

Our Ref: IM-FOI-2022-1069
Date: 13th June 2022



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.

1. How many historic sexual abuses have been reported to police in Scotland?
2. How many such a case have been referred to the procurator's fiscal office?

Following a request for clarification of **historic** you asked for data regarding crimes that **took place some time ago**, thereafter further clarified as **in between 5 and ten years**.

All group 2 (sexual) crimes *recorded* between 1st January 2017 and 31st December 2021 were extracted and the difference in days between the 'Date Raised' and the 'Committed Date' was then calculated.

Records where the difference in days was greater than 1,825 and less than 3,650 were then selected. Recorded and detected crime data on that basis is as follows:

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Recorded Group 2 Crimes (Non-Recent)	600	505	522	614	603
Detected Group 2 Crimes (Non-Recent)	372	282	273	363	317

*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 at 8th June 2022.*

3. How many people have been arrested using Moorov doctrine?

Please be advised that Police Scotland does not record whether an individual has been arrested using the Moorov Doctrine and as such, in terms of Section 17 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, this represents a notice that the information you seek is not held by Police Scotland.

Should you require any further assistance please contact Information Management Dundee, 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.

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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 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 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.