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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 2nd July 2020 to Wednesday 8th July 2020 is considered.												
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5. Main Report

## 5.1 CURRENT LANDSCAPE

Over the last week, as Scotland moves towards 'Phase 3' of the 'Route map through and out of the Crisis,' Police Scotland has maintained their measured approach and applied the updated guidelines accordingly. Substantial changes this week have seen the reopening of outdoor licensed premises for eating and drinking and the removal of the 5 mile travel guidance. As anticipated there was a slight uplift in calls relating to those premises that chose to open but no major issues were encountered. The quarantine regulations continue to be applied to those entering the UK, with no enforcement action being deemed necessary as yet.

The weather during this week has been changeable and not assessed to have had any significant impact on the behaviour of the public, this is evidenced within the Covid-19 policing intervention data that will be discussed in this week's report.

#### 5.2 SERVICE CENTRE DEMAND

In the last week, the volume of 101 and 999 calls decreased slightly compared to the previous week. Similar to last weeks trend, the total number of 101 and 999 answered by Police Scotland are both around ten percent lower than the levels seen during the same week last year.

## 5.3 INCIDENT DEMAND

There is no significant change in total incident volumes when compared to last week.

Public nuisance incidents saw a decrease of 11% when compared to last week and noise complaints have decreased by 7% week-on-week.

In comparison to the previous year, most incident types continue to trend at lower levels with the notable exceptions of public nuisance and noise, which continue to trend at higher levels.

#### 5.4 CRIME

Crime is currently lower than seasonal averages. Recorded crime has decreased by approximately 5% from the previous week and is 13% lower than last year. There are no significant crime trends to report this week.

#### 5.5 COVID-19 INTERVENTION ACTIVITY

The government guidance remained in 'Phase 2' of easing lockdown restrictions. 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 18074 incidents.

The COVID-19 intervention powers have been used on 1086 occasions over the same time period, which is approximately four times less than last week's figures. This is attributable to poor weather and less instances of large-scale gatherings in parks or public spaces. There has only been 8 FPNs and 1 arrest recorded for the week, reinforcing the trend that most people will desist when requested by the Police and are responding well to the '4E approach' adopted by Police Scotland.

Due to the manual nature of data recording for these lower level interventions, Police Scotland may not capture every occurrence of such activity. It is highly likely that the percentage of intervention activity which results in enforcement is actually smaller than reported.

Since quarantine regulations came into force on travellers entering Scotland from outwith the UK on the 15th of June, Police Scotland have had 7 instances of alleged non-compliance reported. None of these have resulted in enforcement action.

## 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 8th July, over 15,000 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.

It is unclear as yet what bearing if any the new legislation around compulsory wearing of face coverings in retail premises which comes into effect on the 10th July will have. Similar legislation for those travelling on public transport had little or no effect.

#### 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 also continued to decline. This has been an established pattern since the last week in May. It was anticipated that the

Scottish approach to 'Test and Protect' in order to limit the spread of the virus moving forwards, may have seen pockets of absence across teams or shifts. This has yet to materialise.

#### 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, a formal COVID-19 testing regime continues. Up to and including 8th July over 1800 total tests have been arranged. From all testing 203 have returned as positive for COVID-19.

Testing of asymptomatic officers and staff based on risk commenced on 14th May and around 280 tests have been arranged up to and including 8th July. None of these tests have yet returned a positive result.

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 16 of these forms submitted, which has continued a downward trend. This 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.

## 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 was less noticeable during the early stages of lockdown. COVID custody levels (those custodies purported to have COVID symptoms) are relatively static 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 2<sup>nd</sup> July – 8<sup>th</sup> July 2020

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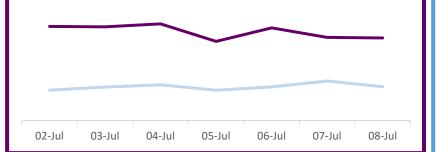


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## **Service Centre Demand**

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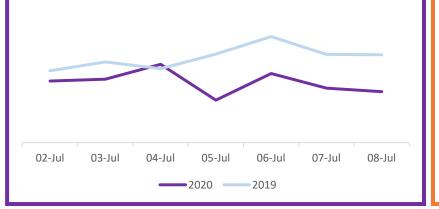
The volume of 101 calls answered has remained at a relatively consistent level throughout the week. The volume of 999 calls answered also has remains relatively consistent throughout the week.



