| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information ResponseOur reference: FOI 25-1740Responded to: 11 June 2025 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## Please provide the total number of recorded football-related criminal incidents handled by Police Scotland between 1 January 2021 and 31 May 2025, broken down by year, and if possible, by the following offence types:AssaultPublic disorder / affrayAlcohol- or drug-related offencesPossession or use of pyrotechnicsCriminal damageAny other offence categorised by Police Scotland as football-relatedThis request is strictly for numerical/statistical data only and does not require case files, identities, or narrative details.

Unfortunately, I estimate that it would cost well in excess of the current FOI cost threshold of £600 to process your request. I am therefore refusing to provide the information sought in terms of section 12(1) of the Act - Excessive Cost of Compliance.

To explain, there are no flags/ markers or searchable fields within our crime recording system that would indicate a crime or offence was 'football related'.  Following a football match, details of any alleged criminality/ arrests etc would be captured in post match reports, and so whilst we may be able to provide data on a per match basis, anything more extensive is not possible.

If you require any further assistance, please contact us quoting the reference above.

You can request a review of this response within the next 40 working days by email or by letter (Information Management - FOI, Police Scotland, Clyde Gateway, 2 French Street, Dalmarnock, G40 4EH). Requests must include the reason for your dissatisfaction.

If you remain dissatisfied following our review response, you can appeal to the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner (OSIC) within 6 months - [online](https://www.foi.scot/appeal), by email or by letter (OSIC, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, KY16 9DS).

Following an OSIC appeal, you can appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law only.

This response will be added to our [Disclosure Log](http://www.scotland.police.uk/access-to-information/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log) in seven days' time.

Every effort has been taken to ensure our response is as accessible as possible. If you require this response to be provided in an alternative format, please let us know.