

Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002
Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004

Date received	16/11/2022	Subject	Deaths in Hospital	
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Category of information requested	H&SC Delivery - Patient / Clinical Management			

Question/s to be answered

Please provide the following information:

1. The number of patients who have died in hospitals within 5 days of being admitted in the last five financial years (2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23- current year so far)
2. Please provide the total for each year and – only if possible – a breakdown by hospital in each year.

Please see table below. NHS Shetland has a single hospital; Gilbert Bain Hospital. The data for 2022-23 has deaths up to and including 29th December 2022. Deaths included are those within 120 hours of admission. The 120 hours is measured up to the time recorded for discharge; the time of death may have been prior to the actual discharge time.

Financial Year	Number of deaths
2018-19	21
2019-20	35
2020-21	24
2021-22	18
2022-23	26