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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

**If I refine my request by defining a cannabis farm as 'any property that is being used for purpose to grow/cultivate cannabis plants, whether there is 1 plant or thousands of plants.'**

**Would it be possible to find out how many cannabis farms were seized in 2023 and 2024?**

In response to your request, unfortunately, I estimate that 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.

I must stress that that crimes in Scotland are recorded in accordance with the Scottish Government Justice Department offence classification codes and are not thereafter sub-categorised.

In this instance, the relevant offence is Production, manufacture or cultivation of drugs, however the classification is not thereafter sub-categorised by drug type.

As such, the only way to provide an accurate response to your request would be to assess each crime report for the time period requested, to establish whether cannabis was involved. Therefore, given the volume of reports that would need to be examined this would be an exercise which would far exceed the cost limit set out in the Fees Regulations

To be of assistance published stats broken down by Multi Member Ward can be found at the link below.

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

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](http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal), by [email](mailto:enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info) 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.