| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 24-2589  Responded to: 3 November 2024 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## I am requesting data on the number of dogs your police force seized and/or put down between November 2023 to October 2024.

## If possible, I request that the data be broken down by dog breed.

In response to these questions, unfortunately, I estimate that it would cost well in excess of the current FOI cost threshold of £600 to process your request. I am therefore refusing to provide the information sought in terms of section 12(1) of the Act - Excessive Cost of Compliance.

By way of explanation, crimes involving dogs are recorded under Dangerous Dog crime classifications and as such, to establish the breed and whether a dog has been seized or euthanized, all relevant crime reports would have to be individually examined.

To be of assistance, recorded and detected crime statistics are publicly available on the Police Scotland website: [Crime data - Police Scotland](https://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/how-we-do-it/crime-data/) – Group 6 would be relevant to your request.

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.