## **Incident Demand**

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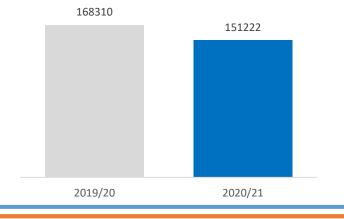
Incident volume this week has reduced generally as the week went on and continues to show lower levels compared to the same time last year.



## **Crime Levels**

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

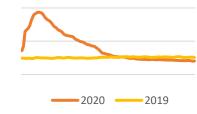
Crime has continued to trend at levels lower than the seasonal average, and total volume year to date is still considerably lower than last year. Total 'Year to Date' volume is displayed below, further data is available in the Crime slide.



## **Staff Absence and Welfare**

#### Absences

Absences are now trending lower when compared to 2019.



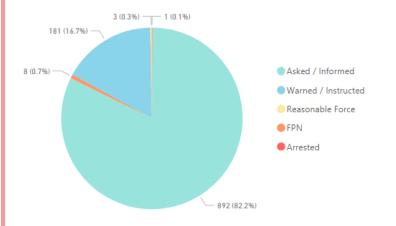
## **Staff COVID Screening**

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**

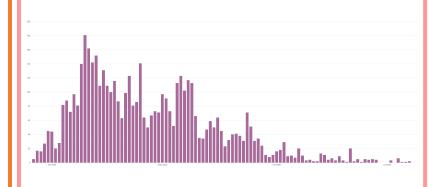
#### Co-operation with new Coronavirus Legislation

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.



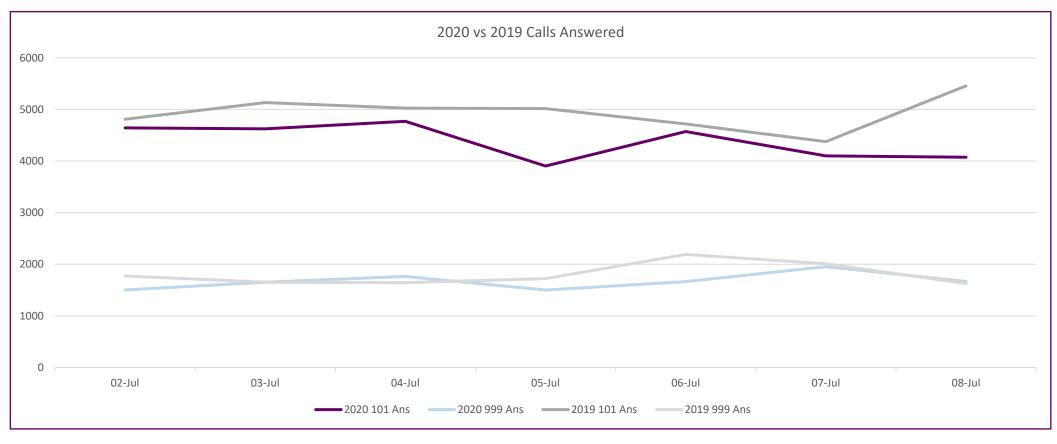
#### Total Number of Interactions Relating to Coronavirus Legislation

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 (2nd – 8th July 2020)



	02-Jul	03-Jul	04-Jul	05-Jul	06-Jul	07-Jul	08-Jul	Total
2020 101 Ans	4642	4623	4769	3902	4570	4099	4073	30678
2020 999 Ans	1502	1651	1764	1499	1662	1952	1666	11696
2019 101 Ans	4809	5131	5025	5015	4718	4375	5456	34529
2019 999 Ans	1773	1651	1642	1722	2190	2009	1625	12612



