| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 25-0132  Responded to: 27 February 2025 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## Under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide the following details:

## The number of non-crime hate incidents recorded by the police force every year, and by year, from 2009 to 2024.

I have included a table at the bottom of this letter which provides the information requested above from 2015 onwards.

Due to record retention policies, data for the period prior is not held by Police Scotland and section 17 of the Act therefore applies.

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](mailto:foi@scotland.police.uk) 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](mailto:enquiries@foi.scot) 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.

**Recorded Non-crime Hate Incidents, Police Scotland**

| **Month** | **2015** | **2016** | **2017** | **2018** | **2019** | **2020** | **2021** | **2022** | **2023** | **2024** |
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| 1 | 21 | 20 | 17 | 25 | 32 | 46 | 32 | 49 | 80 | 84 |
| 2 | 19 | 16 | 21 | 20 | 44 | 55 | 33 | 60 | 94 | 108 |
| 3 | 18 | 22 | 25 | 23 | 65 | 64 | 46 | 99 | 114 | 130 |
| 4 | 15 | 19 | 21 | 26 | 49 | 44 | 62 | 74 | 104 | 106 |
| 5 | 26 | 22 | 31 | 33 | 46 | 44 | 76 | 112 | 128 | 91 |
| 6 | 24 | 21 | 26 | 29 | 53 | 80 | 82 | 106 | 123 | 90 |
| 7 | 24 | 36 | 32 | 25 | 58 | 48 | 37 | 110 | 87 | 77 |
| 8 | 25 | 25 | 26 | 32 | 55 | 59 | 61 | 100 | 94 | 83 |
| 9 | 25 | 25 | 25 | 31 | 51 | 55 | 67 | 103 | 107 | 85 |
| 10 | 23 | 25 | 25 | 16 | 48 | 48 | 70 | 94 | 128 | 78 |
| 11 | 30 | 22 | 31 | 23 | 52 | 57 | 62 | 86 | 106 | 57 |
| 12 | 18 | 17 | 23 | 26 | 38 | 45 | 49 | 73 | 131 | 65 |
| Total | 268 | 270 | 293 | 309 | 591 | 645 | 677 | 1066 | 1296 | 1054 |

*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 of 24th February 2025.  
Incident data has been extracted from the Interim Vulnerable Persons Database (iVPD) where ‘Crime Occurred’ equals ‘No’.  
Data are collated from iVPD, which has an automated weeding and* [*retention policy*](https://www.scotland.police.uk/spa-media/nhobty5i/record-retention-sop.pdf) *built on to it*