| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 24-2206  Responded to: 23 September 2024 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## Under freedom of Information Legislation can you please supply me with the following information

## What is the full authorised Police Scotland strength/numbers at each officer level e.g. constable, sergeant, inspector etc.

Table 1 shows the budgeted numbers of each rank level as of 30/06/2024.

Table 1

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| Rank | Budgeted Establishment |
| Executive | 13 |
| Chief Superintendent | 29 |
| Superintendent | 113 |
| Chief Inspector | 212 |
| Inspector | 782 |
| Sergeant | 2,381 |
| Constables | 13,036 |
| Total | 16,566 |

## What is the current actual number of each rank within Police Scotland.

Table 2 shows the current numbers of each rank level as of 30/06/2024.

Table 2.

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| Rank | Headcount |
| Executive | 14 |
| Chief Superintendent | 32 |
| Superintendent | 112 |
| Chief Inspector | 212 |
| Inspector | 839 |
| Sergeant | 2,502 |
| Constables | 12,690 |
| Total | 16,401 |

## What is the number of days holiday each rank is entitled to each year.

The information sought is held by Police Scotland, but I am refusing to provide it in terms of section 16(1) of the Act on the basis that the section 25(1) exemption applies:

“Information which the applicant can reasonably obtain other than by requesting it is exempt information”.

The information sought is publicly available at [Standard Operating Procedures A-B - Police Scotland](https://www.scotland.police.uk/access-to-information/policies-and-procedures/standard-operating-procedures/standard-operating-procedures-a-b/) under the sub heading – Annual leave and public holiday (Officer) SOP.

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.