2020 999 Ans

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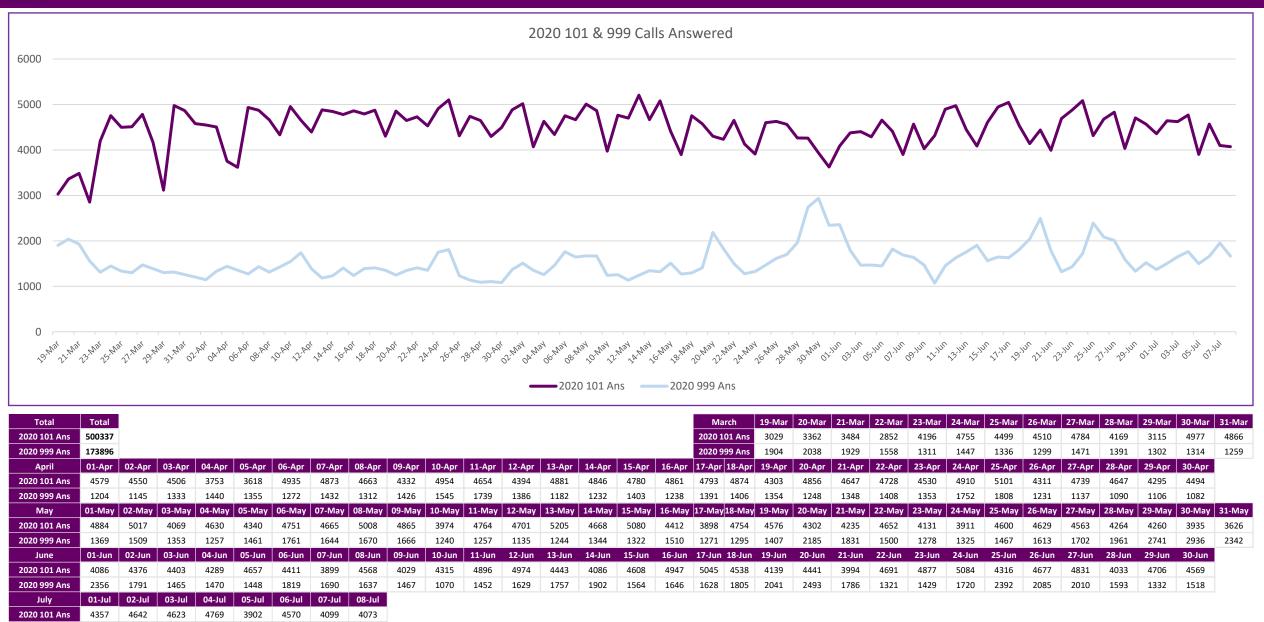
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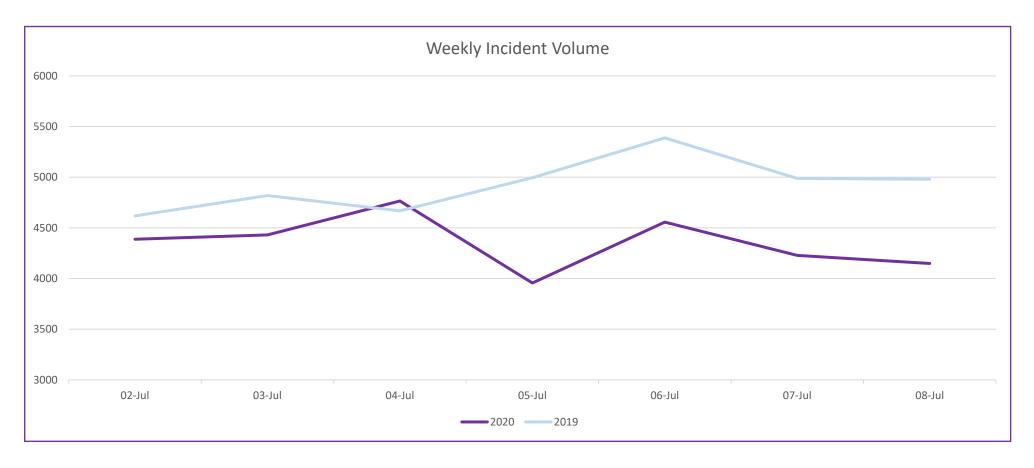
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# **Cumulative Service Centre Demand (19th March – 8th July 2020)**





