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5. Main Report

5.1 CURRENT LANDSCAPE

Over the last week, Scotland have continued to apply guidelines in line with 'Phase 1 of Scotland's route map through and out of the Crisis' which were implemented on 29th May. There has been some speculation that 'Phase 2' could begin on or around 19th June, although the exact nature of the relaxation afforded by this phase is unknown

The weather during this week has deteriorated somewhat to that seen at the start of the month and this is assessed to have had a significant impact on the behaviour of the public, demands on the Police and resultant Intervention activity.

Highly publicised public protests have occurred in many areas of the country, particularly over the weekend of 6-7th June. These protests may continue over the coming weeks creating a new level of demand on the organisation.

5.2 SERVICE CENTRE DEMAND

In the last week, the volume of 101 calls answered increased by 4% and the volume of 999 calls answered by Police Scotland has decreased by 32%. This is a reduction in demand of the 999 service in comparison to the week previous.

5.3 INCIDENT DEMAND

When compared to the previous week, incident volumes have decreased by 14.2%.

Public nuisance incidents saw a decrease of 29.5% when compared to last week. Noise complaints decreased by 11.1% when compared to last week. Theft incidents remain static when compared with last week. Assault incidents decreased by 23.8% and Missing Person incidents have decreased by 25.1% when compared to the previous week.

In comparison to the previous year, each of these incident types with the exception of public nuisance and noise are still trending significantly lower.

5.4 CRIME

Crime is currently trending lower than seasonal averages. Recorded crime has decreased by 18.5% from the previous week and is down 13.5% when compared to the same week last year.

There has been an increase of 7.8% in the level of Fraud from the previous week and the volume of Fraud remains higher than last year. The increase this year may in part be due to a change in the reporting standards for Fraud introduced at the beginning of April, making a comparison to last year less appropriate.

5.5 COVID-19 INTERVENTION ACTIVITY

As the governmental guidance has moved to "Phase 1" of easing lockdown restrictions, Police Scotland's use of the COVID-19 legislation continues to be to engage with people, explain the provisions and encourage them to comply with the necessary restrictions, with enforcement action being taken only where absolutely necessary.

This has been the overall style and tone of policing the pandemic in Scotland since the inception of the public health emergency.

In the last seven days, Police Scotland officers attended 17581 incidents. This provides some context to the fact that the new intervention powers have been used on 3099 occasions, the vast majority non-punitive. This is a 51% decrease on last week's figures. It is recognised that due to the manual nature of data recording for these lower level interventions, Police Scotland may not capture every occurrence of intervention activity. The result is that the percentage of intervention activity which results in enforcement will actually be smaller than reported.

Officers have only had to resort to enforcement action on 63 occasions throughout the week. This is 26% lower than the previous week.

5.6 PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

The procurement and supply of PPE to officers and staff continues to be a priority, with significant ongoing efforts to ensure our officers and staff are provided with the protection, training and guidance they require. The Operation TALLA Logistics Cell continues to provide this 24 hours a day.

Up to and including the 10th June, over 14000 frontline police officers and staff have been trained in, supplied or resupplied appropriate PPE. This is in conjunction with significant measures to implement physical distancing within the workplace wherever possible.

Recent protest activity across the country and the resulting resourcing implications have led to an uplift in PPE usage. Current stocks are adequate to absorb this and moving forward it has been factored into calculations for restocking.

5.7 ABSENCE

Over the past week, employee absence levels have consistently trended below levels of the same dates in 2019. The Scottish approach to 'Test and Protect' in order to limit the spread of the virus moving forwards, may see pockets of absence across teams or shifts as a precautionary measure. This creates the possibility of resurgence in absence rates, so this continues to be closely monitored, with appropriate mitigation processes in place if required.

5.8 OFFICER AND STAFF COVID-19 SCREENING

People & Development continue to support our workforce and to provide reassurance to officers and staff who are **symptomatic**. To assist with returning them to work as soon as possible, a formal COVID-19 testing regime continues. Up to and including 10th June around 1100 tests have been arranged. Of these tests, around 200 have returned as positive for COVID-19.

Testing of **asymptomatic** officers and staff based on risk commenced on 14th May and over 200 tests have been arranged up to and including 10th June. Further work continues to establish if such testing could become more available as the Scottish Government Test and Protect strategy is implemented.

