

Our Ref: IM-FOI-2022-2341
Date: 28th November 2022



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

I refer to your recent request for information which has been handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

For ease of reference, your request is replicated below together with the response.

Follow up to [IM-FOI-2022-2208](#)

Please do the following:

"We can provide you with data on how many recorded incidents/ crimes there are in each of the categories."

In response to your request, please see the tables at the end of this document.

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Should you require any further assistance please contact Information Management Dundee, quoting the reference number given.

If you are dissatisfied with the way in which Police Scotland has dealt with your request, you are entitled, in the first instance, to request a review of our actions and decisions. Your request must specify the matter which gives rise to your dissatisfaction and it must be submitted within 40 working days of receiving this response - either by email to foi@scotland.police.uk or by post to Information Management (Disclosure), Police Scotland, Clyde Gateway, 2 French Street, Dalmarnock, G40 4EH.

If you remain dissatisfied following the outcome of that review, you are thereafter entitled to apply to the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner within six months for a decision. You can apply [online](#), by email to enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info or by post to Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS.

Should you wish to appeal against the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner's decision, there is an appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law only.

As part of our commitment to demonstrate openness and transparency in respect of the information we hold, an anonymised version of this response will be posted to the Police Scotland Freedom of Information [Disclosure Log](#) in seven days' time.

Table 1: Recorded Group 2 Crimes, by crime bulletin classificationPeriod: 1st January 2015 to 31st October 2022

Crime Bulletin Category	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Rape	1761	1745	2046	2235	2347	2125	2359	1976
Assault w/i to rape	121	119	131	116	139	138	124	95
Sexual assault (pre-SOSA 2009)	396	354	399	365	331	238	212	167
Sexual Assault (SOSA 2009)	2521	2601	3041	3681	3589	3263	3984	3585
Lewd & libidinous practices	1107	1314	1355	1181	1250	941	901	722
Prostitution related crimes - Total	280	279	166	175	145	59	84	49
Taking, distribution, possession etc. of indecent photos of children (from Apr 2011)	683	619	697	515	580	747	660	644
Communicating indecently (SOSA 2009)	1049	1142	1218	1337	1420	1541	1603	1252
Communications Act 2003 (sexual)	291	346	327	244	256	326	310	265
Sexual exposure (SOSA 2009)	563	381	331	352	374	431	372	369
Public indecency (common law)	284	240	230	188	165	134	167	133
Other sexual crimes (SOSA)	1220	1621	1790	2013	2192	2285	2638	2085
Other sexual crimes (non-SOSA)	272	300	315	356	357	302	423	223
Threatening / Disclosure of intimate image	0	1	248	567	659	768	843	722
Total	10548	11062	12294	13325	13804	13298	14680	12287

Table 2: Detected Group 2 Crimes, by crime bulletin classificationPeriod: 1st January 2015 to 31st October 2022

Crime Bulletin Category	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Rape	1338	1097	1137	1166	1183	1273	1262	1055
Assault w/i to rape	90	81	73	82	84	83	80	46
Sexual assault (pre-SOSA 2009)	280	218	242	248	180	155	140	129
Sexual Assault (SOSA 2009)	1702	1551	1779	1972	1881	1880	2069	1966
Lewd & libidinous practices	842	785	798	595	724	558	522	379
Prostitution related crimes - Total	264	269	143	151	126	42	49	42
Taking, distribution, possession etc. of indecent photos of children (from Apr 2011)	655	591	635	463	523	650	557	511
Communicating indecently (SOSA 2009)	766	761	726	848	848	856	909	752
Communications Act 2003 (sexual)	160	187	182	122	137	178	133	104
Sexual exposure (SOSA 2009)	400	224	211	205	234	273	239	225
Public indecency (common law)	242	168	158	118	109	113	109	102
Other sexual crimes (SOSA)	852	981	1048	1082	1147	1135	1182	891
Other sexual crimes (non-SOSA)	183	226	197	261	207	238	270	195
Threatening / Disclosure of intimate image	0	0	101	266	298	345	326	299
Total	7774	7139	7430	7579	7681	7779	7847	6696

