



1. *The total number of allegations made to GSOC against gardaí in Ireland in 2020, with a breakdown by garda division - with a brief description of the nature of which: ie, the alleged breaches of discipline.*

**Allegations by garda division:**

<b>Garda Division:</b>	<b>Number of Allegations:</b>
Cavan / Monaghan	77
Clare	43
Cork City	142
Cork North	109
Cork West	31
D.M.R East	87
D.M.R North	248
D.M.R North Central	132
D.M.R South	103
D.M.R South Central	158
D.M.R West	246
D.M.R. Traffic	8
Donegal	104
Dublin Castle	1
Galway	105
Garda Headquarters Phoenix Park	40
Harcourt Square	37
Kerry	119

Kildare	106
Kilkenny/Carlow	74
Laois / Offaly	62
Limerick	96
Louth	132
Mayo	53
Meath	88
Not Provided*	195
Roscommon/Longford	60
Sligo / Leitrim	64
Tipperary	85
Waterford	56
Westmeath	61
Wexford	57
Wicklow	49

Total number of allegations received to date – 3,028

\* The chart shows all the allegations, prior to GSOC determining which could be admitted and dealt with and which could not. Excluded 195 allegations for which garda divisions had not yet being established.

**Allegations by type:**

<b>Type of Allegation</b>	<b>Number of Allegations</b>
Awaiting decision*	487
Abuse of Authority	416
Corrupt or Improper Practice	17
Criminal Damage	20
Discourtesy	222
Discreditable Conduct	26
Discrimination	5
Falsehood or Prevarication	40
Generic Inadmissible Allegation	745
Improper use of Information	11
Misuse of Money or Property	12
Neglect of Duty	572
Non-fatal Offence	372
Other	52
Road Traffic Infringement	17
Sexual Offence	2
Theft and Fraud	12

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\*All complaints received by GSOC are assessed against criteria listed in the Garda Síochána Act 2005 to determine if they are admissible. If they meet the criteria, they can be dealt with by GSOC; if not they are deemed inadmissible (see list attached).

2. The number of these allegations that have been upheld, dismissed or still ongoing.

<b>2020</b>	<b>Complaints</b>	<b>Allegations</b>
Number of Complaints & Allegations Received	1,956	3,028
Deemed inadmissible	686	745
Withdrawn prior to decision	2	2
Awaiting decision	4	4
Admissible:		
• Remain Open	857	1,635
• Allegation withdrawn	84	121
• GSOC identifies no misbehaviour by member following s98**	6	14
• Reduction in pay not exceeding 2 weeks' pay	1	1
• No breach of the Discipline regulations identified***	45	75
• Further investigation not necessary****	240	377
• Warning	2	2
• Advice	5	6
• Caution	3	3
• Garda discipline regulations no longer apply to member*****	4	5
• Non-cooperation	16	20
• Inadmissible*****	16	17

**Note** – Some complaints can have more than one unique outcome for example partly admissible. There can also be more than one allegation within the one complaint with different outcomes.

**Explanation of outcomes:**

\*\*GSOC identifies no misbehaviour following criminal investigation – The most common scenario here is that there was no independent evidence to prove the allegations made.

\*\*\*No breach of discipline regulations identified – At conclusion of investigation the report received by GSOC indicated no breach of discipline.

\*\*\*\* Further investigation not necessary or reasonably practicable –There was not enough evidence to substantiate either version of events so the complaint could not be proven or disproven.

\*\*\*\*\* The garda subject of a disciplinary investigation retired or resigned prior to, or during, the investigation.

\*\*\*\*\* Following further investigation an allegation can be deemed inadmissible for reasons such as the behaviour does constitute misbehaviour, not a garda, not authorised to make a complaint or out of time.

*3. In the case where a finding has been upheld, the punished/fine handed out.*

There were eleven instances where breaches of discipline were identified in the complaints received in 2020. One case resulted in a monetary sanction of 100 euro being imposed. Five resulted in advice, three resulted in caution and two resulted in warning.