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# Case Processing Financial Year 2020-2021

Statistics on Case Processing April to March 2020-21

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## Statistics on Case Processing April to March 2020-21

<b>Reports Received <sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>Number</b>
Criminal Reports	159,195
Death Reports	15,739
<b>Total Reports Received</b>	<b>174,934</b>

<b>Non-Court Disposals <sup>(2)</sup></b>	<b>Number</b>
No Action	15,930
Warning Letters	6,583
Conditional Offers of Fixed Penalties Paid	10,384
Fiscal Fines Paid/Accepted	12,399
Compensation Orders Accepted	925
Combined Fiscal Fines/Compensation Orders Accepted	2,051
Other Non-Court disposals	13,960
<b>Total Non-Court Disposals <sup>(3)</sup></b>	<b>62,232</b>

<b>No Further Action</b>	<b>Number</b>
<b>Total No Further Action <sup>(4)</sup></b>	<b>16,437</b>

### Information Notes

(1) COPFS receives reports about crimes from the police and other reporting agencies and then decides what action to take, including whether to prosecute someone. We also look into deaths that need further explanation.

(2) Information on court disposals is available from the Management Information Analysis Team at the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service (SCTS).

(3) There is a time lag between receipt of a case and final disposal so that, for example, some cases received in 2019-2020 will not result in a disposal until 2020-2021.

(4) No Further Action = Cases which were closed after action had been commenced or attempted (e.g. cases which were closed because the accused died, the accused could not be traced, a key witness was not available, etc.)