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Introduction

What Is In This Report ?

This report makes management information about Police Scotland available to the public on a regular basis.

The management information presented here relates mainly to crime recorded by Police Scotland but some information about incidents and some survey data are also included.

An issue has been identified with data relating to (primarily) traffic offences from two Divisions (Edinburgh and Scottish Borders and Lothians). The impact of this is that offences dealt with by direct measures (i.e. conditional offer ticket) are incomplete. In the main, offences which are underreported in this bulletin are seat belts, mobile phones, speeding, and careless driving.

Published alongside this report are a series of complementary reports providing a breakdown of data available at police division or local authority level.

This report is intended to provide answers to questions about current crime levels in the different parts of Scotland. All data used in this report are provisional management information and not official statistics. This is the 2021/22 Q4 management information report covering the period 1st April to 31st March 2022. All data are correct at the published date and were extracted at the start of April 2022. These data are extracted from Police Scotland internal systems which are dynamic and continuously update as investigations progress.

This report contains the most up to date recorded crime data that was available at the start of April 2022 for Q4 of the financial year 2021/22. This is the same management information that is used by Police Scotland to inform operational decision-making on a daily basis and which is reported regularly to local scrutiny boards and the Scottish Police Authority.

What Should This Report Not Be Used For ?

This means that this report is unsuitable for drawing longer term trend comparisons of crime types. If readers of this report are seeking time series analysis or trend information they should refer to the official statistics for recorded crime produced by Scottish Government <http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2015/09/5338> or the official statistics on reported road casualties published by Transport Scotland (<http://www.transportscotland.gov.uk/statistics/statistical-publications>).

How Does This Report Deal With Changes To Data ?

The management information data for crime recorded in 2021/22 are provisional, because these are highly likely to experience re-classification and/or no-criming as investigations proceed. These data are highlighted in purple font on the tables throughout this report.

Readers should note that all data for 2020/21 and 2021/22 were refreshed when they were extracted at the start of April 2022. This means that the data for 2020/21 Q4 published in this report will differ from the data previously published for 2020/21 Q4 last June (2021). It usually takes between one and two quarters for the data to settle and for most of the natural revisions to take place. We have published a separate revisions analysis to demonstrate the extent of these changes.

Recorded Crime Groups 1-5

Table 1.1 below compares 2021/22 Q4 data extracted on April 2022 with 2020/21 Q4 data extracted on the 2nd April 2021 and released as Management Information by Police Scotland in June 2021. The table shows current figures consistent with the official statistics prepared by the Scottish Government. For further time series analysis please refer to the official statistics publication : (<http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2015/09/5338>). Table 1.1 is not comparable with other data tables in this report.

Number reported 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q4)

Crimes recorded by Police Scotland (as at 2nd April 2021 (2020/21):

Number of recorded crimes, crime rate, detected crimes and detection rate by crime group; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q4)

Crime group	Number recorded		Rate per 10,000 population	
	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22
TOTAL CRIMES (Groups 1 to 5)	225 532	223 417	412.8	408.9
Group 1: non sexual crimes of violence	8 972	10 137	16.4	18.6
Group 2: sexual crimes	13 131	15 049	24.0	27.5
Group 3: crimes of dishonesty	89 731	92 873	164.2	170.0
Group 4: fire-raising, malicious mischief etc	42 961	44 284	78.6	81.1
Group 5: other crimes	70 737	61 074	129.5	111.8

Crime group	Number of detections		Detection rate (%)	
	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22
TOTAL CRIMES (Groups 1 to 5)	126 909	112 596	56.3	50.4
Group 1: non sexual crimes of violence	6 497	6 524	72.4	64.4
Group 2: sexual crimes	7 673	8 055	58.4	53.5
Group 3: crimes of dishonesty	33 980	29 306	37.9	31.6
Group 4: fire-raising, malicious mischief etc	13 535	12 737	31.5	28.8
Group 5: other crimes	65 224	55 974	92.2	91.6

Table 1.2 below shows Police Scotland Management Information for 2021/22 Q4 extracted on April 2022. 2020/21 Q4 data has been refreshed and will differ from that published by Police Scotland in June 2021. The data highlighted in purple font in Table 1.2 below are provisional management information and will be subject to change.

Table 1.2

Crimes recorded by Police Scotland (as April 2022 (2020/21):

Number of recorded crimes, crime rate, detected crimes and detection rate by crime group; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q4)

Crime group	Number recorded		Rate per 10,000 population	
	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22
TOTAL CRIMES (Groups 1 to 5)	223 160	223 417	408.5	408.9
Group 1: non sexual crimes of violence	9 039	10 137	16.5	18.6
Group 2: sexual crimes	13 239	15 049	24.2	27.5
Group 3: crimes of dishonesty	88 047	92 873	161.2	170.0
Group 4: fire-raising, malicious mischief etc	42 863	44 284	78.5	81.1
Group 5: other crimes	69 972	61 074	128.1	111.8

Crime group	Number of detections		Detection rate (%)	
	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22
TOTAL CRIMES (Groups 1 to 5)	126 878	112 596	56.9	50.4
Group 1: non sexual crimes of violence	6 520	6 524	72.1	64.4
Group 2: sexual crimes	7 706	8 055	58.2	53.5
Group 3: crimes of dishonesty	33 846	29 306	38.4	31.6
Group 4: fire-raising, malicious mischief etc	13 512	12 737	31.5	28.8
Group 5: other crimes	65 294	55 974	93.3	91.6

Group 1 Non Sexual Crimes of Violence

During the period to the end of 2021/22 Q4, there were 10,137 Group 1 Non Sexual Crimes of Violence. The detection rate for Group 1 Non Sexual Crimes of Violence was 64.4% during the period to the end of Q4 2021/22.

Murder

There were 48 murders recorded in Scotland during the period to the end of Q4 2021/22. The detection rate for murder was 110.4%.

Attempted Murder

During the period to the end of 2021/22 Q4 there were 264 attempted murders recorded with a detection rate for attempted murder of 92.4%.

Culpable Homicide (under statute including RTA, sec 1)¹

There were 35 culpable homicides recorded during the period to the end of 2021/22 Q4.

Serious Assault

During the period to the end of 2021/22 Q4 there were 3,555 serious assaults. The detection rate for serious assaults was 76.3%.

Robbery

There were 1,613 robberies recorded in Scotland with a detection rate of 73.7% during the period to the end of Q4 2021/22.

Table Description

Table 2 below shows Police Scotland Management Information for 2021/22 Q4 extracted on April 2022. 2020/21 Q4 data has been refreshed and will differ from that published by Police Scotland in June 2021. The data highlighted in purple font in Table 1.2 below are provisional management information and will be subject to change.