Police Scotland continues to be engaged in discussions about the opportunities to introduce workplace antibody testing should a valid test becomes 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 54 of these forms submitted, which has decreased from last week by 33%. The number 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.

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 steadily increased and, as with recent weeks, continue to be comparable to pre-COVID business as usual levels. COVID custody levels

(those custodies purported to have COVID symptoms) been trending at a slight increase week on week.

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 4 June – 10 June 2020

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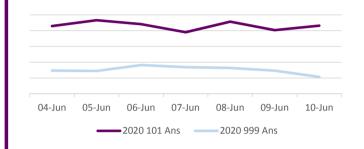
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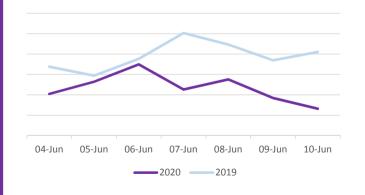
The volume of 101 calls answered has remained at a relatively consistent level over the reporting period. The volume of 999 calls answered is comparable to the previous year.



Incident Demand

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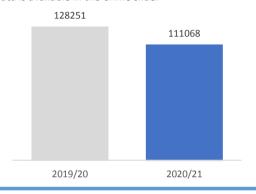
Incident volume this week shows lower levels compared to the same time last year. This has also seen a considerable decrease from the previous week.



Crime Levels

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

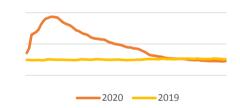
Crime has continued to trend at levels lower than the seasonal average, and total volume year to date is still considerably lower than last year. Total 'Year to Date' volume is displayed below, further data is available in the Crime slide.



Staff Absence and Welfare

Absences

Absences are now trending lower when compared to 2019.



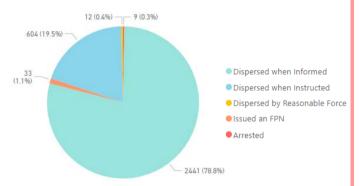
Staff COVID Screening

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

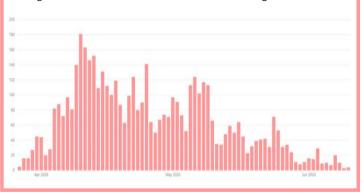
Co-operation with new Coronavirus Legislation

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.



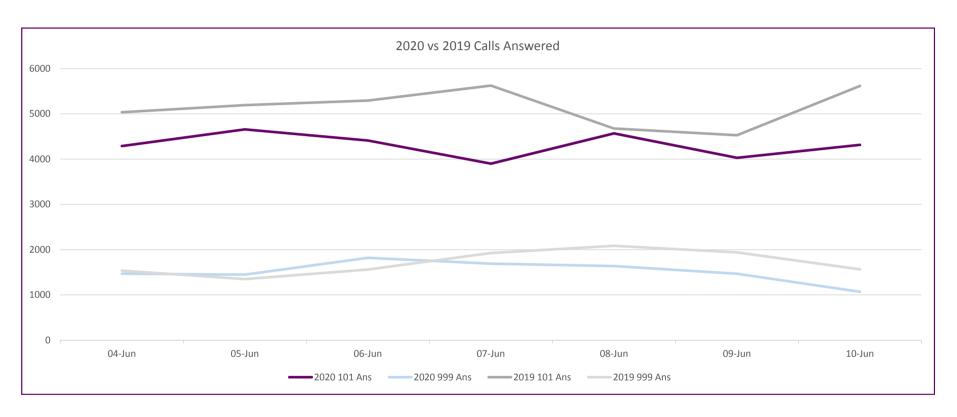
Total Number of Interactions Relating to Coronavirus Legislation

The below chart is indicative of the total number of FPNs issued and charges libelled since the introduction of the new legislation.





