| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 25-0323  Responded to: 20 February 2025 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## Can I please request the following information under Freedom of Information legislation for the last five financial years (2019-20 to 2023-24):

## The total number of instances in which police officers were called to attend a Scottish (a) primary school and (b) secondary school.

## For each of the instances outlined above, if possible, I would like a breakdown of the primary reasons for attendance (e.g., violent incidents, drug-related incidents, theft, vandalism, public disorder, etc.). This does not include any visits that are intended to build relationships with schools or give presentations, etc.

## If available, please provide the total number of incidents that resulted in (a) arrests, (b) charges being filed, or (c) no further action being taken.

In accordance with Sections 12(1) (Excessive cost of compliance) and 16(4) (Refusal of request) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (the Act), this letter represents a Refusal Notice.

By way of explanation, we are unable to search our systems on a locus being a school.

If there are particular schools you are interested in, you may wish to submit a request with a list of schools and addresses we could base individual searches on. However, that will also depend on the numbers involved and whether the cost exemption my still apply.

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.