Recorded crime and offences may be subject to change due to ongoing investigations, new information coming to light, audit and review of crime and general housekeeping. A separate revision analysis describing these changes is available at <http://www.scotland.police.uk/assets/pdf/138327/232757/management-information-revisions-analysis-Q42018>

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Table 2
Group 1 non sexual crimes of violence recorded by Police Scotland:
Number of recorded crimes, crime rate, detected crimes and detection rate by crime group; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q4)

Selected crime classification	Number recorded		Rate per 10,000 population	
	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22
TOTAL GROUP 1	9 039	10 137	16.5	18.6
Murder (excluding culpable homicide at common law)	54	48	0.1	0.1
Culpable homicide (at common law)	7	3	0.0	0.0
Culpable homicide (under statute including RTA, sec. 1) ¹	45	35	0.1	0.1
Attempted murder	290	264	0.5	0.5
Serious assault	3 277	3 555	6.0	6.5
Robbery and assault with intent to rob	1 685	1 613	3.1	3.0
Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018 (Female)	1 567	1 627	2.9	3.0
Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018 (Male)	94	133	0.2	0.2
Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018 (Total)²	1 661	1 760	3.0	3.2
Cruel and unnatural treatment of children	589	551	1.1	1.0
Threats and extortion	943	1 398	1.7	2.6
Other group 1 crimes	488	910	0.9	1.7

Selected crime classification	Number of detections		Detection rate (%)	
	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22 ⁴
TOTAL GROUP 1	6 520	6 524	72.1	64.4
Murder (excluding culpable homicide at common law)	51	53	94.4	110.4
Culpable homicide (at common law)	6	5	85.7	166.7
Culpable homicide (under statute including RTA, sec. 1) ¹	43	35	95.6	100.0
Attempted murder	263	244	90.7	92.4
Serious assault	2 564	2 713	78.2	76.3
Robbery and assault with intent to rob	1 340	1 188	79.5	73.7
Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018 (Female)	1 142	1 218	72.9	74.9
Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018 (Male)	63	86	67.0	64.7
Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018 (Total)²	1 205	1 304	72.5	74.1
Cruel and unnatural treatment of children	536	494	91.0	89.7
Threats and extortion	188	154	19.9	11.0
Other group 1 crimes	324	334	66.4	36.7

¹ - Culpable homicide (under statute) includes the following: causing death by dangerous driving; death by careless driving when under influence of drink or drugs; causing death by careless driving (illegal driver, disqualified, unlicensed etc) involved in fatal accident and corporate homicide.

² - The above legislation was introduced in April 2019 under Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018.

Group 2 Sexual Crimes

There were 15,049 Group 2 Sexual Crimes recorded by Police Scotland. The overall detection rate for sexual crimes was 53.5% during the period to the end of Q4 2021/22.

Rape

During the period to the end of 2021/22 Q4 there were 2,370 crimes of rape recorded by Police Scotland. The detection rate for this period was 53.8%.

Sexual Assault

There were 5,359 sexual assaults (including indecent assault and lewd & libidinous practices) end of Q4 2021/22. The detection rate for sexual assaults was 53.2%.

Prostitution Related Crimes

There were 80 prostitution related crimes recorded during the period to the end of Q4 2021/22. The detection rate for prostitution related crimes was 66.3%.

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Table 3

Group 2 sexual crimes recorded by Police Scotland:

Number of recorded crimes, crime rate, detected crimes and detection rate by crime group; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q4)

Selected crime classification	Number recorded		Rate per 10,000 population	
	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22
TOTAL GROUP 2	13 239	15 049	24.2	27.5
Rape	2 190	2 370	4.0	4.3
Assault w/i to rape or ravish	122	128	0.2	0.2
Rape and attempted rape - Total	2 312	2 498	4.2	4.6
Sexual assault (pre-SOSA 2009) ³	227	207	0.4	0.4
Sexual assault (SOSA 2009) ³	3 073	4 274	5.6	7.8
Lewd & libidinous practices ³	920	878	1.7	1.6
Indecent/Sexual Assault - Total	4 220	5 359	7.7	9.8
Prostitution related crime - Total	51	80	0.1	0.1
Taking, distribution, possession of indecent photos of children	779	662	1.4	1.2
Communicating indecently (SOSA 2009) ³	1 545	1 608	2.8	2.9
Communications Act 2003 (sexual) ³	347	315	0.6	0.6
Sexual exposure (SOSA 2009) ³	396	403	0.7	0.7
Public indecency (common law)	140	152	0.3	0.3
Other sexual crimes (SOSA 2009) ³	2 367	2 670	4.3	4.9
Other sexual crimes (non-SOSA 2009) ³	305	390	0.6	0.7
Threatening / Disclosure of intimate image	777	912	1.4	1.7
Miscellaneous Group 2 crimes	-	-	-	-
Other Group 2 crimes - Total	6 656	7 112	12.2	13.0

Selected crime classification	Number of detections		Detection rate (%)	
	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22
TOTAL GROUP 2	7 706	8 055	58.2	53.5
Rape	1 294	1 275	59.1	53.8
Assault w/i to rape or ravish	82	82	67.2	64.1
Rape and attempted rape - Total	1 376	1 357	59.5	54.3
Sexual assault (pre-SOSA 2009) ³	172	135	75.8	65.2
Sexual assault (SOSA 2009) ³	1 788	2 197	58.2	51.4
Lewd & libidinous practices ³	549	517	59.7	58.9
Indecent/Sexual Assault - Total	2 509	2 849	59.5	53.2
Prostitution related crime - Total	33	53	64.7	66.3
Taking, distribution, possession of indecent photos of children	676	547	86.8	82.6
Communicating indecently (SOSA 2009) ³	883	915	57.2	56.9
Communications Act 2003 (sexual) ³	159	143	45.8	45.4
Sexual exposure (SOSA 2009) ³	266	252	67.2	62.5
Public indecency (common law)	113	103	80.7	67.8
Other sexual crimes (SOSA 2009) ³	1 123	1 196	47.4	44.8
Other sexual crimes (non-SOSA 2009) ³	228	279	74.8	71.5
Threatening / Disclosure of intimate image	340	361	0.0	39.6
Miscellaneous Group 2 crimes	-	-	-	-
Other Group 2 crimes - Total	3 788	3 796	56.9	53.4

³New Group 2 Crimes, distinct from common law crimes which preceded the SOSA 2009 legislation (i.e. crimes committed before 01/12/2010).

Group 3 Crimes of Dishonesty

During the period to the end of 2021/22 Q4, there were 92,873 recorded crimes of dishonesty. The detection rate for crimes of dishonesty was 31.6% .

Theft (not elsewhere classified)

There were 24,815 crimes of common theft recorded during the period to the end of Q4 2021/22. The detection rate for common theft is 21.7%.

