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Report	Title:	Operation	on Talla Weekly Upo	date								
Sponse	ored by:			Presented by:	DCC Graham							
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2.	Decision	Request	ed									
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5. Main Report

#### 5.1 CURRENT LANDSCAPE

Over the last week, Police Scotland has maintained their measured approach to the COVID-19 guidelines as Scotland continues to move through 'Phase 3' of the 'Route map through and out of the Crisis'. The re-opening of indoor licensed premises for eating and drinking continue to have no significant impact on frontline policing and mandatory use of face coverings within retail premises continues to generate calls but no enforcement action in terms of this has been reported this week.

In line with the easing of lockdown restrictions and return to a "new normal" at the end of July, many Operation Talla teams within Police Scotland were reduced or disbanded however a highly publicised localised outbreak emerging from a licensed premises in Aberdeen developed over the weekend. Seventy nine persons have tested positive with 29 persons symptomatic, 12 of those were known to have visited the premises. In total, 233 persons have been identified as contacts and all have been traced. There have been no hospitalisations thus far. This localised outbreak has resulted the First Minister announcing a local 'lockdown' within the Aberdeen City area beginning at 1700hrs on 5th August. People have been told not to travel more than 5 miles unless for work or education purposes, there should be no more mixing with other households and pubs and restaurants will close. These restrictions will be reviewed next Wednesday 12th August by the Scotlish Government. This localized lockdown has resulted in the re-formation of the Police Scotland POCC with a small number of staff.

On Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July, the First Minister announced that, as anticipated, schools will reopen fully on 11<sup>th</sup> August. This has had no impact on operational policing at this time.

The weather during this week has been extremely wet for large parts of the country and it is not assessed to have had any significant impact on the behaviour of the public.

#### 5.2 SERVICE CENTRE DEMAND

In the last week, the volume of 101 calls answered decreased by 10% compared to the previous week however the volume of 999 calls increased by 10%. 999 calls answered on the 1<sup>st</sup> August was at the highest levels recorded since 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020. 101 calls answered are still trending at significantly lower figures than the same time last year, now approx. 31%, however 999 calls answered are now 6% higher than a comparable week last year.

#### 5.3 INCIDENT DEMAND

There has been a slight increase in total incident volumes when compared to last week, with a more significant 17% decrease on the same period last year.

Public nuisance and noise calls decreased on last week's figures whilst disturbance calls stay at similar levels. In comparison to the previous year, most incident types are starting to return to last year's levels.

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#### 5.4 CRIME

Crime is currently lower than seasonal averages. Recorded crime has decreased from the previous week and remains at lower levels than last year.

#### 5.5 COVID-19 INTERVENTION ACTIVITY

The government guidance remained in 'Phase 3' of easing lockdown restrictions. The only exception to this being the reintroduction of restrictions in the Aberdeen City area at 1700hrs on 5<sup>th</sup> August. Throughout the last week Police Scotland's approach to the use of COVID-19 legislation continues to be to firstly engage with people, explain the provisions and encourage them to comply with the necessary restrictions with enforcement action being taken only where absolutely necessary.

The overall style and tone of policing the pandemic in Scotland has not changed since the inception of the public health emergency.

In the last seven days, Police Scotland officers attended 18247 incidents.

The COVID-19 intervention powers have been used on 550 occasions this week. This increase on the one occasion recorded last week is attributable to an encouragement of divisions to use of the CVI recording system rather than a material increase in use of powers. The occasions where these powers have been used tend to relate to a small number of gatherings of large numbers of persons requiring to be moved on.

Since quarantine regulations came into force on travellers entering Scotland from outwith the UK on the 15<sup>th</sup> June, Police Scotland have had 58 instances of alleged non-compliance reported, none of which have so far resulted in enforcement action. As previously stated this may rise in coming weeks due to the change in recording and the reintroduction of measures for those returning from mainland Spain and Islands.

#### 5.6 PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

Securing suitable PPE remains an ongoing priority and the dedicated logistics cell has continued to provide extensive training, equipping and resupply, operating on an early shift late shift basis. Supply lines remain fragile and this will be a long term challenge. Up to and including the 5<sup>th</sup> August, over 17,184 frontline police officers and staff have been trained in, supplied or resupplied appropriate PPE. This is in conjunction with the provision of significant measures to implement physical distancing within the workplace wherever possible.

#### **5.7 ABSENCE**

Over the past week, employee absence levels have consistently trended below levels of the same dates in 2019. Those absences related to COVID-19 have reduced from last week and are currently sitting at 29. It is anticipated that the Scottish approach to 'Test and Protect' in order to limit the spread of the virus moving forwards, will see pockets of absence across teams or shifts. The recent increase from 7 to 10 days for those individuals' with symptoms needing to self-isolate may also adversely affect the absence figures should the number of infections increase.

