

FOI 3493

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## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST

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### 1. How many babies were born in the Trust in 2023 and 2024?

Year	Total Births	Craigavon	Daisy Hill
2023	4,810	2,885	1,925
2024	4,550	2,823	1,727

### 2. How many of these new born babies had blood cultures sent while in the maternity unit, in each year?

**Response:**

This information is not recorded centrally and therefore retrieving it would involve a manual search of patient records. As such we cannot provide this as the cost of locating and retrieving the information exceeds the “appropriate limit” as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004. In order to obtain this information from a number of individual patient records would exceed the £450 limit and is therefore cost prohibitive.

Under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, Public Authorities are not obliged to comply with an information request where to do so would exceed the cost limit

In addition, it would not be appropriate to search through individual patient records for the purposes for responding to a FOI request, there would be no patient expectation that medical records would be used in this way.

### 3. How many positive blood culture results from new born babies in the maternity hospital in each year?

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