Theft by Housebreakings

There were 8,489 housebreakings (including attempts) recorded in Q4 2021/22. The detection rate for housebreaking (including attempts) was 26.9%.

Motor Vehicle Crime

During the period to the end of 2021/22 Q4, there were 10,497 motor vehicle crimes recorded. The detection rate for motor vehicle crime was 29.2%.

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Table 4
Group 3 crimes of dishonesty recorded by Police Scotland:
Number of recorded crimes, crime rate, detected crimes and detection rate by crime group; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q4)

Selected crime classification	Number recorded		Rate per 10,000 population	
	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22
TOTAL GROUP 3	88 047	92 873	161.2	170.0
Housebreaking (domestic dwelling, incl. attempts)	4 364	4 554	8.0	8.3
Housebreaking (non-domestic dwelling, incl. attempts)	2 495	1 639	4.6	3.0
Housebreaking (other, incl attempts)	2 775	2 296	5.1	4.2
Total housebreaking (incl. attempts)	9 634	8 489	17.6	15.5
Motor vehicle crime ⁴	10 593	10 497	19.4	19.2
Theft by OLP ⁵ (exc. motor vehicle) incl. attempts	1 200	1 203	2.2	2.2
Theft (not elsewhere classified) ⁶	21 932	24 815	40.1	45.4
Theft by shoplifting	20 501	22 913	37.5	41.9
Fraud	13 938	16 536	25.5	30.3
Other Group 3 crimes	10 249	8 420	18.8	15.4

Selected crime classification	Number of detections		Detection rate (%)	
	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22
TOTAL GROUP 3	33 846	29 306	38.4	31.6
Housebreaking (domestic dwelling, incl. attempts)	1 263	1 066	28.9	23.4
Housebreaking (non-domestic dwelling, incl. attempts)	508	342	20.4	20.9
Housebreaking (other, incl attempts)	1 252	873	45.1	38.0
Total housebreaking (incl. attempts)	3 023	2 281	31.4	26.9
Motor vehicle crime ⁴	4 006	3 064	37.8	29.2
Theft by OLP ⁵ (exc. motor vehicle) incl. attempts	275	195	22.9	16.2
Theft (not elsewhere classified) ⁶	5 890	5 396	26.9	21.7
Theft by shoplifting	13 485	12 833	65.8	56.0
Fraud	3 363	2 746	24.1	16.6
Other Group 3 crimes	3 804	2 791	37.1	33.1

⁴ - Motor vehicle crime includes: theft by OLP (motor vehicle); OLP with intent to steal; attempted OLP with intent to steal; theft of motor vehicle; attempted theft of a motor vehicle; theft from a motor vehicle (not elsewhere classified).

⁵ - OLP (opening lock-fast place).

⁶ - Theft not elsewhere classified includes: theft at common law, the Gas Act 1986 and Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (S67(1)&(6)).

Group 4 Crimes of Fire-raising, Malicious Mischief etc

There were 44,284 Group 4 crimes recorded during the period to the end of Q4 2021/22. The detection rate for Group 4 crimes was 28.8%.

Vandalism/Malicious Mischief

During the period to the end of 2021/22 Q4, there were 38,364 recorded crimes of vandalism or malicious mischief with a detection rate of 27.2%.

Fireraising

The volume of crimes of fireraising recorded was 2,582 during the period to the end of Q4 2021/22. The detection rate for fireraising is 27.3%.

Table Description

Table 5 below shows Police Scotland Management Information for 2021/22 Q4 extracted on April 2022. 2020/21 Q4 data has been refreshed and will differ from that published by Police Scotland in June 2021. The data highlighted in purple font in Table 5 below are provisional management information and will be subject to change.

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Table 5
Group 4 crimes of fire-raising, malicious mischief etc recorded by Police Scotland:
Number of recorded crimes, crime rate, detected crimes and detection rate by crime group; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q4)

Selected crime classification	Number recorded		Rate per 10,000 population	
	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22
TOTAL GROUP 4	42 863	44 284	78.5	81.1
Fireraising	2 555	2 582	4.7	4.7
Vandalism/malicious mischief	37 127	38 364	68.0	70.2
Reckless conduct with a firearm	45	45	0.1	0.1
Reckless conduct (not firearm)	3 026	3 198	5.5	5.9
Other Group 4 crimes	110	95	0.2	0.2

Selected crime classification	Number of detections		Detection rate (%)	
	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22
TOTAL GROUP 4	13 512	12 737	31.5	28.8
Fireraising	660	705	25.8	27.3
Vandalism/malicious mischief	10 894	10 416	29.3	27.2
Reckless conduct with a firearm	20	29	44.4	64.4
Reckless conduct (not firearm)	1 920	1 572	63.5	49.2
Other Group 4 crimes	18	15	16.4	15.8

Group 5 Other Crimes

During the period to the end of 2021/22 Q4, there were 61,074 Group 5 crimes recorded with an overall detection rate of 91.6%.

Carrying Offensive Weapons (incl.restriction)

There were 1,453 crimes of carrying offensive weapons (incl.restriction) recorded in Q4 2021/22. The detection rate for carrying offensive weapons (incl.restriction) was 88.4%.

Handling Bladed/Pointed Instrument

The number of handling bladed/pointed instrument offences recorded was 2,707 in Q4 2021/22. The detection rate was 90.0%.

Drugs Supply and Production

During the period to the end of 2021/22 Q4, there were 3,876 offences for drugs supply and production. The detection rate for drugs supply and production was 90.1%.

Possession of Drugs

The number of possession of drugs crimes recorded was 23,747 for the period to the end of Q4 2021/22. The detection rate was 94.6%.

Table Description

Table 6 below shows Police Scotland Management Information for 2021/22 Q4 extracted on April 2022. 2020/21 Q4 data has been refreshed and will differ from that published by Police Scotland in June 2021. The data highlighted in purple font in Table 6 below are provisional management information and will be subject to change.