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#### 5.8 OFFICER AND STAFF COVID-19 SCREENING

People & Development continue to support our workforce, providing reassurance to officers and staff who are symptomatic, to assist with returning officers and staff to work as soon as possible. Testing arranged up to the 3<sup>rd</sup> August now numbers over 1950. From all testing, 202 have returned as positive for COVID-19.

Testing of asymptomatic officers and staff based on risk commenced on 14th May and 301 tests have been arranged up to and including 3<sup>rd</sup> August. None of these tests have yet returned a positive result.

Contact tracing numbers are now being reported and this currently stands at nineteen, with no positive tests.

Police Scotland continues to be engaged in discussions about the opportunities to introduce workplace antibody testing should a valid test become available in Scotland.

#### 5.9 COVID-19 NEAR MISSES

'Near-miss' forms in the context of the pandemic situation may be submitted for a variety of reasons i.e. when officers are potentially exposed to COVID-19 whilst not wearing PPE, where PPE malfunctions, or in any other instance an officer feels a risk to themselves in a specific occurrence relating to COVID-19. This can occur due to the reactive nature of policing, as well as being influenced by training levels and supply of PPE.

In the last week we have seen 47 of these forms submitted, which is an increase on last week and the highest recorded since mid June. It is likely that many of these will be attributable to the process of requesting an asymptomatic COVID-19 test.

#### 5.10 CUSTODY

'Custody volume' refers to the amount of individuals held in Police Scotland custody facilities at a given time. The number of custodies fell on the approach to 'lockdown', reaching their lowest level on 29th March. Since that date, total custody volumes have increased and, in recent weeks have returned to levels comparable to pre-COVID business as usual. The organisation is seeing traditional weekend peaks returning which were less noticeable during the early stages of lockdown.

#### 5.11 SUBMISSION

This report is submitted to the SPA for information and consideration.

Appendix A – COVID-19 Weekly Bulletin contains the information which will be released publically by Police Scotland. This information will continue to be released weekly and will synchronise with the weekly SPA reporting for consistent, single data timelines.

# COVID-19 WEEKLY BULLETIN 30<sup>th</sup> July – 5<sup>th</sup> August 2020

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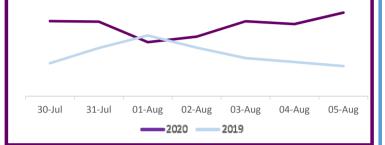
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#### **Service Centre Demand**

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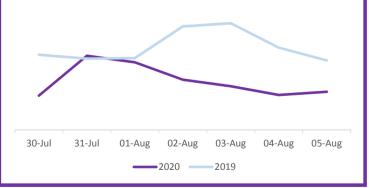
The volume of 101 calls answered has shown an overall increase as the week has progressed. The volume of 999 calls answered were higher than the previous year, with 1<sup>st</sup> August seeing the second largest volume of answered calls this year.



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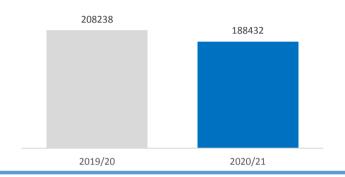
Incident volume this week has reduced generally as the week went on, despite an initial increase. Incident volume continues to show lower levels compared to the same time last year.



#### **Crime Levels**

#### Crime Volume (19 March – Present compared to Previous Year)

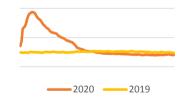
Crime has continued to trend at levels lower than the seasonal average, and total volume year to date is still considerably lower than last year. Total 'Year to Date' volume is displayed below, further data is available in the Crime slide.



#### **Staff Absence and Welfare**

#### <u>Absences</u>

Absences are now trending lower when compared to 2019.



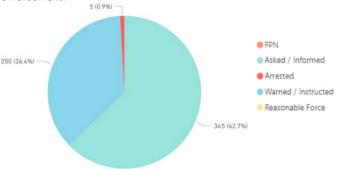
#### **Staff COVID Screening**

Testing of key workers for COVID-19 continues and the number of tests arranged for Police Scotland employees is broken down later in this report.

#### **Coronavirus Legislation**

#### Co-operation with new Coronavirus Legislation

The below chart is indicative of the co-operation levels experienced by Police over the last 7 days. The vast majority of interactions between Police and the public continue to be resolved without enforcement.



