

Our ref: Fol/202100192790

David Craigie

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Dear David Craigie,

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

Thank you for your request dated 10 April 2021 under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA).

Your request

You asked us:

- 1) "How many deaths in Scotland from Covid 19, with no other health issues"
- 2) "and the average age of the people that died, during the year 2020."

Response to your request

1) For a breakdown of deaths with no pre-existing conditions please see the following table <https://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/files//statistics/covid19/weekly-deaths-pre-existing-conditions-by-age.xlsx> which includes a breakdown by age for deaths registered between March 2020 to February 2021.

Alternatively, you may find interest in figures 9 and 10 of the monthly publication found here <https://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/files//statistics/covid19/covid-deaths-21-data-week-14.xlsx> which outline the main pre-existing conditions by month and age.

The information you have requested is available from our website and we have provided you with direct links. Under section 25(1) of FOISA, we do not have to provide you with information if it is already reasonably accessible to you.

2) For the information you require on the average age at death of deaths involving Covid-19 in 2020 please see the attached table. Please note these figures are for deaths that occurred in 2020 and will differ from the figures for deaths registered as some deaths occurred in 2020 but were registered in 2021.

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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