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Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/18/08/13.

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

**Please can you disclose the numbers of call-outs your ambulance crews received for heat exposure and all other forms of heat related ill-health that you record on your system (heat stroke, dehydration etc) – with figures for each type of chief complaint logged; for each of the months March, April, May, June and July for the following financial years:**

**2013-14**

**2014-15**

**2015-16**

**2016-17**

**2017-18**

Please see table below showing emergency responses related to heat stroke. Please note this data has been obtained using a free text search for 'heat stroke'. Therefore, this may not be a true reflection of calls as there may be cases where this term is mentioned within the text but does not relate to the incident itself and may relate to something else i.e. patient's medical history

	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Total	34	29	11	18	31

We are unable to break this down any further as it could be identifiable to individuals and is therefore exempt under Section 40 (2) – Data Protection

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, Information Governance Lead via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

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