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

**Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 I would like to request information about the following airports:**

**- Edinburgh**

**- Glasgow**

**- Aberdeen**

**- Inverness**

**- Prestwick**

**- Sumburgh**

**For each of the above I would like to request the following:**

**- Number of arrests for offences committed within the airport perimeter.**

**- Most common offences committed within the airport perimeter.**

**For both of these I would like the data broken down for 2024 (if available), 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019**

The tables below show the recorded crimes in the above mentioned locations between 01/01/2019 – 31/05/2024

I would ask that you note that information has been provided for the police beats which covers the airports and includes the terminal buildings and the curtilage of the airports, which will also include roads. As a result, the data below will include offences committed out with the airport perimeter.

Please also note the caveats at the bottom of each table.

**Table 1 – Aberdeen Airport**

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| **Crime Bulletin Categories** | **2019** | **2020** | **2021** | **2022** | **2023** | **2024** |
| Group 2 - Sexual Crimes | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Theft of a motor vehicle | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Common theft | 8 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 1 |
| Theft by shoplifting | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Fraud | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Fireraising | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Vandalism (incl. reckless damage, etc.) | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| Culpable & reckless conduct (not firearms) | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other Group 4 crimes | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Carrying offensive weapons (incl. restriction)\* | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Handling bladed/pointed instrument\* | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 1 |
| Bladed/pointed instrument (used in other criminal activity) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Possession of drugs | 5 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 0 |
| Other drugs offences (incl. importation) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Bail offences (other than absconding) | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Other Group 5 crimes | 4 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 0 |
| Common Assault | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Common Assault (of an emergency worker) | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Breach of the Peace | 5 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Threatening and abusive behaviour | 4 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 5 | 2 |
| Racially aggravated harassment/conduct | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Other alcohol related offences | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other Group 6 offences | 10 | 9 | 12 | 6 | 14 | 1 |
| Dangerous driving offences | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Drink, Drug driving offences incl. Failure to provide a specimen | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Speeding offences | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Driving while disqualified | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Driving without a licence | 4 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 5 | 1 |
| Failure to insure against third party risks | 2 | 2 | 7 | 13 | 10 | 4 |
| Seat belt offences | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Mobile phone offences | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Driving Carelessly | 2 | 8 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Drivers neglect of traffic directions (NOT pedestrian crossings) | 2 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 1 |
| Using a motor vehicle without test certificate | 2 | 0 | 3 | 9 | 5 | 5 |
| Other Group 7 offences | 4 | 8 | 2 | 11 | 11 | 4 |
| **Total** | **72** | **46** | **61** | **75** | **90** | **28** |

*All statistics are provisional and should be treated as management information. All data have been extracted from Police Scotland internal systems and are correct at 24th June 2024*

*1 Recorded Crimes are extracted using the Date Raised, and within beat AN1Y*

*2. Please note, each record will need to be read to confirm the circumstances and location*

**Table 2 – Edinburgh Airport**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Crime Bulletin Categories** | **2019** | **2020** | **2021** | **2022** | **2023** | **2024** |
| Serious Assault (incl. culpable & reckless conduct - causing injury) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Robbery and assault with intent to rob | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Domestic Abuse (of female) | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cruel & Unnatural treatment of children | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Threats and extortion | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other Group 1 crimes | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Group 2 - Sexual Crimes | 7 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 13 | 4 |
| Opening Lockfast Places - Motor Vehicle | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Theft of a motor vehicle | 3 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| Theft from a Motor Vehicle, Insecure etc | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 3 |
| Attempt theft of motor vehicle | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Opening Lockfast Places - NOT Motor Vehicle | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Common theft | 57 | 21 | 12 | 42 | 69 | 29 |
| Theft by shoplifting | 17 | 1 | 2 | 35 | 52 | 20 |
| Fraud | 7 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 9 | 11 |
| Other Group 3 crimes | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 5 |
| Fireraising | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Vandalism (incl. reckless damage, etc.) | 33 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 14 | 1 |
| Culpable & reckless conduct (not firearms) | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other Group 4 crimes | 5 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| Carrying offensive weapons (incl. restriction)\* | 0 | 5 | 0 | 9 | 6 | 7 |
| Handling bladed/pointed instrument\* | 4 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 8 | 3 |
| Bladed/pointed instrument (used in other criminal activity) | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Supply of drugs (incl. possession with intent) | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 14 |
| Possession of drugs | 14 | 2 | 5 | 18 | 32 | 9 |
| Other drugs offences (incl. importation) | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 14 |
| Bail offences (other than absconding) | 1 | 3 | 3 | 7 | 6 | 1 |
| Other Group 5 crimes | 12 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 11 | 3 |
| Common Assault | 22 | 5 | 3 | 11 | 22 | 16 |
| Common Assault (of an emergency worker) | 3 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 9 | 0 |
| Breach of the Peace | 3 | 8 | 4 | 10 | 8 | 2 |
| Threatening and abusive behaviour | 41 | 16 | 10 | 41 | 45 | 19 |
| Racially aggravated harassment/conduct | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Other alcohol related offences | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Other Group 6 offences | 51 | 12 | 15 | 38 | 66 | 24 |
| Dangerous driving offences | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Drink, Drug driving offences incl. Failure to provide a specimen | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Speeding offences | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Driving while disqualified | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Driving without a licence | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Failure to insure against third party risks | 2 | 2 | 0 | 8 | 9 | 5 |
| Seat belt offences | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Mobile phone offences | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Driving Carelessly | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 0 |
| Drivers neglect of traffic directions (NOT pedestrian crossings) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 39 | 4 |
| Using a motor vehicle without test certificate | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 8 | 1 |
| Other Group 7 offences | 23 | 8 | 7 | 26 | 36 | 10 |
| **Total** | **325** | **118** | **88** | **300** | **498** | **213** |