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Table 6
Group 5 other crimes recorded by Police Scotland:
Number of recorded crimes, crime rate, detected crimes and detection rate by crime group; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q4)

Selected crime classification	Number recorded		Rate per 10,000 population	
	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22
TOTAL GROUP 5	69 972	61 074	128.1	111.8
Carrying offensive weapons (incl. restriction)	1 716	1 453	3.1	2.7
Handling bladed/pointed instrument	2 809	2 707	5.1	5.0
Offensive weapon (used in other criminal activity)*	3 791	3 902	6.9	7.1
Bladed/pointed instrument (used in other criminal activity)*	1 931	1 986	3.5	3.6
Total offensive/bladed weapons⁷	10 247	10 048	18.8	18.4
Production, manufacture or cultivation of drugs	705	534	1.3	1.0
Supply of drugs (incl. possession with intent)	3 844	3 206	7.0	5.9
Bringing drugs into prison	169	136	0.3	0.2
Supply of drugs - Total	4 718	3 876	8.6	7.1
Possession of drugs	29 916	23 747	54.8	43.5
Other drugs offences (incl. importation)	182	100	0.3	0.2
Total drugs crimes	34 816	27 723	63.7	50.7
Offences relating to serious and organised crime	44	67	0.1	0.1
Bail offences (other than absconding)	11 259	11 075	20.6	20.3
Other Group 5 crimes	13 606	12 161	24.9	22.3

Selected crime classification	Number of detections		Detection rate (%)	
	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22
TOTAL GROUP 5	65 294	55 974	93.3	91.6
Carrying offensive weapons (incl. restriction)	1 580	1 285	92.1	88.4
Handling bladed/pointed instrument	2 611	2 437	93.0	90.0
Offensive weapon (used in other criminal activity)*	2 677	2 612	70.6	66.9
Bladed/pointed instrument (used in other criminal activity)*	1 332	1 408	69.0	70.9
Total offensive/bladed weapons⁷	8 200	7 742	80.0	77.1
Production, manufacture or cultivation of drugs	659	484	93.5	90.6
Supply of drugs (incl. possession with intent)	3 389	2 958	88.2	92.3
Bringing drugs into prison	30	50	17.8	36.8
Supply of drugs - Total	4 078	3 492	86.4	90.1
Possession of drugs	28 822	22 473	96.3	94.6
Other drugs offences (incl. importation)	132	62	72.5	62.0
Total drugs crimes	33 032	26 027	94.9	93.9
Offences relating to serious and organised crime	43	41	97.7	61.2
Bail offences (other than absconding)	10 876	10 458	96.6	94.4
Other Group 5 crimes	13 143	11 706	96.6	96.3

⁷ This includes carrying offensive weapons (incl. restriction), handling bladed/pointed instrument and offensive weapon (used in other criminal activity).

Group 5 Other Crimes continued

From the 1st of April 2017, a set of new codes was introduced to record cases of using an offensive weapon in a public setting to commit other criminal activity. The number of crimes recorded for these new codes is shown in Table 6a below. This change was introduced by the Scottish Crime Recording Board to better reflect how criminal law operates in this area. Prior to the 1st of April 2017, these crimes of offensive weapons used in another criminal activity or offence committed (for example a serious assault) were subsumed into that main crime or offence. The minutes of the Scottish Crime Recording Board meetings can be accessed here : - <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/PubRecordedCrime/SCRB/SCRBmeet>.

The Scottish Crime Board has carried out a quality assurance exercise to confirm that the new information being produced from the recent introduction of these codes is accurate and in-line with the definitions set out in the Scottish Crime Recording Standard (SCRS). The results of this exercise can be accessed here:

<https://beta.gov.scot/publications/recorded-crime-scotland-handling-offensive-weapons/>.

The SCRS guidance manual can be accessed here :- <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Crime-Justice/PubRecordedCrime/SCRB/SCRSmanual>.

Police recording practice remains unchanged for crimes of possessing an offensive weapon in a public setting without further criminality. As in previous years this information is presented in Table 6 Group 5 'Other Crimes' recorded by Police Scotland and included in the total for Group 5 Crimes.

Table 6a

Detailed weapon & blade/point offences recorded by Police Scotland:

Number of recorded crimes, crime rate, detected crimes and detection rate by crime group, 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q4)

Selected crime classification	Number recorded		Rate per 10,000 population	
	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22
Total pre-April 2017 weapon / knife classifications	10 247	10 048	19.0	18.6
Total new weapon / knife classifications ⁸	4 525	4 160	8.4	7.7
Carrying offensive weapons (incl. restriction)	1 716	1 453	3.2	2.7
Possession of an offensive weapon	1 647	1 356	3.0	2.5
Restriction of offensive weapons	13	2	0.0	0.0
Possession of a firearm in a prison			0.0	0.0
Possession of an offensive weapon (not elsewhere classified) in a prison	38	67	0.1	0.1
Possession of an offensive weapon (not elsewhere specified) in a school ⁹	18	28	0.0	0.1
Handling bladed/pointed instrument	2 809	2 707	5.2	5.0
Carrying of Knives etc S Act 1993	2 666	2 500	4.9	4.6
Having in a prison an article with a blade or point	86	109	0.2	0.2
Having in a school an article with a blade or point ¹⁰	57	98	0.1	0.2
			0.0	
Offensive weapon (used in other criminal activity)¹¹	3 791	3 902	7.0	7.2
Possession of offensive weapon used in other criminal activity	3 698	3 782	6.8	7.0
Possession of offensive weapon in a prison used in other criminal activity	68	55	0.1	0.1
Possession of offensive weapon in a school used in other criminal activity	25	65	0.0	0.1
			0.0	
Bladed/pointed instrument (used in other criminal activity)¹¹	1 931	1 986	3.6	3.7
Having in a public place an article with a blade or point used in other criminal activity	1 907	1 924	3.5	3.6
Having in a prison an article with a blade or point used in other criminal activity	15	25	0.0	0.0
Having in a school an article with a blade or point used in other criminal activity	9	37	0.0	0.1
Number of detections	Number of detections		Detection rate (%)	
	2017/18	2018/19	2017/18	2018/19
Total offensive/bladed weapons	8 200	7 742	80.0	77.1
Total pre-April 2017 weapon / knife classifications	4 191	3 722	92.6	89.5
Total new weapon / knife classifications ⁸	4 009	4 020	70.1	68.3
Carrying offensive weapons (incl. restriction)	1 580	1 285	92.1	88.4
Possession of an offensive weapon	1 505	1 194	91.4	88.1
Restriction of offensive weapons	19	7	146.2	350.0
Possession of a firearm in a prison	-	-	-	-
Possession of an offensive weapon (not elsewhere classified) in a prison	39	59	102.6	88.1
Possession of an offensive weapon (not elsewhere specified) in a school ⁹	17	25	94.4	89.3
Handling bladed/pointed instrument	2 611	2 437	93.0	90.0
Carrying of Knives etc S Act 1993	2 478	2 239	92.9	89.6
Having in a prison an article with a blade or point	81	101	94.2	92.7
Having in a school an article with a blade or point ¹⁰	52	97	91.2	99.0
Offensive weapon (used in other criminal activity)¹¹	2 677	2 612	70.6	66.9
Possession of offensive weapon used in other criminal activity	2 587	2 513	70.0	66.4
Possession of offensive weapon in a prison used in other criminal activity	67	44	98.5	80.0
Possession of offensive weapon in a school used in other criminal activity	23	55	92.0	84.6
Bladed/pointed instrument (used in other criminal activity)¹¹	1 332	1 408	69.0	70.9
Having in a public place an article with a blade or point used in other criminal activity	1 307	1 352	68.5	70.3
Having in a prison an article with a blade or point used in other criminal activity	16	23	106.7	92.0
Having in a school an article with a blade or point used in other criminal activity	9	33	100.0	89.2

⁸ This is the total of crimes recorded under the new classifications to identify knives and weapons used in the commission of another crime.

