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	This report contains the preceding week's information and data on changing demands within the service centre, incident attendance and crime. It will also consider our COVID-19 response including our use of the emergency legislation and how we are assisting our officers and staff welfare throughout these challenging times. This update will have a reporting period of Thursday to Wednesday. For the purpose of this report, the week of Thursday 10 December 2020 to Wednesday 16 December 2020 is considered.								
2.	Decision	Reques	ted						
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4.	Alignmer	lignment to Police Scotland Strategic Outcomes							
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5. Main Report

5.1 CURRENT LANDSCAPE

Scotland continues to operate under the level or tiered system approach, which includes enforceable travel regulations for those local authorities subject to level 3 and 4 restrictions.

Levels across local authorities were changed on Friday 11 December 2020 with level 4 areas moving down to level 3. Three local authority areas moved from level 3 to level 2 and two will move from level 2 to level 1. Further changes to these levels are expected on Friday 18 December 2020.

The announcement that Scotland would join with the other nations in the United Kingdom in the lifting of restrictions over the Christmas period for five days remains the intention; however, the First Minister continues to ask the public to exercise caution when considering the mixing of households, to use technology or meet outdoors for contact wherever possible in order to limit the number of interactions and further spread of the virus. A media campaign has been implemented to reinforce this message.

Coronavirus is still having an impact on absence levels across the organisation; however, they continue to be internally managed by each local policing division. Absence levels and trends are monitored closely in order to mitigate risk and address any emerging resourcing demands in early course. Police Scotland's Outbreak Management Team (OMT) remains in place, providing an internal 'track and trace' function and advice to police officers and staff, as well as engaging with divisions to assist in limiting any spread of coronavirus throughout the organisation. Learning opportunities from previous outbreaks are being identified and collated by the team and these will be communicated across all divisions and departments.

Police Scotland's approach remains unchanged through the implementation of the level system and continues to promote 'Engage, Explain and Encourage' methods prior to 'Enforcement' action being taken against apparent breaches of legislation. It remains the position that officers may move more quickly through the 4E process if they perceive that persons are engaging in a blatant, conscious and inexcusable breach of regulations, involving repeat loci or individuals and whether an absence of enforcement would damage public confidence in policing.

5.2 SERVICE CENTRE DEMAND

This week, the volume of 101 calls answered increased by 3% from last week's figure and the volume of 999 calls has increased by 5%. 101 calls answered are 3% higher this year when compared to the same week last year, meanwhile 999 calls are 18% lower when compared with the same week last year.

5.3 INCIDENT DEMAND

Total incident volume has increased by 2% from last week's figure and has reduced by 6% when compared to the same dates in 2019.

In comparison to last week public nuisance incidents have increased 6%, whilst noise and disturbance incidents have increased by approximately 11% and 16% respectively. These increases follow lower than average figures last week and are not considered outwith normal variance.

5.4 CRIME

Crime volume continues to remain lower than seasonal average. Overall crime in the last week is at a lower level than a comparable period last year. Eleven of the thirteen police divisions have experienced lower crime volume than the same period last year; however Argyll & West Dunbartonshire and Fife divisions have seen a slight increase on last year's equivalent figures.

The collective volume of recorded crimes for every crime group is lower when compared to last year. The cumulative crime demand in every division is lower when compared to the previous year.

5.5 COVID-19 INTERVENTION ACTIVITY

As stated above, Police Scotland's approach to the use of COVID-19 legislation remains to firstly engage with people, explain the provisions and encourage them to comply with the necessary restrictions, with enforcement action being taken where there are found to be flagrant and blatant breaches of legislation.

Incidents requiring COVID-19 interventions by officers have decreased by about 17% on the preceding week. 79% of the 1071 interventions recorded on the CVI system this week took place within private dwellings which is the same as last week.

Since quarantine regulations came into force on travellers entering Scotland from out with the UK on the 15 June, up to and including 16 December 2020, Police Scotland have received 2776 referrals from Public Health Scotland (PHS) relating to potential breaches of quarantine, 608 of which were dealt with by the resolution team and 533 of which have been dealt with by local policing. 1633 referrals were weeded prior to an incident being raised. In respect of resolved referrals, 72% of the foreign travellers were found to be complying with quarantine restrictions. In the majority of the remaining referrals, the travellers have been untraced due to a variety of reasons such as inaccurate data provided to PHS or the expiration of the quarantine period prior to persons being traced.

There have been 16 occasions where enforcement has been used in relation to breaches of quarantine regulations generated from Home Office or Public Health Scotland referrals and one report to the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service (COPFS).

5.6 ABSENCE

General employee absence levels have increased slightly this week; however, although still fluctuating, there have been a few occasions whereby the number has fallen below last year's levels. This week, there have been some COVID-19 outbreaks cases recorded, along with the associated absence due to contact / trace requirements. Divisions and departments are still coping locally with outbreaks and contact/tracing requirements. Notable outbreaks in Aberdeen and Edinburgh have seen absences related specifically to COVID-19 rise, with **463** people currently absent. Up from 388 last week.

