

**Reference Number:** FOI2021/084  
**From:** Commercial  
**Date:** 15 March 2021  
**Subject:** MRI scans performed in 2019 and current wait list

**Q1** For the calendar year of 2019, please could you tell me how many individual MRI examinations were performed overall?

**A1** 5769

**Q2** For the calendar year of 2019, please could you give a breakdown of the individual MRI examinations performed into body part/area? For instance, how many brain scans, spine scans etc. I am happy with whichever body part description is input in the PACS system.

**A2**

BodyPart	Total
Abdomen	6
Aorta	521
Cardiac	3049
Clavicle	1
Foot	2
Hand	2
Head	107
Heart	1837
Knee	3
Leg	3
Liver	12
Neck	12
Pancreatic	4
Pelvic	13
Renal	106
Shoulder	2
Spine	59
Thigh	1
Thoracic	2
Thorax	25
Whole body	2
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>5769</b>

**Q3** As of March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021, how many MRI requests are on the waiting list waiting to be scanned? Please could I have this broken down into individual body part/examination too (like in question 2)?

**A3** 484 – Body part breakdown shown below:

BodyPart	Total
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Abdomen	1
Aorta	17
Cardiac	295
Head	6
Heart	143
Liver	2
Lower Limb	1
Neck	1
Pelvic	3
Renal	11
Spine	3
Thorax	1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>484</b>

Q4 How much money was paid to private companies during the calendar year 2019 for the outsourcing of MRI either to mobile MRI units, private hospitals or private companies staffing hospital scanners to scan NHS patients?

A4 £137,012

Q5 From question 4 which companies were used and how many patients were scanned?

A5 Company used: Alliance Medical (Mobile MRI)  
Total: 540 Examinations