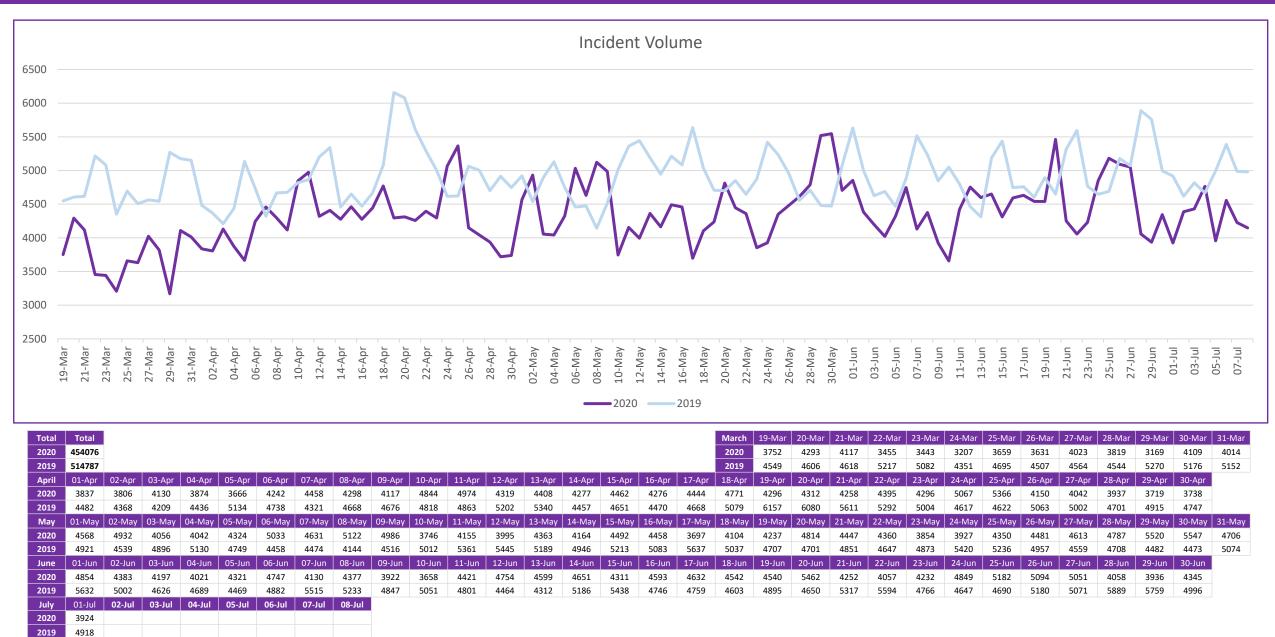
# Weekly Incident Demand (2nd–8th July 2020)



	02-Jul	03-Jul	04-Jul	05-Jul	06-Jul	07-Jul	08-Jul	Total
2020	4388	4430	4765	3956	4557	4228	4148	30472
2019	4618	4819	4668	4995	5388	4988	4980	34456



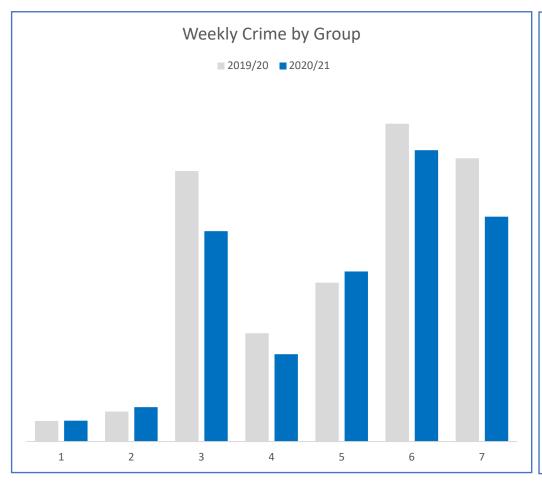
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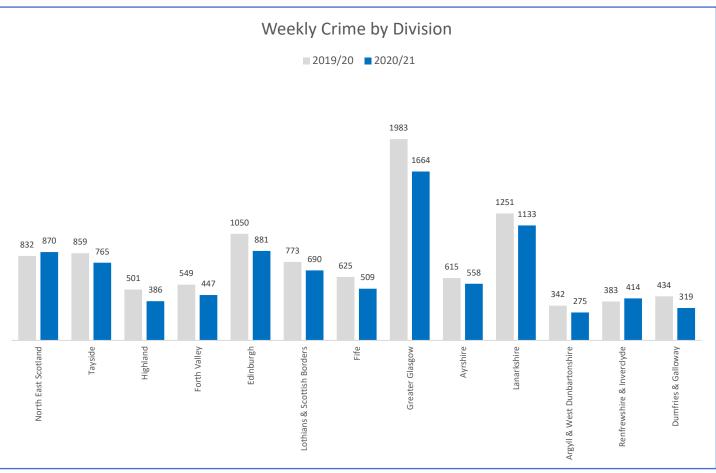


