



## LETTER SENT BY E-MAIL ONLY

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## Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002

### Request

Please find below our response to your correspondence dated 20 June, in which you made the following request under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

- 1) In each of the last three financial years (up to 31 March 2024) and so far this financial year, how many times has the SPA sent the fingerprint impressions of Foreign National Offenders to New Scotland Yard? Please break the figures down for each year. Please also state how many individuals had their fingerprint impressions sent in each year (to confirm the number of individuals involved each year).
- 2) If possible, please provide a breakdown for the last year to give an indication as to the types of crimes committed by the Foreign National Offenders whose fingerprint impressions were provided to New Scotland Yard.

### Response

Your request for information has been considered and SPA Forensic Services is able to provide the following information.

In respect of your first request, the table below provides a breakdown of the number of fingerprints sent to New Scotland Yard on instruction from Police Scotland in each of the last three financial years and to date this financial year.

Period	Number of fingerprint sets sent to New Scotland Yard
01/04/2021 – 31/03/2022	9
01/04/2022 – 31/03/2023	8
01/04/2023 – 31/03/2024	7
01/04/2024 - to date	6

In respect of your second request, information is not held.<sup>1</sup> Forensic Services process fingerprints, this does not include information on the alleged crime(s). Information may be available by contacting Police Scotland at [foi@scotland.police.uk](mailto:foi@scotland.police.uk)

## **Right to Review**

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome, you can ask us to review our response. If you want us to carry out a review, please let us know within 40 working days. You must specify the reason for your dissatisfaction and submit your request to [foi@spa.police.uk](mailto:foi@spa.police.uk) or by letter to Scottish Police Authority, 1 Pacific Quay, Glasgow, G51 1DZ.

If you remain dissatisfied after review, you can appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner within six months. You can apply [online](#), by email to [enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info](mailto:enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info) or by letter to Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS.

Should you wish to appeal against the Commissioner's decision, you can appeal to the Court of Session, only if you think the law has not been applied correctly.

This response will be posted to our [Disclosure Log](#) after seven days.

Yours faithfully

**SPA Corporate Management**

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<sup>1</sup> This represents a notice in terms of Section 17 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 - Information not held.