

Subject: Request for information regarding the number of individuals who have died following receiving a Covid-19 vaccine.

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Date received: 27 May 2021

Date responded: 21 June 2021

Information requested:

You asked us:

1. “Can you please provide the total number of deaths in Scotland, for any reason, within 28 days of the person having received a dose of one of the Covid-19 vaccines (from all vaccine manufacturers; (AstraZeneca/Pfizer/Moderna).”
2. “Can you please provide the total number of deaths in Scotland of all persons that have died, that have received a dose of one of the Covid-19 vaccines (from all vaccine manufacturers; (AstraZeneca/Pfizer/Moderna).”

“Please provide the information available from the date of the first vaccine (8/12/2020) to today (27/5/2021).

Please provide the age ranges of those that have died.”

NRS Response:

1-2. Our aim is to provide information whenever possible. However, in this instance, the information you have requested is not held by National Records of Scotland. The figures we hold are based on information recorded on the death certificate and so we do not hold information regarding the specific vaccination history of the deceased. May we suggest contacting Public Health Scotland on PHS.FOI@phs.scot for this information.

This is a formal notice under section 17(1) of FOISA that National Records of Scotland does not have the information you have requested.

We do however hold figures on deaths where ‘COVID-19 vaccines causing adverse effects in therapeutic use, unspecified’ was mentioned on the death certificate.

Please see Table 12 in our monthly covid-19 report

<https://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/files/statistics/covid19/covid-deaths-21-data-week-23.xlsx>. From the table you can see that up to 31 May 2021 there have been 4 deaths in Scotland where this code was mentioned on the death certificate.

In addition to this, please see the accompanying table which includes a breakdown by sex and age group of deaths where ICD-10 code ‘U12.9 - COVID-19 vaccines

causing adverse effects in therapeutic use, unspecified' was mentioned on the death certificate.