⁹ Previously possession of an offensive weapon (not elsewhere specified) in a school would have been counted within the general possession of an offensive weapon category. In some areas, when a crime report is re-opened for auditing or amendment, the crime will automatically be re-classified to the new crime classification. This is why there are small numbers of these crimes recorded in the previous year.

¹⁰ Previously having in a school an article with a blade or point would have been counted within the general Carrying of Knives etc S Act 1993 category. In some areas when a crime report is re-opened for auditing or amendment the crime will automatically be re-classified to the new crime classification. This is why there are small numbers of these crimes recorded in the previous year.

¹¹ These are new classifications introduced in April 2017 to capture knives and weapons where they have been used in commission of another crime.

Group 6 Miscellaneous Offences

There were 128,220 Group 6 crimes recorded during the period to the end of Q4 2021/22. The overall detection rate for Group 6 crimes was 73.5%.

Common Assault

The total number of common assaults recorded was 58,306 in Q4 2021/22. Common assault of emergency workers was 7,858 which accounted for 13.5% of all common assaults reported during the period of Q4 2021/22. The detection rate was 67.4%.

Racially Aggravated Harassment/Conduct

The number of racially aggravated harassment/conduct crimes was 1,713 in Q4 2021/22. The detection rate was 87.7%.

Consume Alcohol in Designated Place Local Bye-Law

The number of consume alcohol in designated place local bye-law crimes was 4,407.

Table Description

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Recorded crime and offences may be subject to change due to ongoing investigations, new information coming to light, audit and review of crime and general housekeeping. A separate revisions analysis describing these changes is available at <http://www.scotland.police.uk/assets/pdf/138327/232757/management-information-revisions-analysis-Q42018>.

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Table 7

Group 6 miscellaneous offences recorded by Police Scotland:

Number of recorded offences, offence rate, detected and detection rate by selected offence classification; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q4)

Selected offence classification	Number recorded		Rate per 10,000 population	
	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22
TOTAL GROUP 6	123 821	128 220	226.6	234.7
Common assault (excl. assault of emergency worker)	43 887	50 448	80.3	92.3
Common assault of emergency worker	8 169	7 858	15.0	14.4
Total common assaults	52 056	58 306	95.3	106.7
Breach of the peace	3 183	3 427	5.8	6.3
Threatening and abusive behaviour	45 513	44 329	83.3	81.1
Stalking	881	843	1.6	1.5
Breach of the peace (incl. threats and stalking)	49 577	48 599	90.7	89.0
Racially aggravated harassment/conduct	1 792	1 713	3.3	3.1
Drunk and incapable	170	146	0.3	0.3
Consume alcohol in designated place local bye-law	5 630	4 407	10.3	8.1
Other alcohol related offences	176	506	0.3	0.9
Drunkenness and other disorderly conduct	5 976	5 059	10.9	9.3
Wildlife Offences	304	286	0.6	0.5
Other Group 6 offences	14 116	14 257	25.8	26.1

Selected offence classification	Number of detections		Detection rate (%)	
	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22
TOTAL GROUP 6	95 633	94 196	77.2	73.5
Common assault (excl. assault of emergency worker)	29 371	31 607	66.9	62.7
Common assault of emergency worker	8 038	7 719	98.4	98.2
Total common assaults	37 409	39 326	71.9	67.4
Breach of the peace	3 153	3 349	99.1	97.7
Threatening and abusive behaviour	37 105	34 749	81.5	78.4
Stalking	725	672	82.3	79.7
Breach of the peace (incl. threats and stalking)	40 983	38 770	82.7	79.8
Racially aggravated harassment/conduct	1 649	1 502	92.0	87.7
Drunk and incapable	169	145	99.4	99.3
Consume alcohol in designated place local bye-law	5 613	4 396	99.7	99.8
Other alcohol related offences	180	481	102.3	95.1
Drunkenness and other disorderly conduct	5 962	5 022	99.8	99.3
Wildlife Offences	165	148	54.3	51.7
Other Group 6 offences	9 465	9 428	67.1	66.1

Group 7 Offences Relating to Motor Vehicles

During period to the end of Q4 2021/22 there were 111,842 Group 7 offences recorded.

Speeding Offences

The number of speeding offences recorded was 22,472 during the period to Q4 2021/22.

Drink, Drug Driving Offences (incl. fail to provide a specimen)

The number of drink, drug driving offences (incl. fail to provide a specimen) recorded was 7,773 during the period to the end Q4 2021/22.

Seatbelt and Mobile Phone Offences

There were 1,759 seatbelt offences and 1,541 mobile phone offences recorded during the period to the end of Q4

Table Description

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The data highlighted in purple font in Table 8 below are provisional management information and will be subject to change.

Table 8
Group 7 offences relating to motor vehicles recorded by Police Scotland:
Number of recorded crimes, crime rate, detected crimes and detection rate by crime group; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q4)

Selected offence classification	Number recorded		Rate per 10,000 population	
	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22
TOTAL GROUP 7	116 344	111 842	213.0	204.7
Dangerous driving offences	3 573	3 546	6.5	6.5
Drink, drug driving offences (incl. fail to provide a specimen)	7 403	7 773	13.6	14.2
Speeding offences	23 413	22 472	42.9	41.1
Driving while disqualified	1 412	1 240	2.6	2.3
Driving without a licence	7 583	6 356	13.9	11.6
Failure to insure against third party risks	19 876	15 034	36.4	27.5
Seat belt offences	1 682	1 759	3.1	3.2
Mobile phone offences	1 694	1 541	3.1	2.8
Driving carelessly	8 194	9 373	15.0	17.2
Drivers neglect of traffic directions (not pedestrian crossings)	3 287	2 866	6.0	5.2
Using a motor vehicle without test certificate	13 003	13 249	23.8	24.3
Other Group 7 offences	25 224	26 633	46.2	48.7

Selected offence classification	Number of detections		Detection rate (%)	
	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22
TOTAL GROUP 7	106 871	98 320	91.9	87.9
Dangerous driving offences	3 076	2 926	86.1	82.5
Drink, drug driving offences (incl. fail to provide a specimen)	6 325	6 857	85.4	88.2
Speeding offences	23 495	22 360	100.4	99.5
Driving while disqualified	1 404	1 224	99.4	98.7
Driving without a licence	7 527	6 329	99.3	99.6
Failure to insure against third party risks	19 754	14 891	99.4	99.0
Seat belt offences	1 689	1 741	100.4	99.0
Mobile phone offences	1 712	1 511	101.1	98.1
Driving carelessly	7 508	8 353	91.6	89.1
Drivers neglect of traffic directions (not pedestrian crossings)	3 282	2 804	99.8	97.8
Using a motor vehicle without test certificate	12 977	13 191	99.8	99.6
Other Group 7 offences	18 122	16 133	71.8	60.6

Number of Road Traffic Collision Casualties

During the period to the end of Q4 2021/22, 159 people were killed on the roads. Over the same period there were 1,643 people seriously injured and 3,316 slight injuries were also recorded.

