

IOPC public interest disclosures 2025/26

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Item	Information for 2025/26
Number of qualifying disclosures	122
Number of qualifying disclosures where we took further action	122
Summary of action taken	For 42 disclosures, we asked for consent to forward the relevant information provided to the police force. 27 disclosures were passed to our Intelligence Unit. The unit assessed the information and liaised with other teams about whether any action should be taken. None of the disclosures resulted in us conducting an independent investigation.
Summary of the impact these disclosures had on our ability to perform our functions or meet our objectives	No impact

The number of qualifying disclosures has increased from 93 in 2024/25 and 78 in 2023/24. In both years the disclosures had no impact on our ability to perform our functions or meet our objectives.

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