

Freedom of Information Request	FOI 21-325	19 th August 2021
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Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would be most grateful if you would provide me with the following information.

Q1 Please could you give me the number of deaths, listed by month, whereby Covid is the sole cause of death listed and there were no other pre-existing conditions or comorbidities noted on the death certificate. This would cover the period from March 2020 until present day?

The Health Board reports every death in our hospitals to Public Health Wales (PHW), this includes all causation factors. Public Health Wales will then perform statistical alignment meeting the definition of a COVID death and the patient place of residence as some of the Health Board area residents may die in other hospitals outside of the Aneurin Bevan Health Board responsibility. All Health Board deaths data is reported on the Public Health Wales website and in the Office of National Statistics (ONS) data.

Please refer to PHW website and PHW for further information via the following link below:

<https://public.tableau.com/profile/public.health.wales.health.protection#!/vizhome/RapidCOVID-19virology-Public/Headlinesummary>

Q2 The average age of the deceased?

Please refer to Q1.

Q3 The number of cycles you run your PCR tests at and if they are run differently for vaccinated patients

COVID test values up to 35 are reported as positive

COVID test values 35-40 are reported as low level detected

COVID test values over 45 are reported as indeterminate

Criteria are no different for vaccinated patients