Table 9
Number of road traffic collision casualties¹² - Police Scotland:
By casualty severity; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q4)

Casualty severity	Financial year	
	2020/21	2021/22
TOTAL CASUALTIES	4 481	5 118
Fatal	108	159
Serious	1 372	1 643
Slight	3 001	3 316
Number of people killed / seriously injured (KSI)	1 480	1 802
Number of children (aged <16) killed / seriously injured (KSI)	123	153

Serious and Organised Crime

As at the end of 2021/22 Q4 there were 97 Serious Organised Crime Groups (SOCG) under investigation by Police Scotland. A further 17 SOCG are subject to HM Revenue And Customs (HMRC), Home Office Immigration and Enforcement (HOIE), Trading Standards Scotland (TSS), and British Transport Police (BTP) investigation.

The Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (POCA)

As at the end of 2021/22 Q4, £36,301,089 was identified under POCA legislation. Cash and assets identified for restraint represented 93.83% of the total.

Restraint orders issued under POCA 2002, Section 120 empower the investigation and restraint of a person's assets and income where it is suspected that they are derived from criminal conduct. The total value of assets identified for restraint at the end of 2021/22 Q4 £30,361,311(83.64%) of the total.

POCA legislation provides for the recovery of cash through civil proceedings in Sheriff Courts. The Act creates procedures for the seizure, retention, and forfeiture of cash which is either recoverable or intended by any person for use in unlawful conduct. Cash seizures at the end of 2021/22 Q4 totalled £3,700,079 (10.19% of the total).

Expedited and direct referrals allow assets to be seized from a person through civil procedures. Any assets that can be inferred to have come from a criminal lifestyle can be scrutinised and seized. Expedited and direct referral seizures at the end of 2021/22 Q4 totalled £1,450,000 (6.35% of the total).

POCA legislation provides for the seizure and forfeiture of items of personal property ('listed assets'), including precious metals and stones, which are suspected to be recoverable property or intended for use in unlawful conduct. Listed asset seizures at the end of 2021/22 Q4 totalled £242,725 (0.67% of the total).

Section 303 of POCA 2002 allows the police to apply to the Sheriff Court for an account freezing order. This application can be made for a balance of £1,000 or more if it is believed that the funds are recoverable property or intended for use in unlawful conduct. If granted it allows the balance in the bank account to be 'frozen' for a certified period of time to then allow further enquiries with a view to forfeiture of the funds. Account freezing order at the end of 2021/22 Q4 totalled £430,382 (1.19% of the total).

Table 10
Proceeds of Crime Act seizures - Police Scotland:
By type of seizure; 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q4)

	Q4 2021/22	% of Total
TOTAL POCA RECOVERIES	£36,301,089	100.0
Cash Seizures	£3,700,079	10.19%
Restraints	£30,361,311	83.64%
Expedited Referrals	£1,566,592	4.32%
Direct Referrals	£0	0.00%
Listed Assets	£242,725	0.67%
Account Freezing Orders	£430,382	1.19%
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Incident Analysis

Incidents

Members of the public contact the police for a variety of reasons which generally result in an incident being created on the command and control incident management system. Where that incident infers a crime has been committed the police are required to raise a crime report, unless criminality can be disproved. Many other incidents are created, such as assisting the public or responding to requests for prevention activities, which do not result in a crime report being raised and which are managed solely on the incident management system.

There were 1,469,448 incidents reported to Police Scotland during the period to the end of 2021/22 Q4.

- There were 322,271 anti-social behaviour incidents (Public Reported).
- There were 320 reports of anti-social behaviour where alcohol is reported.
- Members of the public reported 37,979 assault related incidents.
- There were 62,219 reports of incidents relating to thefts and 12,440 reports relating to housebreakings.
- There were 188,380 transport related incidents reported to Police Scotland during the period to the end of 2021/22 Q4. 12,614 of these incidents related to road traffic offences.

Table 11
Incidents reported to Police Scotland:
Number of incidents by initial incident type; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q4)

Initial incident type	Incidents (Number)		Incidents (per 10,000 population)	
	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22
TOTAL INCIDENTS	1 507 648	1 469 448	2 772.4	2 702.1
Anti-social behaviour (ASB) (public reported)	424 380	322 271	780.4	592.6
Complaint	169 605	88 100	311.9	162.0
Disturbance	86 719	83 534	159.5	153.6
Noise	63 994	51 347	117.7	94.4
ASB (where alcohol is reported)	525	320	1.0	0.6
Neighbour dispute	28 680	24 887	52.7	45.8
Vandalism	30 690	32 745	56.4	60.2
Communications	44 167	41 338	81.2	76.0
Other ASB	0	0	0.0	0.0
Transport related incidents	167 749	188 380	308.5	346.4
Road traffic matter	101 273	112 430	186.2	206.7
Road traffic collision	49 218	62 235	90.5	114.4
Road traffic offence	16 190	12 614	29.8	23.2
Other transport incidents	1 068	1 101	2.0	2.0
Crime related incidents ¹³	132 152	140 756	243.0	258.8
Theft	57 547	62 219	105.8	114.4
Assault	32 032	37 979	58.9	69.8
Housebreaking	14 332	12 440	26.4	22.9
Other crime related incidents ¹³	28 241	28 118	51.9	51.7
Other incident types	783 367	818 041	1 440.5	1 504.3

¹² - Excludes incidents relating to vandalism (which is included within anti-social behaviour).

Domestic Abuse

The number of domestic incidents reported during the period to the end of Q4 2021/22 decreased by 2,062 (-1.7%) to 63 093.

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One or more crimes were recorded in 42.8% of all domestic incidents, a decrease of 3.1 percentage points. The detection rate for domestic crime for the period to the end of Q4 2021/22 was 66.9%.

Table 12

Domestic abuse reported to Police Scotland:

Number reported and percentage which result in a crime report; 2020/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q4)

Domestic abuse incidents	Number		Change from 2020/21	
	2020/21	2021/22	No.	%
	64 191	63 093	- 1 098	-1.7
<i>Proportion (%) of domestic abuse incidents which result in a crime report</i>	43.7	42.8	x	% Point Change -0.9

Table 13

Number of missing person incidents - Police Scotland:

Number of incidents ; 20120/21 - 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q4)

Missing Person Incidents	Financial year		No.	%
	2020/21	2021/22		
Number of Incidents	35 675	41 275	5 600	15.7

User Experience Survey (April 2021 to March 2022)

The User Experience Survey (UES) measures the level of satisfaction with how Police Scotland have dealt with members of the public who have contacted the Force to report crimes or incidents and, consequently, their level of satisfaction in the Force.

