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From: Commercial
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Subject: MRI scanners and number of scans

Q1 For the calendar year of 2021, please could you tell me how many individual MRI examinations were performed overall?

A1 6070

Q2 For the calendar year of 2021, 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

Body Part	Total
Abdomen	9
Aorta	584
Cardiac	3006
Foot	2
Head	137
Heart	2061
Knee	2
Liver	27
Lower Limb	1
Neck	12
Pancreatic	4
Pelvic	19
Renal	106
Spine	75
Thigh	1
Thoracic	3
Thorax	21
Grand Total	6070

Q3 As of the start of 2022, what would the waiting time be (in weeks) for a routine MRI scan (for example how long would a patient have to wait if they were referred for a routine MRI scan of their knee)?

A3 Three weeks average wait time

Q4 How much money was paid to private companies during the calendar year 2021 for the outsourcing of MRI either to mobile MRI units, private hospitals or private companies staffing hospital scanners to scan NHS patients?

A4 Information not held - There was no outsourcing of MRI to scan NHS patients in the calendar year 2021

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

A5 Not applicable as per A4

Q6 How many MRI scanners does the Trust own?

A6 Two

Q7 From question 6 could I please have the manufacturer, model, and date of install of the MRI scanners?

A7

MRI Scanner	Manufacturer	Model	Date of install
1	Siemens Healthcare	Wide Bore 1.5T	01/04/2012
2	Siemens Healthcare	Wide Bore 3T	04/11/2019