

Reference: 2026-083

Thank you for your email in which you requested the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA):

Please detail the number of staff within your department dedicated to financial crime (e.g. economic crime unit, fraud investigation, money laundering investigation), as well as total pay bill of these staff, and the number of vacant posts within these teams, each year for the past three financial years (as well as this year until the end of September).

E.g.

2025/26

- **26 staff dedicated to financial crime**
- **£936,000 total pay bill**
- **4 vacant posts**

Response

Please see below a table showing a year-end snapshot of workforce numbers for the 2024/25 and 2025/26 financial years, alongside a year-to-date snapshot for the current financial year as of 30 September 2026.

Year	Total headcount	Total vacant posts	Payroll costs (annualised)
March 2024/25	415	45	£19,773,141.00
March 2025/26	474	82	£22,567,846.70
September 2026	464	114	£23,135,509.67

We do not hold comprehensive data for the 2023/24 financial year due to gaps in budgeted post information and vacancy calculations for that period. We are therefore unable to provide these figures.