| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 25-1255  Responded to: 18th July 2025 |
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Please, first of all, accept my sincere apologies for the delay in providing a response to your request.

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

## How many times were police called out to crimes or disturbances at airports in Scotland? (Please list by airport and year form 2020-2024?)

We asked that you provide a list of airports which you are interested in, and you provided the following:

## Aberdeen, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Glasgow Prestwick, Inverness, Dundee, and also see more below:

## • Wick John O'Groats Airport

## • Kirkwall Airport

## • Sumburgh Airport

## • Campbeltown Airport

## • Oban Airport

## • Islay Airport

## • Tiree Airport

## • Stornoway Airport

## • Barra Airport

## • Benbecula Airport

The table below details relevant recorded incidents from 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2024. A breakdown has been provided of those where police attended.

It should be noted that whilst incidents can be recorded as a result of a 101 or 999 call from a member of the public for example, they can also be recorded as a result of an officer at a premises reporting a matter via their radio to the area control room. Similarly, airports can contact the police to report an incident such as a border policing matter etc.

It would not therefore be accurate to say that the figures provided represent ‘call outs’ - or only those incidents which relate to reports of crimes or disturbances.

All statistics are provisional and should be treated as management information.   
Data was extracted from Police Scotland systems and are correct as at 10 July 2025.   
Data has been extracted based on the incident raised date.

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.

Table 1: Incidents at Airports - 1st January 2020 – 31st December 2024

| **Airport** | **2020** | | **2021** | | **2022** | | **2023** | | **2024** | |
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| Police Attended | Total Incidents | Police Attended | Total Incidents | Police Attended | Total Incidents | Police Attended | Total Incidents | Police Attended | Total Incidents |
| Aberdeen International Airport | 98 | 159 | 108 | 192 | 101 | 183 | 318 | 466 | 687 | 782 |
| Barra Airport | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Campbelltown Airport | 8 | 84 | 13 | 68 | 6 | 15 | 4 | 23 | 8 | 18 |
| Dundee Airport | 9 | 18 | 14 | 23 | 17 | 38 | 9 | 26 | 8 | 23 |
| Edinburgh Airport | 1057 | 1358 | 995 | 1259 | 2525 | 3295 | 3197 | 4334 | 3167 | 4287 |
| Glasgow Airport | 563 | 927 | 576 | 991 | 1154 | 1713 | 1368 | 2048 | 1526 | 2319 |
| Glasgow Prestwick Airport | 82 | 124 | 59 | 124 | 109 | 165 | 115 | 197 | 123 | 198 |
| Inverness Airport | 16 | 42 | 19 | 52 | 14 | 59 | 25 | 72 | 39 | 92 |
| Islay Airport | 1 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 7 | 4 | 9 |
| Kirkwall Airport | 4 | 9 | 9 | 20 | 7 | 10 | 8 | 19 | 12 | 14 |
| Oban Airport | 4 | 5 | 1 | 7 | 5 | 10 | 4 | 8 | 3 | 7 |
| Port-adhair Bheinn na Faoghla | 1 | 3 | 6 | 10 | 2 | 6 | 5 | 7 | 0 | 3 |
| Port-Adhair Steòrnabhaigh | 5 | 14 | 7 | 12 | 8 | 19 | 7 | 23 | 5 | 14 |
| Sumburgh Airport | 7 | 13 | 15 | 24 | 15 | 20 | 10 | 19 | 8 | 20 |
| Tiree Airport | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 6 |
| Wicks John O Groats Airport | 3 | 4 | 2 | 12 | 2 | 15 | 2 | 8 | 3 | 4 |
| **Total** | **1858** | **2762** | **1826** | **2803** | **3969** | **5557** | **5075** | **7258** | **5598** | **7798** |