

Freedom of Information Request	FOI 22-472	19 th October 2022
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The number of oral cancer referrals received by hospitals in your Trust between January 2017 and the most recent completed month that is available (most likely July or August 2022). I also request this data be presented as monthly figures.

The Health Board does not centrally record oral cancer as this falls within the broader category of 'head and neck' cancer, therefore the Health Board would have to review every patient record to determine this. Therefore, in order to comply with your request, the Health Board has established that this would exceed the appropriate costs limit under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 which is currently £450. As you will be aware this is not an exemption which requires us to consider the application of the public interest test. We have calculated that it would take in excess of 18 hours to review the record of each patient.

2017												
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Number of oral cancer referrals												
2018												
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Number of oral cancer referrals												
2019												
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Number of oral cancer referrals												
2020												
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Number of oral cancer referrals												
2021												
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December

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