

Table 1**Recorded Crime in Scotland statistics for the year ending September: 2014-2017**

| | | year ending September 2014 | year ending September 2015 | year ending September 2016 | year ending September 2017 |
|--|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| All Crimes | Total | 318,251 | 312,513 | 303,367 | 301,521 |
| Non-sexual crimes of violence | Total | 65,530 | 66,479 | 67,220 | 66,608 |
| | Murder and culpable homicide | 68 | 59 | 58 | 60 |
| | Death by dangerous driving | 48 | 31 | 25 | 41 |
| | Serious assault and attempted murder | 3,230 | 3,531 | 4,189 | 4,206 |
| | Common assault | 57,989 | 58,657 | 58,787 | 57,919 |
| | Robbery | 1,501 | 1,439 | 1,395 | 1,532 |
| | Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018 [1] | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| | Other non-sexual violence | 2,694 | 2,762 | 2,766 | 2,850 |
| Sexual crimes | Total | 8,814 | 9,986 | 10,676 | 11,538 |
| | Rape & attempted rape | 1,833 | 1,891 | 1,861 | 2,012 |
| | Sexual assault | 3,488 | 3,843 | 4,057 | 4,523 |
| | Causing to view sexual activity or images | 1,139 | 1,411 | 1,583 | 1,669 |
| | Communicating indecently | 671 | 1,002 | 1,237 | 1,175 |
| | Threatening to or disclosing intimate images [2] | n/a | n/a | n/a | 118 |
| | Indecent photos of children | 612 | 670 | 633 | 632 |
| | Crimes associated with prostitution | 418 | 317 | 250 | 216 |

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| | Other sexual crimes | 653 | 852 | 1,055 | 1,193 |
| Crimes of dishonesty | Total | 130,974 | 121,049 | 114,208 | 114,731 |
| | Housebreaking | 21,073 | 19,301 | 17,225 | 15,972 |
| | Theft by opening lockfast places | 3,023 | 2,543 | 2,048 | 1,907 |
| | Theft from a motor vehicle | 6,214 | 5,359 | 4,088 | 3,793 |
| | Theft of motor vehicle | 5,877 | 5,061 | 5,116 | 5,207 |
| | Shoplifting | 27,161 | 28,000 | 28,745 | 29,796 |
| | Other theft | 55,494 | 49,739 | 45,266 | 45,451 |
| | Fraud | 7,410 | 7,188 | 7,457 | 8,338 |
| | Other dishonesty | 4,722 | 3,858 | 4,263 | 4,267 |
| Damage and reckless behaviour | Total | 52,124 | 53,545 | 53,214 | 52,520 |
| | Fire-raising | 2,373 | 2,441 | 2,599 | 2,834 |
| | Vandalism | 47,393 | 48,476 | 48,063 | 47,172 |
| | Reckless conduct | 2,358 | 2,628 | 2,552 | 2,514 |
| Crimes against society | Total | 60,809 | 61,454 | 58,049 | 56,124 |
| | Crimes against public justice | 22,319 | 20,661 | 19,906 | 18,614 |
| | Weapons possession (not used) | 3,371 | 3,138 | 3,216 | 3,415 |
| | Weapons possession (used) [3] | n/a | n/a | n/a | 2,225 |
| | Drugs - Supply | 5,034 | 5,393 | 5,430 | 4,872 |
| | Drugs - Possession | 29,756 | 31,945 | 29,247 | 26,795 |
| | Other crimes against society | 329 | 317 | 250 | 203 |
| Coronavirus restrictions | Coronavirus restrictions [4] | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| All Offences | Total | 364,994 | 301,007 | 247,705 | 217,344 |

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| Antisocial offences | Total | 115,951 | 105,325 | 84,456 | 71,680 |
| | Threatening and abusive behaviour | 64,790 | 61,644 | 59,384 | 54,495 |
| | Racially aggravated conduct | 2,562 | 2,286 | 2,079 | 1,867 |
| | Drunkenness and other disorderly conduct | 35,954 | 31,154 | 17,546 | 11,533 |
| | Urinating etc. | 12,645 | 10,241 | 5,447 | 3,785 |
| Miscellaneous offences | Total | 13,229 | 13,087 | 12,942 | 11,829 |
| | Community and public order offences | 8,349 | 8,221 | 8,487 | 7,572 |
| | Environmental offences | 1,658 | 1,452 | 1,390 | 987 |
| | Licensing offences | 1,182 | 1,204 | 902 | 1,456 |
| | Wildlife offences | 1,445 | 1,452 | 1,447 | 1,273 |
| | Other misc. offences | 595 | 758 | 716 | 541 |
| Road traffic offences | Total | 235,814 | 182,595 | 150,307 | 133,835 |
| | Dangerous and careless driving | 11,136 | 11,492 | 12,028 | 11,376 |
| | Driving under the influence | 5,658 | 5,065 | 5,902 | 5,818 |
| | Speeding | 66,233 | 57,962 | 42,055 | 31,118 |
| | Unlawful use of vehicle | 51,249 | 39,757 | 43,484 | 47,399 |
| | Vehicle defect offences | 18,164 | 15,143 | 11,194 | 7,243 |
| | Seat belt offences | 22,629 | 11,570 | 5,278 | 3,636 |
| | Mobile phone offences | 26,570 | 13,737 | 7,855 | 4,492 |
| | Other road traffic offences | 34,175 | 27,869 | 22,511 | 22,753 |