5.7 OUTBREAK MANAGEMENT TEAM

Police Scotland's Outbreak Management Team (OMT) respond to and investigate positive cases amongst officers and staff and work in conjunction with the national NHS Test & Protect network to arrive at proportionate, balanced decisions on the identification of individuals at risk after close contact with a positive case and any requirement for self-isolation. This, following consideration of all operational circumstances, the use of PPE and other safety measures, has enabled the safe retention of officers and staff in the workplace and the self-isolation of those agreed to be at heightened risk. The team's work will continue to capture information and the circumstances in respect of specific outbreaks in order that procedures can be reviewed and additional safety measures cascaded and implemented as required.

From inception until 16 December 2020, the OMT has reviewed 351 cases and, from these, 519 individuals have tested positive for COVID-19. The work of the OMT has led them to trace 545 individuals who have required to isolate, whilst the NHS has traced 229 individuals. On average, each case leads to 3.7 absences. The work of the OMT has also led to the identification of 66 individuals who had initially been required to self-isolate and were able to return to work.

5.8 COVID-19 NEAR MISSES

'Near miss' forms in the context of the pandemic situation may be submitted for a variety of reasons e.g. 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. The most current 'near miss' figures available for the dates 8 December 2020 until 14 December 2020 confirm that **79** forms were submitted. This is a slight increase from the 72 last week.

5.9 GATHERINGS IN PRIVATE DWELLINGS

Scottish Government commissioned data suggests that spread in and between households continues to drive much of the transmission of COVID-19. This analysis has guided the

decision to introduce national measures to prevent persons visiting other households in higher risk areas.

Police Scotland have undertaken an assessment of the demand posed by dwelling house gatherings. It should be noted that the methodology of counting of house gatherings is designed to quantify the number of times officers have had to enter a private dwelling or private garden to investigate suspected breach of legislation or guidance, due to the increased risks of COVID transmission associated with these environments; therefore, if officers do not physically attend, or indeed gain entry to the dwelling or garden, this will not be included as a house gathering as there is no evidence there has been one and no increased risk to officers. Information gathered is indicative and should not be considered police statistics.

Indicative figures from the week of 10 December 2020 until 16 December 2020, suggest that Police Scotland attended over 224 occurrences of house gatherings throughout the force area, a similar figure to last week. Enforcement levels have decreased from 306 FPNs and 12 arrests last week, to 265 FPNs and 9 arrests this week.

Notable incidents over the past week include:

Edinburgh

(13/12/20) Call re party persons screaming. Officers attended approximately 30 persons within and in garden. Engagement undertaken using 4E's, some dispersed prior to additional resources attending. Remaining persons would not identify householder and refused to engage with police. All dispersed and numerous FPNs were issued due to blatant disregard for the rules and failure to comply with police direction. Occupier identified and arrested for attempting to pervert the course of justice.

Greater Glasgow

(13/13/20) Party on-going. Police attend and initially refused entry. Once entry was gained they discovered over 40 persons within. Householder was reported and FPNs issued to the remaining individuals, some of whom had previous tickets for Covid issued. Additional drug offences detected and 2 other arrested for threatening behaviour and police assault.

Lanarkshire

(12/12/20) Officers attended a report of a house party whereby entry was refused. Entry was forced and the householder was arrested. 4 Covid FPNs were issued to attendees and other juveniles present were warned.

Renfrewshire and Inverclyde

(12/12/20) Report of a house party at locus, on police arrival approximately 20 persons found within. After 4E's process 9 FPNs were issued and everyone dispersed.

Lothian and Scottish Borders Division

(11/12/20) Gathering discovered by officers within premises. 11 persons found within, all 16-18 years old and friends of occupant. 11 FPNs issued and persons dispersed.

5.10 TRAVEL REGULATIONS

At 1800 hours on Friday 20 November 2020, legislative travel restrictions were introduced across local authorities subject to levels 3 and 4 restrictions. The following data comprises travel regulations interventions from 10 December until 16 December 2020 inclusive.

Police Scotland has carried out 22 interventions and issued 6 FPNs in respect of travel regulations within the time frame.

Notable incidents during this period include:

Ayrshire

(12/12/20) Report of persons causing disturbance at a Train Station. Police attend, BTP dealing with 1 male who had been walking on tracks. 1 male was aggressive and arrested. Stated he had COVID – officers donned PPE. Returned male to Paisley, left in care of staff at supported living accommodation and issued a FPN for travel regulation breach. (14/14/20) Male observed in Irvine shopping centre acting suspiciously. Enquiry confirmed he had travelled from Glasgow and he was charged with breaching travel regulations.

Dumfries & Galloway

(12/12/20) Neighbour reporting a couple regularly attending at a cottage in Canonbie, since the start of lockdown, believed to be from outwith the region. Police attended and confirmed couple from St Helens area staying at their holiday home. Suitable advice given.

Highlands and Islands

(10/12/20) Male Registered Sex Offender with significant pending cases travelled from his home address in England to his mothers in the Highlands despite warnings from Offender Management Unit. He was Caution and Charged with COVID Breach.

