

Head of Corporate Affairs

**Our Ref FOI 14242**

Dear [REDACTED],

6<sup>th</sup> February 2015

Thank you for your request dated the 11<sup>th</sup> January 2015 under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA) for;

- the details of assaults by prisoners on prisoners in 2013 and 2014; and
- the number of assaults, as much detail about each incident as possible, and the outcome.

We received your request on the 11<sup>th</sup> January 2015 - this gives a statutory deadline of the 6<sup>th</sup> February 2015 for responding under the terms of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

We have now completed our search for the information you request, please see the following.

<b>Prisoner on Prisoner Assaults</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Serious Assaults	70	77
Minor/Non-Injury Assaults	485	508

All prisoners identified as perpetrating an assault are subject to internal disciplinary proceedings.

We do endeavour to provide information whenever possible. However, in this instance an exemption under section 12 of FOISA applies to some of the information requested. To ascertain the answers to the remainder of your questions would involve analysing in excess of 1100 case files. The time that it would take to carry out such an investigation would exceed the amount prescribed by the Act.

I'm sorry we have been unable to deal with your request in full. If you are unhappy with this response to your request, you may ask us to carry out an internal review, by writing to The Chief Executive, Calton House, 5 Redheughs Rigg, Edinburgh, EH12 9HW. Your request should explain why you wish a review to be carried out, and should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter, and we will reply within 20 working days of receipt. If you are not satisfied with the result of the review, you then have the right to make a formal complaint to the Scottish Information Commissioner.

Yours sincerely,

**Head of Corporate Affairs**