

Date 1 July 2021  
Our Ref 2021-000694  
Enquiries to [phs.foi@phs.scot](mailto:phs.foi@phs.scot)

Dear Werner Pretorius

**Freedom of Information Reference: 2021-000694**

Thank you for your request for information of 25 June 2021.

**“Following recent requests for the numbers of deaths within 28 days you stated that it would be released before 22nd June 2021. I have not been able to find this information in the report to which you linked in response to earlier requests. I therefore ask specifically if you could release to me details of the total numbers of people who died within 28 days of COVID vaccination.”**

Please be advised that the information requested is available via the Public Health Scotland Covid-19 Weekly Report for Scotland via [COVID-19 statistical report 23 June 2021 - Data & intelligence from PHS \(isdscotland.org\)](https://www.isdscotland.org/COVID-19-statistical-report-23-June-2021). The report (from page 27) provides the number of deaths that have occurred within 28 days following a dose 1 and dose 2 COVID-19 vaccination.

This is a formal notice that Section 25 - Information otherwise accessible, is applied to your request, under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002. Therefore, we are not providing the information above in an alternative form in response to your request.

Scottish Information Commissioner's website:  
For information I include a link to the Regulator's [website](#).

If you are unhappy with our response to your request you have the right to request a review. Your request should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this correspondence, and we will reply within 20 working days of receipt. The review will be undertaken by a reviewer who was not involved in the original decision-making process. The reviewer can be contacted as follows:

The FOI Reviewer  
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If our decision is unchanged following a review and you remain dissatisfied, you have the right to make a formal complaint to the Scottish Information Commissioner within six months of receipt of our review response. You can do this by using the Scottish Information Commissioner's Office online appeals service at [www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal](http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal). If you remain dissatisfied with the Commissioner's response you then have the option to appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law.

Yours sincerely

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