Greater Glasgow

(12/12/20) Male found within Glasgow City Centre in the company of other persons drinking alcohol in public. Male had travelled from Tier 1 area to Tier 3 area day prior. Male was issued with an FPN for breaching travel regulations.

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.

OPERATION TALLA WEEKLY BULLETIN 10th December – 16th December 2020

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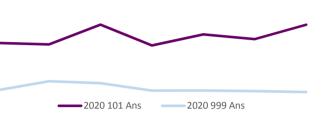
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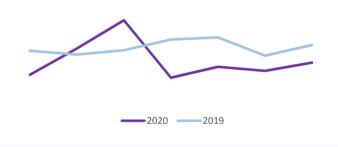
Service Centre Demand

The volume of 101 and 999 calls answered showed consistent levels for most of the week however 101 calls show an increase on Saturday 12th December.



Incident Demand

Incident volume throughout the last week was approximately 6% lower when compared to the same time last year.



Gatherings in Private Dwellings

From 28/08/2020 - 16/12/2020

5686 Attended reports of House Party

3232 House Parties Dispersed

Crime

Crime Volume (9 March – Present compared to Previous Year)

Crime has continued to trend at levels lower than the seasonal average, and total crime volume year to date continues to remain lower (6%) than last year.



8230 Offences under COVID Legislation

Recorded COVID Charges are pulled from Police Scotland CRIME systems rather than CVI. Enforcement activity includes Fixed Penalty Notices and offences recorded on Police Scotland's Crime Recording System

Absence

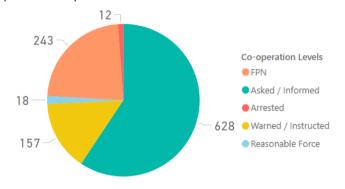


Absences throughout the week continues to trend above levels when compared to 2019.

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 majority of interactions between police and the public continue to be resolved without enforcement.



Quarantine Referrals to 16th December

Public Health Scotland Travel Regs. Referrals	2776
Investigated by Resolution Team	608
Investigated by Local Policing	533
Investigations Ongoing	1
Weeded prior to investigation	1633

Travel Reg. offences resulting in FPN or SPR 16

Note: The referral figures are a count of reports submitted to Police Scotland. These will therefore vary from counts of the number of individuals.

FPNs may be derived from PHS, Home Office Referrals or from operational incidents.

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Outbreak Management: Lessons Learned

The Covid-19 Outbreak Management Team has been in operation from September 2020 and has assessed almost 450 outbreaks throughout the force area. From this, a number of common themes have emerged and whilst the overwhelming majority are adhering, all staff and officers are reminded to ensure we maintain a concerted effort and limit the spread of Covid-19.

- Maintain Social-Distancing during refreshment breaks. Stagger breaks and do not refresh as a full team / shift.
- Where possible, keep the same working partners at all times.
- Do not have any more than 2 officers in a vehicle
- Comply with maximum occupants per room posters.

- If you are symptomatic (cold / flu like symptoms) or someone in your household is, please do not attend work.
- Avoid all unnecessary physical contact with other officers.
- Do not make cups of tea or coffee for groups of people. Please make your own.

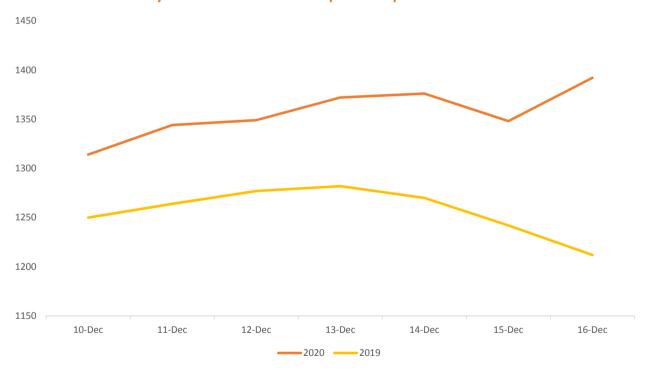


ABSENCE

Police Scotland Absences (10 th – 16 th December)							
16 December 2020	No.	Change from same day previous week	Change from same day previous week (%)				
COVID-19	451	+63	+16%				
Total Absences	1392	+59	+4%				

Active Covid-19 Absence Reason						
Precautionary Isolation	131					
Symptoms	33					
Tracing	121					
Positive Test	131					

Weekly Absence Levels Line Graph – Comparison of 2019 to 2020



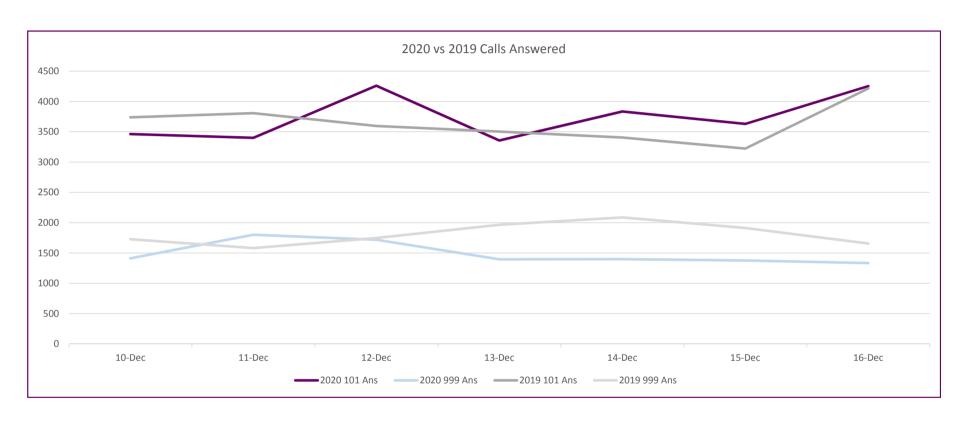
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Absences continue to trend above 2019 levels.

