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Case Processing Financial Year 2021-2022

Statistics on Case Processing April 2021 to March 2022

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Statistics on Case Processing April 2021 to March 2022

Reports Received ⁽¹⁾	Number
Criminal Reports	148,925
Death Reports	15,377
Total Reports Received	164,302

Non-Court Disposals ⁽²⁾	Number
No Action	13,982
Warning Letters	5,203
Conditional Offers of Fixed Penalties Paid	12,180
Fiscal Fines Paid/Accepted	11,510
Compensation Orders Accepted	594
Combined Fiscal Fines/Compensation Orders Accepted	3,189
Other Non-Court disposals	14,066
Total Non-Court Disposals ⁽³⁾	60,724

No Further Action	Number
Total No Further Action ⁽⁴⁾	23,581

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 2020-2021 will not result in a disposal until 2021-2022.

(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.)