Weekly Service Centre Demand (28 May - 3 June 2020)

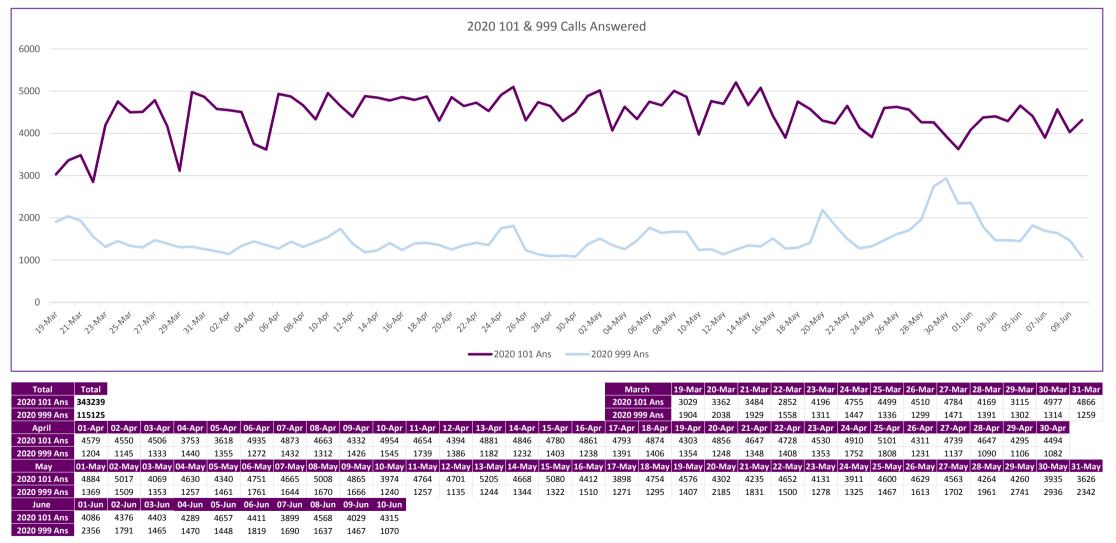


	04-Jun	05-Jun	06-Jun	07-Jun	08-Jun	09-Jun	10-Ju	Total
2020 101 Ans	4289	4657	4411	3899	4568	4029	4315	30168
2020 999 Ans	1470	1448	1819	1690	1637	1467	1070	10601
2019 101 Ans	5036	5193	5294	5625	4677	4527	5617	35969
2019 999 Ans	1536	1349	1561	1925	2085	1939	1564	11959

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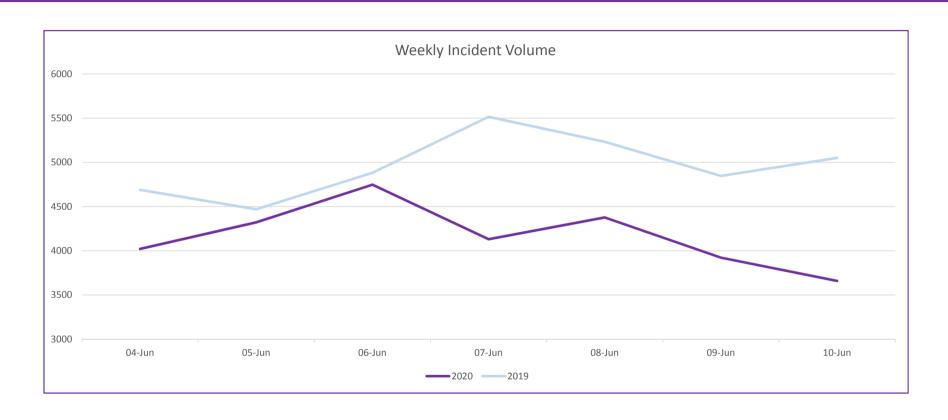
Cumulative Service Centre Demand (19 March – 10 June 2020)



