

October - December 2011

Section 18 of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995 allows officers to obtain mouth/hair samples from arrested persons, or persons detained under Section 14 of the same act. These are commonly known as Criminal Justice (CJ) samples. From these samples, DNA profiles are extracted and once obtained they are compared to outstanding crime scene profiles and retained for the duration they are legally held as determined by current legislation.

GENERAL - PROFILES	Oct '11	Nov '11	Dec '11	Quarterly Total
Number of CJ profiles added to Scottish DNA Database this month	2,908	3,404	2,731	9,043
Number of CJ profiles matched to crime scene samples this month	62	61	45	168
Percentage of CJ profiles added which matched against a crime scene	2%	2%	2%	2%
Number of DNA profiles removed from the Scottish DNA Database this month	1,658	2,026	1,338	5,022
Total number of DNA profiles held on the Scottish DNA Database	304,755	306,497	307,202	307,202

During major incidents for serious offences forces can ask members of the public to voluntarily supply mouth swabs samples in an effort to identify the source of a crime scene profile. These operations are called Intelligence Led Screens (ILS). Volunteers can choose to have their DNA profile compared to all outstanding crime scene profiles (A class volunteer) or solely for the operation for which the sample was taken (B class volunteer). These samples are retained until permission is withdrawn (A class) or once the operation is finished (B class).

INTELLIGENCE LED SCREEN VOLUNTEER PROFILES	Oct '11	Nov '11	Dec '11	Quarterly Total
Number of new operations this month	0	0	0	0
Number of ILS profiles added to the Scottish DNA Database this month	4	0	1	5
Number of ILS profiles eliminated from further investigation this month	4	0	0	4
Total number of ILS DNA profiles held on the Scottish DNA Database	Unable to provide information as historic data is not recorded			

Section 56 of the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2003 allows officers to obtain mouth/hair samples from persons willing to voluntarily supply their DNA profile. These profiles are compared to outstanding crime scene profiles and retained until permission is withdrawn.

GENERAL VOLUNTEER PROFILES	Oct '11	Nov '11	Dec '11	Quarterly Total
Number of General Volunteer profiles added to the Scottish DNA Database this month	0	0	0	0
Number of General Volunteer profiles eliminated from further investigation this month	0	0	0	0
Total number of General volunteer DNA samples held on the Scottish DNA Database	187	187	187	187

ALL VOLUNTEER (inc ILS and General Volunteer Database)	Oct '11	Nov '11	Dec '11	Quarterly Total
Number of volunteer profile matches to a crime scene this month	0	0	0	0
Total number of volunteer profiles matches to a crime scene to date	32	32	32	32
Number of volunteer DNA profiles removed from the Scottish DNA Database this month	0	0	0	0

SHORTER TERM DNA RETENTIONS

Section 18E of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995 allows DNA, fingerprints and other physical data to be retained from children who have been referred to a Children's Hearing. This only applies to those children who are referred for certain relevant violent and sexual offences and either accept these grounds or have them established in court. In such cases their DNA, fingerprints and other physical data can be retained for three years plus possible rolling two year extensions which can only be decided by a Court. It applies to children aged eight years and above, as this is the age of criminal responsibility in Scotland.

Children's Hearings	Oct '11	Nov '11	Dec '11	Quarterly Total
Number of Section 18E DNA profiles added to the Scottish DNA Database this month	1	0	0	1
Number of crime scene samples matched to a Section 18E profile this month	0	0	0	0
Total number of crime scene samples matched to a Section 18E profile	0	0	0	0
Number of Section 18E DNA profiles removed from the Scottish DNA Database this month	0	0	0	0
Total number of Section 18E DNA profiles held on the Scottish DNA Database	2	2	2	2

Section 18A of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995 allows DNA, fingerprints and other physical data to be retained from individuals when criminal proceedings were initiated for specific relevant sexual or violent offences but those proceedings end without a conviction. In such cases their DNA, fingerprints and other physical data can be retained for three years plus possible rolling two year extensions which can only be decided by a Court.

Relevant Sexual or Violent Offences	Oct '11	Nov '11	Dec '11	Quarterly Total
Number of Section 18A DNA profiles added to the Scottish DNA Database	203	184	151	538
Number of crime scene samples matched to a Section 18A profile this month	0	1	2	3
Total number of crime scene samples matched to a Section 18A profile	59	60	66	66
Number of Section 18A DNA profiles removed from the Scottish DNA Database	73	61	31	165
Total number of Section 18A DNA profiles held on the Scottish DNA Database	3,396	3,505	3,598	3,598

Relevant offers are not convictions; they are alternatives to prosecution for an offence. Section 18B of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995 allows DNA, fingerprints and other physical data to be retained from individuals who have been issued with and accepted a relevant offer as an alternative to prosecution for an offence.