<u>Total Number of Enforcement Activity Relating to Coronavirus Legislation</u>

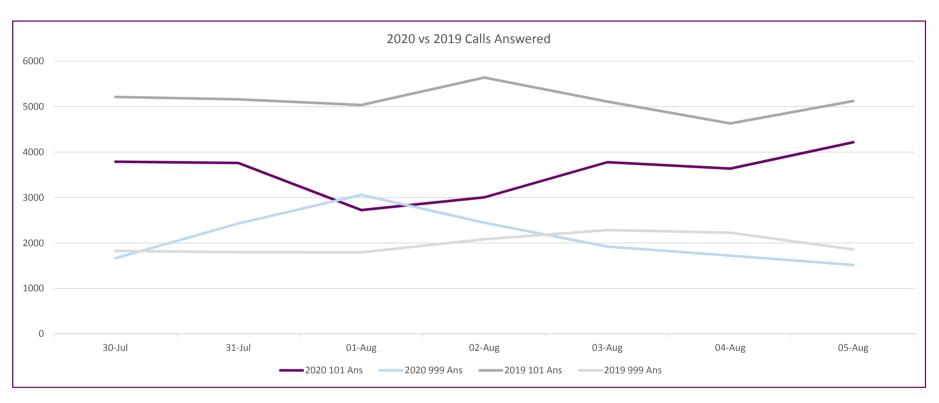
Inforcement	<b>Activity</b>	over	last	7	days	2	

#### **Total Referrals To Date**

Total Referrals To Date	No.
Number of Home Office referrals relating to quarantine	58
Number of Home Office referrals resolved by resolution team	1
Number of Home Office referrals resulting in police incidents	4
Number of PHS Travel Regs reports	19



# **Weekly Service Centre Demand (30th July – 5th August 2020)**



	30-Jul	31-Jul	01-Aug	02-Aug	03-Aug	04-Aug	05-Aug	Total
2020 101 Ans	3788	3760	2725	3005	3778	3637	4217	24910
2020 999 Ans	1664	2429	3060	2447	1922	1722	1516	14760
2019 101 Ans	5214	5161	5035	5639	5112	4631	5123	35915
2019 999 Ans	1827	1798	1794	2083	2285	2226	1858	13871



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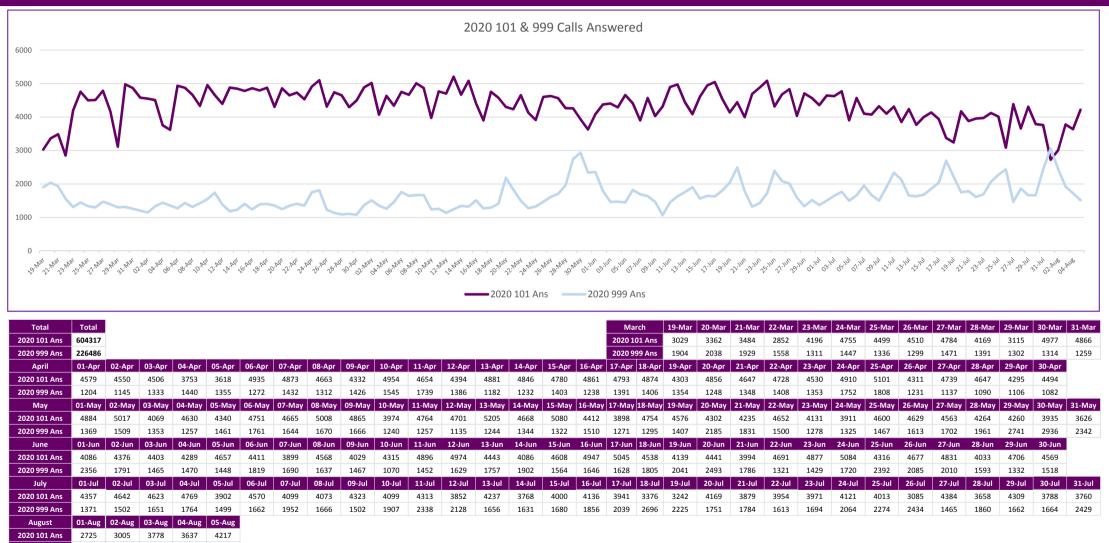
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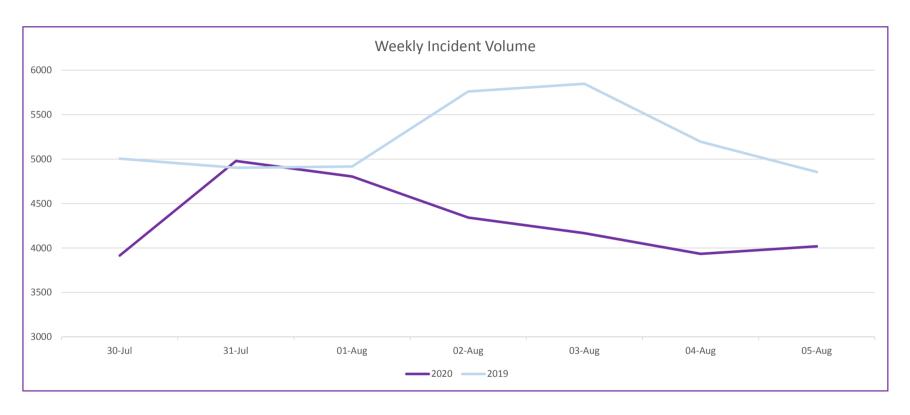
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## Cumulative Service Centre Demand (19th March – 5th August 2020)





