



HEADQUARTERS
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Our Ref: HQ23325

26 March 2024

Dear

Thank you for your request dated 28 February 2024 under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOI(S)A).

For reference, you requested:

RFI 1: "An ethnic breakdown of people of in Scotland's prisons in 2023 broken down by each individual prison."

We have now completed our search for the information you requested.

RFI 1 Response: Please see attached HQ23325 Annex A.

This information is an average over 2023 split by ethnicity and establishment.

Please be advised that while our aim is to provide information whenever possible, in this instance we are unable to fully provide the information you have requested because an exemption under section 38(1)(b) (personal information) of FOISA applies to that information. Where the data returns a value of less than 5, this has been suppressed in order to ensure that there can be no inadvertent identification of individuals captured within scope of the request.

Additionally, SPS publishes information regarding ethnicity in our Quarterly Public Information Page which can be accessed using the link below:

[SPS Quarterly Public Information Page](#)

This concludes our response to your request.

If you are unhappy with this response to your request, you may ask us to conduct an internal review, by writing to The Chief Executive, One Lochside, 1 Lochside Avenue, Edinburgh, EH12 9DJ. Your request should explain why you wish a review to be conducted and should be made within forty working days of receipt of this letter, and we will reply within twenty working days of receipt. If you are not satisfied with the result of the review, you then have the right to make a formal complaint to the Scottish Information Commissioner.

Yours sincerely
Freedom of Information Manager