage		
Male	85.3	86.3	
Female	14.7	13.7	
Not Provided	-	-	
Age Group			
1 - 11 Years	0.0	0.0	
12 - 15 Years	5.4	3.5	
16 - 17 Years	7.8	6.6	
18 - 19 Years	10.0	9.9	
20 - 24 Years	18.3	20.0	
25 - 29 Years	13.6	15.2	
30 - 39 Years	24.6	25.1	
40 - 49 Years	14.8	14.9	
50 - 59 Years	4.4	4.1	
60 - 69 Years	0.7	0.6	
70 Years and Over	0.1	0.1	
Age Unknown	0.3	0.0	

14 - All 10 searches of persons in the age group '1-11' have been reviewed by the NSSU and met the expected criteria.

15 - The 104 searches in the age group 'Age Unknown' refer to records where nominal details were withheld or 'Age Unknown' boxes have been ticked. Officers are required to make an estimate whether the persons searched was under the age of 18 years. Of the 104 searches 98 were for persons estimated by reporting officers to be 18 years of age or over and 8 were for persons estimated to be under the age of 18.

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Table 4.1
Use of powers under Section 60 Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 - Police Scotland
Period: April 2018 to March 2019

A total of 4 Section 60 Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 authorisations recorded as detailed in the table below:

Authorisation Date	Local Authority Area	Authorising Officer Rank	Authorisation Type	Number of Searches
09/05/2018	City of Edinburgh	Assistant Chief Constable	Pre-Planned	0
13/05/2018	City of Edinburgh	Assistant Chief Constable	Pre-Planned	2
21/07/2018	Glasgow City	Assistant Chief Constable	Spontaneous	0
27/03/2019	West Lothian	Superintendent	Spontaneous	5

16 - Both pre-planned authorisations related football fixtures, one on 09/05/2018 between Heart of Midlothian and Hibernian and the other on 13/05/2018 between Hibernian and Rangers. The spontaneous authorisation related to a demonstration in Glasgow City Centre and public planned violence in West Lothian.

Table 5.1
Items Seized - Police Scotland
Period: April 2018 to March 2019

Seizure Type	Number of Seizures	Percentage (%)
Alcohol	2 067	95.2
Tobacco and Tobacco Products	121	5.6
Total Seizure Incidents	2 172	

17 - Multiple items may have been seized in one incident, so total seizures will not equal the total of items seized.

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Table 5.2
Seizures by Legislation - Police Scotland
 Period: April 2018 to March 2019

Legislation	Number of Seizures
Alcohol	2 014
Local authority byelaws	1 268
S61 Crime and Punishment (Scotland) Act 1997	687
S61 Crime and Punishment (Scotland) Act 1997 Suspected of supply of alcohol to under 18s	59
Tobacco	105
S7 Tobacco and Primary Medical Services (Scotland) Act 2010	105
Alcohol and Tobacco	53
Local authority byelaws and S7 Tobacco and Primary Medical Services (Scotland) Act 2010	2
S61 Crime and Punishment (Scotland) Act 1997 and S7 Tobacco and Primary Medical Services (Scotland) Act 2010	51
S61 Crime and Punishment (Scotland) Act 1997 Suspected of supply of alcohol to under 18s and S7 Tobacco and Primary Medical Services (Scotland) Act 2010	-
Total Seizure Incidents	2 172

18 - Total Seizure Incidents is a count of the unique seizure incidents recorded on the National Stop and Search Database. These Incidents may not equate to seizure types as there can be multiple seizures carried out in the one incident.

Table 5.3
Seizure Outcomes - Police Scotland
Period: April 2018 to March 2019

Disposal Type	Number of Seizures	Percentage (%)
Fixed Penalty Notice	159	7.3
SPR2 (Standard Prosecution Reports)	562	25.9
No Further Action	815	37.5
IVPD	199	9.2
SID Log	40	1.8
Recorded Police Warning	459	21.1

19 - Any anomalies in percentage changes are due to rounding up to the nearest decimal place.

20- The NSSU do not validate disposals on the National Stop and Search Database against other recording systems. This information is captured for internal management purposes only.

21 - There may be more than one disposal type for each seizure, meaning total disposal figures will not be equal to the total number of seizures.

Table 5.4
Seizures by Ethnicity/National Origin - Police Scotland
 Period: April 2018 to March 2019

Ethnicity/National Origin	Number of Seizures
	Number
White Scottish	1 957
White British Other	118
White Irish	5
White Gypsy/Traveller	3
White Polish	26
White Other	23
Any Mixed Ethnic Group	3
Pakistani	3
Indian	-
Bangladeshi	-
Chinese	2
Asian Other	1
African, African Scottish, African British	5
African Other	2
Caribbean, Caribbean Scottish or Caribbean British	-
Black, Black Scottish or Black British	2
Black Other	-
Arab, Arab Scottish, Arab British	-
Other Ethnic Group	3
Not Provided/Unknown	19
	Percentage
White Scottish	90.1
White British Other	5.4
White Irish	0.2
White Gypsy/Traveller	0.1
White Polish	1.2
White Other	1.1
Any Mixed Ethnic Group	0.1
Pakistani	0.1
Indian	-
Bangladeshi	-
Chinese	0.1
Asian Other	0.0
African, African Scottish, African British	0.2
African Other	0.1
Caribbean, Caribbean Scottish or Caribbean British	-
Black, Black Scottish or Black British	0.1
Black Other	-
Arab, Arab Scottish, Arab British	-
Other Ethnic Group	0.1
Not Provided/Unknown	0.9

22 - Any anomalies in percentage changes are due to rounding up to the nearest decimal place.

Table 5.5
Seizures by Age and Gender - Police Scotland
 Period: April 2018 to March 2019

Demographic	Number of Seizures
Gender	
	Number
Male	1 640
Female	532
Not Provided	-
Age Group	
1 - 11 Years	-
12 - 15 Years	452
16 - 17 Years	536
18 - 19 Years	160
20 - 24 Years	156
25 - 29 Years	132
30 - 39 Years	315
40 - 49 Years	256
50 - 59 Years	123
60 - 69 Years	34
70 Years and Over	1
Age Unknown	7
Gender	
	Percentage
Male	75.5
Female	24.5
Not Provided	-
Age Group	
1 - 11 Years	-
12 - 15 Years	20.8
16 - 17 Years	24.7
18 - 19 Years	7.4
20 - 24 Years	7.2
25 - 29 Years	6.1
30 - 39 Years	14.5
40 - 49 Years	11.8
50 - 59 Years	5.7
60 - 69 Years	1.6
70 Years and Over	0.0
Age Unknown	0.3

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