*1 Recorded Crimes are extracted using the Date Raised, and Specified areas have been selected using GIS Mapping and selecting beat 'WA59'*

*2. Please note, only records with a Grid East and Grid North are plotted and selected. Not all records have a Grid East and Grid North.*

*3. Please note, each record will need to be read to confirm the circumstances and location. 4. A keyword search was also carried out and relevant records were selected.*

**Table 3 – Glasgow Airport**

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| **Crime Bulletin Categories** | **2019** | **2020** | **2021** | **2022** | **2023** | **2024** |
| Culpable Homicide, (others) | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Serious Assault (incl. culpable & reckless conduct - causing injury) | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cruel & Unnatural treatment of children | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Threats and extortion | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Other Group 1 crimes | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Group 2 - Sexual Crimes | 8 | 6 | 1 | 9 | 7 | 3 |
| Housebreaking (incl. attempts) - other premises | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Theft of a motor vehicle | 2 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Theft from a Motor Vehicle, Insecure etc | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Opening Lockfast Places - NOT Motor Vehicle | 1 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Common theft | 57 | 10 | 15 | 40 | 38 | 23 |
| Theft by shoplifting | 19 | 9 | 6 | 6 | 22 | 11 |
| Fraud | 9 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 12 | 1 |
| Other Group 3 crimes | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Fireraising | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Vandalism (incl. reckless damage, etc.) | 4 | 4 | 4 | 8 | 6 | 6 |
| Reckless conduct (with firearms) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Culpable & reckless conduct (not firearms) | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 |
| Other Group 4 crimes | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Carrying offensive weapons (incl. restriction)\* | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 4 |
| Handling bladed/pointed instrument\* | 2 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 20 | 7 |
| Offensive weapon (used in other criminal activity)\* | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Bladed/pointed instrument (used in other criminal activity) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Supply of drugs (incl. possession with intent) | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 8 |
| Possession of drugs | 8 | 12 | 8 | 11 | 19 | 5 |
| Other drugs offences (incl. importation) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 9 |
| Bail offences (other than absconding) | 1 | 1 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 9 |
| Other Group 5 crimes | 4 | 7 | 7 | 6 | 2 | 3 |
| Common Assault | 12 | 10 | 6 | 7 | 17 | 4 |
| Common Assault (of an emergency worker) | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| Breach of the Peace | 5 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Threatening and abusive behaviour | 20 | 24 | 11 | 23 | 27 | 14 |
| Racially aggravated harassment/conduct | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| Consume alcohol in designated place local bye-law | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Other alcohol related offences | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Other Group 6 offences | 19 | 13 | 22 | 36 | 41 | 14 |
| Dangerous driving offences | 4 | 5 | 6 | 4 | 5 | 3 |
| Drink, Drug driving offences incl. Failure to provide a specimen | 7 | 8 | 6 | 6 | 12 | 1 |
| Speeding offences | 143 | 129 | 51 | 28 | 19 | 0 |
| Driving while disqualified | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 |
| Driving without a licence | 2 | 9 | 13 | 11 | 8 | 2 |
| Failure to insure against third party risks | 28 | 18 | 34 | 28 | 35 | 14 |
| Seat belt offences | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Mobile phone offences | 5 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 4 | 3 |
| Driving Carelessly | 18 | 16 | 19 | 18 | 10 | 6 |
| Drivers neglect of traffic directions (NOT pedestrian crossings) | 36 | 30 | 22 | 9 | 6 | 1 |
| Using a motor vehicle without test certificate | 53 | 39 | 36 | 45 | 61 | 8 |
| Other Group 7 offences | 45 | 39 | 25 | 61 | 48 | 29 |
| **Total** | **532** | **407** | **321** | **394** | **453** | **193** |

