

Obstetric Data

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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 1st 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 Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust, Obstetric Department

Please can you give figures for each of the last 5 years ie 2018-2022

1. *Total live births*
2. *Total still births*
3. *Total intrapartum still births (>24 weeks)*
4. *Total neonatal deaths to 28 days*
5. *Total preterm births (<37 weeks)*
6. *Total maternal deaths*
7. *Total:*
 - a. *maternal collapses (Collapse will include every 'crash call')*
 - b. *cardiac arrests*
 - c. *Total postpartum haemorrhage >1.5l*
 - d. *Evacuation of retained products of conception (ERPCs)*
 - e. *Attendance numbers for early pregnancy clinics (Early Pregnancy Assessment Clinics)*
8. *Do you record covid-19 vaccination status in your electronic maternity records?*
9. *If possible for 2021 & 2022 could you give all of the above data by covid vaccination status (0/1/2/3/4 doses) or state if you do not record vaccination status.*

Answer: Please see table below.

No.	Question	Year				
		2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
1.	<i>Total live births</i>	5,253	5,096	4,987	5,125	4,733
2.	<i>Total still births</i>	14	17	15	18	18
3.	<i>Total intrapartum still births (>24 weeks)</i>	Nil	<5	<5	<5	<5
4.	<i>Total neonatal deaths to 28 days</i>	5	<5	<5	7	6
5.	<i>Total preterm births (<37 weeks)</i>	347	317	301	332	317

6.	Total maternal deaths	Nil	<5	<5	<5	<5
7a.	Total maternal collapses (collapse will include every 'crash call')	*	*	*	*	*
7b.	Total cardiac arrests	Nil	Nil	Nil	<5	<5
7c.	Total postpartum haemorrhage >1.5l	118	161	145	165	156
7d.	Total Evacuation of retained products of conception (ERPCs)	**185	**152	**76	273	317
7e.	Total Attendance numbers for early pregnancy clinics (Early Pregnancy Assessment Clinics)	*	*	*	*	*
8.	Do you record covid-19 vaccination status in your electronic maternity records?	The Trust does not hold this data. Covid vaccine status may be recorded anecdotally by the midwife. It is not formally documented as these vaccines are not administered within Maternity or recorded within the patient's electronic hospital record if administered by a Trust run service.				
9.	If possible for 2021 & 2022 could you give all of the above data by covid vaccination status (0/1/2/3/4 doses) or state if you do not record vaccination status.	The Trust does not hold this data.				

*The Trust has considered your request, however to provide you with the information requested would require the manual review, extraction and manipulation of information from various systems and records to identify maternal crash calls for question 7a.

For question 7e the Early Pregnancy Assessment Clinics (EPAC) are conducted in the same clinics as other gynae procedures, to identify the EPAC total attendance numbers would require the manual review, extraction and manipulation of information from various systems and individual patient records.

To carry out this work would exceed the appropriate cost limit as set out in Section 12 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and is therefore exempt.

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 Section 12 (1) and defined in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004, a public authority is not obliged to comply with a request for

information if it estimates that the cost of complying would exceed the appropriate limit. The limit of £450 represents the estimated cost of one person spending two and a half days in determining whether the Trust holds the information, locating, retrieving and extracting that information.

**This data only represents Royal Devon's Northern Services. Due to a change in the Electronic Patient Record system Royal Devon's Eastern Services are unable to provide this data prior to 2021.