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# Leicestershire, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Data

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## Introduction

An FOI request was received by the NFIB regarding all fraud and courier fraud data for Leicestershire, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire between 2019 and 2022. The below results provide the following data:

- The volume of crime reports reported to Action Fraud for the Leicestershire, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Police Force areas between 1st January 2019 - 31st December 2022 broken down by Police Force area and calendar year.
- The volume of courier fraud crime reports reported to Action Fraud for the Leicestershire, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Police Force areas between 1st January 2019 - 31st December 2022 broken down by Police Force area and calendar year.

## Methodology

Statistics were derived from analysis of Action Fraud crime reports and all classified Home Office Crime Codes. An explanation of each Home Office Crime Code can be found online.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> [Home Office Crime Codes \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://publishing.service.gov.uk)

**Results****Fraud Reporting Volume**

The below table provides the volume of crime reports reported to Action Fraud for the Leicestershire, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Police Force areas between 1st January 2019 – 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022 broken down by Police Force area and calendar year.

<b>Police Force</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>
Derbyshire	4,837	5,433	5,567	4,732
Leicestershire	5,084	5,725	6,493	5,170
Nottinghamshire	6,864	6,845	7,693	6,827
Total	16,785	18,003	19,753	16,729

**Courier Fraud Reporting Volume**

The below table provides the volume of courier fraud crime reports reported to Action Fraud for the Leicestershire, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Police Force areas between 1st January 2019 – 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022 broken down by Police Force area and calendar year.

<b>Police Force</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>
Derbyshire	12	68	24	25
Leicestershire	16	64	55	14
Nottinghamshire	10	10	19	14
Total	38	42	98	53

## **Caveats**

- Action Fraud is a self-reporting tool; information provided within Action Fraud reports may not have been verified by law enforcement or interrogated for authenticity or accuracy and may be subject to discrepancies.
- There is no formal agreement with Scotland to report to Action Fraud and Action Fraud data is not a full representation of the level of fraud in Scotland. Police Scotland remain responsible for the gathering and enforcement of fraudulent activity affecting Scottish victims.
- Underreporting to Action Fraud may affect the extent and loss, as it may not be a true value of the fraud that is occurring nationally. Action Fraud is based on victim reporting and reports have not been verified.
- Crime reports have been captured by date of initial reporting to Action Fraud. This date is consistently used across NFIB data analysis, as it is a consistently populated data field, and is automatically generated by the system. Any other date fields are liable to inaccurate data entry, or of not being populated at all by the reporting person.