

Freedom of Information Request

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Information Requested:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, please provide the most up to date figures from 2018 to present for the following request:

1. What is the number of recorded General Practice appointments for mental health per year, for the past four years?
Essex University Hospital Trust provides Mental Health, Learning Disability and Community Services and does not provide this service.
2. What is the number of recorded secondary care appointments made for mental health issues per year, for the past four years?
Please see the attached spreadsheet. The answers have been broken down by the specified age bands and sex.
3. What is the number of people who have received primary treatment for mental health per year, for the past four years?
N/A
4. What is the number of people who have received secondary care treatment for mental health per year, for the past four years?
Please see the attached spreadsheet. The answers have been broken down by the specified age bands and sex.
5. How many people are currently awaiting their first consultation for mental health care or support from the NHS?
Please see the attached spreadsheet. The answers have been broken down by the specified age bands and sex.
6. How many people are currently waiting to receive mental health support from the NHS through secondary support?
Please see the attached spreadsheet. The answers have been broken down by the specified age bands and sex.
7. How many registered Mental Health Clinicians have worked for your NHS trust over the past four years?
Please see the attached spreadsheet. The answers have been broken down by the specified age bands and sex.

Would it be possible to receive data for each question through the following variables?

- By age: 18-24, 25-34, 35-44, 45-54, 55-64 and 65 and over

- By Gender: Male & Female
- By Location:
 - [List Geographical Locations for the Trust here]

We have been unable to provide the location as this information is not stored centrally on our system therefore it would require a manual trawl. The Trust is unable to provide all of the information requested as this would exceed the time and cost limits, as set out in the Act. The Trust is therefore applying Section 12 of the Act (where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit):

Applied Exemption:

Exemption: Section 12 (Exemption where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit):

- (1) Section 1(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.
- (2) Subsection (1) does not exempt the public authority from its obligation to comply with paragraph (a) of section 1(1) unless the estimated cost of complying with that paragraph alone would exceed the appropriate limit.
- (3) In subsections (1) and (2) “the appropriate limit” means such amount as may be prescribed, and different amounts may be prescribed in relation to different cases.
- (4) The Secretary of State may by regulations provide that, in such circumstances as may be prescribed, where two or more requests for information are made to a public authority—
 - (a) by one person, or
 - (b) by different persons who appear to the public authority to be acting in concert or in pursuance of a campaign, the estimated cost of complying with any of the requests is to be taken to be the estimated total cost of complying with all of them.
- (5) The Secretary of State may by regulations make provision for the purposes of this section as to the costs to be estimated and as to the manner in which they are to be estimated

Publication Scheme:

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Please see below the responses to the following questions. We are only able to provide the information broken down by age band and sex.

Q2. What is the number of recorded secondary care appointments made for mental health issues per year, for the past four years?

Q4. What is the number of people who have received secondary care treatment for mental health per year, for the past four years?

Q6. How many people are currently waiting to receive mental health support from the NHS through secondary support?

These are the intentionally the same responses

Gender	Age Group	2018		2019		2020		2021		Q5 Patients currently waiting 1st consultation	Q6 Patients currently waiting treatment
		Q2 Appoints	Q4 Patients	Q2 Appoints	Q4 Patients	Q2 Appoints	Q4 Patients	Q2 Appoints	Q4 Patients		
Female	18-24	18159	2628	24177	2640	25967	2634	20557	2845	279	279
Female	25-34	27883	3679	33085	3628	34366	3514	24791	3600	366	366
Female	35-44	21748	2867	27476	2814	28606	2684	20693	2787	236	236
Female	45-54	22585	2728	29687	2770	28620	2570	18779	2468	192	192
Female	55-64	18625	2055	22512	2138	23585	1982	15330	1987	122	122
Female	65 plus	26731	4186	35965	4967	34550	4110	21491	3513	276	276
Male	18-24	9270	1110	10161	1268	10790	1296	8566	1019	153	153
Male	25-34	14103	1547	16020	1809	17429	1875	13181	1558	210	210
Male	35-44	15442	1405	15991	1563	17212	1590	11880	1365	157	157
Male	45-54	16021	1441	16640	1640	18645	1665	11612	1295	131	131
Male	55-64	11346	1092	12256	1199	14090	1240	9510	969	91	91
Male	65 plus	21691	3717	22477	3975	25931	3870	10013	2171	187	187
Total		223604	28455	266447	30411	279791	29030	186403	25577	2400	2400

7. How many registered Mental Health Clinicians have worked for your NHS trust over the past four years?

Age Group	Headcount
18-24	40
25-34	494
35-44	600
45-54	647
55-64	466
65 +	70
Total	2317

Gender	Headcount
Male	642
Female	1675
Total	2317

Locality	Headcount
Bedfordshire	44
Mid & South Essex	1226
North East & West Essex	1047
Total	2317