Table 3: Recorded Domestic Incidents, by DivisionPeriod: 1st January 2015 to 31st October 2022

Division	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Aberdeen City	2408	2361	2693	2527	2524	2612	2421	2036
Aberdeenshire & Moray	1775	2065	2296	2199	2566	2554	2533	2048
Argyll & West Dunbartonshire	1912	1838	2089	1887	2015	2060	2133	1626
Ayrshire	4039	3869	3958	4166	4484	4538	4302	3675
Dumfries & Galloway	1068	973	1194	1234	1318	1534	1377	1304
Edinburgh City	4789	4998	5589	5712	5649	5736	5716	4464
Fife	3802	4111	4375	4335	4666	4864	4997	4214
Forth Valley	3052	3603	3722	3444	3520	3829	3908	3104
Greater Glasgow	8448	9101	9879	10082	10508	10345	10228	8340
Highland & Islands	2505	2581	2667	2810	2806	2843	2727	2273
Lanarkshire	5944	7022	7842	8054	8481	8945	8452	6735
Renfrewshire & Inverclyde	2495	2859	3037	2929	3279	2980	2783	2400
Tayside	4679	4333	4343	4527	4843	5059	5050	4383
The Lothians & Scottish Borders	4756	4928	5144	5547	5777	6304	6127	5140
Total	51672	54642	58828	59453	62436	64203	62754	51742

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Table 4: Recorded Domestic Crimes, by DivisionPeriod: 1st January 2015 to 31st October 2022

Division	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Aberdeen City	1973	1849	1943	1667	1956	2145	2077	1628
Aberdeenshire & Moray	1567	1707	1838	1748	2194	2242	2286	1855
Argyll & West Dunbartonshire	1233	1038	1140	1015	1331	1294	1441	1143
Ayrshire	2912	2679	2600	2542	2933	2932	2741	2420
Dumfries & Galloway	1062	902	1100	1158	1262	1291	1324	991
Edinburgh City	3553	3257	3757	3504	3499	3507	3437	2345
Fife	3271	3113	3217	3152	3513	3627	3474	3149
Forth Valley	2174	2119	2289	2157	2504	2568	2507	1865
Greater Glasgow	5658	5897	6336	5708	6260	6294	6150	5007
Highland & Islands	1640	1534	1381	1317	1401	1589	1465	1100
Lanarkshire	3754	3779	4332	4133	4357	4649	4627	3684
Renfrewshire & Inverclyde	1686	1740	1799	1719	1986	1839	1844	1670
Tayside	3432	2974	2930	2954	3440	3673	3381	2660
The Lothians & Scottish Borders	3163	3049	3112	2849	3253	3660	3981	3014
Total	37078	35637	37774	35623	39889	41310	40735	32531

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Aberdeen City	1621	1335	1368	1103	1225	1624	1437	1127
Aberdeenshire & Moray	1139	1223	1356	1167	1636	1647	1677	1221
Argyll & West Dunbartonshire	1020	854	843	719	847	810	913	632
Ayrshire	2324	2133	1901	1835	2065	2102	1898	1641
Dumfries & Galloway	862	691	802	770	827	846	909	704
Edinburgh City	2785	2211	2460	2281	2270	2477	2361	1688
Fife	2877	2609	2595	2501	2599	2747	2542	2290
Forth Valley	1722	1473	1531	1580	1717	1932	1768	1422
Greater Glasgow	4684	4513	4820	4034	3988	3930	3699	3004
Highland & Islands	1372	1191	980	887	1011	1115	1092	796
Lanarkshire	3129	2847	2964	2613	2779	3062	2894	2107
Renfrewshire & Inverclyde	1405	1297	1207	1058	1240	1258	1315	1222
Tayside	2844	2163	1993	1835	2176	2497	2277	1610
The Lothians & Scottish Borders	2437	2375	2199	1907	2254	2537	2818	1999
Total	30221	26915	27019	24290	26634	28584	27600	21463

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