

Title

Patient meals

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Further to your Freedom of Information Act request, please find the Trust's response(s) below:

- 1) *The total £ amount spent on patient meals. I would like a figure for just the food / ingredients, without including staff costs or equipment.*
- 2) *The total number of meals served to patients (including breakfast if possible)*
- 3) *The average daily cost of meals per patient in £. I.e., how much does it cost to feed one patient for a day, taking just the food / ingredients costs into account, so again not including staff costs or equipment. Provide this as an average over the year, along with a note on the method used to work this out if possible.*
- 4) *The average number of patients you fed per day over the year (i.e., on any given day we fed an average of 100 patients)*

For each question, please provide figures.

For the trust as a whole, and then for each individual hospital under your trust for the last 5 financial years, NOT calendar years as I first requested. Please include this financial year too:

2019/2020

2020/2021

2021/2022

2022/2023

2023/2024 (for this year, please provide the figures from the start of the year to 29/02/2024)

Answer questions 1,2,3 and 4: Information from ERIC is accessible in the public domain.

Under Section 16 of the Freedom of Information Act, please see link below.

The Eric is where you would be able to view all the figures from the 22/23 Eric Return.

<https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/publications/statistical/estates-returns-information-collection/england-2022-23>

5)The amount of food wasted and what % this accounts for of total food served for the last 5 years, broken down by year. I would like the 'amount' of food wasted given as a weight measurement if possible.

Answer: Please see attached. Please note:

The Freedom of Information Act allows the public to ask for copies of information held. Please see attached information held by the Trust. As such, please note the following:

- The Trust does not hold any records from April 21-March 2022 for Eastern Service.
- Northern Service hold no records prior to April 23.
- We are unable to provide %, however under Section 16 of the Freedom of Information Act, in a bid to assist, what has been supplied accounts for total food served.

FOOD WASTE IN TONNES

DCW 2020 -2021		DCW 2022 - 2023		BIFFA 2023 - 2024	
Month/year	Weight in Tonnes	Month/year	Weight in Tonnes	Month/year	Weight in Tonnes
Apr'20	12	Apr'22	12	May'23	2
May'20	9	May'22	4	Jun'23	9
Jun'20	10	Jun'22	1	Jul'23	8
Jul'20	9	Jul'22	4	Aug'23	10
Aug'20	11	Aug'22	11	Sep'23	11
Sep'20	4	Sep'22	5	Oct'23	13
Oct'20	11	Oct'22	5	Nov'23	9
Nov'20	11	Nov'22	15	Dec'23	8
Dec'20	11	Dec'22	16	Jan'24	8
Jan'21	13	Jan'23	10	Feb'24	10
Feb'21	11	Feb'23	11	Mar'24	
Mar'21	10	Mar'23	5	Apr'24	
Grand Total	122	Apr'23	5	Grand Total	89
		Grand Total	103		

There are no records for April 2021 - March 2022

Northern	
Month/year	Weight in Tonnes
Apr-23	3.64
May-23	4.56
Jun-23	3.26
Jul-23	4.34
Aug-23	3.59
Sep-23	4.5
Oct-23	5.5
Nov-23	6.3
Dec-23	5.072
Jan-24	6.29
Feb-24	5.02

There are no records prior to this for Northern sites.