

FOI REF: 24/638

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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:

1) How many patients were admitted to A&E with tooth decay in the last 3 years? (Between April 6 - April 5, 2021/22, 2022/23, 2023/24) Broken down by year.

1a) Of those, how many were aged between 5 and 17?

1b) Of those, how many were aged 17 and above?

On 12/09/2024 we sought clarification and on 17/09/2024 you provided an amended request:

1) How many patients were diagnosed, sought treatment or attended A&E for tooth decay, dental caries, dental infection or dental abscess in the last 3 years? (Between April 6 - April 5, 2021/22, 2022/23, 2023/24) Broken down by year.

Year	ED Atts
2021/22	1136
2022/23	981
2023/24	940
Grand Total	3057

1a) Of those, how many were aged between 5 and 17?

Please see the response below, under 1b).

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1b) Of those, how many were aged 18 and above?

ED Atts	Age band	
Year	5-17 (incl.)	18+
2021/22	82	1041
2022/23	77	893
2023/24	85	842
Grand Total	244	2776

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.

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Yours sincerely

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