



HEADQUARTERS
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Our Ref: HQ25428

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Dear

Thank you for your request dated 5 January 2026 under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOI(S)A).

For reference, you requested: “Under the Freedom of Information Act, I am writing to request information regarding the following data for each female facility which holds, ideally disaggregated by individual prisoner, for the last 5 years for which data are available:

RFI 1: “Self-harm counts”

RFI 2: “Suicide counts”

RFI 3: “Purposeful activity outside of the cell (e.g., hours/days spent in activities outside the cell per prisoner)”

RFI 4: “Prison population (total number of prisoners)”

RFI 5: “Prison capacity (number of available prisoner places)”

RFI 6: “Demographic information of prisoners, including age, ethnicity, gender, nationality, disability status, religion, sentence length, offence type, education level, employment status before incarceration, housing status before imprisonment, relationship status, remand/convicted status, security classification, or any other demographic information available”

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

RFI 1 – 5 Response: Please see table below:

HMP Edinburgh	Self-Harm	Suicide	Purposeful Activity	Population	Capacity
2021	23	0	S17	S17	134
2022	14	0	S17	S17	134
2023	13	0	S17	S17	134
HMP & YOI Grampian	Self-Harm	Suicide	Purposeful Activity	Population	Capacity
2021	18	1	39305.2	12326	S17
2022	21	0	25609.75	11495	S17

2023	19	0	23745.75	12979	S17
2024	40	1	27482.75	16440	S17
2025	14	0	22032.5	15994	S17
Greenock	Self-Harm	Suicide	Purposeful Activity	Population	Capacity
2021	9	0	S17	48	61
2022	10	0	S17	48	61
2023	2	0	S17	46	53
2024	9	0	S17	50	53
2025	3	0	S17	50	53
HMP & YOI Polmont	Self-Harm	Suicide	Purposeful Activity	Population	Capacity
2021	75	5	54867	341	758
2022	24	1	58178.5	297	758
2023	79	5	73121.5	306	758
2024	43	5	87531.5	466	758
2025	45	5	74482.5	544	758
HMP & YOI Stirling	Self-Harm	Suicide	Purposeful Activity	Population	Capacity
2021	S17	0	46603 (2021-22)	S17	119
2022	S17	0	25183 (2022-23)	S17	119
2023	30	0	23415 (2023-24)	76 (2023-24)	119
2024	52	0	54160 (2024-25)		119
2025	50	0		86 (2024-25)	119

Please note, not all establishments hold the information requested, therefore under section 17 of FOI(S)A I can advise that where the table references S17, this information is not held by the Scottish Prison Service (SPS).

RFI 6 Response: Under section 17 of FOI(S)A I can advise that this information is not held by the SPS. We do not hold historical information of this nature.

In accordance with section 15 of FOI(S)A, to be helpful, I have provided a link to the Scottish Governments Scottish Prison Population Statistics and Projections which may provide you with the information you are seeking:

[Scottish prison population statistics and projections - gov.scot](https://gov.scot/scottish-prison-population-statistics-and-projections)

Within that link there is the Scottish Prison Population Statistics for Women in Custody
[Scottish Prison Population Statistics 2024-25 - gov.scot](https://gov.scot/scottish-prison-population-statistics-2024-25)

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

SPS Operational Advisor