

Subject: Request for information on deaths from COVID-19 with no co-morbidities

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Information requested:

Information on deaths from COVID-19 where there were no comorbidities, where COVID-19 was the sole cause of death and not previously tested positive in the last two months including the type of tests conducted.

NRS Response:

Some of the information requested is available from our website on page 18 of the following report <https://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/files//statistics/covid19/covid-deaths-report-week-32.pdf> and in figure 3 of the accompanying spreadsheet <https://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/files//statistics/covid19/covid-deaths-extra-tables-week-32.xlsx>. These links provide information on the number of deaths where COVID-19 was entered on the death certificate and whether the deceased had any pre-existing medical condition.

Under section 25(1) of FOISA, we do not have to provide information if it is already reasonably accessible.

While our aim is to provide information whenever possible, in relation to the question on tests, National Records of Scotland does not have the information requested. However, Public Health Scotland at PHS.FOI@nhs.net may be able to help.

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