

**Reference Number:** FOI202223/460  
**From:** Press/Media  
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**Subject:** Reasons for patients leaving waiting lists

**Q1** How many patients left the waiting list for whatever reason. Please ensure people are counted more than once if they left more than one waiting list

**A1** Please see attachment – *460 FOI response*

This data includes all closed pathways for the date range by all reasons including:

- Treatment Commenced
- Treatment declined
- Treatment not required
- Watchful wait – clinical
- Start of active monitoring
- Did not attend (DNA)
- Decision not to treat
- Patient Deceased/died before treatment

**Q2** Of these, how many left the waiting list because they were admitted as an emergency and treated for the condition their referral related to during their emergency stay, therefore ending the treatment waiting pathway? Please ensure people are counted more than once if they left more than one waiting list.

**A2** Information not held – The Trust does not routinely record this in local Referral to Treatment (RTT) outcome codes

**Q3** And of these (patients in question 1), how many left the waiting list because they died? Please ensure people are counted more than once if they were on more than one waiting list when they died.

**A3** 737 patient's pathways out of the 60,416 ended due to 'patient deceased' or 'patient died before treatment'

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Row Labels	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Grand Total
2018												671	671
2019	942	783	866	871	860	956	1254	1264	1358	1545	1557	1168	13424
2020	1608	1449	1317	867	663	806	965	840	1176	1067	1244	1079	13081
2021	1091	1050	1321	1402	1215	1376	1348	1245	1429	1419	1503	1190	15589
2022	1306	1246	1389	1187	1430	1280	1304	1332	1429	1469	1506	1269	16147
2023	1504												1504
Grand Total	6451	4528	4893	4327	4168	4418	4871	4681	5392	5500	5810	5377	60416