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Dear,

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I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 230111.

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

Could you please provide data for the past 5 years in an excel or csv format on the number of ambulance attendances related to intentional self-harm and intentional self-poisoning incidents?

- **To clarify: this refers to cases where individuals have hurt themselves (intentional overdose, cuts, and near hanging) and threatened suicide.**
- 1. **Please break the data down by the following calendar years (see below), including the most recent provisional data for: 2017/18, 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23. Please add a total row at the bottom of the spreadsheet.**
- 2. **If it won't exceed the cost limit and it is possible, please could you also please provide a separate column detailing how many of these incidents occurred with those under the age of 18.**

Financial Year	Number of Incidents	Number of Under 18 Incidents
2017/18	4390	200
2018/19	6788	432
2019/20	10703	789
2020/21	14080	1178
2021/22	13735	1267
2022/23	10833	1040
TOTAL	60529	4906

Please note the following definitions were used when producing the above data:

Date Range: 01/04/2017 - 17/01/2023

Criteria: Crew Condition Code (these are recorded on patient care records)
included definition -
Self Harm
Intention poisoning
Near hanging
Suicide(?)
Intentional Overdose

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

Freedom of Information Coordinator
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