| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 25-1823  Responded to: 25th June 2025 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response. **How many reports of assault have been reported in 2024 where the victims had the job title of Security Guard, Door Staff, Bouncer or similar vocation?**

## Of this number, can you please provide details of how many of these incidents involved the use of weapons?

In response to these questions, unfortunately, I regret to inform you that I estimate 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, I can advise that there are no relevant markers available on the Police Scotland incident recording systems, nor is there a search facility available, which would allow for the automatic retrieval of this level of information from any relevant reports of assault – i.e. victim occupation specifically (“Security Guard”, “Door Staff”, “Bouncer” etc.).

Therefore, the only way to provide an accurate and consistent response to your request would be to manually review each crime report relating to assault from January 1st, 2024, onwards to ascertain whether the victim was working in a security position. Unfortunately, given the volume of reports that would be required to be read through for the one-year period requested, this exercise would far exceed the cost limit set out in the Fees Regulations.

However, to be of assistance, I can advise you that information on *all* reported assaults (including those which involved the use of a weapon) is publicly available on the Police Scotland website ([How we are performing - Police Scotland](https://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/what-we-do/how-we-are-performing/)). I can thus refer you to our 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/" \t "_blank)

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.