

61124 Graffiti Incidents

The total number of graffiti incidents reported to the council each year for the last five years.

Please refer to the table below which provides the number of reports recorded from 2021 to 2026.

2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
1,548	1,342	1,651	2,117	3,258

The total number of graffiti incidents reported to the council in the city centre area (e.g. Calton Hill, the Canongate, Haymarket, Lauriston, the New Town, the Old Town, West Coates and the West End) in the last year and, if possible, each year for the last five years.

Please refer to the table below which provides the number of reports recorded in the City Centre (Ward 11) from 2021 to 2026.

2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
396	314	339	326	672

The total number of incidents in which the council has had to remove graffiti from listed buildings in the last year - and for each year for the last five years if the information is available.

This information is not currently recorded.

The total number of reported incidents of offensive graffiti each year for the last five years, and a breakdown of the type of offensive graffiti (racist, homophobic etc.).

Please refer to the table below which provides the number of reports recorded as 'Offensive' from 2021 to 2026.

2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
385	356	458	511	826

This information is not currently broken down into sub-categories. Please note that not all reports would meet the 'Offensive' criteria, as defined in our Graffiti Management Policy, published on our website at:

<https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/downloads/download/15075/waste-and-cleansing-policies-graffiti-management-policy>