| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 23-0136  Responded to: 26 January 2023 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## I would like to ask Police Scotland to provide information on any homicides in Scotland whereby the victim was a trans woman.

## If possible, I am seeking details of any murders of trans women held by Police Scotland to date - if the force considers this to be too costly an exercise, I would ask that the search of homicide records be limited to the past 6 years (ie calendar years 2017-2022 inclusive.

In response to your request, I can advise you that as of 16 January 2023 there are no known reported victims who identified as Trans Woman. This is based on searches carried out on The Scottish Homicide Database, Homicide Governance and Review files and shared data drive.

It should be noted that The Scottish Homicide Database search parameters start from 1 January 1960 and does not have a specific entry field/tab for - Trans Woman/Trans Gender however this information, where relevant, is often contained within the body of the electronic briefing documents submitted during the course of a murder investigation. It should also be noted that this type of information may not have been known or readily available to officers whilst processing and transferring data from historical murder ledgers/documents where the information is often limited than is the case with current practice/data captures.

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.