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Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/19/10/24.

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

The number of reported cases of assault on the South East Coast Ambulance Service Staff for the period 2017 to date

Please see below number of assaults by financial year. Please note the data for 2019-20 is not available at this time.

Physical Assaults

Year	Total Victims of Physical Assault	Total Victims of Non-Physical Assault
2017-18	220	Not Held*
2018-19	224	75

Please note that physical assaults also include incidents of spitting

*In 2017-18 the system was not set up to show the number of victims of non-physical assault.

Our Trust views violence and aggression against its staff very seriously. Our Trust lead on Security actively encourages staff to report incidents and supports those who wish to pursue a prosecution to seek redress against those who commit such acts.

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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