Note: No figures should be considered as Official Police Statistics. These may not yet have been verified or validated



# Weekly Crime Demand (29th June – 5<sup>th</sup> July 2020)





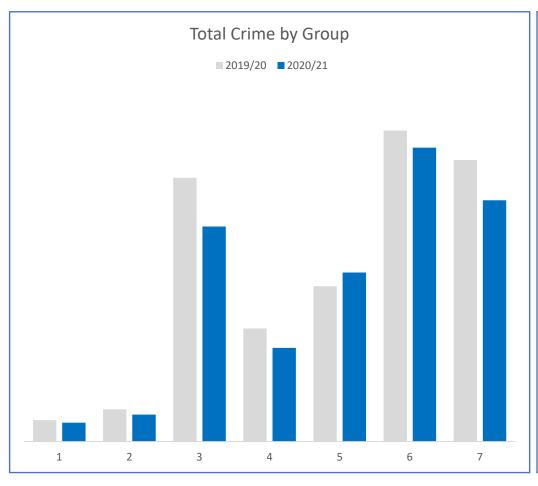
Crime Group	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
2019/20	176	257	2319	929	1362	2725	2429	10197
2020/21	179	295	1804	749	1458	2498	1928	8911

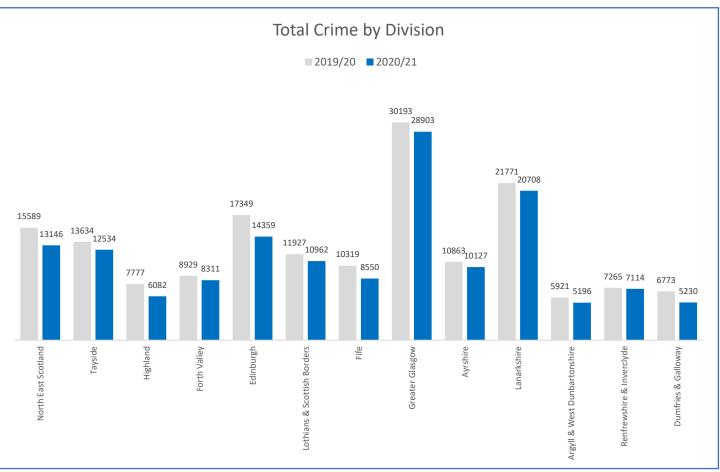
Crime Groups 1, 2 & 5 show an increase when the preceding weeks volume is compared to the same period in 2019. Most divisions this week have noted a decrease in crime volumes, however there are two exceptions, spread around the country with no geographical pattern to report.

More information regarding Crime Groups can be found via this link



# **Cumulative Crime Demand (9th March – 5th July 2020)**





Crime Group	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
2019/20	3064	4602	37672	16145	22186	44422	40219	168310
2020/21	2699	3850	30710	13375	24144	41984	34460	151222

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. Group 5 crime is higher in volume and has increased in the weekly records as mentioned. All Divisions show a cumulative decrease in volume when compared to the same time period in 2019.



