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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 240153.

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

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following information:

How many call-outs linked to spice (or any psychoactive substance) were made to your ambulance service in the following years

2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023

Do you also have the data on how many were fatal?

Year	Count Of Responses
2019	50
2020	207
2021	180
2022	115
2023	233

Date range: 01/08/2019 - 31/12/2023

*Data is available from Aug-2019 when we commenced a phased implementation of our electronic patient care records (ePCRs)

Digital Discharge Summary: Free text notes have been used from ePCRs

Free text: the following terms have been searched in ePCRs:

- " Spice "

- " Psychoactive "

- " Psychoactive substance "

Responses: Calls where at least one resource has arrived on scene.

We would not be able to provide information as to whether the use of spice or a psychoactive substance was fatal.

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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