

“The number of complaints made to GSOC about Gardaí in in the Cavan-Monaghan Garda division and the category of complaint between March 1st 2020 and March 1st 2021 in tabular form?”

No of complaints and allegations 1 March 2020 – 1 March 2021

	Nationally	Cavan-Monaghan Division
Complaints	1,953	58
Allegations	3,252	91

Cavan – Monaghan Division: Allegation Type

Allegation Type	Complaints*	Allegations
Abuse of Authority**	8	9
Discourtesy***	6	19
Discreditable Conduct	2	2
Discrimination	1	1
Inadmissible Allegations	16	16
Improper use of information	1	1
Neglect of Duty****	18	27
Non-fatal Offences*****	6	6
Theft and Fraud	1	2
Allegation not yet determined	5	8

*The number of complaints in this table is higher than the total above as there may be more than one allegation in a single complaint.

**Abuse of Authority – excessive use of force, or an instruction to do something which the person making the complaint believes was beyond the garda’s authority to instruct, are the main types of allegation categorised as ‘abuse of authority’.

***Discourtesy – complaints around how a garda spoke to or behaved towards a person.

****Neglect of Duty – allegations that a garda failed to take an action that could have been reasonably expected – such as returning a phone call at one end of the scale, or properly investigating an alleged serious crime at the other end of the scale - would be typical examples of ‘neglect of duty’.

*****Non-Fatal Offences – these are allegations of a criminal offence listed in the Non-Fatal Offences Against the Person Act 1997 and include, for example, assault.