

Freedom of Information Request	FOI 23-575	8 th December 2023
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Your request

You requested the following:

For the years 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 please provide the following broken down by calendar year:

1. Number of people who sought/referred for an ADHD diagnosis.
2. Number of individuals who were then referred for assessment.
3. Number of those assessed who were given an official diagnosis.

Please further segregate the data by CYP and Adults.

Our response

Our response for questions 1 to 3 is provided in the tables below:

Children and Young People (CYP)

Please note that referrals received by our Neuro-Developmental (ND) service are for both autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD). We are unable to determine referrals between the two disorders without reviewing each individual medical record which we have established would take in excess of 18 hours to undertake and therefore exceeds the appropriate costs limit under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which is currently £450. This is not an exemption which requires us to consider the application of the public interest test.

However, we have provided information below which relates to referrals for both disorders.

Calendar Year	Number of CYP who sought/referred for an ASD/ADHD diagnosis	Number of CYP who were then referred for ASD/ADHD assessment	No of CYP who received an ADHD diagnosis
2018	850	381	55
2019	1358	591	72
2020	1038	466	70
2021	1747	777	93
2022	1356	550	45

Adults

Our pathway requires adults to be referred for an ADHD assessment by their GP in Primary Care, which are operated by independent contractors, and we therefore do not hold this information.

We began accepting referrals for adult ADHD assessments on 01 July 2022. The information provided therefore represents the number of adults referred for an ADHD assessment between 1 July and 31 December 2022.

Calendar Year	Number of adults who sought/referred for an ADHD diagnosis	Number of adults who were then referred for assessment	No of adults who received an ADHD diagnosis
2018	U/A	N/A	N/A
2019	U/A	N/A	N/A
2020	U/A	N/A	N/A
2021	U/A	N/A	N/A
2022	U/A	972 (Jul-Dec)	0