

CORRICK CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

**Trustees Annual Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

CORRICK CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

The Trustees present their Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 including a Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at that date.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Corrick Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland
Dergbrough Road
Plumbridge
Omagh
BT79 8JX

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105639)

CHARITY TRUSTEES

The Charity Trustees who served during the year or who were trustees at the date of this report were

Rev Rodney Thompson	Mr James Burton
Mr Eric Crawford	Mr Norman Black
Mr Edmund Allison	
Mr Robert McPhilemy	

PRINCIPAL OFFICE BEARERS

Minister	Rev Rodney Thompson
Clerk of Session	Mr Edmund Allison
Treasurer	Mrs Glenda McIlwaine

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Rodney Hamill
28-30 Old Mountfield Road
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BANKERS

Danske Bank
5-7 Market Street
Omagh
BT78 1BN

SOLICITORS

AF Colhoun
41 Dublin Road
Omagh
BT78 1HE

STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT

The Kirk Session

The charity trustees of the congregation are the members of its Kirk Session. Under the congregation's governing document, The Code, the book of the constitution and government of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, the Kirk Session seeks to watch over and promote the spiritual interest of the congregation and of persons not connected with any congregation who are within its bounds. It ensures pastoral care is in place in the congregation and seeks to further the contribution of the Church to Christian witness and service in the local community. The Kirk Session has delegated to its Congregational Committee the temporal affairs of the congregation including administering all funds and property belonging to the congregation. Members of the Kirk Session are ex-officio members of the Congregational Committee.

The Kirk Session consists of the ordained minister and the ruling elders of the congregations. All members are entitled to propose, speak and exercise equal votes at meetings, except that the Moderator, the minister in active duty in the congregation, has no deliberative but only a casting vote.

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Stated meetings of the Kirk session are held at least twice in each year or as appropriate.

To be chosen for the office of the eldership in the congregation a person must be a voting member and a regular attendant on its ordinances. The selection of those proposed to be called to the office can be either by the congregation or by the Kirk Session. Members are elected if they obtain two-thirds of those who vote.

Presbytery

Under the Presbyterian Church in Ireland form of governance the corporate oversight of a congregation is the responsibility of a Presbytery which superintends generally the spiritual and temporal affairs of the congregations assigned to it by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. Corrick congregation of the Presbyterian Church has been assigned to the Omagh Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The membership of the Presbytery consists mainly of the active ministers of congregations assigned to it by the General Assembly, ministers who have retired from active duty and an elder appointed by the Kirk Session of the congregation.

The General Assembly

The General Assembly is the supreme court of the Church, representing in one body the whole Church and acting as its supreme legislative, administration and judicial authority, in dealing with all matters brought before it. The General Assembly is normally constituted during the first week in June for worship and to conduct its business. At the end of business it is dissolved. The membership of the General Assembly consists mainly of the active ministers of each congregation, retired ministers and a representative elder appointed by the Kirk Session of each congregation.

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DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE

The charitable purpose of the congregation is the advancement of religion.

Corrick Congregation of the Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The Presbyterian Church in Ireland, as a Reformed Church within the wider body of Christ is grounded in the Scriptures, and exists to love and honour God through faith in His Son and by the power of His Spirit, and to enable her members to play their part in fulfilling God's mission to our world.

The congregation's mission purpose is: For the glory of God, to be a place where unsaved people hear the gospel, repent of sin and trust in Christ; where those who have become Christians are biblically equipped to worship and live for God by life and lip; and where gospel outreach to our local communities and the wider world is promoted.

With this in mind, our vision is, by the grace of God, to be a congregation which demonstrably

- is increasingly characterised by love for God, and love and concern for others;
- is committed to the historic Christian gospel as revealed in the Bible;
- is relevant to people of this time and place.

The congregation aims to live out its Mission and Vision as a family of God's people by being:

- A Covenant Community: where our relationships are rooted in the promises of God by living faithfully toward him and toward one another
- An Intergenerational Community: where adults intentionally take the lead to engage with, encourage and nurture younger members to maturity in Christ.
- An Outward looking Community: where we want the blessings of God that belong to us in the gospel to become blessings for others beyond the bounds of our community.
- As a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, we believe that the Bible is the supreme authority over all we do, and that the Westminster Confession of Faith, along with the Larger and Shorter Catechisms set out what we understand the Bible teaches on key matters of Christian faith and practice.