# Weekly Legislation Co-operation (2nd – 8th July 2020)

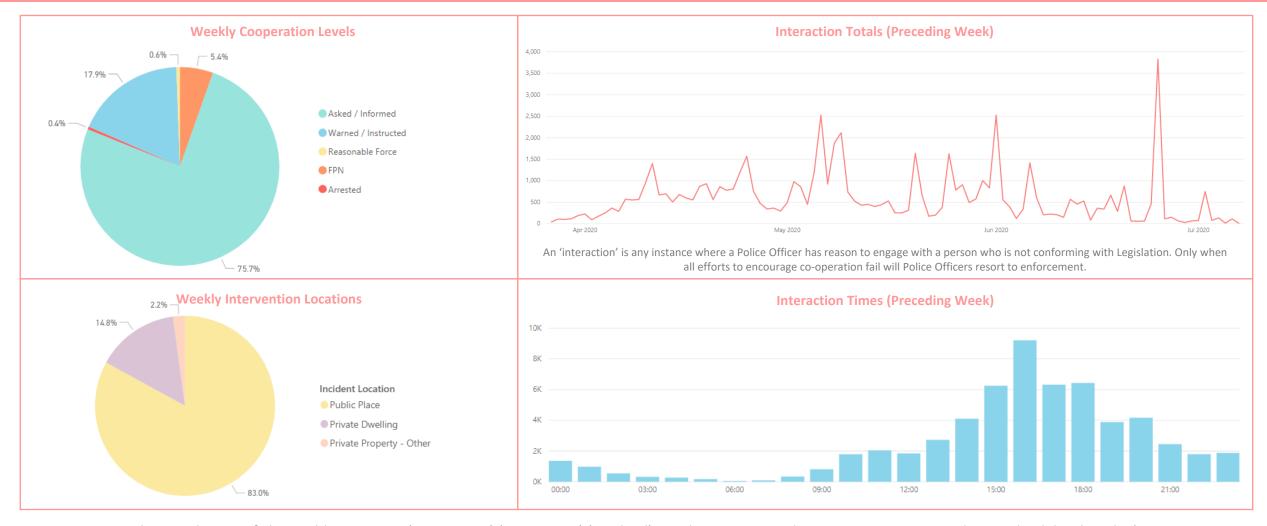


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# **Coronavirus Legislation Co-operation (27th March – 8th July 2020)**



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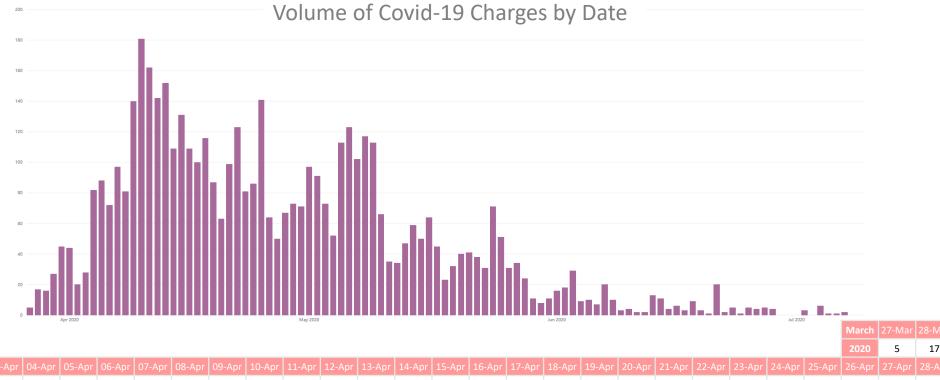


# 'Enforcement' of Coronavirus specific legislation

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.

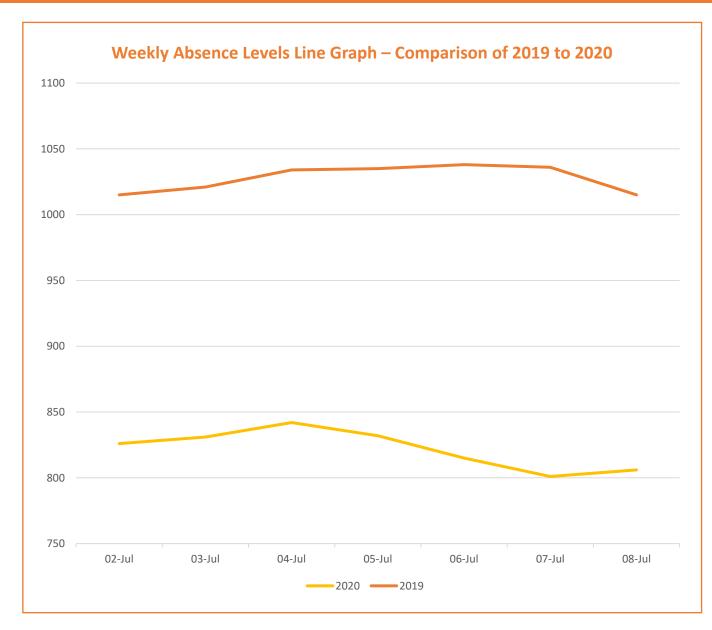
These values remain subject to change as offences are retrospectively added or amended and do not match the indicative 'enforcement' values from the CVI recording system.



