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

## In the last four years (2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023) and the year 2024 up to the most recent reporting period - please provide:

## The number of drugs search warrants obtained for locations in Ayrshire.

## The number of drugs search warrants carried out in Ayrshire.

## A breakdown of warrants carried out across Ayrshire in terms of returning positive or negative results.

## The estimated street value of drugs recovered across Ayrshire during each year.

## A breakdown of drug class, and type (for example Cannabis, cocaine, diamorphine etc), recovered in Ayrshire and the estimated street value of these.

## The total number of arrests made in Ayrshire in relation to drugs offences during these periods - broken down into locality area.

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 would have to manually review each individual drug related crime reports for Ayrshire to extract and note the relevant details. Given the volume of these reports this is clearly an exercise that will exceed the cost limitations of the act.

To be of assistance, rec/det crime stats  are available online at  [How we are performing - Police Scotland](https://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/what-we-do/how-we-are-performing/) [Crime data - Police Scotland](https://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/how-we-do-it/crime-data/)

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.