



HEADQUARTERS
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Our Ref: HQ24108

26 August 2024

Dear

Thank you for your request dated 26 July 2024 under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOI(S)A).

For reference, you requested:

RFI 1: "How many people in Scotland have been released from prison on licence in the last year and were or are subject to electronic monitoring?"

RFI 2: "Can you also provide the in answer to (1) for the previous five financial years?"

RFI 3: "Do prisoners have the option to refuse being release on electronic monitoring?"

RFI 4: "Do people have the option to refuse electronic monitoring units being placed in their home?"

RFI 5: "If the answer is yes to question (4) how many people in Scotland have refused to have electronic monitoring units put into their home across the last five financial years (please could this be broken up into year by year)?"

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

RFI 1 Response: 598 prisoners have been liberated with a reason of either Liberated on Licence or Liberated on Parole in the last 12 months.

312 prisoners were released subject to electronic monitoring in the last 12 months.

RFI 2 Response: Please see tables below:

Lib FN Year	Number of Prisoners Liberated on Licence
2019/2020	567
2020/2021	500
2021/2022	549
2022/2023	603
2023/2024	605
Total	2824

HDC FN Year	Number of Prisoners Home Detention Curfew
2019/2020	196
2020/2021	291
2021/2022	248
2022/2023	249
2023/2024	270
Total	1254

RFI 3 Response: Yes, prisoners have the option to refuse being released on electronic monitoring.

RFI 4 Response: Yes, people have the option to refuse electronic monitoring units being placed in their home.

RFI 5 Response: There have been no instances of people refusing to have electronic monitoring units put into their home across the last five financial years.

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