| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 25-1480  Responded to: 03 June 2025 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act. Please provide me with figures relating to crimes where a houseboat has been broken into, including but not limited to:

## - Theft

## - Burglary

## - Robbery

## - Vandalism

## Please can I have the statistics from 2020 until as recently as you have records. In the most recent five cases, please provide any details related to the crime. If possible, can you also provide figures showing how many reports resulted in an arrest and/or conviction?

I regret to inform you that I am unable to provide you with the information you have requested, as it would prove too costly to do so within the context of the fee regulations.

As you may be aware the current cost threshold is £600 and I estimate that it would cost well in excess of this amount to process your request. As such, I am therefore refusing to provide the information sought in terms of section 12(1) - Excessive Cost of Compliance.

By way of explanation, whilst crimes are categorised, there is no specific category which relates to the type referred to in your request. We cannot search crime reports on basis of locus being a boat. The locus of the crime would be recorded as the location of the boat at the material time.

As such the only way to provide an accurate response to your request would be to individually examine every crime report, for the time period requested - an exercise which I estimate would far exceed the cost limit set out in the Fees Regulations.

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.