

Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act – 2021.886 Released – 22 July 2021

Thank you for your email dated 4 July 2021 requesting information regarding Covid-19 deaths.

Please find detailed below a summary of your original request together with our response.

Original request

Question 1, 2, 3 and 4 are to be broken down for the following period of 1st January 2020 to 15th May 2021. Question 5 is for calendar year of 1st January to 31st December Inclusive.

1) I would like the exact mortality figure please, where no other cause of death apart from Covid-19 (SARS-CoV-2) was detailed on the medical certificate of cause of death by the Doctor?

64 with only COVID as the MCCD cause of death in category 1 on the certificate.

2) It would be also appreciated if you could break the above figures down into the relevant age groups? Age 1 to 16 Age 17 to 35 Age 36 to 70 Age 70 to 80 Age 80+ Age 1 to 16 zero Age 17 to 35 zero Age 36 to 70 1 Age 71 to 80 11

Age 71 to 80 Age 81+ Total 64

52

3) Within your hospitals, how many mortalities for the aforementioned time period had other causes and Covid-19 (SARS-CoV-2) recorded on their death certificate?

74

4) What is the current total figure you issue in your press releases for deaths from Covid-19 (SARS-CoV-2) within your hospitals?

We have 113 patients who have died with a confirmed diagnosis of COVID on the situation report (SITREP).

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5) Deaths from winter flu (not SARS-CoV-2) for the calendar years of 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020

We were not consistently recording causes of death until very recently so we are unable to provide this information.