| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 25-1321  Responded to: 18 June 2025 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

**I am writing to request the following information. Please can the information be broken down for each year between January 2020 - April 2025:**

**1) How many cases have been recorded by your force between January 2020 and April 2025 for the following offences:**

**disclosing, threatening to disclose, private sexual photographs and films with or without intent to cause distress**

**Sharing or threatening to share intimate photograph or film**

**Voyeurism**

Please note caveats below the tables.

*Table 1: Recorded selected Group 2 offences – 1 Jan 2020 – 30 April 2025*

| **Offence** | **2020** | **2021** | **2022** | **2023** | **2024** | **2025** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Voyeurism – Male and Female (below 13) | 27 | 36 | 48 | 57 | 57 | 20 |
| Voyeurism – Male and Female (13-15) | 32 | 42 | 56 | 70 | 48 | 13 |
| Disclosure of an intimate image | 435 | 490 | 506 | 534 | 447 | 166 |
| Voyeurism | 344 | 532 | 517 | 497 | 499 | 167 |
| **Total** | **838** | **1,100** | **1,127** | **1,158** | **1,051** | **366** |

**2) Can you provide any further information about these cases and include the outcome of each case in 1)?**

Detected crimes are those where an accused has been identified and there exists a sufficiency of evidence under Scots Law to justify consideration of criminal proceedings.

*Table 2: Detected**selected Group 2 offences – 1 Jan 2020 – 30 April 2025*

| **Offence** | **2020** | **2021** | **2022** | **2023** | **2024** | **2025** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Voyeurism – Male and Female (below 13) | 20 | 19 | 25 | 36 | 36 | 15 |
| Voyeurism – Male and Female (13-15) | 14 | 18 | 20 | 35 | 28 | 5 |
| Disclosure of an intimate image | 210 | 200 | 211 | 207 | 196 | 80 |
| Voyeurism | 166 | 132 | 142 | 171 | 250 | 52 |
| **Total** | **410** | **369** | **398** | **449** | **510** | **152** |

*All statistics are provisional and should be treated as management information. All data have been extracted from Police Scotland internal systems and are correct as at 30th April 2025.*

*The data was extracted using the crime's raised (table 1) and recorded (table 2) date and by using following SGJD codes:*

*201640 - Disclosure of an intimate image*

*201704 - Voyeurism*

*201624 - Voyeurism – M&F (below 13)*

*201638 - Voyeurism – M&F (13-15)*

**3)  The number of cases involving threats to share intimate photographs or films in which alleged victims were unwilling or unable to contribute to police efforts to prosecute the alleged offender, between January 2020 and April 2025.**

**Can you include the outcome and/or reason why the alleged victim did not continue with police efforts to prosecute the alleged offender.**

Unfortunately, I estimate that it would cost well in excess of the current FOI cost threshold of £600 to process your request. I am therefore refusing to provide the information sought in terms of section 12(1) of the Act - Excessive Cost of Compliance.

By way of explanation, to obtain this information would require a manual review of all records**.** As such, this is an exercise which would exceed the cost limit set out in the Fees Regulations.

**4) The number of convictions and outcomes made each year between 2020 - 2025 for the following offences:**

**disclosing, threatening to disclose, private sexual photographs and films with or without intent to cause distress**

**Sharing or threatening to share intimate photograph or film**

**Voyeurism**

**5) The number of convictions involving threats to share intimate photographs or films by repeat offenders.**

**Can you include the outcome for each conviction**

Police Scotland does not hold criminal conviction/ prosecution data and section 17 of the Act therefore applies. You may wish to contact the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service (COPFS) and/ or the Scottish Courts Service.

**6)  The number of reports of threats to share photographs or films which show, or appear to show, someone in an intimate state - This would be a breach of Section 188(4) of the Online Safety Act 2023**

**Can you include the outcome of each report**

The information sought is not held by Police Scotland and section 17 of the Act therefore applies.

By way of explanation, Section 188(4) of the Online Safety Act 2023 does not extend to Scotland.

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.