Relevant Offers	Oct '11	Nov '11	Dec '11	Quarterly Total
Number of Section 18B(5b) DNA profiles added to the Scottish DNA	25	43	28	96
Number of crime scene samples matched to a Section 18B(5b) profile this month	0	0	1	1
Total number of crime scene samples matched to a Section 18B(5b) profile	4	4	5	5
Number of Section 18B(5b) DNA profiles removed from the Scottish DNA Database	0	0	2	2
Total number of Section 18B(5b) DNA profiles held on the Scottish DNA Database	132	175	201	201
Number of Section 18B(5c) DNA profiles added to the Scottish DNA	149	180	150	479
Number of Section 18B(5c) DNA profiles removed from the Scottish DNA Database	3	2	1	6
Number of crime scene samples matched to a Section 18B(5c) profile this month	3	2	3	8
Total number of crime scene samples matched to a Section 18B(5c) profile	8	10	13	13
Total number of Section 18B(5c) DNA profiles held on the Scottish DNA Database	659	837	986	986

Fixed penalty notices are not convictions; they are alternatives to prosecution for an offence. Section 18D of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995 allows DNA, fingerprints and other physical data to be retained from individuals who have been issued with and accepted a fixed penalty notice as an alternative to prosecution for an offence. In such cases their DNA, fingerprints and other physical data can be retained for two years after which it must be destroyed. That period cannot be extended.

Fixed Penalty Notices	Oct '11	Nov '11	Dec '11	Quarterly Total
Number of Section 18D DNA profiles added to the Scottish DNA Database	85	101	88	274
Number of crime scene samples matched to a Section 18D profile this month	2	1	0	3
Total number of crime scene samples matched to a Section 18D profile	14	16	17	17
Number of Section 18D DNA profiles removed from the Scottish DNA Database	2	0	2	4
Total number of Section 18D DNA profiles held on the Scottish DNA Database	418	519	605	605

NUMBER OF DNA PROFILES RETAINED ON THE SCOTTISH DNA DATABASE BY GENDER - ADDED THIS MONTH

Oct '11	Nov '11	Dec '11	Quarterly Total

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Male	2,249	2,571	2,118	6,938
Female	659	833	613	2105
Unassigned	0	0	0	0

NUMBER OF DNA PROFILES RETAINED ON THE SCOTTISH DNA DATABASE BY GENDER - TOTAL NUMBER TO DATE	Oct '11	Nov '11	Dec '11	Quarterly Total
Male	254,497	255,811	256,401	256,401
Female	50258	50,686	50,801	50,801
Unassigned	0	0	0	0

Scene of Crime Officers will attend and obtain productions/sample lifts that could be of evidential value left at crime scenes. Forensic laboratory staff obtain DNA profiles from these items if possible and the profiles loaded onto the relevant databases for comparison. These are commonly known as Scene of Crime (SOC) profiles and matches against subject DNA profiles are then reported to the relevant force.

CRIME SCENE MATCHES – GENERAL	Oct '11	Nov '11	Dec '11	Quarterly Total
Number of crime scene samples added to the Scottish DNA Database this month	243	341	429	1,013
Number of crime scene samples matched to CJ profile this month	133	198	276	607
Percentage of matches to a CJ profile this month	55%	58%	64%	60%
Number of crime scene samples matched to other outstanding crime scenes this month	11	12	13	36
Total number of crime scene samples held on the Scottish DNA Database	16,456	16,640	16,899	16,899
Total number of crime scene matches to date	29,743	30,014	30,348	30,348

CRIME SCENE MATCHES – BY CRIME TYPE

Group 1 – Non-Sexual Crimes of Violence

This group includes - murder, attempted murder, serious assault, robbery and assault with intent to rob, cruelty to children, threats and extortion.

	Oct '11	Nov '11	Dec '11	Quarterly Total
Number of Group 1 crimes matched to a DNA profile this month	39	31	53	123
Total Group 1 Crime since April 2011	323			

Group 2 - Crimes of Indecency

This group includes - rape, indecent assault, lewd and libidinous practices.

	Oct '11	Nov '11	Dec '11	Quarterly Total
Number of Group 2 crimes matched to a DNA profile this month	2	5	6	13
Total Group 2 Crime since April 2011	34			

Group 3 – Crimes of Dishonesty

This group includes - theft, housebreaking, thefts of and from motor vehicles and fraud.

	Oct '11	Nov '11	Dec '11	Quarterly Total
Number of Group 3 crimes matched to a DNA profile this month	117	171	216	504
Total Group 3 Crime since April 2011	1,344			

Group 4 – Fireraising, malicious damage and reckless conduct

This group includes - vandalism, malicious mischief, fire-raising, and reckless conduct.

	Oct '11	Nov '11	Dec '11	Quarterly Total
Number of Group 4 crimes matched to a DNA profile this month	23	29	28	80
Total Group 4 Crime since April 2011	251			

Group 5 – Other crimes

This group includes - all drugs offences, carrying offensive weapons (including knives), bail offences, and crimes against justice such as perjury.

	Oct '11	Nov '11	Dec '11	Quarterly Total
Number of Group 5 crimes matched to a DNA profile this month	13	21	12	46
Total Group 5 Crime since April 2011	158			

Group 6 – Miscellaneous Offences

This group includes - breach of the peace, petty assault, racially aggravated conduct or harassment and alcohol related offences such as consuming alcohol in public places.

	Oct '11	Nov '11	Dec '11	Quarterly Total
Number of Group 6 crimes matched to a DNA profile this month	7	10	11	28

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Total Group 6 Crime since April 2011	113
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Group 7 – Road Traffic Offences

This group includes - dangerous and careless driving, drink/drug driving, speeding or harassment, unlawful use of vehicle and vehicle defect offences

	Oct '11	Nov '11	Dec '11	Quarterly Total
Number of Group 7 crimes matched to a DNA profile this month	5	4	8	17
Total Group 7 Crime since April 2011	33			

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