| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 24-2042  Responded to: 22nd August 2024 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

I am looking, under freedom of information laws, for any statistics Police Scotland can provide in relation to the number of incidents in each of the last three years in which people under the age of 18 have been found to be in possession of Vape pens containing (a) Cannabis and (B) the drug known as Spice.

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, we can't search drug offences by age of the accused or drug type. The only way to extract the data required in an accurate and consistent manner would be to manually search each individual record to determine relevance. This is obviously an exercise that would far exceed the cost threshold set within the Act.

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.