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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request of 05 July 2018 requesting statistics with regard to prisoners and dementia, which includes the following:

1. How many, and what percentage of prisoners are aged:
 - i) 40-49
 - ii) 50-59
 - iii) 60-69
 - iv) 70-79
 - v) 80-89
 - vi) Over 90
2. How many current prisoners have been diagnosed with dementia and how many are in each age group outlined in Question One?
3. Of those diagnosed as living with dementia, how many have a remaining sentence of:
 - i) up to one year
 - ii) one to five years
 - iii) five to ten years
 - iv) over ten years
4. What training and support, if any, is provided to prison staff in order to support prisoners living with dementia, and how many staff receive this?

In response to your first query, please see the table below which was compiled using population figures as at 05 July 2018 and please note that there were no prisoners aged over 90 held in SPS custody on this date:

Age Groups	No. of Prisoners	Percentage of Total Population
40 - 49 inc	1482	19.32
50 - 59 inc	790	10.30
60 - 69 inc	252	3.29
70 - 79 inc	80	1.04
80 - 89 inc	13	0.17
	Sum:	34

In response to your second and third queries, on 1 November 2011 responsibility and accountability for the provision of healthcare services to prisoners transferred from SPS to the National Health Service (NHS) and these services are now provided by the respective local Health Boards. As part of this transition, all prisoner Health Care Records and associated management information transferred from SPS to the NHS. You may therefore wish to approach local NHS Health Boards for this information.

In response to your fourth query, SPS has been working in partnership with Alzheimer Scotland to deliver dementia awareness sessions to Prison Officers. These sessions are primarily to provide Officers with information about the condition and raise awareness. Prison Officers in some establishments have already attended the training and others are awaiting future dates. Officers at HM Prison Inverness, Barlinnie, Cornton Vale, Grampian and Low Moss have still to attend the awareness sessions.

The table below shows the establishments and the number of staff who have attended the awareness sessions.

ESTABLISHMENT	NUMBER OF STAFF
HMP Shotts	84
SPS College	30
HMP Greenock	34
HMP Glenochil	22
SPS Headquarters	23
HMP Perth	21
HMP Edinburgh	5
HMP Dumfries	30

If you are dissatisfied with this response, you have the right to request a review. Your request should be made within 40 working days of the date of receipt of this letter and we will reply within 20 working days of receiving your request. Under section 20(3)(c)(ii) of the Act your request should outline your reason for seeking a review. If you remain unsatisfied following an internal review, you then have the right to make a formal complaint to the Scottish Information Commissioner.

If you require a review to be carried out, please write to the Chief Executive, Scottish Prison Service, Calton House, 5 Redheughs Rigg, Edinburgh, EH12 9HW. The review will be undertaken by staff not involved in the original decision making process.

Yours sincerely

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