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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## 1. Since February 23rd 2024 how many incidents have you attended that have involved suspected XL Bully type breeds.

## 2. How many suspected XL Bully type dogs have been seized since the 23rd February 2024?

## 3.  How many seized banned breed types have died whilst being held in Police approved kennels since the 23rd February 2024?

## 4. How many suspected banned breed types have had to be destroyed at the scene of an incident, since the 23rd February 2024?

## 5. How many of those dogs seized since the 23rd February 2024, have been returned home as not a banned breed?

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.

By way of explanation, there is no easy way to establish the requested information. The only way to collate this data in an accurate way is to manually review each dangerous dog report for relevance to the xl bully breed with a further search carried out to determine the outcome for the dog. This is an exercise that far exceeds the cost threshold set out within the Act.

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](http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal), by [email](mailto:enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info) 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.