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

## How many compensation payments have Police Scotland made in each year since 2019-20? Please provide data for the current year to date.

I have provided compensation payments below.

Motor Liability Claims

2019/2020 - £857,287.76

2020/2021 - £833,525.03

2021/2022 - £801,539.84

2022/2023 - £1,032,538.74

2023/2024 - £1,055,704.81

2024/2025 - £1,024,021.18

Public Liability Claims

2019/2020 - £540,236.08

2020/2020 - £492,171.42

2021/2022 - £1,683,240.13

2022/2023 - £240,784.43

2023/2024 - £319,079.51

2024/2025 - £166,850.17

Employers’ Liability and Employment Tribunal Claims

2019/2020 - £1,410,635.05

2020/2021 - £1,005,999.96

2021/2022 - £2,382,635.48

2022/2023 - £1,496,899.88

2023/2024 - £1,763,137.69

2024/2025 - £816,429.51

Other

2019 - £16,390.00

2020 - £18,490.41

2021 - £17,660.23

2022 - £13,811.42

2023 - £10,525.76

2024 - £18,033.47

2025 - £13,058.57

## In relation to Q1, could this further be broken down by claim type e.g motor accident, wrongful detention, industrial tribunal etc.

I regret to inform you that I am unable to provide you with the information you have requested, as it would prove too costly to do so within the context of the fee regulations.

As you may be aware the current cost threshold is £600 and I estimate that it would cost well in excess of this amount to process your request.

As such, and in terms of section 16(4) of the Act where section 12(1) (Excessive Cost of Compliance) has been applied, this represents a refusal notice for the information sought.

To explain, in order to break down the figures into more specific categories, e.g. wrongful detention, Tribunal etc, would require someone to manually go through each individual file to ascertain the exact nature of the claim. For Employers’ liability and Public liability, to ascertain the nature of the claim, would require looking at in excess of 550 files. I have therefore estimated it would take approximately 10 minutes per file and would cost £1,375.

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.