

**Table 1. Male informants in the Helsinki Corpus of Scottish Correspondence 1540-1750**

LOCALITY	N Writers	1540- 1599	1600- 1649	1650- 1699	1700- 1749	Total	N Letters	% of geo- graphically defined	Larger region	Total	Total %
<b>Moray</b>	14	-	4,174 7/14	4,160 6/16	1,656 1/5	9,990	35	3.5	North		
<b>Invernessshire</b>	2	-	-	-	3,468 2/10	3,468	10	1.2	North		
<b>Sutherland</b>	28	-	26,654 12/51	23,606 11/55	3,208 5/12	53,468	118	18.5	North		
<b>Ross</b>	9	-	228 1/1	3,660 6/14	1,961 2/6	5,849	21	2.0	<b>North</b>	72,775 53/184	22.3 %
<b>Aberdeenshire</b>	24	8,370 3/ 26	12,862 11/43	3,973 6/14	1,475 4/6	26,680	89	9.3	North- East		

<b>Angus</b>	21	1,419 3/4	5,902 7/25	3,111 7/13	3,407 4/7	13,839	49	4.8	<b>North- East</b>	40,519 45/138	12.4 %
<b>Perthshire</b>	28	6,036 4/19	11,968 13/47	2,334 5/9	4,406 6/16	24,744	91	8.6	Central		
<b>Lanarkshire</b>	13	1,293 6/6	3,992 3/15	1,679 4/5	-	6,964	26	2.4	<b>Central</b>	31,708 41/117	9,7 %
<b>Fife</b>	34	2,317 7/8	14,087 12/40	6,601 13/33	994 2/7	23,999	88	8.3	South- East		
<b>Lothian</b>	22	8,607 4/28	23,861 16/66	967 1/3	312 1/1	33,747	98	11.7	South- East		
<b>Borders</b>	15	985 3/5	7,506 6/27	4,552 4/13	884 2/4	13,927	49	4.8	South- East		
<b>Stirlingshire</b>	19	1,950 6/6	18,104 10/60	-	8,092 3/23	28,146	89	9.8	<b>South- East</b>	99,819 90/324	30.6 %
<b>Ayrshire</b>	33	4,649 9/15	10,085 14/30	8,194 9/29	536 1/3	23,464	77	8.1	South- West		

<b>Argyllshire</b>	14	-	4,397 3/23	8,774 8/30	1,375 3/5	14,546	58	5.0	South- West		
<b>South-West</b>	13	1,875 7/8	2,514 2/5	418 2/2	716 2/2	5,523	17	1.9	<b>South- West</b>	43,533 60/152	13.3 %
<b>Professional</b>	23	5,293 7/13	10,847 10/16	4,826 5/16	7,250 1/10	28,216	55			28,216 23/55	8.7 %
<b>Unlocalised</b>	28	2,720 7/8	2,578 6/6	2,574 8/9	1,734 7/7	9,606	30			9,606 28/30	2.9 %
<b>Total</b>	340	45,514 66/146	159,759 133/469	79,429 95/261	41,474 46/124	326,176	1,000			326,176 340/1,000	100.0 %
<b>Total %</b>		14.0 %	49.0 %	24.3 %	12.7 %						100.0 %

**Table 2. Female informants in the Helsinki Corpus of Scottish Correspondence 1540-1750**

Locality	N Writers	1540- 1599	1600- 1649	1650- 1699	1700- 1749	TOTAL WC	N Letters	% of geo- graphically defined	LARGER REGION	TOTAL	TOTAL %
<b>Moray</b>	3	-	-	1,251 2/7	178 1/1	1,429	8	1.8	North		
<b>Invernessshire</b>		-	-	-	-	-			North		
<b>Sutherland</b>	13	-	837 3/4	9,324 8/34	428 2/2	10,589	40	13.2	North		
<b>Ross</b>	5	-	206 1/1	847 1/2	6,080 3/22	7,133	25	8.9	<b>North</b>	19,151 21/73	22.2 %
<b>Aberdeenshire</b>	12	225 1/1	5,303 3/15	2,255 8/9	-	7,783	25	9.7	North- East		

<b>Angus</b>	6	113 1/1	497 1/3	132 1/1	2,716 3/7	3,458	12	4.3	<b>North- East</b>	11,241 18/37	13.0 %
<b>Perthshire</b>	13	389 1/1	5,357 10/27	-	517 2/3	6,263	31	7.8	Central		
<b>Lanarkshire</b>	6	-	1,723 2/6	6,348 4/27	-	8,071	33	10.1	<b>Central</b>	14,334 19/64	16.6 %
<b>Fife</b>	10	-	63 1/1	8,254 8/36	1,848 1/9	10,165	46	12.7	South- East		
<b>Lothian</b>	11	359 1/1	10,007 8/34	477 2/2	-	10,843	37	13.5	South- East		
<b>Borders</b>	4	1,104 1/4	2,990 2/7	3,506 1/14	-	7,600	25	9.5	South- East		
<b>Stirlingshire</b>	5	-	2,424 4/12	91 1/1	-	2,515	13	3.1	<b>South- East</b>	31,123 30/121	36.1 %
<b>Ayrshire</b>	7	-	355	473	1,536	2,364	9	2.9	South-		