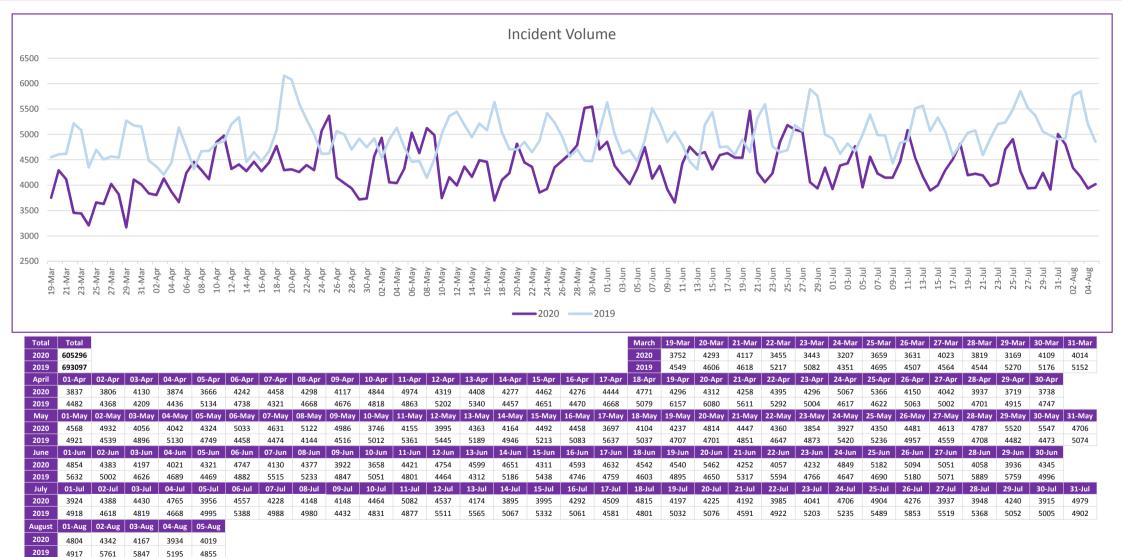
# Weekly Incident Demand (30<sup>th</sup> July – 5<sup>th</sup> August 2020)



	30-Jul	31-Jul	01-Aug	02-Aug	03-Aug	04-Aug	05-Aug	Total
2020	3915	4979	4804	4342	4167	3934	4019	30160
2019	5005	4902	4917	5761	5847	5195	4855	36482



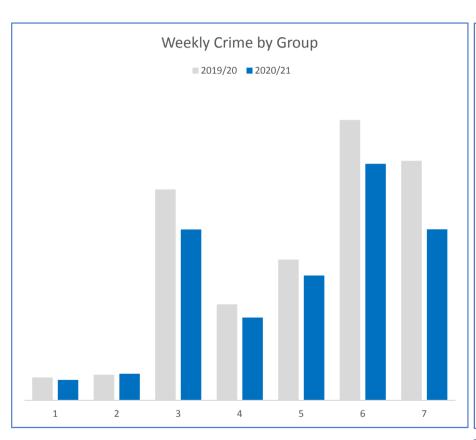
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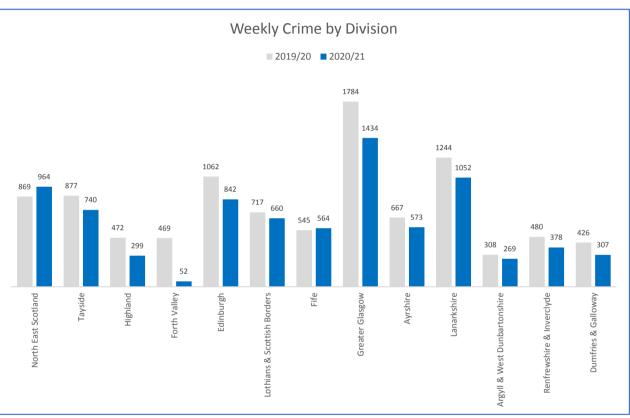