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Table 2**Recorded Crime in Scotland statistics for the year ending June: 2014-2017**

| | | year ending June 2014 | year ending June 2015 | year ending June 2016 | year ending June 2017 |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| All Crimes | Total | 324,914 | 315,324 | 305,811 | 298,236 |
| Non-sexual crimes of violence | Total | 66,817 | 65,769 | 67,565 | 66,548 |
| | Murder and culpable homicide | 69 | 58 | 63 | 56 |
| | Death by dangerous driving | 47 | 37 | 23 | 40 |
| | Serious assault and attempted murder | 3,248 | 3,306 | 4,201 | 4,183 |
| | Common assault | 59,247 | 58,133 | 59,172 | 57,936 |
| | Robbery | 1,501 | 1,484 | 1,332 | 1,505 |
| | Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018 [1] | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| | Other non-sexual violence | 2,705 | 2,751 | 2,774 | 2,828 |
| Sexual crimes | Total | 8,538 | 9,799 | 10,620 | 11,272 |
| | Rape & attempted rape | 1,829 | 1,887 | 1,850 | 1,976 |
| | Sexual assault | 3,321 | 3,799 | 4,096 | 4,412 |
| | Causing to view sexual activity or images | 1,069 | 1,386 | 1,561 | 1,641 |
| | Communicating indecently | 570 | 982 | 1,233 | 1,183 |
| | Threatening to or disclosing intimate images [2] | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| | Indecent photos of children | 634 | 638 | 625 | 623 |
| | Crimes associated with prostitution | 461 | 363 | 228 | 253 |

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| | Other sexual crimes | 654 | 744 | 1,027 | 1,184 |
| Crimes of dishonesty | Total | 134,500 | 125,073 | 114,673 | 112,933 |
| | Housebreaking | 21,919 | 20,282 | 17,122 | 16,243 |
| | Theft by opening lockfast places | 3,105 | 2,729 | 2,116 | 1,869 |
| | Theft from a motor vehicle | 6,447 | 5,652 | 4,274 | 3,681 |
| | Theft of motor vehicle | 6,045 | 5,222 | 5,134 | 5,227 |
| | Shoplifting | 27,272 | 27,895 | 28,598 | 28,646 |
| | Other theft | 57,051 | 52,259 | 45,667 | 45,204 |
| | Fraud | 7,786 | 6,955 | 7,480 | 8,003 |
| | Other dishonesty | 4,875 | 4,079 | 4,282 | 4,060 |
| Damage and reckless behaviour | Total | 53,105 | 52,898 | 54,021 | 52,719 |
| | Fire-raising | 2,393 | 2,448 | 2,574 | 2,870 |
| | Vandalism | 48,342 | 47,887 | 48,811 | 47,384 |
| | Reckless conduct | 2,370 | 2,563 | 2,636 | 2,465 |
| Crimes against society | Total | 61,954 | 61,785 | 58,932 | 54,764 |
| | Crimes against public justice | 23,030 | 20,838 | 20,367 | 18,493 |
| | Weapons possession (not used) | 3,617 | 3,182 | 3,161 | 3,350 |
| | Weapons possession (used) [3] | n/a | n/a | n/a | 1,056 |
| | Drugs - Supply | 5,096 | 5,323 | 5,496 | 4,838 |
| | Drugs - Possession | 29,853 | 32,121 | 29,642 | 26,813 |
| | Other crimes against society | 358 | 321 | 266 | 214 |
| Coronavirus restrictions | Coronavirus restrictions [4] | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| All Offences | Total | 400,774 | 309,421 | 265,099 | 221,419 |
| | Total | 124,891 | 108,069 | 89,761 | 75,272 |

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| Antisocial offences | Threatening and abusive behaviour | 67,626 | 61,541 | 60,487 | 55,541 |
| | Racially aggravated conduct | 2,619 | 2,390 | 2,094 | 1,946 |
| | Drunkenness and other disorderly conduct | 40,588 | 33,351 | 20,723 | 13,687 |
| | Urinating etc. | 14,058 | 10,787 | 6,457 | 4,098 |
| Miscellaneous offences | Total | 13,764 | 12,714 | 13,258 | 12,113 |
| | Community and public order offences | 8,566 | 8,130 | 8,470 | 7,811 |
| | Environmental offences | 1,787 | 1,401 | 1,444 | 1,203 |
| | Licensing offences | 1,272 | 1,124 | 1,045 | 1,247 |
| | Wildlife offences | 1,456 | 1,402 | 1,516 | 1,294 |
| | Other misc. offences | 683 | 657 | 783 | 558 |
| Road traffic offences | Total | 262,119 | 188,638 | 162,080 | 134,034 |
| | Dangerous and careless driving | 11,423 | 11,097 | 12,065 | 11,586 |
| | Driving under the influence | 5,794 | 5,167 | 5,695 | 5,811 |
| | Speeding | 71,773 | 59,209 | 50,211 | 31,914 |
| | Unlawful use of vehicle | 55,057 | 40,160 | 42,357 | 46,523 |
| | Vehicle defect offences | 19,207 | 15,467 | 12,343 | 7,342 |
| | Seat belt offences | 30,071 | 13,636 | 6,470 | 3,876 |
| | Mobile phone offences | 31,160 | 15,800 | 8,702 | 5,390 |
| | Other road traffic offences | 37,634 | 28,102 | 24,237 | 21,592 |

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