

**Table 4: The Seasonal Increase in Mortality in the Winter - the underlying numbers of registrations of deaths, Scotland, 1990/91 to 2011/12**

Period	Number of deaths registered			Seasonal Increase in Mortality in the Winter (or seasonal difference) <sup>1</sup>	
	Winter (Dec - Mar)	Preceding period (Aug - Nov)	Following period (Apr - Jul)	(actual)	(rounded)
1990/91	21,859	19,103	19,752	2,432	2,430
1991/92	22,217	19,305	19,352	2,889	2,890
1992/93	22,416	19,417	19,929	2,743	2,740
1993/94	22,504	21,104	18,732	2,586	2,590
1994/95	21,510	19,103	19,301	2,308	2,310
1995/96	22,821	19,074	19,260	3,654	3,650
1996/97	22,438	18,585	19,005	3,643	3,640
1997/98	21,320	18,311	19,105	2,612	2,610
1998/99	23,163	18,856	17,973	4,749	4,750
1999/2000	23,379	18,407	17,974	5,189	5,190
2000/01	20,388	18,061	18,281	2,217	2,220
2001/02	20,366	18,239	18,815	1,839	1,840
2002/03	21,058	18,599	18,499	2,509	2,510
2003/04	21,024	18,616	17,749	2,842	2,840
2004/05	20,658	18,064	17,736	2,758	2,760
2005/06	19,651	17,619	18,127	1,778	1,780
2006/07	20,384	17,526	17,739	2,752	2,750
2007/08	19,900	17,600	17,850	2,175	2,180
2008/09	20,532	17,075	16,969	3,510	3,510
2009/10	19,688	17,059	16,789	2,764	2,760
2010/11	19,626	17,397	16,958	2,449	2,450
2011/12 provisional	19,119	17,269	18,126	1,422	1,420

**Footnote**

1) The Seasonal Increase in Mortality in the Winter, or the 'seasonal difference', is defined as the number of deaths in the 'winter' period of 4 months (December - March) less the average of the numbers of deaths in the preceding period of 4 months (August - November) and the following period of 4 months (April - July).