

OSCR Management Information – December 2016

Measure		Dec 16	Nov 16	Oct 16	Figures Apr – Dec 16	Figures Apr - Dec 15
Registration						
1. New charities (and the number that are SCIOs)	↓	49 (31)	74 (41)	67 (34)	↓ 625 (360)	703 (347)
2. Average number of days between receipt of an initial status application and decision	↑	57	55	60	↓ 60	67
Charities and OSCR Online						
3. Number of charities that have come off the Register	↓	65	73	61	↑ 617	453
4. Percentage of charities registered for OSCR online	↑	95%	94%	94%	!↑ 95%	81%
Annual returns and Annual reports and accounts						
5. Web links to charity accounts published on the Scottish Charity Register (running total)*	↑	1,943	1,862	1,813	1,943	N/A
6. Annual returns with annual reports and accounts redacted and published on the Scottish Charity Register	↓	695	892	722	6,133	N/A
Concerns about charities						
7. Number of concerns about charities received from external sources	↓	22	27	35	↓ 258	275
8. Percentage of concerns about charities resolved within 9 months	↓	45%	67%	78%	↓ 79%	85%

What do these figures show?

Registration

1. The number of bodies granted charitable status and added to the Scottish Charity Register and the number of these that are Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisations (SCIOs).
2. How long the status application process has taken on average, from start to finish (this includes time with the applicant as well as time with OSCR).

Charities and OSCR Online

3. The number of charities that have come off the Scottish Charity Register. This includes voluntary removals and charities found to no longer meet the charity test, including removals resulting from our search processes finding a charity no longer to be active.
4. The percentage of charities that have an OSCR online user account, shown as a proportion of all Scottish Charities.

Annual returns and Accounts

5. The number of charities on the Scottish Charity Register that have provided a web link to their published accounts in their most recent return. This is a running total.
6. The number of returns where annual reports and accounts that have been redacted and published on the Scottish Charity Register.

Concerns about charities

7. This includes concerns from the public and referrals from other Regulators.
8. How quickly OSCR is able to close an inquiry - including making recommendations to be adopted by the charity. Our performance indicator is 75% to be resolved within 9 months.

The arrows draw attention to general trends over the last few months, or when compared to the previous year. Where N/A is stated this indicates either a new performance indicator where no previous comparator is available; or a change in the way the indicator has been calculated making it no longer accurate to compare with previous figures.

*During July we updated the criteria for publishing links to charity accounts. We now only publish a link if it is provided in the charity's most recent annual return. This helps to ensure that the information shown is accurate and up to date. The change has resulted in an overall decrease in the number of links shown.