



HEADQUARTERS
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Our Ref: HQ24164

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Dear

Thank you for your request dated 26 September 2024 under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOI(S)A).

For reference, you requested:

RFI 1: “The total number of data protection breaches that have occurred during each year since 2018? For each breach reported, please provide (a) the year of the breach, (b) the department involved and (c) the number of individuals affected?”

RFI 2: “Please provide information on whether any serious data breaches (as defined under GDPR) have failed to be reported to the Information Commissioner’s Office (ICO) within the legally required 72-hour period and the year of the breach?”

If possible, I would appreciate it if you could display the information in a table or on Excel.

We have now completed our search for the information you requested.

RFI 1 Response: Under section 17 of FOI(S)A I can advise that the SPS does not hold the information you have requested in relation to the number of data protection breaches or individuals affected as this did not form part of the SPS corporate reporting on information incidents for previous financial years.

SPS has a system in place to record all information security incidents reported by staff. In order to help and assist your request we have provided a table below showing the number of information security incidents recorded for each financial year but please note an information security incident does not necessarily constitute a data protection breach.

Establishment	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Barlinnie	113	64	38	38	15	17
Castle Huntly	6	5	1	4	1	2
Central Stores	0	2	0	0	0	0
Dumfries	17	10	13	3	4	3
Edinburgh	37	28	19	8	8	20
Glenochil	25	26	20	40	12	3
Grampian	39	30	15	26	14	13
Greenock	9	12	17	15	18	7
HQ	34	32	21	21	7	27
Inverness	5	0	1	3	5	0

Kilmarnock	6	4	8	1	11	2
Low Moss	12	22	8	14	11	9
Polmont	11	18	10	4	3	4
Perth	30	78	187	140	36	9
Shotts	14	11	5	7	3	6
SPSC	11	2	1	0	1	3
Stirling (inc Bella CCU & Lillias CCU)	18	7	3	6	6	10
Total	387	351	367	330	155	135

RFI 2 Response: Under section 17 of FOI(S)A I can advise that the SPS does not hold any information on failures to report serious data breaches to the Information Commissioners office within the 72-hour period.

This concludes our response to your request.

If you are unhappy with this response to your request, you may ask us to conduct an internal review, by writing to The Chief Executive, One Lochside, 1 Lochside Avenue, Edinburgh, EH12 9DJ. Your request should explain why you wish a review to be conducted and should be made within forty working days of receipt of this letter, and we will reply within twenty 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

Acting Information Security Manager