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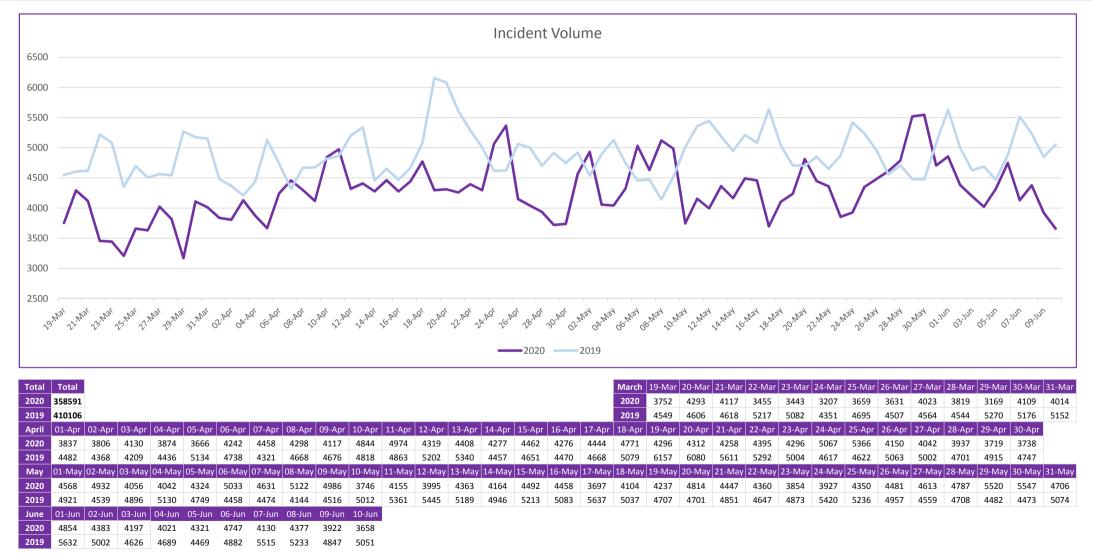
Weekly Incident Demand (4 June - 10 June 2020)



	04-Jun	05-Jun	06-Jun	07-Jun	08-Jun	09-Jun	10-Jun	Total
2020	4021	4321	4747	4130	4377	3922	3658	29176
2019	4689	4469	4882	5515	5233	4847	5051	34686



Cumulative Incident Demand (19 March – 10 June 2020)

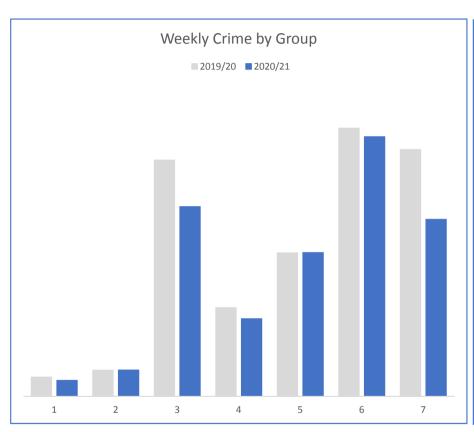


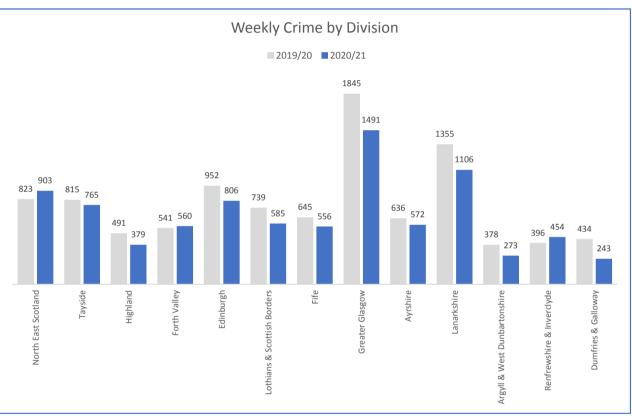
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Weekly Crime Demand (1 June - 7 June 2020)





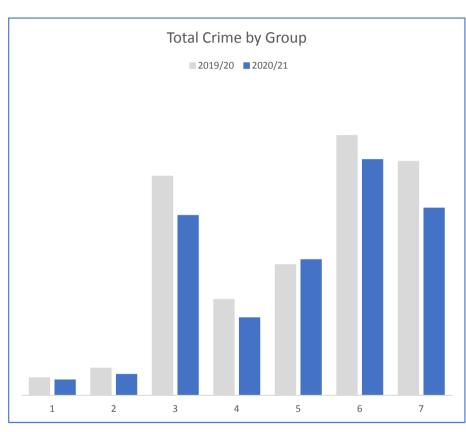
Crime Group	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
2019/20	188	255	2308	866	1402	2620	2411	10050
2020/21	156	257	1853	758	1404	2536	1729	8693

