

## Breast Cancer Screening

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Further to your Freedom of Information Act request, please find the Trust's response(s) below:

Please be aware that the Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (Royal Devon) has existed since 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 following the integration of the Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust (known as Northern Services) and the Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust (known as Eastern Services).

*Dear Freedom of Information Officer,*

*I would like to request the answers to the following questions regarding Breast Cancer screening and diagnosis.*

1. *How many patients have been screened for breast cancer within your organisation in the last 12 months (part of the National screening programme)?*

Answer: The Trust does not record this information. This work is carried out by the screening team at **InHealth** who work independently from the Trust. A separate Freedom of Information request would need to be sent to InHealth to provide these figures; <https://www.inhealthgroup.com/contact/>

2. *How many patients attended symptomatic clinics (patients referred on a 2 week wait pathway/ all patients that have attended the symptomatic breast clinic) for potential breast cancer within your organisation within the last 12 months?*

Answer: 5,619.

3. *Over the last 12 months, how many patients has your organisation scanned or screened for breast cancer with the following modalities (including National Screening figures)?*

- a. *Mammography*
- b. *Tomosynthesis*
- c. *Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)*
- d. *Computerised Tomography (CT)*

	<b>Total</b>
<i>Mammography</i>	3,187
<i>Tomosynthesis*</i>	*
<i>Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)</i>	151
<i>Computerised Tomography (CT)</i>	375

*[\*] Tomosynthesis has no unique examination code; these scans are included in the Mammography figure.*

4. How many mammography examinations have taken place in the last 12 months (including follow ups, left breast, right breast and both)?

Answer: 8,059.

a. How many of the above patients received contrast media enhanced mammography?

Answer: Nil.

5. How many individual devices does your organisation have for patients to access within your Trust?

	<b>Total</b>
Standard Mammography	Nil
Digital Mammography	3
Tomosynthesis	1
Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)	1
Computerised Tomography (CT)	2

6. How many private providers offer access for potential NHS breast cancer patients within your catchment area to the following modalities?

	<b>Total</b>
Mammography	1
Tomosynthesis	-
Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)	-
Computerised Tomography (CT)	-

7. If yes to the above question, please can you name those providers?

Answer: Nuffield Health.