| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 25-2063  Responded to: 24th July 2025 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## Knife Crime Statistics for East Dunbartonshire and Scotland as a whole. Exact crime type – Crime where a knife was used in the execution of that crime or a where a knife was found on an individual (so carrying an offensive weapon). Exact Locations for EDC                             Bearsden                             Bishopbriggs                             Kirkintilloch                             Lennoxton                                                        Lenzie                             Milngavie                             Milton of Campsie                             Torrance                             Tweechar Time Periods, 2020 – 2023, 2023 – 2024, 2024-2025

## The information sought is held by Police Scotland, but I am refusing to provide it in terms of section 16(1) of the Act on the basis that the section 25(1) exemption applies:

“Information which the applicant can reasonably obtain other than by requesting it […] is exempt information”.

Information relating to “knife crime” is publicly available on the Police Scotland website. I can thus refer you to both our recorded and detected crime statistics, which are available broken down by Multi-Member Ward areas, with the most recent figures due to be updated in the next few weeks:

[Crime data - Police Scotland](https://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/how-we-do-it/crime-data/)

To be of assistance, to collate the most accurate information from the spreadsheet I can advise that you may want to search the crime classification descriptionspecifically by: ‘knives’, and ‘blade’.

Additionally, it is important to note that ‘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.

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.