*1 Recorded Crimes are extracted using the Date Raised, and within beat KB41*

*2. Please note, each record will need to be read to confirm the circumstances and location.*

**Table 4 – Inverness Airport**

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| **Crime Bulletin Categories** | **2022** | **2023** | **2024\*** |
| Common theft | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Theft by shoplifting | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Other Group 4 crimes | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Handling bladed/pointed instrument\* | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Possession of drugs | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Common Assault | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Threatening and abusive behaviour | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Other Group 6 offences | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Other Group 7 offences | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| **Total** | **7** | **11** | **5** |

*1 Recorded Crimes are extracted using the Date Raised, and Specified areas have been selected using GIS Mapping - Inverness Airport, Highlands and Islands Division has been selected.'*

*2. Please note, only records with a Grid East and Grid North are plotted and selected. Not all records have a Grid East and Grid North.*

*3. Please note, each record will need to be read to confirm the circumstances and location.*

*4. A keyword search was also carried out for 'INVERNESS AIRPORT' and relevant records were selected.*

**Table 5 – Prestwick Airport**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Crime Bulletin Categories** | **2019** | **2020** | **2021** | **2022** | **2023** | **2024** |
| Other Group 1 crimes | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Group 2 - Sexual Crimes | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Theft from a Motor Vehicle, Insecure etc | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Opening Lockfast Places - NOT Motor Vehicle | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Common theft | 4 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| Theft by shoplifting | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Fraud | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Vandalism (incl. reckless damage, etc.) | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Culpable & reckless conduct (not firearms) | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Other Group 4 crimes | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Bladed/pointed instrument (used in other criminal activity) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Supply of drugs (incl. possession with intent) | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Possession of drugs | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Other drugs offences (incl. importation) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Other Group 5 crimes | 7 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 0 |
| Common Assault | 5 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 |
| Common Assault (of an emergency worker) | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| Threatening and abusive behaviour | 7 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 0 |
| Other Group 6 offences | 3 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Dangerous driving offences | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Drink, Drug driving offences incl. Failure to provide a specimen | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Speeding offences | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Driving while disqualified | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Driving without a licence | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Failure to insure against third party risks | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Mobile phone offences | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Driving Carelessly | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Using a motor vehicle without test certificate | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| Other Group 7 offences | 9 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 1 |
| **Total** | **61** | **22** | **16** | **31** | **33** | **11** |

*1 Recorded Crimes are extracted using the Date Raised, Airport was identified from a keyword search and a mapped on GIS.*

*2. Please note, each record will need to be read to confirm the circumstances and location.*

**Table 6 – Sumburgh Airport**

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| **Crime Bulletin Category** | **2019** | **2020** | **2021** | **2022** | **2023** | **2024** |
| Group 2 - Sexual Crimes | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Vandalism (incl. reckless damage, etc.) | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Carrying offensive weapons (incl. restriction)\* | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Handling bladed/pointed instrument\* | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Supply of drugs (incl. possession with intent) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Possession of drugs | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Other Group 5 crimes | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Threatening and abusive behaviour | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Other Group 6 offences | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Dangerous driving offences | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Drink, Drug driving offences incl. Failure to provide a specimen | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Driving Carelessly | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Drivers neglect of traffic directions (NOT pedestrian crossings) | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| **Total** | **5** | **3** | **2** | **7** | **3** | **2** |

*1 Recorded Crimes are extracted using the Date Raised, and Specified areas have been selected using GIS Mapping - Sumburgh Airport, Highlands and Islands Division has been selected.'*

*2. Please note, only records with a Grid East and Grid North are plotted and selected. Not all records have a Grid East and Grid North.*

*3. Please note, each record will need to be read to confirm the circumstances and location*

*4. A keyword search was also carried out for 'SUMBURGH AIRPORT' and relevant records were selected.*

If you require any further assistance, please contact us quoting the reference above.

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