Total	Total																									March	27-Mar	28-Mar	29-Mar	30-Mar	31-M
2020	4935																									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	82	88	72	97	81	140	181	162	142	152	109	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	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-M
2020	97	91	73	52	113	123	102	117	113	66	35	34	47	59	50	64	45	23	32	40	41	38	31	71	51	31	34	24	11	8	11
June	01-Jun	02-Jun		04-Jun			07-Jun	08-Jun			11-Jun	12-Jun	13-Jun			16-Jun		18-Jun	19-Jun	20-Jun	21-Jun	22-Jun	23-Jun	24-Jun			27-Jun	28-Jun	29-Jun	30-Jun	
2020	16	18	29	9	10	7	20	10	3	4	2	2	13	11	4	6	3	9	3	1	20	2	5	1	5	4	5	4	0	0	
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# Weekly Absence (2 July – 8 July 2020)

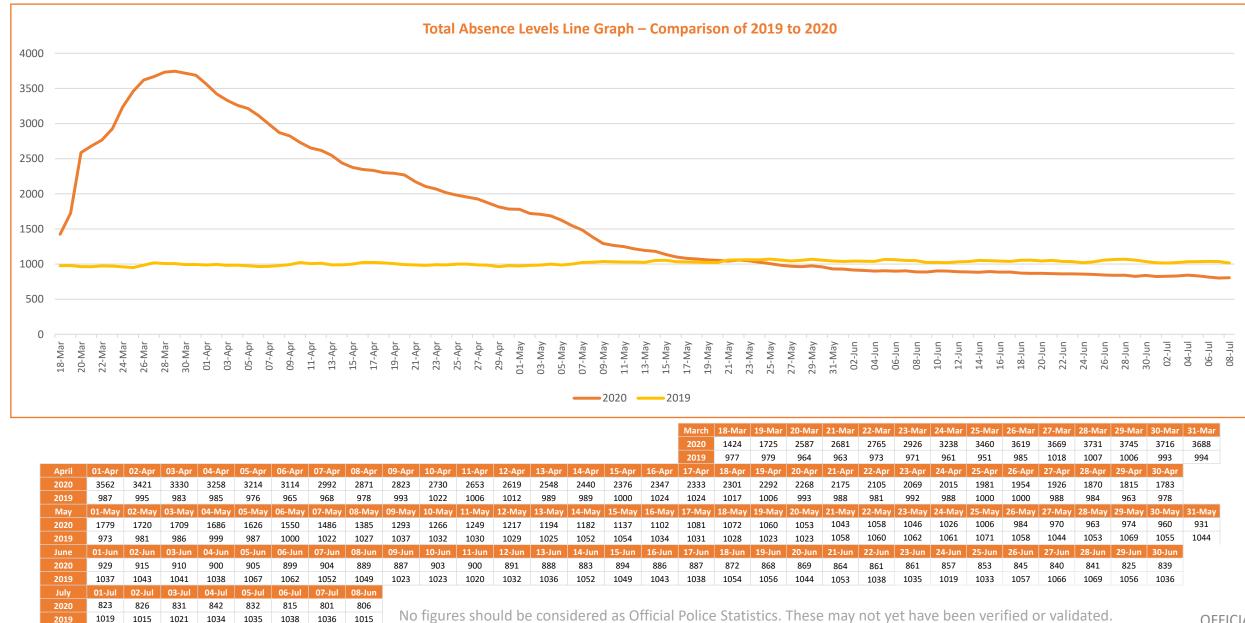


Police Scotland Current Absences									
8th July 2020	No.	Change from same day previous week	Change from same day previous week (%)						
COVID-19	41	+1	+2%						
Total Absences	806	-17	-2%						

Date	02-Jul	03-Jul	04-Jul	05-Jul	06-Jul	07-Jul	08-Jul
2020	826	831	842	832	815	801	806
2019	1015	1021	1034	1035	1038	1036	1015

