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Dear Convener,

I write to inform you of the publication of official statistics for the first 30 months of Scotland's Redress Scheme ("the Scheme"). The full report is available at: [Scotland's Redress Scheme Statistics December 2021 - June 2024 - gov.scot \(www.gov.scot\)](https://www.gov.scot/resources/publications/2024/12/20241201-scotland-s-redress-scheme-statistics-december-2021-june-2024).

The official statistics, for December 2021 until June 2024 show that:

- 3,905 applications for redress were received by the Scottish Government;
- 2,215 applications were sent to Redress Scotland;
- 1,585 financial redress offers were made; and
- 1,488 payments were issued totalling over £76M.

As you are aware, the Scheme is delivered collaboratively by the Scottish Government and Redress Scotland. The Scottish Government is responsible for the end-to-end processing of applications whilst Redress Scotland is an independent decision-making body whose role is to determine the eligibility of an application and the level of award to be offered to a survivor or next of kin applicant based on the information provided.

Applications not yet sent to Redress Scotland include those awaiting further information from the applicant, organisations who hold records or where verification of information provided is still required. In some cases, individuals have not yet given Scottish Government permission to send their application to Redress Scotland. In other cases, applications may have been withdrawn or paused on the applicant's request, before these have been sent on to Redress Scotland.

I hope you find this update to be helpful.

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