| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 24-3006  Responded to: 3 January 2025 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

1. **How any times has Police Scotland attended the Above hotel**

I note that in your initial request, you refer to the hotel in question as “immigrant”. I can confirm that said hotel has not house any Asylum Seekers since July 2024.

I would ask that you note that all incidents which come to the attention of Police Scotland are recorded on STORM, Police Scotland’s incident management system. An incident may not involve recourse to formal criminal proceedings, as individuals report varying matters to the police, some of which allege criminality, and others merely report observations. All such calls are recorded on STORM as an incident; however, the recorded incident does not always result in a corresponding recorded crime.

I have provided below a table showing the number of incidents attended by Police Scotland, broken down by type, for each financial year:

Data provided below is based on a snapshot taken on 19/12/2024 and is correct at that date.

*Table: Recorded Attended Storm Incidents, OYO Brentwood Hotel, Aberdeen, North East Division1 2 3 4 5 6*

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| **Initial Incident Type** | **2019** | **2020** | **2021** | **2022** | **2023** | **2024** |
| Audible Only | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Public Nuisance | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Drugs/Substance Misuse | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Disturbance | 2 | 0 | 3 | 7 | 6 | 1 |
| Communications | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Hate Crime | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| External Force Request | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Task Incident | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Police Information | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Assist Member of the Public | 3 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Bail/Curfew/Address Checks | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| External Agency Request | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| Fraud Incident | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Robbery | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Theft | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Housebreaking | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Suspect Persons | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Assault | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Damage | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Fires | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Missing Person/Absconder | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Abandoned/Silent 999 Call | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Concern for Person | 3 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 2 |
| Road Traffic Collision | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **Total** | **15** | **9** | **16** | **16** | **23** | **7** |

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| All statistics are provisional and should be treated as management information. All data have been extracted from Police Scotland internal systems and are correct as at 19th December 2024 | | | |
| 1. The data was extracted using the incident's raised date. | | | |
| 2. Error and transferred incidents have been removed. | | | |
| 3. Specified areas have been selected using GIS Mapping. | | | |
| 4. Please note, each record will need to be read to confirm the circumstances and location. | | | |
| 5. Keyword search was carried out for 'THE BRENTWOOD HOTEL' and 'OYO BRENTWOOD' to identify the relevant records. | | | |
| 6. Please note, "Attended" Storm Incidents are defined by a valid timestamp within the "At Scene" variable. |  |  |  |

**2. How many arrests have been made in or near the above hotel.**

The Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2016 removed the separate concepts of arrest and detention and replaced them with a power of arrest without warrant - where there are reasonable grounds for suspecting a person has committed, or is committing, an offence.

When a person is arrested, a statement of arrest should be read over as soon as reasonably practicable, and details recorded in the arresting officer’s notebook.

A person is ‘Not Officially Accused’ (a suspect) when arrested *and* *not* cautioned and charged. They are ‘Officially Accused’ once arrested *and* cautioned and charged.

If conveyed to a police station, the arrested person will have their details recorded in our National Custody System.

There are situations however whereby a person must be released from police custody prior to their arrival at a police station - effectively they are ‘de-arrested’ - where the reasonable grounds for suspicion no longer exist. In those circumstances, the details of an arrested person are not held electronically.

As a result, we are unfortunately unable to collate comprehensivearrest data, as case by case assessment of all officer notebooks would be required - in addition to the partialarrest data held in the National Custody System.

Unfortunately, I estimate that it would cost well in excess of the current FOI cost threshold of £600 to process your request and I am therefore refusing to provide the information sought in terms of section 12(1) - Excessive Cost of Compliance.

For the reasons outlined above, Police Scotland do not collate data on arrests.

Instead, data is compiled and published based on recorded and detected crimes - [Crime data - Police Scotland](https://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/how-we-do-it/crime-data/).

Detected crimes are those where an accused has been identified and there exists a sufficiency of evidence under Scots Law to justify consideration of criminal proceedings.

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.