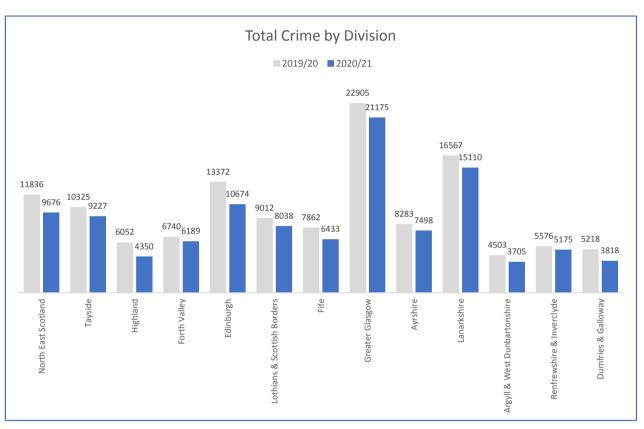
More information regarding Crime Groups can be found via this link

Most Crime Groups (with exception of Group 5) show a decrease when the preceding weeks volume is compared to the same period in 2019. Group 5 and Group 2 crime types have seen levels comparable to the previous year.



Cumulative Crime Demand (9 March – 7 June 2020)





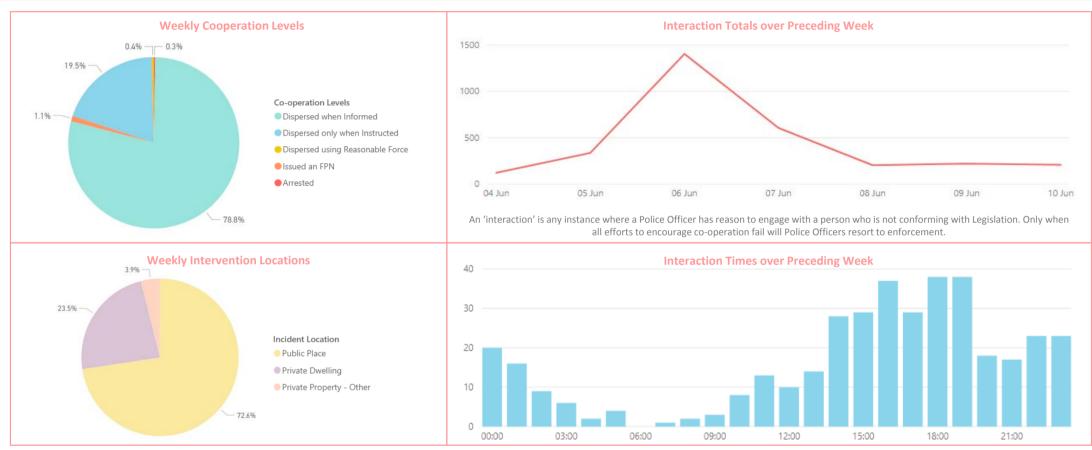
2019/20 2291 3534 28565 12490 17028 33861 30				3	4	5	6	7	Total
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2020/21 2003 2724 23436 10103 17678 30723 24	2020/21	2003	2724	23436	10103	17678	30723	24401	111068

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All Crime Groups (with the exception of Group 5) show a decrease in volume when compared to the same period in 2019. Group 5 crime is slightly higher in volume and has remained static in the weekly records as mentioned. All Divisions show a decrease in volume when compared to the same time period in 2019.



Weekly Coronavirus Legislation Co-operation (4 June – 10 June 2020)

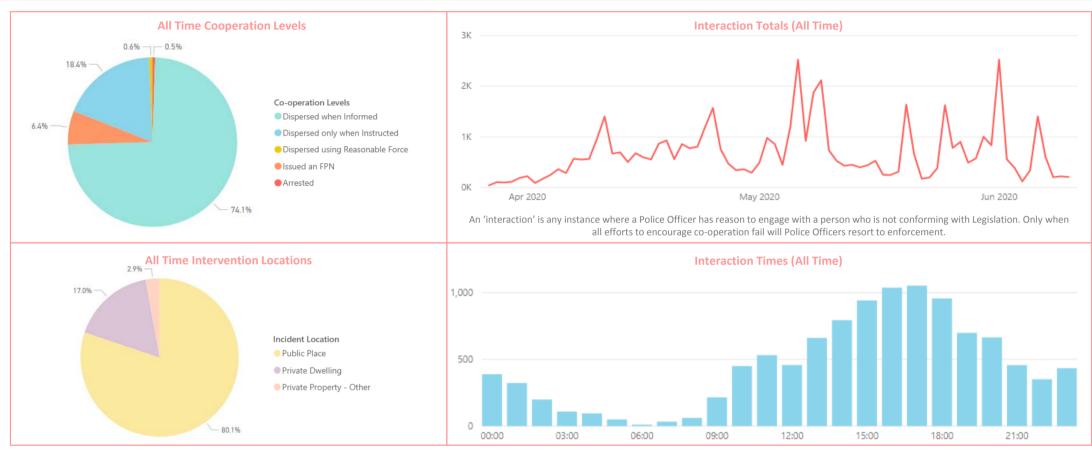


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Coronavirus Legislation Co-operation (27 March – 10 June 2020)



