

Our Ref: IM-FOI-2022-1166
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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.

Please provide me with the number of officers in Police Scotland taking early retirement in each of the last five years, broken down by rank.

Clarified as officers who retire with less than 30 years' service

In response to your request, the data provided has been extracted from Police Scotland's System to Co-ordination Personnel and Establishment (SCOPE) database for leavers with a reason of 'Retirement - 25-30 Years' and presented by calendar year and rank:

Year/ Rank	PC	PS	PI	CI	SUP	CS
2017	102	52	37	10	9	1
2018	51	28	19	6	5	1
2019	54	39	16	2	5	
2020	40	19	4	3		
2021	67	33	17	3	4	
2022 (to 31 March)	20	3	3			

Should you require any further assistance please contact Information Management - Dundee at foidundee@scotland.police.uk 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 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.

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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.

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