In January 2020, a redesigned and refreshed approach to understanding public experience was launched. The revised survey aims to evaluate our performance and effectiveness and is being conducted by an external agency to ensure the validity and robustness of research and insight.

Previously conducted by telephone interviews, this survey is currently administered via SMS and completed voluntarily online by respondents. This allows continued engagement with people who have contacted Police

TABLE 14

User Experience survey:

Period: 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q4)

Question

Q1: You contacted the police using [CONTACT METHOD FROM SAMPLE]. How easy was it to contact them? (% Easy and Very Easy)	73% (n = 11,560)
Q2: During the initial contact, how satisfied are you with the way you were treated by a staff member on the [CONTACT METHOD FROM SAMPLE]? (% Satisfied & Very satisfied)	85% (n = 13,395)
Q3: Did you feel staff properly understood what you needed? (% Yes)	87% (n = 13,734)
Q4: Do you feel that the police provided the appropriate response to the incident you reported? (% yes)	65% (n = 10,351)
Q5: Do you feel you were adequately informed about the progress made with what you reported? (% Yes)	56% (n = 7,719)
Q6: How satisfied are you with the way you were treated by the officers who attended the incident? (% Satisfied & Very Satisfied)	80% (n = 8,339)
Q7: Based on your overall experience, how satisfied are you with Police Scotland? (% Satisfied & Very Satisfied)	68% (n = 10,700)

Covid-19 Offences

Table 15

Recorded Covid-19 Offences - Police Scotland : ¹³

Number reported 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q4)

	2021/22
Number of Coronavirus offences	3 926

¹³ Police Scotland have used an interim and bespoke data collection to capture information on the number of new crimes recorded under the coronavirus legislation. This is why figures for this legislation are currently presented separately to the overall totals provided for the recorded crime in this report.

APPENDIX 1

Explanatory Notes on Management Information

Crimes and incidents recording for 2021/22 Q4 covers the period 1 April 2021 to March 2022 (unless otherwise stated).

Each separate crime/offence is categorised under the national classifications and grouped together for ease of reference. Road traffic collisions recorded are determined by the severity of the injury sustained by the most seriously injured casualty.

Several crimes and offences may be recorded at an incident, e.g., a house may be broken into and property stolen, the premises vandalised and the householder assaulted. Three separate crimes would be recorded in this case. The system is based on the number of actual crimes/offences rather than on the number of incidents.

This management information does not reflect the total incidence of crimes/offences or road traffic collisions, as not all incidents are reported to the police.

Unless otherwise stated, the population data used in the calculation of crime and incident rates is the mid-year 2019 population estimate published by the National Records of Scotland.

Further information

If you require further information about any of the data published in this document please contact the Analysis and Performance Unit at AnalysisandPerformance@scotland.pnn.police.uk.

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Crime Group Definitions

Number reported 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q4)

- 100100 Murder
- 100301 Culpable Homicide - common law
- 100200 Attempted Murder
- 100400 Serious Assault (common law)
- 100401 Culpable and reckless, causing injury (from Apr 2011)
- 100402 Illegal driver, disqualified/unlicensed etc. causing serious injury
- 100600 Robbery
- 604701 Common Assault
- 604706 Common assault of an emergency worker

¹³ Police Scotland have used an interim and bespoke data collection to capture inf

Sexual assault (pre-SOSA 2009)

- 201600 Sexual assault (common law, pre SOSA 2009)
- 201802 Defilement of girl under 13

Sexual assault (SOSA 2009)

- 201601 Sex. Assault by Penetration – M (16+)
- 201602 Sex. Assault by Penetration – F (16+)
- 201603 Sex. Assault by Penetration – M (13-15)
- 201604 Sex. Assault by Penetration – F (13-15)
- 201605 Sexual Assault – M (16+)
- 201606 Sexual Assault – F (16+)
- 201607 Sexual Assault – M (13-15)
- 201608 Sexual Assault – F (13-15)
- 201609 Sexual Coercion – M (16+)
- 201610 Sexual Coercion – F (16+)
- 201611 Sexual Coercion – M (13-15)
- 201612 Sexual Coercion – F (13-15)
- 201615 Sex. Assault by Penetration – M (< 13)
- 201616 Sex. Assault by Penetration – F (< 13)
- 201617 Sexual Assault – M (< 13)
- 201618 Sexual Assault – F (< 13)
- 201619 Cause to Participate Sexual Activity – M (< 13)
- 201620 Cause to Participate Sexual Activity – F (< 13)

Lewd & libidinous practices

- 201701 Lewd and libidinous practices (pre Apr 2011, common law)
- 201822 Lewd and Libidinous (from Apr 2011, SOSA 2009)

Prostitution related crime

- 201801 Procurement - excluding homosexual acts
- 201807 Brothel keeping
- 201809 Immoral traffic
- 201810 Offences related to prostitution
- 201812 Procurement of Homosexual Acts
- 201817 Soliciting services of a person engaged in prostitution

Other sexual crimes (non-SOSA)

- 201200 Incest
- 201301 Illegal homosexual acts
- 201303 Assault to commit unnatural crimes
- 201803 Defilement of girl under 16
- 201804 Carnal knowledge of mentally defective or lunatic person
- 201805 Householder permitting carnal knowledge of mentally defective
- 201806 Abducting girl under 18 woman mental defective or lunatic
- 201808 Person with custody & care of girl or other causing her seduction
- 201813 Conspiracy to commit sexual acts outside the UK
- 201814 Grooming of children for the purposes of sexual offences
- 201815 Procurement of sexual services from children under 18
- 201816 Procurement of child under 18 for pornography
- 201821 Bestiality (from Apr 2011)
- 201824 Possession of extreme pornography

Threatening / Disclosure of intimate image

- 201639 Threatening to disclose an intimate image
- 201640 Disclosure of an intimate image

Carrying offensive weapons (incl. restriction)

- 504301 Possession of an offensive weapon
- 504302 Restriction of offensive weapons
- 504305 Possession of a firearm in a prison
- 504306 Possession of an offensive weapon (not elsewhere classified) in a prison
- 504307 Possession of an offensive weapon (not elsewhere specified) in a school

Handling bladed/pointed instrument

- 504303 Carrying of Knives etc S Act 1993
- 504304 Having in a prison an article with a blade or point
- 504308 Having in a school an article with a blade or point

Offensive weapon (used in other criminal activity)

- 504309 Possession of offensive weapon used in other criminal activity
- 504311 Possession of offensive weapon in a prison used in other criminal activity
- 504313 Possession of offensive weapon in a school used in other criminal activity

Bladed/pointed instrument (used in other criminal activity)

- 504310 Having in a public place an article with a blade or point used in other criminal activity
- 504312 Having in a prison an article with a blade or point used in other criminal activity
- 504314 Having in a school an article with a blade or point used in other criminal activity

Racially aggravated harassment/conduct

- 604704 Racially aggravated harassment
- 604705 Racially aggravated conduct

For further detail on crime group descriptors please refer to Scottish Government recorded crime publication (<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2013/06/9697/0>).