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# Weekly Crime Demand (27th July – 2nd August 2020)





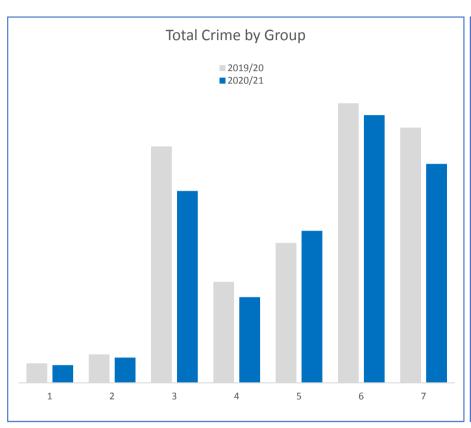
Crime Group	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
2019/20	223	249	2060	937	1374	2738	2339	9920
2020/21	199	259	1669	808	1219	2310	1670	8134

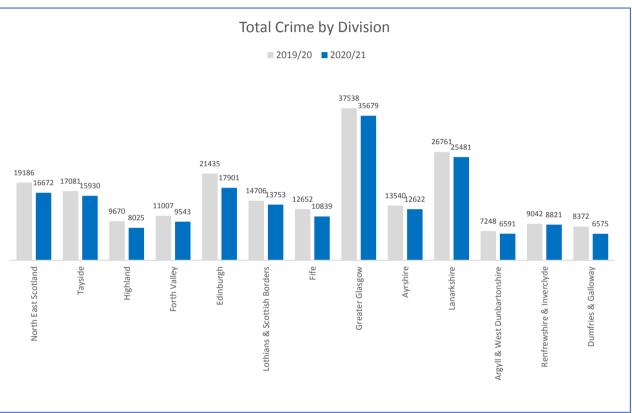
Most Crime Groups (with the exception of Group 2) show a decrease in volume when the preceding weeks volume is compared to the same period in 2019. Most divisions this week have noted a decrease in crime volumes, however there are two exceptions, North East Scotland and Fife.

More information regarding Crime Groups can be found via this link



# **Cumulative Crime Demand (9th March – 2nd August 2020)**





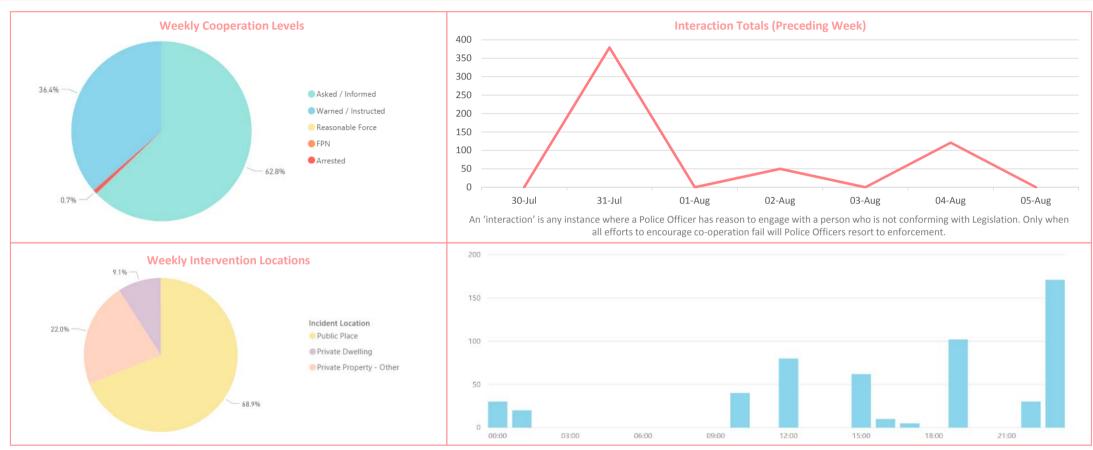
Crime Group	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
2019/20	3816	5581	46455	19819	27488	54926	50153	208238
2020/21	3471	4954	37695	16838	29860	52597	43017	188432

More information regarding Crime Groups can be found via this link

All Crime Groups (with the exception of Group 5) show a decrease in volume when compared to the same period in 2019. All Divisions continue to show a cumulative decrease in volume when compared to the same time period in 2019.



