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Email:

Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 200815.

You requested the following information, please also see our response below:

Please include the information for each of the following periods: 2019-20; and April 2020 to the present day:

- The total cost of travel expenses for staff including travel by flight, train and car.

Values rounded to the nearest £

Years	2019-20	2020-21*
Amount	£ 2,186,134	£ 790,397

**Month 7 YTD (Apr-Oct 2020) value taken*

Please note all business mileage and travel expenses are paid under Agenda for change rates and that we cover 4500 square miles with 117 locations.

- The details of the top three most expensive trips, including their cost, mode of travel as well as arrival and departure destinations.

The three most expensive trips identified were:-

Trip	Destination	Mode of Transport	Arrival Date	Departure Date	Cost
EMS 2019	Spain	Air Travel	25-Apr-19	29-Apr-19	£7,852
Visiting Ambulance Converter	Ireland	Air Travel	03-Oct-19	03-Oct-19	£486
Visiting Ambulance Converter	Ireland	Air Travel	02-May-19	03-May-19	£365

I hope you find this information of some assistance.

If for any reason you are dissatisfied with our response, kindly in the first instance contact Caroline Smart, Head of Information Governance via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

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