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

## In the last 5 years (between 1st January 2019 to 6th July 2024), how many officers have applied for Particular Case Status with regards to pay extensions whilst on sick leave.

## How many of those applications were approved at initial application, how many were approved on appeal and the number refused after both initial application and appeal.

## If possible, could the above be broken down per division.

## The length of time from initial application to either initial refusal, grant at appeal or refusal at appeal

The table at Appendix A below details Particular Case Status applications approved and declined, broken down by Division/Department for the period 2022 to 2024.

In relation to the period prior to 2022 and to establish the length of time from initial application to the outcome, I estimate that it would cost well in excess of the current FOI cost threshold of £600 to process both these parts of 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, due to the way the information is recorded, to accurately answer this part of your request would require the individual assessment of at least 600 files. As such, this is an exercise which would exceed the cost limit set out in the Fees Regulations.

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.

**Appendix A – Particular Case Status Applications 2022 - 2024**

|  | **2022** | | **2023** | | | | **2024** | |
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| **Division/ Department** | **Approved** | **Declined** | **Approved** | **Declined** | **TBC** | **Approved** | | **Declined** |
| A Division | 4 | 1 | 4 | 1 |  | 2 | |  |
| C Division | 4 | 1 | 2 | 3 |  | 4 | | 3 |
| Contact Control & Command Division | 34 | 3 | 16 | 7 |  | 8 | | 3 |
| Corporate Services Division | 28 | 6 | 16 | 4 | 1 | 9 | |  |
| Criminal Justice Services Division | 13 | 8 | 8 | 1 |  | 4 | | 1 |
| D Division | 17 |  | 11 | 2 |  | 4 | | 2 |
| E Division | 8 | 1 | 4 | 8 |  | 2 | | 1 |
| G Division | 14 | 17 | 18 | 19 |  | 8 | | 8 |
| J Division | 5 |  | 5 |  |  | 3 | |  |
| K Division | 9 | 9 | 4 | 5 |  | 7 | |  |
| L Division | 4 | 6 | 3 | 2 |  |  | | 1 |
| N Division | 7 | 1 | 3 | 1 |  | 4 | |  |
| Operational Support Division | 7 | 1 | 15 | 4 |  | 8 | | 7 |
| P Division |  |  | 2 | 1 |  | 3 | |  |
| Partnerships, Preventions & Community Wellbeing (PPCW) |  |  | 4 |  |  | 1 | |  |
| Q Division | 10 | 6 | 10 | 6 |  | 2 | | 2 |
| Scottish Police Authority | 8 |  | 1 |  |  | 2 | |  |
| Specialist crime Division | 15 | 4 | 21 | 4 |  | 8 | |  |
| U Division | 8 | 3 | 9 | 5 |  | 2 | |  |
| V Division | 6 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |  | | 2 |
| (Blank) |  |  | 4 |  |  | 1 | |  |