

Our Ref: IM-FOI-2022-0760  
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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 would like to know how many police officers/constables over the age of 50 have retired from the year 2017**

The table below provides the number of police constables (including detective constables) who retired on pension or medical retirement from Police Scotland since 31 March 2017. If you would like information regarding retirees of other ranks - Sergeant, Inspector etc - please let us know.

**I would also like to know how many police constables NOT officers have been hired since 2017**

The table below also provides the number of police constables who have joined Police Scotland since 31 March 2017. These individuals are *all* police officers who have the rank of police constable at the point of joining the force.

	<b>Leavers - Police Constable and Detective Constables</b>	<b>Joiners - Police Constables</b>
<b>2016/17</b>	177	719
<b>2017/18</b>	206	700
<b>2018/19</b>	233	902
<b>2019/20</b>	251	1040
<b>2020/21</b>	228	431
<b>2021/22</b>	361	323
<b>Total</b>	<b>1456</b>	<b>4115</b>

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.

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

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[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.