

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

Date received	19/12/22	Subject	Paracetamol Costs	
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Question/s to be answered

1. How much have you spent on paracetamol in the past five years, breakdown by year?

Primary Care Spending:

2022 - £52954

2021 - £60249

2020 - £59232

2019 - £45673

2018 - £47406

Secondary Care Spending:

2022 - £2893

2021 - £3824

2020 - £3427

2019 - £3302

2018 - £3104

2. How much paracetamol has been prescribed in the past five years, breakdown by year?

This table applies to Primary Care only. It is not possible to assess the prescribing in Secondary care as it is not carried out by electronic means.

Disp Calendar Year	PI Approved Name	PI Item Description	Spend on Paracetamol	Dispensed Quantity
2018	PARACETAMOL	CAPLET	5042.66	370852
2018	PARACETAMOL	FAST MELTS	290.58	1470
2018	PARACETAMOL	ORAL Liquid	2597.82	204082
2018	PARACETAMOL	SF Liquid	20.35	1000

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2018	PARACETAMOL	SF EFFERVESCENT	86.99	1208
2018	PARACETAMOL	SF ORAL Liquid	8853.84	976462.1
2018	PARACETAMOL	SF PAEDIATRIC ORAL Liquid	96.39	8100
2018	PARACETAMOL	SOLUBLE	1655.17	19903
2018	PARACETAMOL	Tablets	28762.68	1178278
2019	PARACETAMOL	CAPLET	3484.82	180298
2019	PARACETAMOL	FAST MELTS	338.84	1552
2019	PARACETAMOL	ORAL Liquid	2153.4	170360
2019	PARACETAMOL	SF liquid	18.9	1000
2019	PARACETAMOL	SF ORAL liquid	8927.42	998240
2019	PARACETAMOL	SF PAEDIATRIC ORAL liquid	11.9	1000
2019	PARACETAMOL	SOLUBLE	1865.88	22440
2019	PARACETAMOL	Tablets	28871.99	1385582
2020	PARACETAMOL	CAPLET	3547.99	122064
2020	PARACETAMOL	FAST MELTS	299.85	1376
2020	PARACETAMOL	ORAL liquid	1444.87	112492
2020	PARACETAMOL	SF Liquid	16.27	780
2020	PARACETAMOL	SF EFFERVESCENT	206.92	2816
2020	PARACETAMOL	SF ORAL liquid	14199.82	948280
2020	PARACETAMOL	SF PAEDIATRIC ORAL liquid	8.33	700
2020	PARACETAMOL	SOLUBLE	2605.15	31274
2020	PARACETAMOL	Tablets	36902.47	1527618
2021	PARACETAMOL	CAPLET	3385.64	111434
2021	PARACETAMOL	FAST MELTS	255.88	1172
2021	PARACETAMOL	ORAL Liquid	1164.14	89870
2021	PARACETAMOL	SF liquid	3.78	200
2021	PARACETAMOL	SF EFFERVESCENT	404.23	4632
2021	PARACETAMOL	SF ORAL Liquid	12445.18	900630
2021	PARACETAMOL	SF PAEDIATRIC ORAL liquid	14.28	1200
2021	PARACETAMOL	SOLUBLE	3221.87	38665
2021	PARACETAMOL	Tablets	39353.81	1581515

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2022	PARACETAMOL	CAPLET	1712.63	71548
2022	PARACETAMOL	FAST MELTS	137.01	772
2022	PARACETAMOL	ORAL Liquid	1737.35	84420
2022	PARACETAMOL	SF liquid	66	2500
2022	PARACETAMOL	SF EFFERVESCENT	842.41	7880
2022	PARACETAMOL	SF ORAL liquid	12068.52	773660
2022	PARACETAMOL	SF PAEDIATRIC ORAL liquid	4.76	400
2022	PARACETAMOL	SOLUBLE	2001.67	22128
2022	PARACETAMOL	Tablets	34383.53	1348517

With regards to secondary care data then in accordance with FOISA s 17(1), NHS Shetland confirms that it does not hold the information requested.