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

## The number of arrests made at the following music festivals in 2022, 2023, and 2024, broken down by arresting offence:

## TRNSMT Festival HebCelt Festival Belladrum Tartan Heart Festival

## Where possible, please use Home Office offence classifications for consistency across police forces.

## For each year (2022, 2023, and 2024), please provide data for the duration of the festival, including any days before/after if arrests are recorded in connection with the event.

The information requested is provided below.

Please note that Home Office Crime Classifications and codes do not extend to Scotland.

Crimes in Scotland are recorded in accordance with the [Scottish Government Justice Department (SGJD)](https://www.gov.scot/publications/user-guide-recorded-crime-statistics-scotland-3/documents/) offence classifications.

Please also note that level of detail recorded varies across the events and years - where arrest data specifically has not been recorded, we have instead provided data on recorded crimes and offences, which I trust will be of assistance.

Please note that there are situations whereby a person must be released from police custody - effectively they are ‘de-arrested’ - where the reasonable grounds for suspicion no longer exist.

As such, the data in relation to each event/ date, where it is presented collectively, may not add up to the specific number of recorded arrests/ reports.

**TRNSMT - Friday 8 July 2022 - 10 arrests**

1 x Theft

5 x S.38

2 x S.38 (Racial)

1 x S.38 and police assault

1 x assault, SOSA, S.38 (Sexual)

**TRNSMT - Saturday 9 July 2022 - 6 arrests**

1 x S.38, Resist Arrest, S58 1(B) CLCSA

1 x Breach of Bail (External)

1 x S38 (Homophobic)

1 x Assault on steward

1 x Suspicion of S2 SOSA

1 x Breach of curfew

**TRNSMT - Sunday 10 July 2022 - 10 arrests**

1 x Offensive weapon, S5(3) MDA

1 x Assault (External) 1 x BOP & 2 x Police Assaults

1 x BOP

1 x S12CYP & Resist Arrest

1 x Breach of Bail

1 x SEC 1 SOSA 2010

1 x BOP, Resist Arrest, Police Assault

1 x BOP, Resist Arrest

1 x Breach of Bail

**TRNSMT - Friday 7 July 2023**

In relation to this event, the number of arrests is specifically recorded as 3.  
It is further recorded that there were 11 reports.   
The data as to which are which, is however held collectively in varying detail as follows:

2 x S5(2) MDA - Report (External)

1 x S5(2) MDA - Report (External)

1 x S5(2) MDA - Report (Internal)

1 x S5(2) MDA - Report (Internal)

1 x Serious Assault- Crime Report (External)

1 x Serious Assault- Crime Report (Internal)

1 x S38 - Arrest (External)

1 x Assault - Crime Report (External)

1 x S38 - Arrest (External)

1 x S3 SOSA - Internal

1 x Assault - Crime Report (Internal)

1 x Domestic Assault - Custody (External)

1 x Assault & Theft - Crime Report (External)

**TRNSMT - Saturday 8 July 2023**

In relation to this event, the number of arrests is specifically recorded as 11.  
It is further recorded that there were 12 reports.   
The data as to which are which, is however held collectively in varying detail as follows:

1 x Police Assault, Resist Arrest, Fraud, Attempt Pervert - Arrested (Internal)

1 x S5(2) MDA - Report (Internal)

1 x S5(2) MDA - Report (Internal)

1 x S38, Resist Arrest, Police Assault - Arrested (Internal)

1 x Assault - Arrested (Internal)

1 x S5(2) MDA- Report (Internal)

1 x S38 & Resist Arrest - Arrested (Internal)

2 x S5(2) MDA - Reported (Internal)

1 x Drugging - Arrested (Internal)

1 x S12 CYP - Arrested (Internal)

1 x Assault - Crime Report (Internal)

1 x Assault (Spiking)

1 x Assault - Crime Report

1 x S4(2) MDA - Arrested (Internal)

1 x Domestic S38 - Arrested (Internal)

1 x S5(2) MDA (Valium) - Report

1 x S5(2) MDA (Cannabis) & 1 x POCA Seizure - Arrested

1 x S38

1 x Assault & S5(2) MDA- Arrested

1 x BOP, Resist Arrest & Police Assault - Arrested

1 x BOP - Reported

2 x S38 - Arrested

**TRNSMT - Sunday 9 July 2023**

In relation to this event, the number of arrests is specifically recorded as 13.  
It is further recorded that there were 10 reports.   
The data as to which are which, is however held collectively in varying detail as follows:

1 x Assault, Racial S38 & Resist Arrest - Arrested

1 x S4(3)b MDA- Arrested

1 x Assault, 3 x Police Assault & 1 x Resist Arrest - Arrested

1 x Assault & 1 x S38 (Racial) - Report

2 x Police Assault, Resist Arrest, S38 - Arrested

1 x S3 SOSA - Arrested

1 x S7 CGSA - Report

1 x Drugging - Crime Report

1 x S5(2) MDA, S23(4) MDA & 1 x Street Drinking - Arrested

1 x Assault - Reported (No Injury)

