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## **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002**

I refer to your recent request for information which has been handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

For ease of reference, your request is replicated below together with the response.

**I am writing to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act.**

### **Part 1: Recorded crime data**

**Recorded crime data broken down monthly and by Scottish Data Zone from Jan 2011 to the most recent full month of data available.**

**I have already examined a number of previous FOI requests made to Police Scotland (e.g. IM-FOI-2021-2440) but this does not satisfy my request. For example, in 2021-2440, the data supplied uses groupings of offences which does not provide the information I am requesting.**

**I would like to receive the data at the level of specific SGJD offence codes rather than at the aggregated SGJD groupings.**

**I would like to receive the data in an Excel or comparable spreadsheet format, and subject to availability, would expect the following columns to be incorporated in the response:**

**Scottish DataZone Name  
Scottish DataZone Code  
Calendar Year  
Calendar Month  
SGJD Offence Group  
SGJD Offence Code  
SGJD Offence Name  
Sum of recorded crimes**

### **Part 2: Recorded crime clear-up data**

**Recorded crime clear-up data broken down monthly and by Scottish Data Zone from Jan 2011 to the most recent full month of data available.**

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I am aware of the data published by Statistics Scotland in relation to crime clear-up data, however, this does not provide the information sought and they do not hold this information. I would like to receive the data at the level of specific Data Zones and SGJD offence codes rather than the SGJD groupings.

I would like to receive the data in an Excel or comparable spreadsheet format, and subject to availability, would expect the following columns to be incorporated in the response:

**Scottish DataZone Name**  
**Scottish DataZone Code**  
**Calendar Year**  
**Calendar Month**  
**SGJD Offence Group**  
**SGJD Offence Code**  
**SGJD Offence Name**  
**Clear-up/detection/disposal outcome (as recorded on Police Scotland systems)**  
**Sum of relevant offences (for each outcome)**

Please find the requested information in the attached spreadsheets. I would ask you to carefully note the caveats included with each set of data. I would also ask you to note that by "Recorded crime clear-up data" we have interpreted this as detected crime data.

Should you require any further assistance please contact Information Management quoting the reference number given.

If you are dissatisfied with the way in which Police Scotland has dealt with your request, you are entitled, in the first instance, to request a review of our actions and decisions.

Your request must specify the matter which gives rise to your dissatisfaction and it must be submitted within 40 working days of receiving this response - either by email to [foi@scotland.police.uk](mailto:foi@scotland.police.uk) or by post to Information Management (Disclosure), Police Scotland, Clyde Gateway, 2 French Street, Dalmarnock, G40 4EH.

If you remain dissatisfied following the outcome of that review, you are thereafter entitled to apply to the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner within six months for a decision. You can apply [online](#), by email to [enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info](mailto:enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info) or by post to Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS.

Should you wish to appeal against the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner's decision, there is an appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law only.

As part of our commitment to demonstrate openness and transparency in respect of the information we hold, an anonymised version of this response will be posted to the Police Scotland Freedom of Information [Disclosure Log](#) in seven days' time.