| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 24-2255  Responded to: 11 September 2024 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## Can you please provide me with the number of cars which have been caught speeding through the temporary average speed cameras on the M80 around junction 9 since their deployment.

## Can this be broken down by each speed section please.

I can confirm that 473 vehicles have been detected speeding by the temporary average speed cameras on the M80 around junction 9 since their deployment.

Please note that this information is accurate as of 05 September 2024.

I am refusing, however, to break this down by speed section.

The information sought is held by Police Scotland, but I am refusing to provide it in terms of section 16(1) of the Act on the basis that the following exemptions apply:

**Section 35(1)(a)&(b) - Law Enforcement**

Disclosure would give a clear indication as to the operation of the camera system, which would substantially prejudice the prevention and detection of crime and the apprehension or prosecution of offenders. Accordingly, the information you have requested is exempt.

This is a non-absolute exemption which requires a public interest test.

**Section 39(1) - Health, Safety and the Environment**

Disclosure of camera specific information would encourage drivers to speed and commit offences, thereby endangering other road users and pedestrians and render the safety camera ineffective as a road safety measure.

This is a non-absolute exemption and also requires the application of a public interest test.

**Public Interest Test**

It could be argued that public awareness and safety camera partnership accountability would favour disclosure. That said, the application of the exemptions listed above, the efficient/effective conduct of Police Scotland and overall public safety favour nondisclosure of the information. On balance it is considered that the public interest in disclosing site specific data is outweighed by the potential consequences to law enforcement and the impact such a release would have on road safety measures.

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.