



Freedom of Information Request	FOI 23-272	26 <sup>th</sup> June 2023
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**Please may I request the following information from your health board. For ease of collation, the information could be provided in the tables provided after each question.**

- The numbers total of patients who have been prescribed antidepressants in the each of the years 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023 so far.**

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023 so far
<b>Total patients prescribed antidepressants</b>						

The Health Board is unable to provide information by patient, however, please find below the quantities of antidepressants sections of the BNF, dispensed via hospital pharmacies for the years 2021,2022 and 2023 (up to May) for secondary care only. Please note the Health Board had a new system installed so information is only available from 2021 onwards.

<b>Drug</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>
AMITRIPTYLINE HYDROCHLORIDE 10 mg Tablets 28 Tablet Pack	1448	1884	391
AMITRIPTYLINE HYDROCHLORIDE 25 mg in 5mL Oral Liquid 150 mL Bottle	51	50	5
AMITRIPTYLINE HYDROCHLORIDE 25 mg Tablets 28 Tablet Pack	728	649	155
AMITRIPTYLINE HYDROCHLORIDE 50 mg in 5mL Oral Liquid 150 mL Pack	11	11	1
AMITRIPTYLINE HYDROCHLORIDE 50 mg Tablets 28 Tablet Pack	246	178	35
CLOMIPRAMINE HYDROCHLORIDE 10 mg Capsules 28 Capsule Pack	32	10	3
CLOMIPRAMINE HYDROCHLORIDE 25 mg Capsules 28 Capsule Pack	18	4	2
CLOMIPRAMINE HYDROCHLORIDE 50 mg Capsules 28 Capsule Pack	59	24	5
DOSULEPIN HYDROCHLORIDE 25 mg Capsules 28 Capsule Pack	66	37	8
DOSULEPIN HYDROCHLORIDE 75 mg Tablets 28 Tablet Pack	38	20	0
IMIPRAMINE HYDROCHLORIDE 10 mg Tablets 28 Tablet Pack	7	3	1

<b>Drug</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>
IMIPRAMINE HYDROCHLORIDE 25 mg Tablets 28 Tablet Pack	4	18	1
LOFEPRAMINE 70 mg Tablets 56 Tablet Pack	22	28	7
NORTRIPTYLINE 10 mg Tablets 100 Tablet Pack	6	12	0
NORTRIPTYLINE 25 mg Tablets 100 Tablet Pack	3	2	1
TRAZODONE HYDROCHLORIDE 100 mg Capsules 56 Capsule Pack	35	54	4
TRAZODONE HYDROCHLORIDE 150 mg Tablets 28 Tablet Pack	45	52	9
TRAZODONE HYDROCHLORIDE 50 mg Capsules 84 Capsule Pack	109	89	27
TRAZODONE HYDROCHLORIDE 50 mg in 5mL Oral Liquid 120 mL Bottle	63	29	34
TRIMIPRAMINE 50 mg Capsules 28 Capsule Pack	1	0	0
MOCLOBEMIDE 150 mg Tablets 30 Tablet Pack	13	8	0
MOCLOBEMIDE 300 mg Tablets 30 Tablet Pack	8	7	0
TRANLYCYPROMINE 10 mg Tablets 28 Tablet Pack	0	0	0
CITALOPRAM 10 mg Tablets 28 Tablet Pack	742	864	144
CITALOPRAM 20 mg Tablets 28 Tablet Pack	855	823	147
CITALOPRAM 40 mg in 1mL Oral Drops 15 mL Bottle	64	52	9
ESCITALOPRAM 10 mg Tablets 28 Tablet Pack	6	5	5
FLUOXETINE 20 mg Capsules 30 Capsule Pack	835	747	173
FLUOXETINE 20 mg in 5mL Oral Liquid 70 mL Bottle	55	71	43
FLUOXETINE 30 mg Capsules 30 Capsule Pack	0	20	4
PAROXETINE 20 mg Tablets 30 Tablet Pack	153	156	39
PAROXETINE 30 mg Tablets 30 Tablet Pack	37	36	11
SERTRALINE 100 mg Tablets 28 Tablet Pack	1067	1307	273
SERTRALINE 50 mg Tablets 28 Tablet Pack	1773	2076	451
DULOXETINE 30 mg Capsules 28 Capsule Pack	435	615	173
DULOXETINE 60 mg Capsules 28 Capsule Pack	560	746	170