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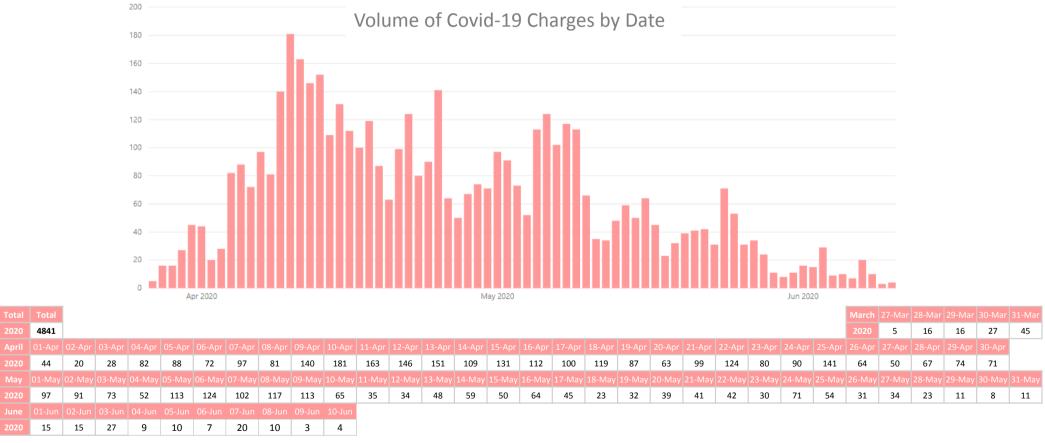


'Enforcement' of Coronavirus specific legislation

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.



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Weekly Absence (4 June – 10 June 2020)



	Police Scotland Current Absences												
10 th June 2020	No.	Change from same day previous week	Change from same day previous week (%)										
COVID-19	88	-26	-23%										
Total Absences	903	-7	-1%										

Date	04-Jun	05-Jun	06-Jun	07-Jun	08-Jun	09-Jun	10-Jun
2020	900	905	899	904	889	887	903
2019	1038	1067	1062	1052	1049	1023	1023



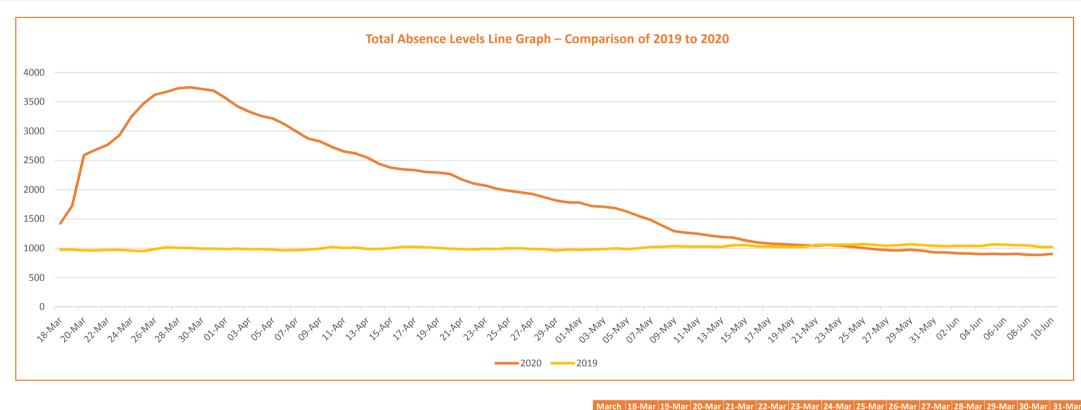
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Total Absence (18 March – 10 June 2020)