			2/2	2/4	3/3				West		
<b>Argyllshire</b>	6	-	220 2/2	1,148 3/4	242 1/1	1,610	7	2.0	South- West		
<b>South-West</b>	2	-	185 1/1	158 1/1	-	343	2	0.4	<b>South- West</b>	4,317 15/18	5.0 %
<b>Professional</b>		-	-	-	-	-					
<b>Unlocalised</b>	15	278 1/1	1,946 4/6	2,777 7/10	1,154 3/5	6,155	22		Unlocalised	6,155 15/22	7.1 %
<b>Total</b>	118	2,468 6/9	32,113 44/121	37,041 49/152	14,699 19/53	86,321	335			86,321 118/335	100.0 %
<b>Total %</b>		2.9 %	37.2 %	42.9 %	17.0 %						100.0 %

**Table 3. Informants in the Helsinki Corpus of Scottish Correspondence 1540-1750**

	1540-1599	1600-1649	1650-1699	1700-1749	Total	%	N Informants	N Letters
Male	45,514	159,759	79,429	41,474	326,176	78.1	340	1,000
Female	2,468	32,113	37,041	14,699	86,321	20.7	118	335
Court	3,669	1,543	-	-	5,212	1.2	8	27
Total	51,651	193,415	116,470	56,173	417,709		466	1,362
%	12.4	46.3	27.9	13.4		100.0		

**Table 4. Percentages of correspondence by male writers in the five larger areas of Scotland in the ScotsCorr corpus**

Area	Percentage
North	25.2
North-East	14.1
Central	11.0
South-East	34.6
South-West	15.1
Total	100.0

**Table 5. Percentages of correspondence by female writers in the five larger areas of Scotland in the ScotsCorr corpus**

Area	Percentage
North	23.9
North-East	14.0
Central	17.9
South-East	38.8
South-West	5.4
Total	100.0



**Table 6. Number of words by letter category in the ScotsCorr corpus**

Category	Words	%
Geographically defined	368,520	88.2
Professional	28,216	6.8
Unlocalised	15,761	3.8
Court	5,212	1.2
Total	417,709	100.0

**Table 7. Geographically defined informants in the ScotsCorr corpus**

Region	Male	Female	Total	%
North	72,775	19,151	91,926	24.9
North-East	40,519	11,241	51,760	14.0
Central	31,708	14,334	46,042	12.5
South-East	99,819	31,123	130,942	35.5
South-West	43,533	4,317	47,850	13.0
Total	288,354	80,166	368,520	100.0

**Table 8. Number of male informants and their letters by locality or district in the ScotsCorr corpus**

Locality	Number of informants	Number of letters	Larger region
Moray	14	35	
Invernesshire	2	10	
Sutherland	28	118	
Ross	9	21	North 53 / 184
Aberdeenshire	24	89	
Angus	21	49	North-East 45 / 138
Perthshire	28	91	
Lanarkshire	13	26	Central 41 / 117
Fife	34	88	
Lothian	22	98	
Borders	15	49	
Stirlingshire	19	89	South-East 90 / 324
Ayrshire	33	77	
Argyllshire	14	58	
South-West	13	17	South-West 60 / 152
Professional	23	55	Professional 23 / 55
unlocalised	28	30	Unlocalised 28 / 30
Total	340	1,000	

**Table 9. Number of female informants and their letters by locality or district in the ScotsCorr corpus**

Locality	Number of informants	Number of letters	Larger region
Moray	3	8	
Invernesshire	–	–	
Sutherland	13	40	
Ross	5	25	North 21 / 73
Aberdeenshire	12	25	
Angus	6	12	North-East 18 / 37
Perthshire	13	31	
Lanarkshire	6	33	Central 19 / 64
Fife	10	46	
Lothian	11	37	
Borders	4	25	
Stirlingshire	5	13	South-East 30 / 121
Ayrshire	7	9	
Argyllshire	6	7	
South-West	2	2	South-West 15 / 18
Professional	–	–	Professional – / –
unlocalised	15	22	Unlocalised 15 / 22
Total	118	335	

**Table 10. Geographically defined male and female writers, professional male writers, unlocalised male and female writers, and royal writers in the ScotsCorr corpus**

Category	1540–1599	1600–1649	1650–1699	1700–1749	Total	%	N Informants	N Letters
Male	37,501	146,334	72,029	32,490	288,354	69.0	289	915
Male Professional	5,293	10,847	4,826	7,250	28,216	6.8	23	55
Male Unlocalised	2,720	2,578	2,574	1,734	9,606	2.3	28	30
Female	2,190	30,167	34,264	13,545	80,166	19.2	103	313
Female Unlocalised	278	1,946	2,777	1,154	6,155	1.5	15	22
Court	3,669	1,543	0	0	5,212	1.2	8	27
Total	51,651	193,415	116,470	56,173	417,709	100.0	466	1,362
%	12.4	46.3	27.9	13.4	100.0			