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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## How many alleged hate incidents were reported each year in 2018 to 2023.

In response to your request please see the table below. Please note the caveats at below the tables.

Recorded iVPD Hate Crime Incidents - 01 January 2018 until 31 March 2024

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Year | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024\* |
| Total | 5610 | 6454 | 7052 | 7296 | 7246 | 7217 | 1683 |

## How many suspected hate crimes were logged each year in 2018 to 2023. (Incidents that met the criteria for investigation as a hate crime).

In response to your request please see the table below. Please note the caveats at below the tables.

Recorded iVPD Hate Crimes - 01 January 2018 until 31 March 2024

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Year | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024\* |
| Total | 5729 | 6389 | 6939 | 6788 | 6401 | 6342 | 1413 |

## How many alleged hate incidents were reported each month in January, February and March 2024.

In response to your request please see the table below. Please note the caveats at below the tables.

Recorded iVPD Hate Crime Incidents broken by month - 01 January 2024 until 31 March 2024

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Month | January | February | March |
| Total | 519 | 563 | 601 |

## How many suspected hate crimes were logged each month in January, February and March 2024.

In response to your request please see the table below. Please note the caveats at below the tables.

Recorded iVPD Hate Crime broken by month - 01 January 2024 until 31 March 2024

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Month | January | February | March |
| Total | 442 | 192 | 479 |

All statistics are provisional and should be treated as management information. All data have been extracted from Police Scotland internal systems and are correct as at 01/5/2024.

Police Scotland does not retain any information for statistical purposes once a record has been weeded from iVPD.  When a record is weeded, it is removed from the system, and there is no retention of data outside the weeding and retention policy.  Please note, the weeding and retention policy states that if a person is recorded as "no concern / not applicable" then this will only be retained for 6 months.

Please note that these data are collated from the Police Scotland iVPD system, which has an automated weeding and retention policy built on to it. A copy of the retention policy is available on the Police Scotland internet site.

## How many hate incidents were reported on 1 April 2024.

On the date specified 2 non crime hate incidents were recorded.

## How many suspected hate crimes were logged on 1 April 2024.

On the date specified 37 non crime hate incidents were recorded, with a total of 38 aggravators recorded against the crimes.

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.