## Weekly Legislation Co-operation (30th July – 5th August 2020)

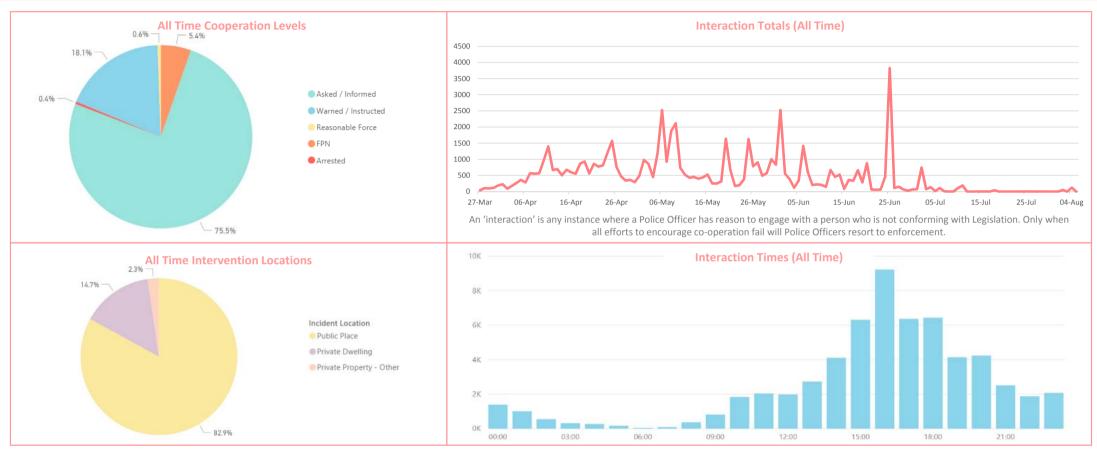


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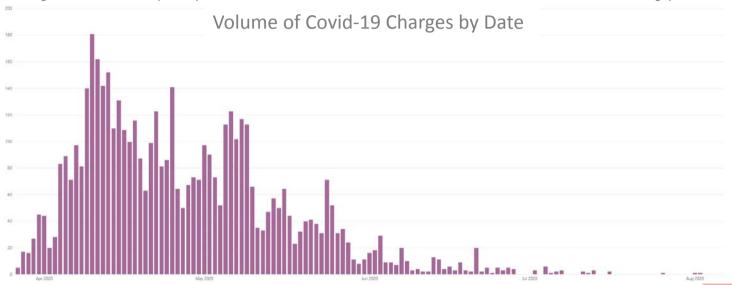
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## 'Enforcement' of Coronavirus specific legislation

The following is a summary of all 'enforcement' action in relation to both The Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 and Coronavirus Act 2020.

This includes all Fixed Penalty Notices issued and processed by Police Scotland. It also includes all occasions that a charge was libelled and recorded on Police Scotland's Crime Recording System against a person in relation to the aforementioned legislation. This is a true value of the volume of recorded 'enforcement' activity, but does not provide the granularity of the Coronavirus Intervention (CVI) recording system and does not capture the earlier phases of the '4 E's' approach.

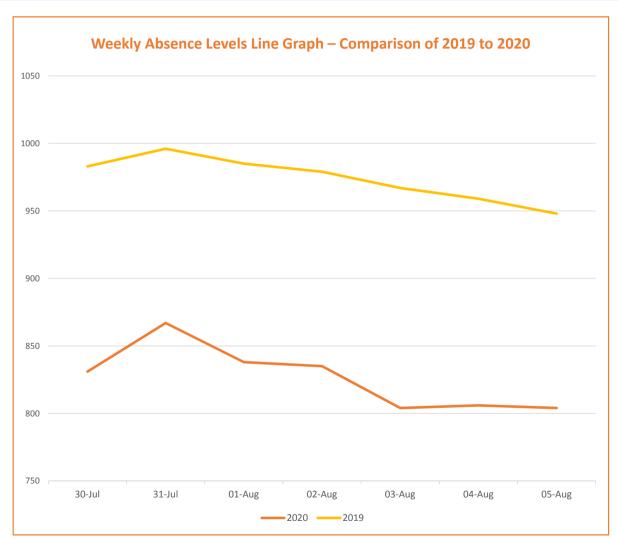
These values remain subject to change as offences are retrospectively added or amended and do not match the indicative 'enforcement' values from the CVI recording system.



