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Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 220708.

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

I am writing to inquire about deaths occurring in ambulances either before an ambulance's arrival or during transfers to hospitals.

1. How many ambulance responses saw the individual being dead on arrival? Please give monthly breakdowns since January 2017 and split into individual columns for category one, category two, category three and category four.

2. If possible, please indicate how many ambulance responses saw the individual being dead on arrival but where the individual was believed to be alive at the time of the call? Please give monthly breakdowns since January 2017 and split into individual columns for category one, category two, category three and category four.

3. How many individuals died between the moment of being picked up by an ambulance team and being transferred to hospital staff? Please give monthly breakdowns since January 2017 and split into individual columns for category one, category two, category three and category four.

4. How many individuals died during ambulance handover delays? An ambulance handover delay is when an ambulance has arrived at a hospital with a patient, but the transfer of their care to hospital staff is delayed. Please give monthly breakdowns since January 2017 and split into individual columns for category one, category two, category three and category four.

- Date: 01/01/2017 - 31/05/2022
- Data provided is the number of Incidents where the crew have found the patient as:
 - (Pre-ARP Conditon Codes)
 - Cardiovascular - Cardiac Arrest (No resus / obviously dead)
 - Not Transported/deceased
 - Obvious death
 - Suicide attempt (deceased)
 - (Post-ARP Codes)

- Deceased - Handover to Police (expected or unexpected death)
- Deceased - Expected death (assisted with arrangements)
- Deceased (Other)
- Deceased - Conveyed to Mortuary
- We are unable to provide data for questions 2,3 & 4 due to the specificity.
- Please note that for figures that are less than 10 we are unable to provide the exact number as it may be identifiable to individuals.

Month-Year	Cat A 8 RED 2	Cat A RED 1	CAT C 30 Emrg Treat/Transp	CAT C 60 Response	CAT C HCP 120	CAT C HCP 240	CAT C HCP 60
Jan-17	15	Less than 10	22	Less than 10			Less than 10
Feb-17	Less than 10	10	20				
Mar-17	Less than 10	Less than 10	20	Less than 10	Less than 10		
Apr-17	Less than 10	Less than 10	15		Less than 10		
May-17	Less than 10	Less than 10	27	Less than 10			
Jun-17	10	15	Less than 10		Less than 10		
Jul-17	10	18	19			Less than 10	
Aug-17	16	Less than 10	27	Less than 10	Less than 10	Less than 10	Less than 10
Sep-17	15	Less than 10	43	Less than 10	Less than 10		
Oct-17	14	Less than 10	32	Less than 10	Less than 10	Less than 10	
Nov-17	10	12	27		Less than 10		Less than 10

Post ARP							
Month-Year	Cat1	Cat2	Cat3	Cat4	Cat5	HCP	TRANS
Jul-19	Less than 10						
Aug-19	24	Less than 10	Less than 10				
Sep-19	74	13	13				
Oct-19	148	14	63			Less than 10	
Nov-19	194	32	69			Less than 10	
Dec-19	174	24	67		Less than 10	Less than 10	
Jan-20	247	32	104				
Feb-20	254	35	116				
Mar-20	291	39	139			Less than 10	
Apr-20	388	48	223		Less than 10		

May-20	361	49	117			Less than 10	
Jun-20	328	42	114		Less than 10	Less than 10	
Jul-20	356	52	130			Less than 10	
Aug-20	393	43	150				
Sep-20	305	30	141			Less than 10	
Oct-20	351	38	145	Less than 10		Less than 10	
Nov-20	360	40	146				
Dec-20	476	84	201	Less than 10	Less than 10		
Jan-21	587	93	243	Less than 10	Less than 10	Less than 10	
Feb-21	409	52	167			Less than 10	
Mar-21	361	52	171		Less than 10	Less than 10	Less than 10
Apr-21	389	48	140			Less than 10	Less than 10
May-21	316	46	151		Less than 10		
Jun-21	346	32	98		Less than 10		
Jul-21	376	52	146		Less than 10	Less than 10	
Aug-21	356	52	123		Less than 10		
Sep-21	346	34	159	Less than 10	Less than 10	Less than 10	
Oct-21	436	71	162		Less than 10		
Nov-21	451	50	129		Less than 10	Less than 10	
Dec-21	500	71	186		10		
Jan-22	482	52	150	Less than 10	Less than 10	Less than 10	
Feb-22	399	56	128		Less than 10	Less than 10	
Mar-22	463	43	159		10	Less than 10	
Apr-22	443	48	161		Less than 10		
May-22	384	46	160		Less than 10	Less than 10	

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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