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ACTIVITIES AND OBJECTIVES

The congregation meets for worship every Sunday and visitors are welcome to join. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is observed on several occasions during the year and all those who have been baptised and who have made a profession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are admitted to the Lord's Supper. The congregation holds regular bible study meetings and has a wide range of organisations including

- Sunday School
- Bible class
- Holiday bible club (joint with Badoney and Glenelly congregations)
- Children and youth meeting (joint with Badoney and Glenelly congregations)
- Creche
- Bowling Club (joint with Badoney and Glenelly congregations)
- PW (joint with Badoney and Glenelly congregations)
- Younger womens group (joint with Badoney and Glenelly congregations)
- Prayer meetings (joint with Badoney and Glenelly congregations)
- Bible Study Group (joint with Badoney and Glenelly congregations)

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Worship and prayer

The congregation normally meets for worship each Sunday at 11.10am. During the week the Bible Study provides an opportunity for members to meet together for fellowship, to study the scriptures and for a time of prayer.

As well as our regular services during the year we acknowledge God's gift of new life at Sacraments of Baptism, conduct marriage services and gave thanks for faithful services and sought to comfort those who had been bereaved during the year. No marriages took place in the church in the year. No baptisms took place in the church in the year.

At 31 December 2023 there were 38 communicant members and 38 families connected with the congregation. The normal average weekly attendance at morning worship is 25.

Pastoral care

Members of the congregation who are unable to attend church due to sickness or age are visited on a regular basis by the minister and elders.

Mission and outreach

At a local level the congregation reaches out through the regular preaching of God's Word, special services and the individual friendship evangelism of committed members, together with our youth and children's work.

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The congregation supports the United Appeal for Mission which is a central fund of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. This fund enables congregations to support the wider mission of the denomination and to do mission and outreach on a denominational basis beyond what the congregation could do on its own. The United Appeal Fund provides financial support for mission personnel at home and overseas, assists congregations with the deployment of locally based staff, enables church planting, provides grant support for the upkeep of church premises, assists with the running costs of Union Theological College, the Church's training college for ministry students, and financially supports congregations in the areas of worship, discipleship, global mission, outreach, leadership and pastoral care.

The congregation also contributes to the denominations annual World Development Appeal, Sunday School project and any other special appeals.

Presbytery

The congregation is normally represented at the regular meetings of Presbytery by our minister and / or one of the elders. This provides an important link between the congregation and the wider structures of the church.

General Assembly

Each year the minister and one of our elders were nominated to attend the meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland held in Assembly Buildings, Belfast, in June.

Property

No major repairs or refurbishment projects were carried out on church property during the year.

Organisations

The Presbyterian Women's Group normally meets monthly, is open to all women of all 3 congregations (Corrick, Badoney and Glenelly) and has a varied program.

The Younger Women's Group normally meets monthly, draws its membership from all 3 congregations and beyond and explores a wide variety of topics.

The Bowling Club normally meets weekly in Badoney Church. Again it draws its membership from all 3 congregations.

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Our Bible Study Group offers a time of informal Bible teaching and discussion for all 3 congregations. Meetings are normally held once a month and are lead by the minister. Prayer Meetings are also normally held monthly. A digital prayer group was set up as a way of uniting all three congregations in prayer and reaching out to those who may have felt lonely through lockdown and this has continued to be used.

Sunday School and Bible classes are normally held for all children of the congregation on a Sunday morning before the weekly church service.

Our Children & Youth Meetings (Friday Club and Arise) are normally held at Badoney church on a Friday night. The club draws children and young people from all 3 congregations and the surrounding area for 2 hours of games and bible teachings. For a week during the summer months the joint congregations of Corrick, Badoney and Glenelly normally hold an annual holiday bible club. The week long holiday club is very popular both within the congregations and surrounding area.

Volunteers

The Trustees wish to acknowledge their deep appreciation of those who give freely of their time by serving on committees and helping with organisations and other church activities.

PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT

The Presbyterian Church in Ireland meets the public benefit requirement by providing benefit to its members and the general public by making known the Christian Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ through the advancement of religion.