Date	10-Dec	11-Dec	12-Dec	13-Dec	14-Dec	15-Dec	16-Dec
2020	1314	1344	1349	1372	1376	1348	1392
2019	1250	1264	1277	1282	1270	1242	1212



Weekly Service Centre Demand (10th – 16th December 2020)



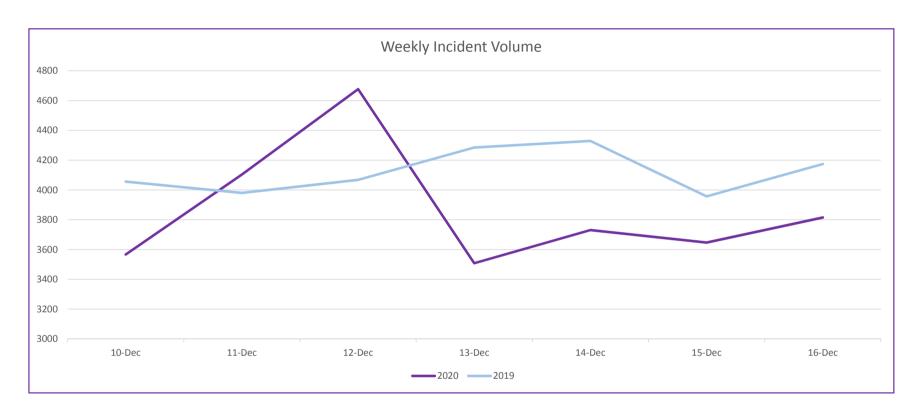
	10-Dec	11-Dec	12-Dec	13-Dec	14-Dec	15-Dec	16-Dec	Total
2020 101 Ans	3462	3400	4260	3356	3835	3630	4254	26,197
2020 999 Ans	1412	1802	1718	1396	1399	1376	1334	10,437
2019 101 Ans	3,738	3,807	3,596	3,503	3,405	3,223	4,215	25,487
2019 999 Ans	1728	1581	1748	1966	2087	1913	1656	12,679

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Weekly Incident Demand (10th – 16th December 2020)

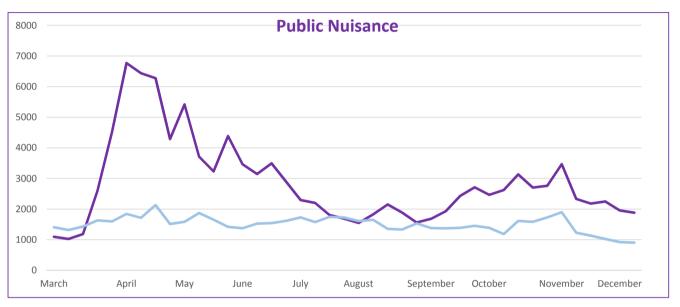


	10-Dec	11-Dec	12-Dec	13-Dec	14-Dec	15-Dec	16-Dec	Total
2020	3567	4104	4677	3508	3731	3647	3815	27049
2019	4056	3980	4068	4285	4329	3957	4174	28849

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INCIDENT DATA (BREAKDOWN)



Calendar Week Comparison – 2020 to 2019

Incident Type	2020	2019	% Change
Public Nuisance	1883	904	+108%
Disturbance	1090	1441	-24%
Noise	1025	763	+34%

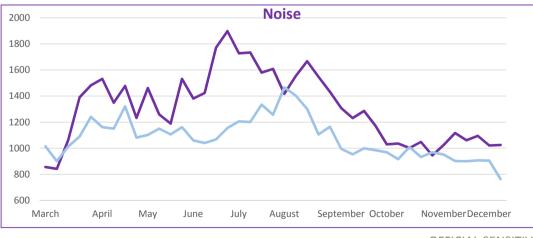
Public Nuisance incidents have decreased considerably since April but continue to trend above levels seen last year.

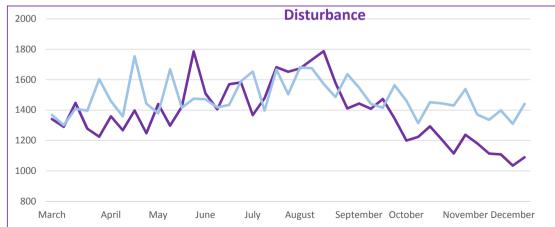
Noise complaints seen an initial increase from the beginning of lockdown, these levels have now decreased but continue to trend above 2019 levels.

Disturbance incidents continue to trend below 2019 levels.

