

Freedom of Information Request	FOI 21-251	2 nd July 2021
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Please could you give me the number to deaths whereby Covid is the sole cause of death listed, there were no other pre-existing conditions or comorbidities noted on the death certificate, covering the period from March 2020 until present day.

The Health Board has completed a search of its records and has established that in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, this letter acts as a Refusal Notice under section 17 of the Act.

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>

If there answer is any, are you able to provide me with the average age of the deceased?

As per question 1.

I would also like the number of cycles you run your PCR tests on normally as well as the number of cycles that you are running for PCR tests where the patient/recipient is known to have been vaccinated with one of the available Covid jabs.

The Health Board uses several platforms for testing, these are Cepheid, Eplex, Biofire and Seegene. They vary in cycle numbers but the average is 45.

If there is any difference in the number of cycles being used in relation to the patient's vaccination status please could you explain why?

There is no difference in cycles for vaccinated patients