The direct benefits which flow from the purposes of the Church include the gaining of an understanding in Christian beliefs as set out in the Bible and in the Church's subordinate standards (the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Shorter and Larger Catechisms) leading to spiritual and moral development and opportunities for response to Bible teaching. In turn, this framework leads to practical expressions of Christian beliefs and standards in the local community such as through the care of those in need (including the sick, disabled and bereaved).

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Generally the above benefits are delivered locally by congregations and their members, or are facilitated through presbyteries or are organised and delivered centrally. Local delivery is facilitated by central resources in almost all cases. Public access is made known through the use of noticeboards, printed material, press advertisement, websites, and social media or in other ways.

The benefits are demonstrated through regular evaluation of the services and informal and ad-hoc feedback from members, their families, and members of the public.

The purpose does not lead to harm. The only private benefit flowing from our purpose is related to Ministers, Missionaries, Deaconesses, Irish Mission workers and Lay Agents who receive benefits as a result of their holding office or employment. However, this is incidental and necessary in order to further our charitable purpose. There are no other private benefits. The beneficiaries of this purpose are members, their families, other individuals that the Presbyterian Church in Ireland is in direct and indirect contact with, the community in which pastoral services are provided and other communities throughout Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, and worldwide which benefit from our engagement with and support for both Christian and other secular organisations, charities and individual members of the public.

The Kirk Session has had regard to the Charity Commissions Public benefit requirement statutory guidance.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The congregation's main source of income is members' contributions through the Weekly Freewill Offering which totaled £11,801 (£11,496 in previous year, 2022).

Total Income of the congregation during the year was £26,743 compared to £24,452 in the previous year.

Total expenditure increased from £22,904 to £25,740.

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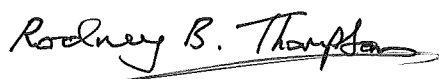
STATEMENT OF TRUSTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the annual report and the financial statements of the congregation in accordance with applicable law and generally accepted accounting practice.

As the congregation's total income does not exceed £250,000, the Trustees have elected under Section 64(3) of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 to prepare a receipts and payment account and a statement of assets and liabilities.


The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the congregation's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time its financial position. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the congregation and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 8/5/24 and signed on its behalf by



Rev R. Thompson

Date: 8/5/24


Mr Ed Allison

Date: 8/5/24

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF CORRICK CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

I report on the accounts of Corrick Presbyterian Church for the year ended 31 December 2023, which are set out on pages 12 to 18.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act
- Follow the procedures laid down in the general Direction given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.



Rodney Hamill
Chartered Accountant
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Date

CORRICK CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY (Receipts and Payments Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2023

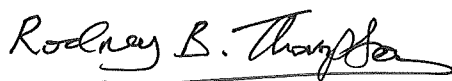
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
		£	£	£	£	£
Receipts						
Donations and legacies	2	14,203	3,402	-	17,605	17,029
Other trading activities	3	5,190	-	-	5,190	3,339
Investment Income	4	3,918	30	-	3,948	4,084
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		23,311	3,432	-	26,743	24,452
Sale of Investments		-	-	-	-	-
Sale of fixed assets		-	-	-	-	-
Loans Received		-	-	-	-	-
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Total Receipts		23,311	3,432	-	26,743	24,452
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Payments						
Charitable activities	5	20,384	5,356	-	25,740	22,904
Other		-	-	-	-	-
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		20,384	5,356	-	25,740	22,904
Purchase of Investments		-	-	-	-	-
Purchase of fixed assets		-	-	-	-	-
Loan Repayments		-	-	-	-	-
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Total Payments		20,384	5,356	-	25,740	22,904
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Net receipts / (payments)		2,927	(1,924)	-	1,003	1,548
Transfers between funds		(1,868)	1,868	-	-	-
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Net movement in funds		1,059	(56)	-	1,003	1,548
Funds brought forward		94,622	7,432	-	102,054	100,506
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Funds carried forward	8	95,681	7,376	-	103,057	102,054
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**CORRICK CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

