

Our ref: Fol/202200328178

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Dear D Tait,

Request under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA)

Thank you for your request from 01 November 2022 under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA).

Your request

You asked for

“1- Can you tell me how many teachers (within primary and secondary schools) have died from COVID-19 in Scotland from March 2020 till Oct 2022 ?

2- Can you tell me how many shop workers have died from COVID-19 in Scotland from March 2020 till Oct 2022 ?

3- Can you tell me how many police officers have died from COVID-19 in Scotland from March 2020 till oct 2022 ?

4- Can you tell me how many care home workers have died from COVID-19 in Scotland from March 2020 till Oct 2022 ?

If you also could separate any deaths registered by year and month that would be appreciated.”

Response to your request

For questions 1-3, there have been no such deaths recorded for any of these categories of people aged 20-64 who were not retired.

For question 4, our aim is to provide information whenever possible in this instance National Records of Scotland is not able to calculate the information you have requested. The reasons why we do not have the information are explained in the Annex to this letter.

Your right to request a review

If you are unhappy with this response to your FOI request, you may ask us to carry out an internal review of the response, by writing to:

Information Governance Team
National Records of Scotland
Ladywell House
Ladywell Road
Edinburgh
EH12 7TF

Email: foi@nrscotland.gov.uk

Your review request should explain why you are dissatisfied with this response, and should be made within 40 working days from the date when you received this letter. We will complete the review and tell you the result within 20 working days from the date when we receive your review request.

If you are not satisfied with the result of the review you then have the right to appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner. More detailed information on your rights is available on the Commissioner's website at:

<http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/YourRights/Unhappywiththeresponse/AppealingtoCommissioner.aspx>

Yours sincerely,

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Annex - Reasons for not providing information

National Records of Scotland (NRS) does not have the information

This is a formal notice under section 17(1) of FOISA that National Records of Scotland does not have the information you have requested on numbers of care home workers who died from COVID-19 in Scotland from March 2020 till Oct 2022.

NRS does not have the information you have requested because no Standard Occupational Classification ([SOC2010](#)) code exists for the occupation of “care home worker”. There are some categories which may include care home workers but not all people from these categories work in care homes. For example, code 6145 covers care workers and home carers. This would include workers in care homes but also in other care settings so it is not possible to identify care home workers only.