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Crime Group Definitions

Number reported 2021/22 (year-to-date to end of Q4)

- 201614 Communicate indecently (SOSA)
- 201622 Communicate Indecently/Cause see/hear Indec Comm -M&F (< 13)
- 201636 Commun Indecently/Cause see/hear Indec Comm-M&F(13-15)(Cons)

Selected "other" sexual crimes

- 201641 Communications Act 2003 (sexual)
- 201818 Taking, distribution, possession etc. of indecent photos of children (from Apr 2011)
- 201702 Public indecency

¹³ Police Scotland have used an interim and bespoke data collection to capture information on the nu

- 201703 Sexual exposure (SOSA)
- 201623 Sexual exposure to a young child (under 13)
- 201637 Sexual exposure older child (13-15)

Other sexual crimes (SOSA)

- 201613 Coercing a person into being present/ looking at sexual activity
- 201621 Cause to be Present Sex Act/To Look at Sex Image -M&F (< 13)
- 201624 Voyeurism - M&F (below 13)
- 201625 Intercourse wi Child - M (13-15)(Consensual)
- 201626 Intercourse wi Child - F (13-15)(Consensual)
- 201627 Penetrative Sex Activity - M (13-15)(Consensual)
- 201628 Penetrative Sex Activity - F (13-15)(Consensual)
- 201629 Sexual Activity - M (13-15)(Consensual)
- 201630 Sexual Activity - F (13-15)(Consensual)
- 201631 Cause to Participate Sex Activity - M (13-15)(Consensual)
- 201632 Cause to Participate Sex Activity - F (13-15)(Consensual)
- 201633 Engage while Older Child in Sex Conduct/Consens Sex Cond - M
- 201634 Engage while Older Child in Sex Conduct/Consens Sex Cond - F
- 201635 Cause to be Pres Sex Act/Look at Sex Image-M&F(13-15)(Cons)
- 201638 Voyeurism - M&F (13-15)
- 201704 Voyeurism
- 201819 Sex. Abuse of Trust (Children)
- 201820 Sex. Abuse of Trust of a Mentally Disordered Person
- 201823 Administering a substance for sexual Purposes

Racially aggravated harassment/conduct

- 604704 Racially aggravated harassment
- 604705 Racially aggravated conduct

Other alcohol related offences

- 606003 Drunk in charge of a child
- 606004 Drunk and attempting to enter licensed premises
- 606005 Drunk or dinking in unlicensed premises
- 606006 Disorderly on licensed premises (and refusing to quit pre 2009/10)
- 606007 Drunk in or attempting to enter designated sports ground
- 606008 Refusing to quit a licensed premise (previously 606006 pre 2009/10)

Wildlife offences

- 605104 Birds, offences involving
- 605113 Hunting with dogs
- 605114 Cruelty to wild animals
- 605115 Offences involving badgers
- 605116 Other wildlife offences
- 605601 Salmon and freshwater fisheries offences
- 605603 Possession of salmon or trout unlawfully obtained
- 605701 Poaching and game laws
- 605702 Deer - S - offences
- 607322 Other conservation offences

Drink, Drug driving offences incl. Failure to provide a specimen

- 730101 Driving motor vehicle while unfit through drink or drugs
- 730102 In charge of motor vehicle while unfit through drink or drugs
- 730103 Driving motor vehicle with blood alcohol content above prescribed limit
- 730104 In charge of motor vehicle with blood alcohol content above prescribed limit
- 730105 Failure to provide breath specimen at the roadside
- 730106 Failure to provide breath, blood or urine specimen at police station

For further detail on crime group descriptors please refer to Scottish Government recorded crime publication (<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2013/06/9697/0>).

APPENDIX 2 Population Data ^{2 3}

		Mid-year (June)	
Number reported 2020/21 (year-to-date to end of Q3)		2019/20	2020/21
Local Council Area	PS Division	2018	2019
SCOTLAND	TOTAL	5,438,100	5,463,300
Aberdeen City	North East	227 560	228 670
Aberdeenshire	North East	261 470	261 210
Angus	Tayside	116 040	116 200
Argyll & Bute	Argyll and West Dunbartonshire	86 260	85 870
¹³ Police Scotland have used an in	Forth Valley	51 400	51 540
Dumfries & Galloway	Dumfries & Galloway	148 790	148 860
User Experience Survey	Tayside	148 750	149 320
East Ayrshire	Ayrshire	121 840	122 010
East Dunbartonshire	19	108 330	108 640
East Lothian	Lothian & Scottish Borders	105 790	107 090
East Renfrewshire	Greater Glasgow	95 170	95 530
Edinburgh, City of	Edinburgh	518 500	524 930
Na h-Eileanan Siar	Highland and Islands	26 830	26 720
Falkirk	Forth Valley	160 340	160 890
Fife	Fife	371 910	373 550
Glasgow City	Greater Glasgow	626 410	633 120
Highland	Highland and Islands	235 540	235 830
Inverclyde	Renfrewshire and Inverclyde	78 150	77 800
Midlothian	Lothian & Scottish Borders	91 340	92 460
Moray	North East	95 520	95 820
North Ayrshire	Ayrshire	135 280	134 740
North Lanarkshire	Lanarkshire	340 180	341 370
Orkney Islands	Highland and Islands	22 190	22 270
Perth & Kinross	Tayside	151 290	151 950
Renfrewshire	Renfrewshire and Inverclyde	177 790	179 100
Scottish Borders	Lothian & Scottish Borders	115 270	115 510
Shetland Islands	Highland and Islands	22 990	22 920
South Ayrshire	Ayrshire	112 550	112 610
South Lanarkshire	Lanarkshire	319 020	320 530
Stirling	Forth Valley	94 330	94 210
West Dunbartonshire	Argyll and West Dunbartonshire	89 130	88 930
West Lothian	Lothian & Scottish Borders	182 140	183 100

² - Mid-year population data based on extracts from National Records for Scotland (<http://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/>), as at April 2019.

³ - Due to when population data are published it is necessary to use earlier mid-year estimates in some calculations. As soon as more current population data are available, the above table will be updated.