Total																										March	27-Mar	28-Mar	29-Mar	30-Mar	31-Mar
2020	4945											2020	5	17	16	27	45														
April	01-Apr	02-Apr	03-Apr	04-Apr	05-Apr	06-Apr	07-Apr	08-Apr	09-Apr	10-Apr	11-Apr	12-Apr	13-Apr	14-Apr	15-Apr	16-Apr	17-Apr	18-Apr	19-Apr	20-Apr	21-Apr	22-Apr	23-Apr	24-Apr	25-Apr	26-Apr	27-Apr	28-Apr	29-Apr	30-Apr	
2020	44	20	28	83	89	71	97	81	140	181	162	142	152	110	131	109	100	116	87	63	99	123	81	86	141	64	50	67	73	71	
May	01-May	02-May	03-May	04-May	05-May	06-May	07-May	08-May	09-May	10-May	11-May	<b>12-May</b>	13-May	14-May	15-May	16-May	17-May	18-May	19-May	20-May	21-May	22-May	23-May	24-May	25-May	26-May	27-May	28-May	29-May	30-May	31-May
2020	97	90	73	52	113	123	102	117	113	66	35	33	47	57	50	64	44	23	32	40	41	38	31	71	52	31	34	24	11	8	11
June	01-Jun	02-Jun	03-Jun	04-Jun	05-Jun	06-Jun	07-Jun	08-Jun	09-Jun	10-Jun	11-Jun	12-Jun	13-Jun	14-Jun	15-Jun		17-Jun	18-Jun	19-Jun		21-Jun	22-Jun	23-Jun	24-Jun	25-Jun	26-Jun	27-Jun	28-Jun	29-Jun	30-Jun	
2020	16	18	29	9	9	7	20	10	3	4	2	2	13	11	4	6	3	9	3	2	20	2	5	1	5	3	5	4	0	0	
July		02-Jul	03-Jul	04-Jul		06-Jul		08-Jul	09-Jul	10-Jul	11-Jul	12-Jul	13-Jul	14-Jul			17-Jul	18-Jul	19-Jul	20-Jul	21-Jul	22-Jul	23-Jul	24-Jul			27-Jul	28-Jul	29-Jul	30-Jul	31-Jul
2020	0	3	0	6	1	2	3	0	0	0	2	1	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
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# Weekly Absence (30<sup>th</sup> July – 5<sup>th</sup> August 2020)

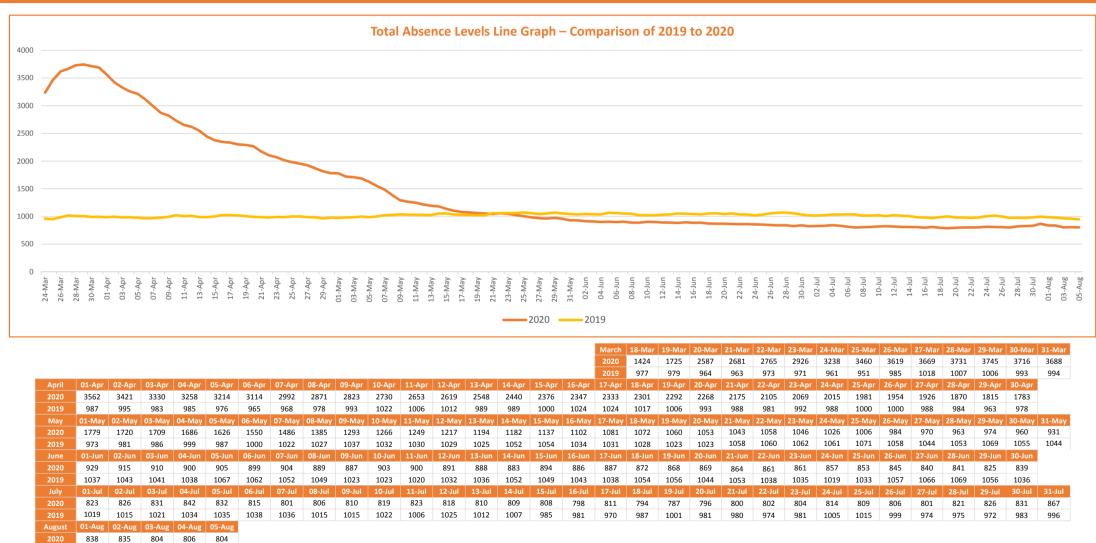


Police Scotland Current Absences								
5 <sup>th</sup> August 2020	No.	Change from same day previous week	Change from same day previous week (%)					
COVID-19	37	-14	-27%					
Total Absences	804	-22	-3%					