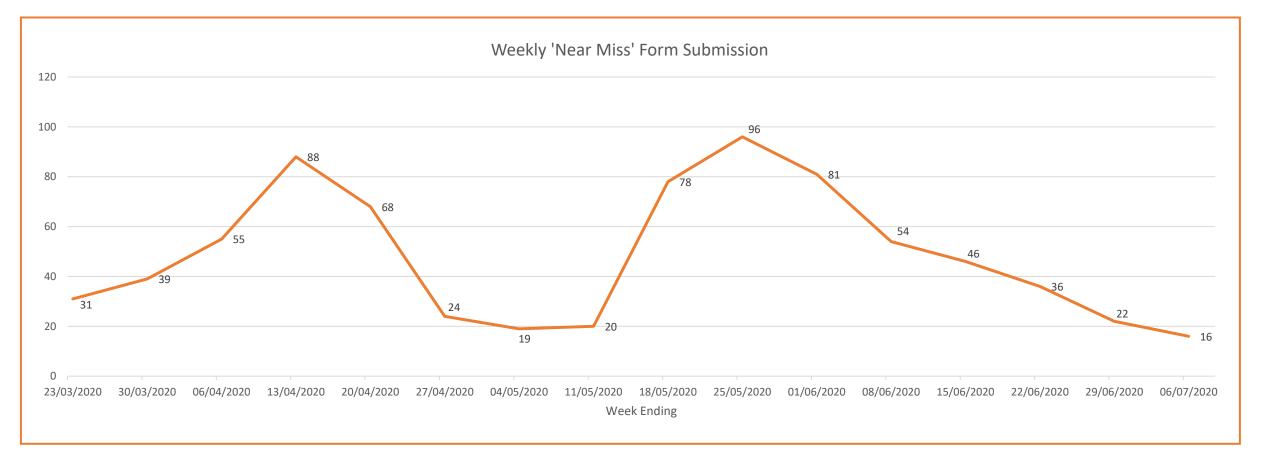


# Total Absence (18th March – 8th July 2020)





# Near Miss and Testing Data (w/e 23th March – 6th July 2020)



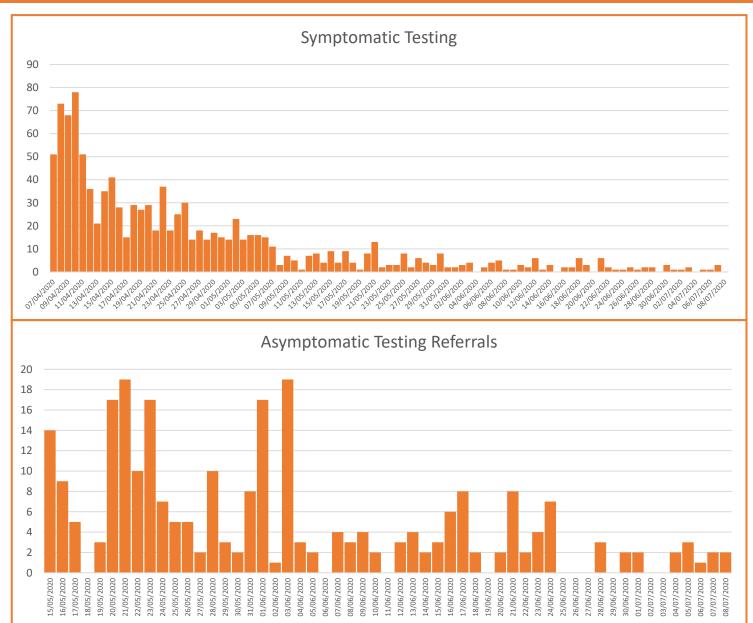
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This can occur due to the reactive nature of policing, as well as being influenced by training levels and supply of PPE. The number of forms have decreased over the last week.

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 (7th April – 8th July 2020)**



Police Scotland Testing Data										
Total Referrals	Total Referrals Tested Positive Tested Negative Inconclu									
Symptomatic Testing										
1225 163 981 21										
Asymptomatic Testing										
276	0	265	2							
	Contact	Tracing								
3	0	3	0							
Other: Locally Arranged Tests										
360	40	317	2							

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

# **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.