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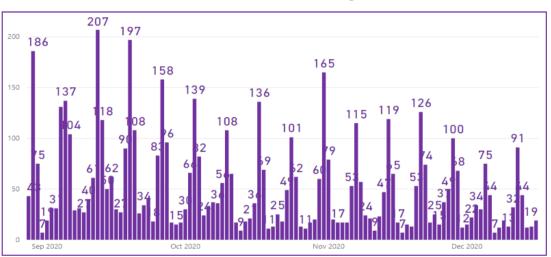


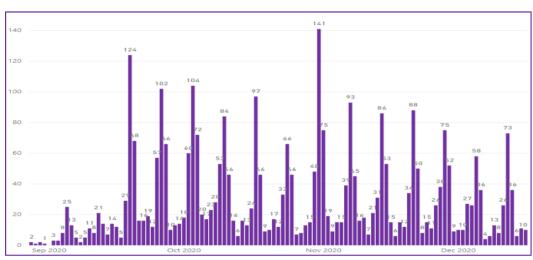
Incident Demand – House Gatherings (28th August – 16th December 2020)

From Friday 28th August 2020, additional monitoring of 'house gatherings' incidents has taken place. This will be reported weekly going forward.

Attended 'House Gatherings' Incidents

Attended 'House Gatherings' Breaching Restrictions





Totals	28 Aug – 16 Dec	10 – 16 Dec
No. of House Gatherings Attended	5686	224
No. of House Gatherings Breaching Restrictions	3232	170
No. of FPNs issued	2931	265
No. of Arrests	190	9

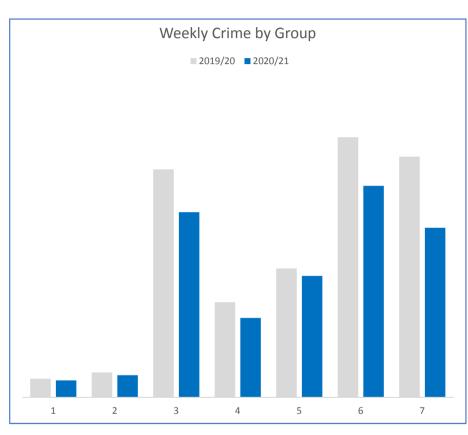
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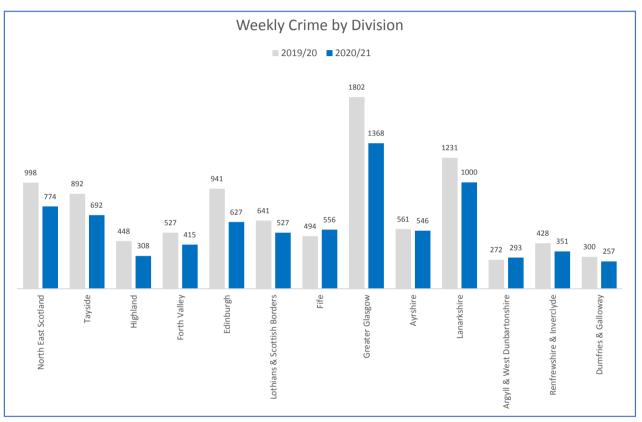
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Weekly Crime Demand (7th – 13th December 2020)





Crime Group	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
2019/20	177	237	2182	910	1233	2491	2305	9535
2020/21	161	211	1773	759	1162	2025	1623	7714

More information regarding Crime Groups can be found via this link

All Crime Groups show a decrease in volume when the preceding weeks volume is compared to the same period in 2019.

The majority of divisions this week have noted a decrease in crime volumes, however Fife, Fife and Argyll and West Dunbartonshire show an increase.

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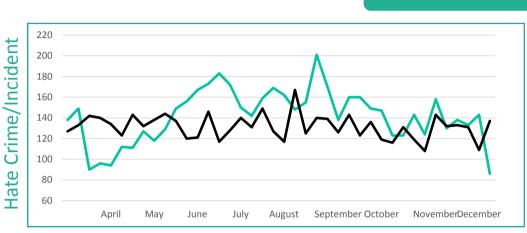
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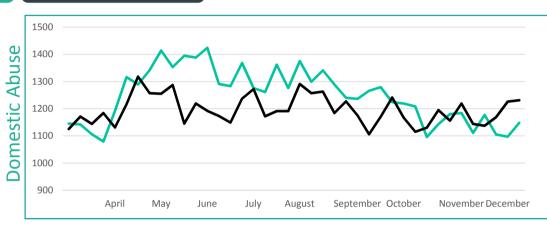
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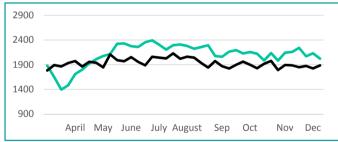
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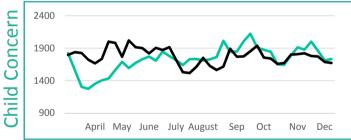
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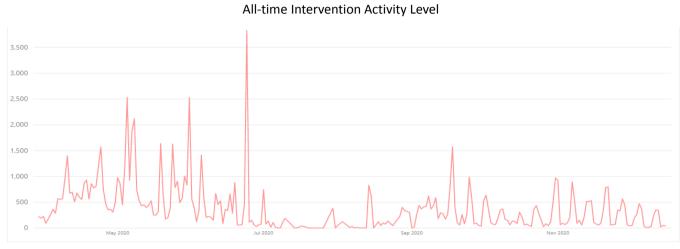
At the start of Lockdown all vulnerable person types had shown an initial decrease but as time has passed, all types began to trend to similar levels as 2019. This week, Adult Concern, Child Concern and Youth offending are trending higher than the same period last year, whereas Domestic Abuse and Hate Concern are slightly lower.

