

FOI REF: 25/342

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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:

I am writing under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request information relating to the diagnosis and treatment of hip fractures for patients presenting at your Accident & Emergency (A&E) department, broken down by year, for the past four calendar years (2021, 2022, 2023, 2024) up to and including 03 May 2025:

1. The number of patients who presented at A&E with hip pain and were referred for:

a. X-Ray

b. MRI scan

Count of Patients attendances	Modality		
	MRI	X-Ray	Grand Total
2021	5	1539	1544
2022	2	1539	1541
2023	8	1743	1751
2024	16	3018	3034
2025	4	1017	1021
Grand Total	35	8856	8891

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2. Of those who underwent an X-ray only, how many had negative or inconclusive results but were later diagnosed with a femoral neck or other hip fracture?

Negative result numbers

Count of patient attendances	Modality	Grand Total
Year	X-Ray	
2021	635	635
2022	630	630
2023	726	726
2024	776	776
2025	217	217
Grand Total	2984	2984

Later diagnosed within 18 weeks

Count of patient attendances	Modality	Grand Total
Row Labels	X-Ray	
2021	34	34
2022	31	31
2023	53	53
2024	47	47
2025	9	9
Grand Total	174	174

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

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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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