| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 25-1174  Responded to: 06 May 2025 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

**Please provide a breakdown of the number of Special Constables in each Divisional area of Police Scotland in financial year ending 31st March 2025 carrying out duty hours in the annual ranges as specified below:**

**0 Hours recorded**

**<20 hours**

**20-96 hours**

**96-180 hours**

**180-300 hours**

**300-400 hours**

**400-500 hours**

**500-600 hours**

**>600 hours**

The below table provides a headcount figure of special constables broken down into duty hour groups, as requested, for period 1 April 2024 – 31 March 2025.

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| **Special Constable - Duty Hour Groups (2024-25)** | | | | | | | | | |
| **Division** | **0 Hours** | **<20 Hours** | **20-96 Hours** | **96-180 Hours** | **180-300 Hours** | **300-400 Hours** | **400-500 Hours** | **500-600 Hours** | **>600 Hours** |
| A Division | 27 | 10 | 16 | 15 | 5 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| C Division | 3 | 1 | 6 | 4 | 11 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| D Division | 15 | 9 | 8 | 6 | 8 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| E Division | 8 | 5 | 8 | 7 | 10 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| G Division | 10 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 9 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| J Division | 5 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| K Division | 4 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| L Division | 4 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| N Division | 13 | 7 | 9 | 0 | 19 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| P Division | 6 | 2 | 8 | 3 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Q Division | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Operational Support Division | 1 | 1 | 7 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Specialist Crime Division | 1 | 0 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| U Division | 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| V Division | 3 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |

**- Please confirm total number of duty hours carried out by Special Constables serving in each Divisional Area of Police Scotland as at 31st March 2025**

The below table provides the sum of total hours undertaken by Special Constables broken down by division from 1 April 2024 – 31 March 2025.

The sum of total hours includes hours attributed to ‘Ops’ and ‘Non Ops’ hours and have been rounded to the nearest hour.

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| **Special Constables** | |
| **Division** | **Sum of Total Hours** |
| A DIVISION | 6,760 |
| C DIVISION | 4,125 |
| D DIVISION | 4,783 |
| E DIVISION | 9,083 |
| G DIVISION | 5,996 |
| J DIVISION | 5,758 |
| K DIVISION | 980 |
| L DIVISION | 1,209 |
| N DIVISION | 6,682 |
| OPERATIONAL SUPPORT DIVISION | 2,183 |
| P DIVISION | 2,437 |
| Q DIVISION | 1,862 |
| SPECIALIST CRIME DIVISION | 1,422 |
| U DIVISION | 3,855 |
| V DIVISION | 1,349 |
| **Total** | **58,484** |

**- Please confirm number of joiners and leavers in each Divisional Area of Police Scotland as at 31st March 2025 (excluding internal transfers between Divisions)**

The below table provides a headcount total of special constable leavers and recruits broken down by division from 1 April 2024 – 31 March 2025.

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| **Special Constables** | | |
| **Division** | **Headcount of Leavers** | **Headcount of Recruits** |
| A DIVISION | 18 | 8 |
| C DIVISION | 1 | 4 |
| D DIVISION | 7 | 4 |
| E DIVISION | 6 | 12 |
| G DIVISION | 3 | 10 |
| J DIVISION | 5 | 3 |
| K DIVISION | 2 | 4 |
| L DIVISION | 4 | 3 |
| N DIVISION | 4 | 4 |
| P DIVISION | 6 | 3 |
| Q DIVISION | 1 | 2 |
| OPERATIONAL SUPPORT DIVISION | 2 | 1 |
| SPECIALIST CRIME DIVISION | 0 | 2 |
| U DIVISION | 2 | 1 |
| V DIVISION | 1 | 1 |
| **Grand Total** | **62** | **62** |

**- Please confirm the numbers of Special Constables classified as Inactive; ie Those have not deployed within a 6 month period and have had no contact with their coordinator in this period.**

Over the past six months, we have had zero inactive Special Constables.

A Special Constable is considered inactive if they have not deployed within this period and have had no contact with their coordinator.

To monitor engagement, we maintain a monthly contact list, where all interactions with Special Constables are recorded by Divisional Coordinators.

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.