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**Address / Email:**

Dear

**Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000**

Thank you for requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please see response below.

Please note - deaths are not necessarily related to the treatment the patient was waiting for and there has been an increase in the total number of patients waiting for treatment post covid

- The number of patients who died while on your NHS waiting list and have therefore been removed from the list due to their death or status as being deceased in 2025 to date.

Year	Patients
2025	17

- The number of patients who died while on your NHS waiting list, and have therefore been removed from the list due to their death or status as being deceased, broken down into the years 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021 and 2020.

Year	Patients
2020	386
2021	585
2022	657
2023	690
2024	675

- If possible, I would also like a breakdown of ethnicity, religion, age and gender for every patient who died while on your NHS waiting list for each of these years, please.

Year	Gender	Patients
	2020 Female	184
	2021 Female	263

2022 Female	295
2023 Female	297
2024 Female	286
2020 Male	202
2021 Male	322
2022 Male	362
2023 Male	393
2024 Male	389

Year	Ethnicity	Patients
	2020 Asian	11
	2021 Asian	15
	2022 Asian	16
	2023 Asian	18
	2024 Asian	15
	2021 Black	8
	2022 Black	7
	2023 Black	6
	2024 Black	6
	2020 Mixed	<5
	2023 Mixed	<5
	2024 Mixed	2
	2020 Not stated	44
	2021 Not stated	77
	2022 Not stated	78
	2023 not stated	103
	2024 not stated	94
	2020 White	330
	2021 White	484
	2022 White	555
	2023 White	562
	2024 White	558
	2021 Yemeni	<5
	2022 Yemeni	<5

Year	Religion	Patients
	2020 Athiest	<5
	2022 Athiest	<5
	2023 Athiest	<5
	2020 Baptist	<5
	2021 Baptist	<5
	2023 Baptist	7
	2024 Baptist	<5
	2022 Buddhist	<5
	2024 Buddhist	<5
	2020 Christian	5
	2021 Christian	5
	2022 Christian	<5
	2023 Christian	<5
	2024 Christian	<5
	2020 Church of England	215
	2021 Church of England	333
	2022 Church of England	386
	2023 Church of England	393
	2024 Church of England	389
	2021 Church of Scotland	<5
	2022 Church of Scotland	<5
	2023 Church of Scotland	<5
	2020 Hindu	<5
	2021 Hindu	<5
	2022 Hindu	<5
	2023 Hindu	<5
	2024 Hindu	5
	2020 Jewish	<5
	2021 Jewish	<5

2023 Jewish	<5
2020 Methodist	10
2021 Methodist	13
2022 Methodist	20
2023 Methodist	18
2024 Methodist	19
2020 Muslim	<5
2021 Muslim	10
2022 Muslim	9
2023 Muslim	8
2024 Muslim	6
2020 Not Stated	120
2021 Not Stated	181
2022 Not Stated	194
2023 Not Stated	205
2024 Not Stated	217
2020 Other	<5
2021 Other	<5
2022 Other	<5
2023 Other	<5
2024 Other	<5
2020 Pentecostal	<5
2021 Pentecostal	<5
2022 Pentecostal	<5
2023 Pentecostal	<5
2024 Pentecostal	<5
2020 Roman Catholic	19
2021 Roman Catholic	30
2022 Roman Catholic	29
2023 Roman Catholic	39
2024 Roman Catholic	26
2020 Sikh	<5
2021 Sikh	<5
2022 Sikh	5
2023 Sikh	5
2024 Sikh	5

Year	Age Group	Patients
2021 0 - 10 Years		<5
2022 0 - 10 Years		<5
2023 0 - 10 Years		<5
2021 100+ Years		<5
2024 100+ Years		<5
2020 11 - 20 Years		<5
2023 11 - 20 Years		<5
2021 21 - 30 Years		<5
2022 21 - 30 Years		<5
2023 21 - 30 Years		<5

2024 21 - 30 Years	<5
2020 31 - 40 Years	<5
2021 31 - 40 Years	9
2022 31 - 40 Years	5
2023 31 - 40 Years	<5
2024 31 - 40 Years	<5
2020 41 - 50 Years	11
2021 41 - 50 Years	16
2022 41 - 50 Years	25
2023 41 - 50 Years	17
2024 41 - 50 Years	17
2020 51 - 60 Years	25
2021 51 - 60 Years	44
2022 51 - 60 Years	46
2023 51 - 60 Years	57
2024 51 - 60 Years	43
2020 61 - 70 Years	72
2021 61 - 70 Years	69
2022 61 - 70 Years	94
2023 61 - 70 Years	104
2024 61 - 70 Years	96
2020 71 - 80 Years	120
2021 71 - 80 Years	183
2022 71 - 80 Years	233
2023 71 - 80 Years	197
2024 71 - 80 Years	195
2020 81 - 90 Years	123
2021 81 - 90 Years	217
2022 81 - 90 Years	196
2023 81 - 90 Years	235
2024 81 - 90 Years	258
2020 91 - 100 Years	32
2021 91 - 100 Years	43
2022 91 - 100 Years	53
2023 91 - 100 Years	70
2024 91 - 100 Years	58

- Please also tell me the total number of people who are currently on your waiting list.

Date	Patients
As of 01/01/2025	45,373

If possible, please provide a breakdown of ethnicity and religion for these patients.

Religion	Patients
Athiest	38
Baptist	113
Buddhist	37

Christian	513
Church of England	18202
Church of Scotland	26
Hindu	212
Jewish	8
Methodist	508
Mormon	8
Muslim	1912
Unknown	21418
Orthodox	62
Other	179
Pentecostal	93
Rastafarian	<5
Roman Catholic	1610
Sikh	430

Ethnicity	Patients
Asian	2844
Black	836
Mixed	165
Unknown	12142
White	29291
Yemeni	95

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have the right to appeal in line with guidance from the Information Commissioner. In the first instance you may contact the Information Governance Manager of the Trust.

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Should you disagree with the contents of our response to your appeal, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioners Office at.

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If you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Yours sincerely

**Freedom of Information Team**  
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