

Statistics on Case Processing Last: 5 Years	2011- 2012	2012- 2013	2013- 2014	2014- 2015	2015- 2016
Reports Received ⁽¹⁾					
Criminal Reports	276,080	280,942	293,672	244,387	225,537
Death Reports	11,671	11,021	9,549	9,173	9,579
Total Reports Received	287,751	291,963	303,221	253,560	235,116
Non-Court Disposals					
No Action	31,934	35,200	27,798	26,985	26,431
Warning Letters	11,926	12,987	7,785	7,828	13,249
Conditional Offers of Fixed Penalties Paid	20,894	21,678	23,816	15,483	10,580
Fiscal Fines Paid/Accepted	41,196	46,191	46,691	35,180	33,489
Compensation Orders Accepted	1,278	1,123	753	580	482
Combined Fiscal Fines/Compensation Orders Accepted	2,735	2,186	1,952	1,972	2,635
Other Non-Court disposals	8,038	9,834	12,699	13,065	10,375
Total Non-Court Disposals	118,001	129,199	121,494	101,093	97,241
No Further Action ⁽²⁾					
Total No Further Action	32,652	42,032	35,480	32,495	27,333
Court Disposals					
JP Court:					
Pleas ⁽³⁾	34,233	31,567	34,535	34,837	29,665
Trials ⁽⁴⁾	1,823	1,362	1,560	2,044	1,789
Total JP Court Disposals	36,056	32,929	36,095	36,881	31,454
Sheriff Summary ⁽⁵⁾					
Pleas ⁽³⁾	55,467	49,548	50,227	49,426	47,057
Trials ⁽⁴⁾	4,951	4,777	5,168	6,248	5,616
Total Sheriff Summary Disposals	60,418	54,325	55,395	55,674	52,673
Sheriff and Jury:					
Pleas ⁽³⁾	3,515	3,746	3,543	4,310	4,398
Trials ⁽⁴⁾	993	1,125	1,215	1,328	1,115
Total Sheriff and Jury Disposals	4,508	4,871	4,758	5,638	5,513
High Court:					
Pleas ⁽³⁾	321	286	242	215	234
Trials ⁽⁴⁾	303	310	362	334	283
Total High Court Disposals	624	596	604	549	517
Total Court Disposals	101,606	92,721	96,852	98,742	90,157
Total Disposals ⁽⁶⁾	252,259	263,952	253,826	232,331	214,731

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 and investigate allegations of criminal conduct against police officers.
- (2) No Further Action = Cases which were closed after proceedings 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.)
- (3) Pleas = Cases which were disposed of at court without any evidence being led.
- (4) Trials = Cases where some or all of the evidence was led.
- (5) Sheriff Summary cases include cases dealt with in the Stipendiary Magistrate's Court in Glasgow.
- (6) Total disposals will not equal total criminal cases received as some cases against the same accused will be linked and taken forward as one case. There is also a time lag between receipt of a case and final disposal so that, for example, some cases received in 2014-2015 will not have resulted in a disposal until 2015-2016.