

FOI REF: 24/492

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

I am responding to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The answers to your specific questions are as follows:

Under FOIA Section 1 (a) ESHT can confirm it holds some of this information. The figures however are not complete record of how many injuries were caused by DIY.

1. **How many injuries that resulted in accident and emergency department visits to your trust were caused by DIY? 2691**

The total 2691 includes only the number recorded in our systems between Dec 2020 and Dec 2023. Prior to Dec 2020 there are no records held. In addition, the records only capture a portion of possible injuries caused by DIY. The “cause” field is not mandatory and has many other options.

2. **How many of those injured were male? 1732**
(*plus 2 persons whose gender was unknown/ unrecorded)

The total 1732 includes only the number recorded in our systems between Dec 2020 and Dec 2023. Prior to Dec 2020 there are no records held. In addition, the records only capture a portion of possible injuries caused by DIY. The “cause” field is not mandatory and has many other options

3. **How many of those injured were female? 887**
(*plus 2 persons whose gender was unknown/ unrecorded)

The total 887 includes only the number recorded in our systems between Dec 2020 and Dec 2023. Prior to Dec 2020 there are no records held. In addition, the records only capture a portion of possible injuries caused by DIY. The “cause” field is not mandatory and has many other options

4. **How many of those injured were in the 18-24 age group? 168**

The total 168 includes only the number recorded in our systems between Dec 2020 and Dec 2023. Prior to Dec 2020 there are no records held. In addition, the records only capture a portion of possible injuries caused by DIY. The “cause” field is not mandatory and has many other options

5. **How many of those injured were in the 25-49 age group? 1059**
The total 1059 includes only the number recorded in our systems between Dec 2020 and Dec 2023. Prior to Dec 2020 there are no records held. In addition, the records only capture a portion of possible injuries caused by DIY. The “cause” field is not mandatory and has many other options
6. **How many of those injured were in the 50-64 age group? 700**
The total 700 includes only the number recorded in our systems between Dec 2020 and Dec 2023. Prior to Dec 2020 there are no records held. In addition, the records only capture a portion of possible injuries caused by DIY. The “cause” field is not mandatory and has many other options
7. **How many of those injured were in the 65+ age group? 615**
The total 615 includes only the number recorded in our systems between Dec 2020 and Dec 2023. Prior to Dec 2020 there are no records held. In addition, the records only capture a portion of possible injuries caused by DIY. The “cause” field is not mandatory and has many other options
8. **How many of those injured required prolonged stays in hospital? 58**
The total 58 includes only the number recorded in our systems between Dec 2020 and Dec 2023. Prior to Dec 2020 there are no records held. In addition, the records only capture a portion of possible injuries caused by DIY. The “cause” field is not mandatory and has many other options
The figure includes how many people of the total 2691 were admitted into hospital after attending A&E
9. **How many of this injury type did you receive in:**
 - a. 2023 1471
 - b. 2022 1053
 - c. 2021 97
 - d. 2020 No records

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Should you be dissatisfied with the Trust’s response to your request, you have the right to request an internal review. Please write to the Freedom of Information Department (esh-tr.foi@nhs.net), quoting the above reference, within 40 working days. The Trust is not obliged to accept an internal review after this date.

Should you still be dissatisfied with your FOI request, you have the right of complaint to the Information Commissioner at the following address:

The Information Commissioner’s Office
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Yours sincerely

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