Table 2

No. of stop and searches recorded in Scotland, where reason for search = 'Drugs'

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	59							28	31
January to December, 2001	38	1				1		29	7
January to December, 2002	37							37	
January to December, 2003	58							58	
January to December, 2004	23 475	480			44	1 921		21 027	3
January to December, 2005	35 935	629			1 106	3 643		30 557	
January to December, 2006	42 387	544			2 425	4 072		35 342	4
January to December, 2007	60 732	465			3 337	3 851		50 804	2 275
January to December, 2008	85 332	479			4 525	3 272		73 284	3 772
January to December, 2009	134 428	1 413	565		9 982	4 144		111 734	6 590
January to December, 2010	177 763	3 657	845		12 101	4 475		150 144	6 541
January to December, 2011	216 407	3 682	486		11 983	5 386		187 306	7 564
January to December, 2012	293 536	3 884	489	4 469	12 714	5 252		259 021	7 707
January to December, 2013	302 110	1 560	63	1 503	19 079	1 041	183 981	92 472	2 411
January to December, 2014	222 386				17 407		174 590	30 389	
January to December, 2015	95 781				4 439		80 089	11 253	
January to December, 2016	36 201						36 201		
January to March, 2017	7 696						7 696		
Total	1 734 361	16 794	2 448	5 972	99 142	37 058	482 557	1 053 485	36 905

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).