Date	30-Jul	31-Jul	01-Aug	02-Aug	03-Aug	04-Aug	05-Aug
2020	831	867	838	835	804	806	804
2019	983	996	985	979	967	959	948

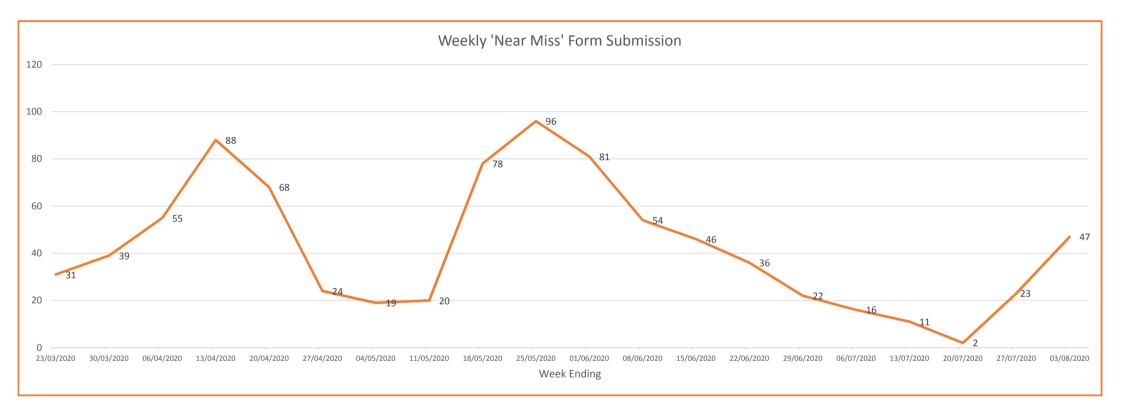


## Total Absence (18th March – 5th August 2020)





## Near Miss and Testing Data (w/e 23rd March – 3rd August 2020)



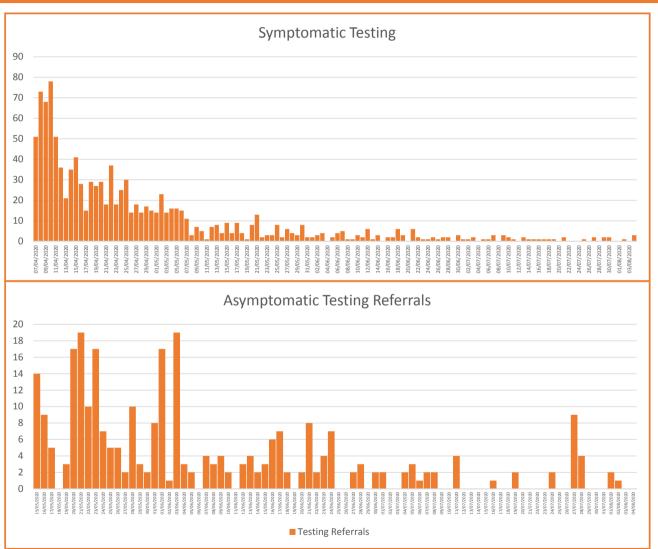
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This can occur due to the reactive nature of policing, as well as being influenced by training levels and supply of PPE. The number of forms have increased over the last week.

The amount of forms submitted continues to be attributable to the process for requesting an asymptomatic COVID-19 screening test due to an occupational risk, requiring the submission of a 'near miss' form. Many of the reports would not have been submitted without this requirement. The number of incidents where a lack of PPE is identified has not risen.



## Testing Data (7<sup>th</sup> April – 4<sup>th</sup> August 2020)



Police Scotland Testing Data									
Total Referrals	Tested Positive	<b>Tested Negative</b>	Inconclusive						
	Symptoma	tic Testing							
1249 164 1009 22									
	Asymptoma	atic Testing							
301	0	284	2						
	Contact	Tracing							
12	12 0 12 0								
	Other: Locally Arranged Tests								
390	38	349	2						

Locally arranged tests may refer to Divisional arrangements, self arranged tests or those arranged by the NHS.

<sup>\*</sup>Work has been undertaken resulting in some duplication of results being corrected which has resulted in a drop, particularly with regards to self referral reporting data, of positive and some negative cases.

<sup>\*</sup>Please note Testing Data is now being reported weekly. The last Testing data report was received on 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2020 and includes tests arranged up to and including 4<sup>th</sup> August 2020.



## **Custody Volume**

The below line graph displays the total custody volume over time. As can be seen, the number of custodies fell on the approach to 'lockdown', reaching their lowest level on 29<sup>th</sup> March. Since that date Custodies have steadily increased and have now levelled off.