<b>Drug</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>
FLUPENTIXOL 1 mg Tablets 60 Tablet Pack	21	21	15
FLUPENTIXOL 500 micrograms Tablets 60 Tablet Pack	14	17	11
MIRTAZAPINE 15 mg Orodispersible Tablets 30 Tablet Pack	866	391	67
MIRTAZAPINE 15 mg Tablets 28 Tablet Pack	808	1494	365
MIRTAZAPINE 30 mg Orodispersible Tablets 30 Tablet Pack	417	260	29
MIRTAZAPINE 30 mg Tablets 28 Tablet Pack	369	651	133
MIRTAZAPINE 45 mg Orodispersible Tablets 30 Tablet Pack	267	160	21
MIRTAZAPINE 45 mg Tablets 28 Tablet Pack	295	431	117
MIRTAZAPINE 75 mg in 5mL Oral Liquid 66 mL Bottle	13	0	0
REBOXETINE 4 mg Tablets 60 Tablet Pack	0	1	0
VENLAFAXINE 150 mg Modified-Release Capsules 28 Capsule Pack	351	303	82
VENLAFAXINE 37.5 mg Modified-Release Capsules 28 Capsule Pack	0	5	2
VENLAFAXINE 37.5 mg Modified-Release Tablets 30 Tablet Pack	46	45	0
VENLAFAXINE 37.5 mg Tablets 56 Tablet Pack	79	70	20
VENLAFAXINE 75 mg Modified-Release Capsules 28 Capsule Pack	341	314	91
VENLAFAXINE 75 mg Tablets 56 Tablet Pack	182	139	38
VORTIOXETINE 10 mg Tablets 28 Tablet Pack	16	20	7
VORTIOXETINE 20 mg Tablets 28 Tablet Pack	9	6	0
VORTIOXETINE 5 mg Tablets 28 Tablet Pack	13	16	10

**2. The number of patients under the age of 18 who have been prescribed antidepressants in each of the same years.**

Please note for Q2 to Q5 the Health Board is unable to provide information for the years 2018 – 2021 as the service only started collating records/information from 2022.

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023 so far
<b>Total patients under 18 prescribed antidepressants</b>	-	-	-	-	309	226

**3. The total number of patients under the age of 18 prescribed each of the following types of antidepressants in each of the same years**

	Under 18s 2018	Under 18s 2019	Under 18s 2020	Under 18s 2021	Under 18s 2022	Under 18s 2023 so far
<b>SSRIs</b>	-	-	-	-	306	150
<b>SNRIs</b>	-	-	-	-	0	0
<b>NASSAs</b>	-	-	-	-	3	1
<b>TCAs</b>	-	-	-	-	0	0
<b>SARIs</b>	-	-	-	-	0	0
<b>MAOIs</b>	-	-	-	-	0	0

**4. The number of patients under 18 who have been prescribed antidepressants in each of the same years, specifically as part of the treatment of Obsessive Compulsive Disorder and related symptoms.**

Please note the Health Board is unable to provide information for 2018 – 2021 as the service only started collating records/information from 2022.

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023 so far
<b>Total patients under 18 prescribed antidepressants as part of treatment for OCD</b>	-	-	-	-	60*	60*

\*approximate figure.

**5. The number of patients under 18 who have begun Talking Therapies ('psychotherapy') in each of the same years.**

Please note the Health Board is unable to provide information for the years 2018 – 2020 as the service only started collating records/information from 2021.

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023 so far
<b>Total patients under 18 begun talking therapies</b>	-	-	-	3743	3474	560

***Antidepressants in this instance refers to any of the following classifications of drugs: SSRIs, SNRIs, NASSAs, TCAs, SARIs, MAOIs.***