

Table 1

No. of stop and searches recorded in Scotland

Broken down by calendar year and legacy Police Force area (incl PS Division)

Where search date between 1 January 2000 and 31 March 2017

Calendar Year	Scotland total	Central (Forth Valley Division)	Fife (Fife Division)	Grampian (North East Division)	Lothian & Borders (Edinburgh City & Lothians and Scottish Borders Divisions)	Northern (Highlands and Islands Division)	Police Scotland (All PS Divisions) ¹	Strathclyde (Greater Glasgow, Ayrshire, Lanarkshire, Argyll and West Dunbartonshire & Renfrewshire and Inverclyde Divisions)	Tayside (Tayside Division)
January to December, 2000	115		2					71	42
January to December, 2001	115	3				1		103	8
January to December, 2002	114							114	
January to December, 2003	154				7			147	
January to December, 2004	67 091	675			69	2 286		64 058	3
January to December, 2005	96 935	859			1 713	4 021		90 341	1
January to December, 2006	128 745	742			8 358	4 475		115 163	7
January to December, 2007	173 193	553			9 737	4 236		155 514	3 153
January to December, 2008	234 557	550			13 304	3 513		212 282	4 908
January to December, 2009	353 268	4 569	3 989		28 228	4 487		303 479	8 516
January to December, 2010	432 380	10 672	3 549		31 803	5 058		373 452	7 846
January to December, 2011	538 976	8 987	2 262		33 970	6 008		478 094	9 655
January to December, 2012	663 613	6 580	2 145	6 882	33 243	6 130		599 129	9 504
January to December, 2013	682 839	2 059	234	2 263	43 219	1 261	438 470	192 273	3 060
January to December, 2014	472 343				36 359		377 048	58 936	
January to December, 2015	173 901				9 084		145 253	19 564	
January to December, 2016	50 976						50 976		
January to March, 2017	9 809						9 809		
Total	4 079 124	36 249	12 181	9 145	249 094	41 476	1 021 556	2 662 720	46 703

Data extracted on 23 December 2021, from NPM database, by DPU

¹ Police Scotland was formed on 1 April 2013.² The stop and search data held in the NPM database is extracted from a combination of legacy Police force sources and National (Police Scotland) sources.³ Data collection appears to have started in January 2004 (Central), April 2004 (Strathclyde), May 2004 (Northern), Lothian & Borders (January 2005), February 2007 (Tayside), May 2009 (Fife), April 2012 (Grampian), April 2013 (Police Scotland). Prior to the introduction of Police Scotland in April 2013, no data is available for legacy Dumfries & Galloway (PS Dumfries and Galloway Division).