**Reclosure figures for 2021**

59 cases were presented to the Reclosure Panel in 2021.

Of those 59 cases:

* 32 cases resulted in full closure. See Annex A for breakdown of figures
* 26 cases resulted in partial closure (i.e. redaction of sensitive information with the remainder of the file remaining open). See Annex B for breakdown of figures
* 1 case reverted to full open status

Freedom of Information Act 2000 exemptions cited as the reason for reclosure:

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| FOI Act exemption | Total no of records\* |
| Section 31 | 1 |
| Section 38 | 53 |
| Section 40 | 36 |
| Section 41 | 1 |

\* This figure represents the number of records that have been closed under each exemption. Some records have been closed, or partially closed, under multiple exemptions.

* Section 31: law enforcement. Information is exempt if its disclosure would, or would be likely to, prejudice law enforcement
* Section 38: health and safety. Information is exempt if its disclosure would, or would be likely to, endanger the physical or mental health of any individual or endanger the safety of any individual
* Section 40: personal information. Information is exempt if it constitutes personal data of which the applicant is the data subject
* Section 41: information provided in confidence. Information is exempt if it was obtained by a public authority from any other person and the disclosure of the information to the public authority holding it would constitute a breach of confidence actionable by that or any other person

**Annex A - full reclosure by Series**

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| Series Reference | Series title | Number of Reclosures |
| ASSI 6 | Assizes: Oxford Circuit: Criminal Depositions and Case Papers | 1 |
| ASSI 13 | Assizes: Midland Circuit: Criminal Depositions and Case Papers | 2 |
| ASSI 26 | Assizes: Western Circuit: Criminal Depositions and Case Papers | 1 |
| ASSI 36 | Assizes: Home, Norfolk and South-Eastern Circuit: Deposition | 1 |
| ASSI 45 | Assizes: Midland Circuit: Criminal Depositions and Case Papers | 4 |
| ASSI 52 | Assizes: Northern Circuit: Criminal Depositions and Case Papers | 1 |
| CRIM 1 | Central Criminal Court: Depositions | 4 |
| DPP 2 | Director of Public Prosecutions: Case Papers, New Series | 3 |
| J 186 | Supreme Court of Judicature: The Crown Court at Oxford: Case Files | 1 |
| J 242 | Supreme Court of Judicature: The Crown Court at Cambridge: Case Files | 1 |
| J 267 | Supreme Court of Judicature: Central Criminal Court Case Files | 3 |
| J 309 | Supreme Court of Judicature: The Crown Court at Bristol: Case Files | 1 |
| J 311 | Supreme Court of Judicature: The Crown Court at Exeter: Case Files | 1 |
| J 82 | Court of Criminal Appeal and Supreme Court of Judicature, Court of Appeal, Criminal Division: Case Papers | 3 |
| KV 2 | The Security Service: Personal (PF Series) Files | 1 |
| MEPO 26 | Metropolitan Police: Registered Files, Crime (CR Series) | 1 |
| PCOM 9 | Prison Commission and Home Office, Prison Department: Registered Papers: Series 2 | 3 |
| **Total** |  | **32** |

**Annex B - part reclosure (redaction) by Series**

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| Series Reference | Series title | Number of Reclosures |
| ASSI 84 | Assizes: Wales and Chester Circuit: Criminal Depositions and Case Papers | 1 |
| BN 29 | Home Office and Department of Health and Social Security: Children (CHN Symbol Series) Files | 1 |
| BN 62 | Home Office and Department of Health and Social Security: Approved Schools and Remand and Voluntary Homes: Files (CHR Symbol Series) | 1 |
| CHAR 11 | Charity Commission: General Division: Registered Files | 1 |
| CHAR 19 | Charity Commission: Registered Charity Case Files | 1 |
| COAL 77 | National Coal Board: Minute Series, Collieries | 2 |
| DEFE 71 | Ministry of Defence (Air): Registered Files and Branch Folders | 1 |
| DPP 2 | Director of Public Prosecutions: Case Papers, New Series | 4 |
| FCO 141 | Foreign and Commonwealth Office and predecessors: Records of Former Colonial Administrations: Migrated Archives | 1 |
| HO 287 | Home Office: Police (POL Symbol Series) Files | 1 |
| HO 291 | Home Office: Criminal (CRI and CCS Symbol Series) Files | 1 |
| HO 334 | Home Office: Immigration and Nationality Department: Duplicate Certificates of Naturalisation, Declarations of British Nationality, and Declarations of Alienage | 1 |
| HO 405 | Home Office: Aliens Department and successors: Aliens Personal Files, Applications for Naturalisation (ALP and IMP file series) | 1 |
| IR 40 | Board of Inland Revenue: Stamps and Taxes Division: Registered Files | 1 |
| J 243 | Supreme Court of Judicature: The Crown Court at Cambridge: Indictments | 1 |
| J 248 | Supreme Court of Judicature: The Crown Court at Croydon: Case Files | 1 |
| MEPO 2 | Metropolitan Police: Office of the Commissioner: Correspondence and Papers | 1 |
| MEPO 3 | Metropolitan Police: Office of the Commissioner: Correspondence and Papers, Special Series | 1 |
| MH 135 | Ministry of Health: General Medical, Dental, Pharmaceutical and Supplementary Ophthalmic Services, Registered Files (94,000 Series) | 1 |
| T 624 | HM Treasury: Superannuation Division: Registered Files PSPP prefix (Public Service Pension Policy) and CSP prefix (Civil Service Pensions) | 2 |
| WO 35 | War Office: Army of Ireland: Administrative and Easter Rising Records | 1 |
| **Total** |  | **26** |