Calendar Week Comparison – 2020 to 2019

VP Type	2020	2019	% Change
Domestic Abuse	1148	1231	-7%
Adult Concern	2022	1886	+7%
Child Concern	1733	1672	+4%
Hate Concern	86	137	-37%
Youth Offending	306	335	-9%
Total VP Concerns	5295	5261	+1%



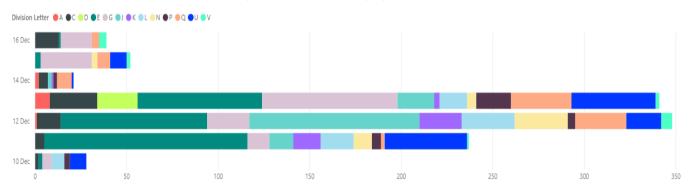
CVI Application (Co-operation Levels)



Weekly Intervention Activity

Intervention Type	10/12/20-16/12/20
Premises Closed	0
Intervention at Premises	2
Dispersals on being Informed (People)	628
Dispersals only after Instruction (People)	157
Persons forcibly taken home	18
FPNs	243
Persons Arrested	12

Weekly Intervention Activity by Date and Division



Total Intervention Activity

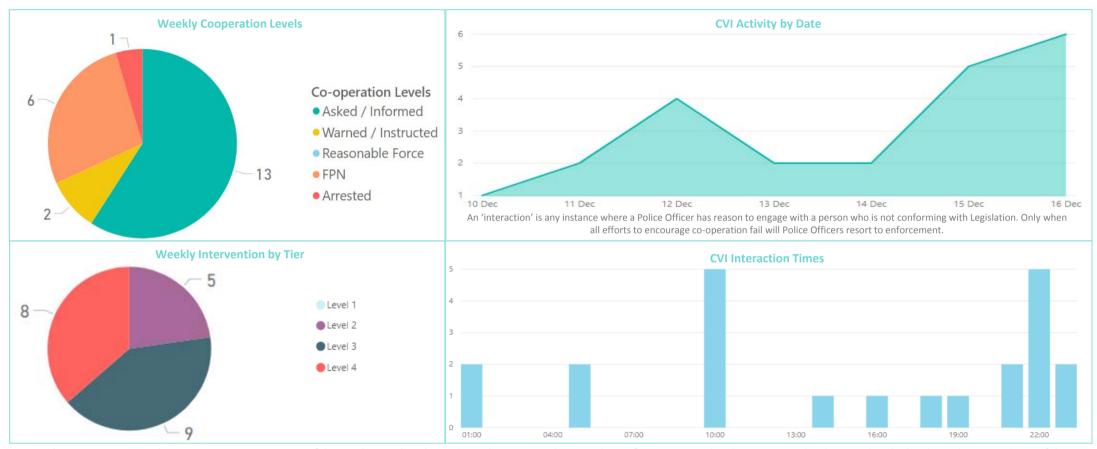
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FPNs 6369	Dispersals only after Instruction (People)	18976
	Persons forcibly taken home	656
Persons Arrested 486	FPNs	6369
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In the last seven days, Police Scotland officers attended 15807 incidents, a slight decrease of about 4% from last week.

