| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information ResponseOur reference: FOI 24-2794Responded to: 06 December 2024 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

**Today at the Justice Committee the chief constable stated that recruitment due on 04/11/24 would bring police officer numbers back to around 16600,**

**How many police officers (not the quarterly figure) were in post on 30/10/24 including the Full Time equivalent.**

**Also, can I have a similar set of figures, for 04/11/24 including FTE.**

| **Date** | **Headcount** | **FTE** |
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| 30/10/2024 | 16,546 | 16357.852 |
| 04/11/2024 | 16,791 | 16603.06 |

**Lastly, how many police officers are due to retire (ie posted online that the day the search was conducted).**

As at 4 November 2024, 99 officers have had future leaving dates attached to their HR record for the reason of ‘Retirement – 24-30 Years’ or ‘Retirement – Pension’.

Please note that we can only extract from the system leavers that have began to be processed and as a result have a leaving date attached to their record.  It is possible that an officer may have submitted their intention to retire but their online form has not began processing yet.

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 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 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.