As at 31 December 2023

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Funds Reconciliation					
Bank and Cash at start of year	94,622	7,432	-	102,054	100,506
Net movement in funds	1,059	(56)	-	1,003	1,548
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Bank and Cash at end of year	95,681	7,376	-	103,057	102,054
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Bank & Cash Balances					
Bank Deposit Accounts				-	-
Bank Current Accounts				103,057	102,054
Cash in Hand				-	-
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				103,057	102,054
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Other Assets					
Fixed Assets – Note 6				-	-
Investments – Note 7				185,377	169,993
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				185,377	169,993
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Liabilities					
Loans				-	-
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Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 8/5/24 and signed on its behalf by


Rev R. Thompson

Date: 8/5/24

Mr Ed Allison

Date: 8/5/24



CORRICK CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

31 December 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

As the total income of the congregation is less than £250,000 the congregation have elected in accordance with the provisions in The Charities (Accounts and Reports Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 to prepare its accounts on a receipts and payments basis.

The congregation has reviewed the basis on which it prepares its accounts and in order that these are prepared on a strict receipts and payments basis it has eliminated from its fund balances any funds which are not held in bank or cash balances. Any other funds, which the congregation holds, in particular investments, are disclosed on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

FUND ACCOUNTING

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which must be retained either permanently or at the congregation's discretion; the income derived from the endowment is to be used either as restricted or unrestricted income funds depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established in the first place.

Restricted funds comprise (a) income from endowments which is to be expended only on the restricted purposes intended by the donor and (b) revenue donations or grants for a specific congregational activity intended by the donor. Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their pooled investment is apportioned to the individual funds on an average balance basis.

Unrestricted funds are income funds which are to be spent on the congregation's general purposes. Designated funds are general funds set aside by the congregation for use in the future.

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31 December 2023

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Freewill offerings	11,801	-	-	11,801	11,496
Loose collections	206	-	-	206	63
Harvest collections	-	946	-	946	830
Missions and charities	-	1,984	-	1,984	1,600
Gift Aid	2,196	472	-	2,668	2,425
Legacies and bequest	-	-	-	-	615
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	14,203	3,402	-	17,605	17,029
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3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Energy grant	600	-	-	600	-
DAERA grant	1,269	-	-	1,269	-
Land letting	3,321	-	-	3,321	3,339
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	5,190	-	-	5,190	3,339
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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2023

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Deposit interest	244	-	-	244	237
General Investment Fund	3,674	30	-	3,704	3,847
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	3,918	30	-	3,948	4,084
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5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
General Assembly Assessments	3,349	-	-	3,349	2,276
Presbytery fees	216	-	-	216	143
Ministry and support staff costs	8,162	10	-	8,172	7,785
Congregational running expenses	5,157	1,142	-	6,299	5,228
Donations to Missions and charities	3,500	4,204	-	7,704	7,472
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	20,384	5,356	-	25,740	22,904
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6. FIXED ASSETS

The congregation owns the Church premises situated at Dergbrough Road, Newtownstewart and the associated fixtures, fittings, plant and machinery. These have an insurance value of approximately £288,000.

The congregation owns 21.78 hectares of agricultural land. These lands have been valued at circa £90,000.

The congregation also have a 2/7 share in the manse, situated at Plumbridge Road, Newtownstewart, which has an approximate insurance value of £361,000 and a 2/7 share in a 1 acre field valued at circa £8,000.

7. INVESTMENTS

The congregation has the following investments. Amounts are shown below at market valuation.

	2023	2022
	£	£
General Investment Fund	185,377	169,993
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	185,377	169,993
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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

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8. FUND BALANCES

Fund	Balance at start	Receipts	Payment	Surplus / (Deficit)	Transfer	Balance at end
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds						
General Fund	94,219	23,217	(20,339)	2,878	(1,868)	95,229
Sunday School	403	94	(45)	49	-	452
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	94,622	23,311	(20,384)	2,927	(1,868)	95,681
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Restricted Funds						
Land account	2,610	-	(754)	(754)	-	1,856
Building and repair fund	4,822	1,086	(388)	698	-	5,520
Missions & Charities	-	2,327	(4,154)	(1,827)	1,827	-
Other restricted funds	-	19	(60)	(41)	41	-
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	7,432	3,432	(5,356)	(1,924)	1,868	7,376
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Endowment Funds						
General	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
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	-	-	-	-	-	-
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Total	102,054	26,743	(25,740)	1,003	-	103,057
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