

Freedom of Information request 504-22

Request

I am looking for information regarding the amount spent on hospital food for patients, and the amount that is wasted. As such, can I request the following for the last five financial years (2018/19, 19/20, 20/21, 21/22 and 22/23):

1. The amount spent per patient per day on food and drink?
2. The amount (in terms of volume) of food for patients that is wasted each day?
3. The amount (in terms of cost) of food for patients that is wasted each day?

Response

1. The amount in £ GBP spent by NHS Borders per patient per day on food and drink is:

2018/2019	£3.67	£2.98	£2.58
2019/2020	£4.09	£3.10	£3.12
2020/2021	£3.84	£3.74	£2.88
2021/2022	£5.74	£3.35	£2.84
2022/2023 to Sept22	£5.95	£3.56	£3.05

2. The amount of food (in plated food units) for NHS Borders patients that is wasted each day is:

2018/2019	51	3	2
2019/2020	44	2	2
2020/2021	51	3	2
2021/2022	49	5	3
2022/2023 to Sept22	54	5	2

3. The amount in £ GBP of food for NHS Borders patients that is wasted each day is:

2018/2019	£187.00	£8.94	£5.16
2019/2020	£179.00	£6.20	£6.24
2020/2021	£195.00	£11.22	£5.76
2021/2022	£281.00	£16.75	£8.52
2022/2023 to Sept22	£321.00	£17.80	£6.10

Please Note: Response calculations are based on actual figures from quarterly audits which are then averaged out over the financial year.

If you are not satisfied with the way your request has been handled or the decision given, you may ask NHS Borders to review its actions and the decision. If you would like to request a review please apply in writing to, Freedom of Information Review, NHS Borders, Room 2EC3, Education Centre, Borders General Hospital, Melrose, TD6 9BS or foi.enquiries@borders.scot.nhs.uk.

The request for a review should include your name and address for correspondence, the request for information to which the request relates and the issue which you wish to be reviewed. Please state the reference number **504-22** on this request. Your request should be made within 40 working days from receipt of this letter.

If following this review, you remain dissatisfied with the outcome, you may appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner and request an investigation of your complaint. Your request to the Scottish Information Commissioner should be in writing (or other permanent form), stating your name and an address for correspondence. You should provide the details of the request and your reasons for dissatisfaction with both the original response by NHS Borders and your reasons for dissatisfaction with the outcome of the internal review. Your application for an investigation by the Scottish Information Commissioner must be made within six months of your receipt of the response with which you are dissatisfied. The address for the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner is, Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife.