

Freedom of Information Request	FOI 22-103	14 th March 2022
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I write regarding a Freedom of Information request on fax machines operated within your health board area. As a result, I would be grateful if you could answer the following questions.

1. How many fax machines were operated in hospitals and GP surgeries in your health board area in 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021? The Health Board is unable to provide historical data for 2018, 2019, 2020. Our ICT department has confirmed that no new fax machines have been purchased in the last 6-years. Plans are progressing within the Health Board to transfer all fax machines currently in use across to a multifunctional device with a fax board incorporated.

Please see approximate figures for 2021:

	2021
Hospitals	16
GP Surgeries	59

- 2. How many new fax machines were purchased in hospitals and GP surgeries in your health board area in 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021? The Health Board has not purchased any new fax machines during this period.
- **3.** How many fax machines are currently being used in hospitals and **GP surgeries in your health board area?** Please refer Q1.
- 4. If possible, how many faxes emergency departments in your health board area received and sent in 2019, 2020 and 2021?" None.