| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information ResponseOur reference: FOI 25-1033Responded to: 3 April 2025 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

**The number of recorded thefts involving building materials stolen being stolen for each of the last 3 calendar years (2022–2024), broken down by year.**

**If available, please also include:**

**The type or description of materials stolen (e.g. timber, cement, bricks, plasterboard, etc.)**

**The location of where the materials were stolen from such as vans, construction sites, driveways etc.**

**The number of arrests and/or charges made in connection with these incidents.**

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) - Excessive Cost of Compliance.

To explain, for the period covered by your request we have no means by which crime reports can be searched based on the nature of the stolen property.

All reports of theft and theft from vehicles would have to individually reviewed for relevance.

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.