| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 24-2002  Responded to: 05 September 2024 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## 1 How many police officers were seriously assaulted in Ayrshire 2023-24? 2 How many serious assaults on police officers in Ayrshire before in 2014-15?

The table below details recorded serious assaults within Ayrshire, for the years 2014/15 and 2023/24, where the associated legislation relates to police assault specifically.

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| **Year** | **Serious Assaults** |
| 2014/15 | 2 |
| 2023/24 | 1 |

All statistics are provisional and should be treated as management information.   
Data was extracted from Police Scotland systems and are correct as at 04/09/2024.  
Recorded Crimes are extracted using the Date Raised, and then selecting the Stats Class Codes '100400' (Serious Assault).  
Police Assaults are then selected based on the relevant Legislation (Acts and Sections) relating to Police Assaults.

## 3 What were the police officers’ numbers in Ayrshire in 2014-15?

As at 31/03/2015 there were 854,211 police officers based in ‘U’ Division.

## 4 What are the police officers’ numbers in Ayrshire today?

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 - [Police Scotland Officer Numbers](https://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/how-we-do-it/police-scotland-officer-numbers/)

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.