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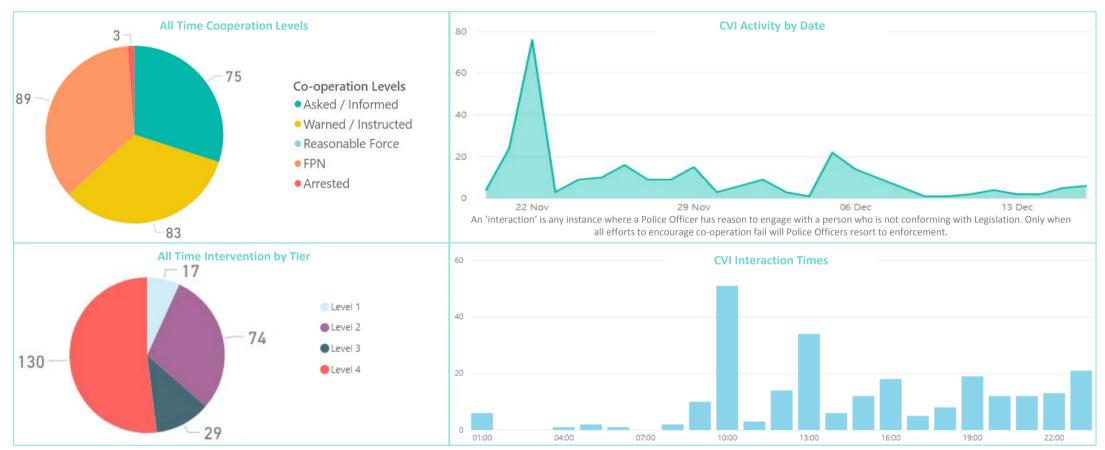
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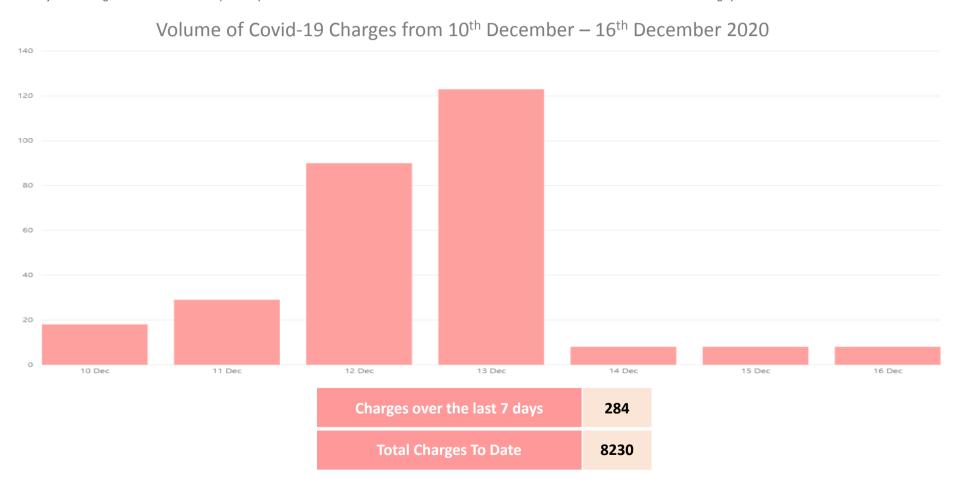


'Enforcement' of Coronavirus specific legislation

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.



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OFFICIAL SENSITIVE – POLICE & PARTNERS

Unlawful Public Gatherings:

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Edinburgh

(11/12/20) Ongoing party at locus. Officers attended and found a number of students having a party. Attendees vacated on request from officers. No enforcement required. Shortly thereafter, students returned to the address and continued the party. Officers re-attended and dispersed them once more, this time carrying out enforcement, issuing Fixed Penalty Ticket for S54 Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982. No COVID Fixed Penalty Notices issued. (13/12/20) Call re party persons screaming. Officers attended approximately 30 persons within and in garden. Engagement using 4E's, some dispersed prior to additional resources. Remaining persons would/could not identify occupier and encouraged each other not to engage. All dispersed and as many as possible issued with tickets given sheer number of those within, blatant disregard for the rules and failure to comply. Occupier identified and arrested for Attempt to Pervert. 7 tickets issued, 1 refused to accept. CVI submitted.

Greater Glasgow

(13/13/20) Party on-going. Police attend and initially refused entry. Once in they discovered over 40 persons with varying ages from 17 to 25. (Not students). Householder reported and tickets issued to the remaining individuals, some of whom had previous tickets for Covid issued. Additional drug offences detected and 2 other arrested for a sec 38 and police assault.

Lanarkshire

(12/12/20) House party at locus. Entry forced and householder arrested and another issued a recorded police warning for BOP / Obstruction, also 1 Locate Trace and 1 MP traced. 4 Covid FPN either issued or to be issued retrospectively. Others present juveniles and were given warnings.

Renfrewshire and Inverclyde

(12/12/20) Report of a house party at locus, on police arrival approximately 20 persons found within. Most were not resident at the locus. After 4E's process 9 tickets issued and everyone dispersed.

Forth Valley

Lothian and Scottish Borders Division

(11/12/20) Gathering discovered by officers within premises. 11 persons found within, all 16-18 years old and friends of occupant. 11 FPNs issued and dispersed.



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Argyll & West Dunbartonshire

(10/12/20) Called to attend report of householder and other person's playing loud music and banging. Householder has previously been issued with ticket. 7 Fixed Penalty Tickets issued.

(11/12/20) Anonymous report of a gathering within a house. On police arrival 19 persons found and 18 issued with an FPN.

(13/12/20) Officers discovered a party within a Garage. 10 persons within and all issued with an FPN.

Ayrshire

(12/12/20) Report from member of the public having seen an ongoing party on social media. Officers attended to find 35 persons within a barn watching the boxing. The owner/organiser was charged with Culpable and Reckless conduct and the rest were issue with an FPN.

(15/12/20) - Disturbance at locus whereby 3 persons barricaded the door and refused entry. Householder was outside. Police forced entry, 3 arrested for Sec 38, resist arrest and COVID Regulations.

(15/12/20) Report of ongoing disturbance fighting ongoing in address. Police attended and could hear shouting from within, they gained entry and found 3 males within drinking and being loud, no ongoing disturbance. Males became hostile to police presence, householder issued COVID FPNs, 1 male issued a RPW for sec 38 CJLSA 10 others arrested for various offences including resist arrest and police assault.

