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Our Ref: 25-0208  
Telephone: 7322 4115



Email: [Redacted]

Dear [Redacted]

**Re: Freedom of Information Act application**

In reference to your application made pursuant to the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* (FOI Act), access was sought to:

*“I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act regarding the retention rates of police officers within South Australia Police over the past three years. Specifically, I am seeking documents that show the following: > the current number of police officers employed in FY24 , FY23 and FY22 > the amount of police officers who left SAPOL in FY24, FY23 and FY22 > the above broken down into reasons for leaving, including retirement, resigning, death or injured > how many SAPOL cadets were sworn in in FY24, FY23 and FY22 > how many SAPOL local cadets continued with force after first 12-months after being sworn in in FY23? > how many SAPOL local cadets continued with force after first 6-months after being sworn in in FY23? Please provide this information in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act.”*

**It has been determined that the information you requested will be released to you in full.**

**In relation to the following part of your application:**

➤ **“the current number of police officers employed in FY24 , FY23 and FY22”**

Active FTE	30/06/2022	30/06/2023	30/06/2024
Police & Community Constables	4534.0	4473.2	4510.9
Cadets	58.0	121.0	104.0



In relation to the following part of your application:

- *“the amount of police officers who left SAPOL in FY24, FY23 and FY22”*
- *“the above broken down into reasons for leaving, including retirement, resigning, death or injured”*

<b>Separations</b>	<b>2021/22</b>	<b>2022/23</b>	<b>2023/24</b>
Resigned	69	119	129
Retired	101	120	100
Deceased	4	5	6
Invalidity	10	7	5
Dismissed	0	2	2
Rejuvenation Scheme	13	0	0
<b>Police &amp; Community Constables</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>242</b>
<b>Cadets</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>12</b>

In relation to the following part of your application:

- *“how many SAPOL cadets were sworn in in FY24, FY23 and FY22”*
- *“how many SAPOL local cadets continued with force after first 12-months after being sworn in in FY23?”*
- *“how many SAPOL local cadets continued with force after first 6-months after being sworn in in FY23?”*

<b>Separations</b>	<b>2021/22</b>	<b>2022/23</b>	<b>2023/24</b>
Cadets Sworn In	111	167	242
Employed 6 Months Post Sworn In		165	
Employed 12 Months Post Sworn In		162	

Please note that data have not been provided in relation to “Employed 6 Months Post Sworn In” and “Employed 12 Months Post Sworn In” for financial years 2021/22 and 2023/24 as this was not in the scope of your request.

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In accordance with the requirements of Premier and Cabinet Circular PC045, details of your FOI application, including the information to which you are given access, will be published on the SAPOL website Disclosure Log. A copy of PC045 can be found at [https://www.dpc.sa.gov.au/\\_\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0019/20818/PC045-Disclosure-Logs.pdf](https://www.dpc.sa.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0019/20818/PC045-Disclosure-Logs.pdf)  
If you disagree with publication, please advise the undersigned in writing by 22 September 2024.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'CA', written in a cursive style.

Sergeant Christian Ainley  
**Freedom of Information Unit**  
(Accredited Freedom of Information Officer)

22 August 2024

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