1 x S5(2) MDA- Report

1 x S38, Police Assault & Resist Arrest - Arrested

1 x BOP, S47 (Bottle), Resist Arrest & Police Assault - Arrested

3 x BOP - All Arrested

1 x Breach of Bail - Arrested

**TRNSMT - Friday 12 July 2024**

In relation to this event, the number of arrests is specifically recorded as 16.  
It is further recorded that there were 14 reports.   
The data as to which are which, is however held collectively in varying detail as follows:

4 x S5(2) MDA - Reported

1 x Assault, Police Assault, & Attempt to Pervert - Reported

1 x S38 & Police Assault - Reported

1 x S38, Police Assault, Resist Arrest, Obstruction & Vandalism - Arrested

1 x Assault on paramedic (Spitting)

1 x Breach of Bail & Locate Trace - Arrested

1 x Locate Trace - Arrested

1 x S38 - Arrested

1 x S38 - Arrested

1 x S38 - Arrested

1 x S38 (Sectarian)

1 x S38 (Homophobic)

1 x Breach of Bail - Arrested

**TRNSMT - Saturday 13 July 2024**

In relation to this event, the number of arrests is specifically recorded as 18.  
It is further recorded that there were 9 reports.   
The data as to which are which, is however held collectively in varying detail as follows:

1 x S5(3) MDA - Arrested, released on report

1 x S4(3) MDA - Arrested released on report (Not linked to event)

1 x BOP & Police Assault - Arrested released on report

1 x Domestic Assault - Arrested and released without charge

1 x S5(2) - Arrested, released on report

1 x S5(2) MDA - Arrested, released on report

1 x S3 SOSA - Arrested, released on undertaking

1 x Dangerous Dogs - Arrested, released on undertaking (Not linked to event)

1 x S38 & S5(2) MDA - Arrested, released on report

4 x Police Assault, S38 & Resist Arrest - Arrested, released on report

1 x S3 SOSA - Arrested, released on report

1 x S4 RTA, S38 & other RTA Offences - Arrested, custody (Not linked to event)

1 x Warrant - Arrested, custody

1 x Warrant - Arrested, Custody (Not linked to event)

1 x Domestic Assault & S38 - Arrested

1 x S1 SOSA - Arrested, released on lib

1 x Operating without pedlars certificate - Report

6 x RTA offences - Report

1 x S38 & Obstruction - Report

1 x S35 Firework & Pyrotechnic Act - Crime Report

1 x Serious Assault - Crime Report

1 x Serious Assault - Crime Report (External)

1 x S3 SOSA - Crime Report

**TRNSMT - Sunday 14 July 2024**

In relation to this event, the number of arrests is specifically recorded as 20.  
It is further recorded that there were 20 reports.   
The data as to which are which, is however held collectively in varying detail as follows:

1 x S.5(3) MDA 1971 - Released on report

1 x S.38 CJLSA & Street Drinking - Released

1 x Warrant/Locate Trace - Custody

1 x Breach of U/T - Custody

1 x S38 & attempt rescue - Released

1 x Police Assault - Released

1 x S38, Police Assault & S5(2) MDA

1 x S38 - Custody

1 x S38 - Released

1 x S5A RTA & S5(2)MDA - Custody

1 x Warrant - Custody

1 x Assault - Released

1 x S38 CJLSA, Police Assault (no injury), Resist Arrest - Arrested

1 x Assault - Arrested

2 x Assault (steward) - Arrested

1 x S38 - Arrested

1 x Assault - Arrested

1 x Street Drinking & Attempt to pervert - Report

1 x Street Drinking

1 x Street Drinking - Report

1 x Street Drinking - Report

1 x S1 Licensing Act - Report

**Belladrum Tartan Heart Festival - 2022 - 31 crimes/ offences**

Assaults - 6

Drugs - 12

Road Policing Offences - 9

Threatening/Abusive behaviour - 2

Other - 2

**Belladrum Tartan Heart Festival - 2023 - 29 crimes/ offences**

Assaults - 6

Drugs - 9

Road Policing Offences - 7

Theft - 2

Threatening/Abusive behaviour - 5

**Belladrum Tartan Heart Festival - 2024 - 33 crimes/ offences**

Assaults - 2

Drugs - 22

Road policing Offences - 2

Theft - 2

Obstruct Police - 4

Threatening/Abusive behaviour - 1

**Hebcelt Festival -** 2022 - 8 **crimes/ offences**

Threatening/Abusive behaviour - 3 Youth Offending  
Drugs - 3  
Resist Arrest - 1 Youth Offending  
Refuse to Leave - 1 Youth Offending

**Hebcelt Festival -** 2023 - 2 **crimes/ offences**

Drugs - 2

**Hebcelt Festival -** 2024 - 2 **crimes/ offences**

Drugs - 2

If you require any further assistance, please contact us quoting the reference above.

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Following an OSIC appeal, you can appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law only.

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