																	2020	1424	1725	2587	2681	2765	2926	3238	3460	3619	3669	3731	3745	3716	3688
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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	3562	3421	3330	3258	3214	3114	2992	2871	2823	2730	2653	2619	2548	2440	2376	2347	2333	2301	2292	2268	2175	2105	2069	2015	1981	1954	1926	1870	1815	1783	
2019	987	995	983	985	976	965	968	978	993	1022	1006	1012	989	989	1000	1024	1024	1017	1006	993	988	981	992	988	1000	1000	988	984	963	978	
May	01-May	02-May	03-May	04-May	05-May	06-May	07-May	08-May	09-May	10-May	11-May	12-May	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
May 2020		02-May 1720								10-May 1266													23-May 1046							30-May 960	
	1779	1720	1709	1686		1550	1486	1385	1293		1249	1217	1194	1182	1137	1102	1081	1072	1060	1053	1043	1058	1046	1026	1006	984	970	963	974		931
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Near Miss and Testing Data (20 March – 10 June 2020)



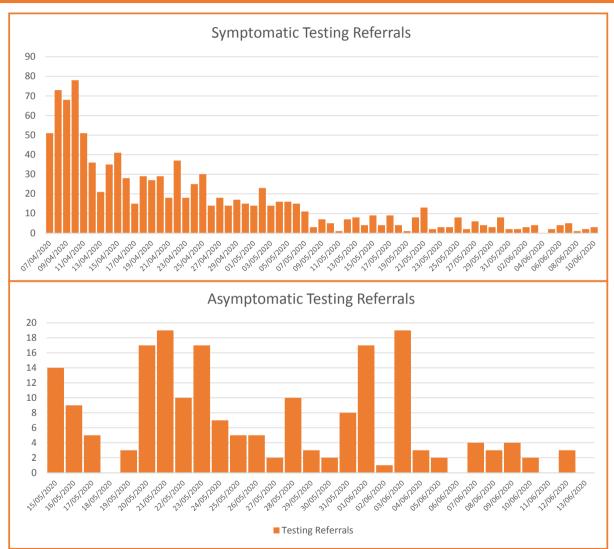
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Testing Data (7 April – 10 June 2020)

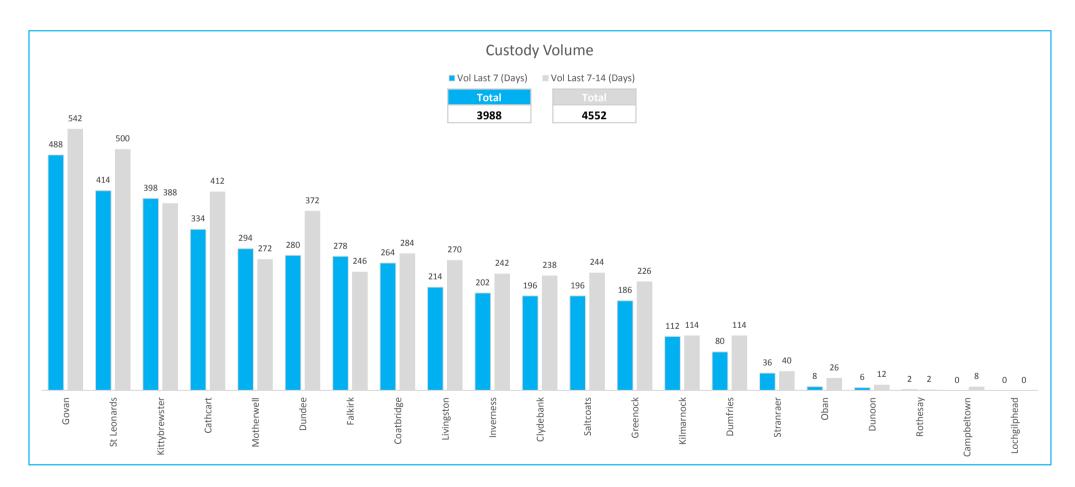


Police Scotland Testing Data												
Symptomatic Testing												
Total Referrals	Total Referrals Tested Positive Tested Negative Inconcl											
1164	160	920	21									
	Asymptom	atic Testing										
210	0	183	1									



Custody Volume

The below bar chart displays the custody volume in each custody centre weekly. In this chart the blue bar represents the volume over the last 7 days, and the grey bar represents the 7 days prior to that. As can be seen, custody volume has decreased this week when compared to last week.



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Custody Volume

The below bar chart 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 29th March. Since that date Custodies have steadily increased.