Tayside

(12/12/20) Report of a party ongoing at Dundee address. Police attended, found a "houseful" of people. Further call that persons had returned to the locus after the Police had left. Policer re-attended and 12 FPNs issued (13/12/20) Report of a loud party ongoing at Dundee address. Police attended, forced entry and 12 FPNs issued.



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COVID-19 incidents:

Greater Glasgow

Lanarkshire

(14/12/20) Enquiry following PHS referral revealed that male subject was not following guarantine guidelines and was issued with an FPN.

Ayrshire

(14/12/20) Report from Public Health Scotland – 22 year old male returned from Netherlands on 7th December and is subject to quarantine restrictions. Resolution team unable to make contact. Police attend on 14th December and male issued with FPN for breaching COVID regulations.

Travel Restrictions

Ayrshire

(12/12/20) Report of persons causing disturbance at a Train Station. Police attend, BTP dealing with 1 male who had been walking on tracks. 1 male aggressive, arrested Section 38. Stated he had COVID – officers donned PPE. Returned male to Paisley, left in care of staff at supported living accommodation. Issued FPN for travel regulation breach.

(14/14/20) Male observed in Irvine shopping centre acting suspiciously. Enquiry confirmed he had travelled from Glasgow and was charged with breaching travel regulations.

Dumfries & Galloway

(12/12/20) Neighbour reporting a couple regularly attending at a cottage in Canonbie, since the start of lockdown, believed to be from outwith the region. Police attended and confirmed couple from St Helens area staying at their holiday home. Suitable advice given.

Highlands and Islands

(10/12/20) Male Registered Sex Offender with significant pending cases. Travelled from his home address in England to his mothers in the Highlands despite warnings from Offender Management Unit. He was Caution and Charged with COVID Breach.

Greater Glasgow

(12/12/20) Male found within Glasgow City Centre in the company of other persons drinking alcohol in public. Male had travelled from Tier 1 area to Tier 3 area day prior. Male was issued with an FPN for breaching travel regulations.

Lanarkshire

(12/12/20) Male travelled from Brisbane, Australia, attended at female's home address, however, she was not present. Father provided her with description. Police contacted due to stalking by male. Male traced to a hotel in Bellshill, arrested on stalking charges and CVI updated re breach of Covid regulations.



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Protests

Greater Glasgow

(12/12/20) Anti-Corruption Demonstration, George Square. Approximately 50 persons in attendance, a tent was erected on the grass area. Officers attempted to engage with persons early on however no one would identify the organiser. Officers had to approach the speakers twice due to them using foul language and swearing. Officers were being filmed by persons and surrounded by the crowd anytime they had to approach persons. Persons in the crowd were wearing body cameras. Persons were also handing out food and clothing to homeless which attracted extra persons dispersed about 1600hrs.

(12/12/20) Protest against the Hate Crime Bill, Constituency Office of MSP Humza Yousef. 7 persons attended and held a large single banner depicting the message 'Britain First - All Lives Matter' A number of photographs were taken of the banner being held directly outside the constituency office and intermittently incident was also broadcasting or being recorded. No COVID-19 issues apparent given the numbers present and face coverings.

(13/12/20) Approximately 300 persons attended Celtic Park in order to support the team and protest against the current Celtic board. No violence or major issues encountered. Crowds gathered at 1300 hours and cheered the team into the stadium at 1330 hours and thereafter left. No issues after that.

Edinburgh City

(12/12/20) Anti-lockdown protest took place. A group of 8 persons met up at the Parliament and stated their intention of marching to Bute House. The group swelled to about 80 and 4 persons were arrested.
(13/12/20) Group marching in support of Indian farmers. Group swelled to approximately 350 persons and due to the size social distancing was difficult. There were no issues of disorder and group dispersed voluntarily.
(15/12/20) Static protest held by Edinburgh University students at George Square. In relation to a racial assault of a student on 11/12/2020. 220 in attendance. Social distancing adhered to, masks worn. 2 officers in attendance, PLO engagement held, security and CCTV aware. FRU on standby. University media and Evening News present, 'if asked' statement prepper and with news desk. All dispersed without issue, no arrests or FPNs.

Incidents relating to Licensed and food premises

Tayside

(12/12/20) Anonymous complaint reporting an ongoing 'lock in' at licensed premises in Dundee. Officers attended and after repeated attempts to gain access, premises manager opened and permitted access. In total 10 persons were traced within including 8 patrons, 1 staff member and the designated premises manager. It was clear the licensed premises was in operation, with alcohol being sold and consumed and no social distancing measures being adhered to. 9 FPN's were issued and the designated premises manager was cautioned and charged to be reported.

Travel Restrictions

Tayside

(15/12/20) Report of a political gathering within a Dundee Mosque, with persons from Glasgow Pakistan Consulate having travelled to Dundee breaching COVID regulations. Further call saying miss-information no requirement for Police attendance. Contact made with Committee member at Dundee Central Mosque to ensure compliance with regulations.



OUTWARD LOOKING - HORIZON SCAN

