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Case Processing Financial Year 2022-2023

Statistics on Case Processing April 2022 to March 2023

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Statistics on Case Processing April 2022 to March 2023

Reports Received ⁽¹⁾	Number
Criminal Reports	144,957
Death Reports	14,147
Total Reports Received	159,144

Non-Court Disposals ⁽²⁾	Number
No Action	13,042
Warning Letters	3,249
Conditional Offers of Fixed Penalties Paid	10,942
Fiscal Fines Paid/Accepted	10,476
Compensation Orders Accepted	680
Combined Fiscal Fines/Compensation Orders Accepted	4,177
Other Non-Court disposals	14,031
Total Non-Court Disposals ⁽³⁾	56,597

No Further Action	Number
Total No Further Action ⁽⁴⁾	24,585

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 2021-2022 will not result in a disposal until 2022-2023.

(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.)