





Re: FOI request C713.22

I refer to your request dated 24th October 2022, which you have made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 for records held by the HSE. Your request sought:

- How many people died with COVID-19 in Republic of Ireland from 1st December 2021 to 31st March 2022
- What was their vaccination status? Please, recognise: Unvaccinated, Vaccinated Received booster (boostered)

Part 1 Decision Refused

HPSC publishes data on COVID-19 deaths in the Monthly Report on COVID-19 Deaths reported in Ireland. Data is also available in the Epidemiology of COVID-19 in Ireland data hub.

COVID-19 deaths monthly report

COVID-19 deaths reported in Ireland - Health Protection Surveillance Centre (hpsc.ie)

Epidemiology of COVID-19 in Ireland Data Hub

https://epi-covid-19-hpscireland.hub.arcgis.com/

Part 2 Decision - Part Refusal

Vaccination status of laboratory confirmed cases of COVID-19 in those age ≥12 years including those who have died, notified in Ireland during the 4th pandemic wave, 27th June – 4th December, 2021 (Week 26-48, 2021) is available on the HPSC website <u>Vaccination status reports - Health Protection Surveillance Centre</u> (hpsc.ie)

While HPSC does intend publishing further reports on Vaccination status of laboratory confirmed cases of COVID-19 unfortunately the data has not yet been entered onto the Computerised Infectious Disease Reporting System (CIDR) and therefore the report cannot be extracted. An IT

solution is currently in development and once tested and implemented will allow the transfer of data to CIDR. Following the transfer of backlogged data and subsequent validation a report will be produced and made available on the HPSC website.

I am therefore refusing your request under Section 15(1)(a) which states that a request may be refused if the information sought does not exist or cannot be found after all reasonable steps to ascertain its whereabouts have been taken.

Right of Appeal - Internal Review

If you are unhappy with this decision you may appeal it or if you do not receive your decision on the date stated above. Your appeal should be made in writing to the HSE National Lead Office, FOI, DP and Record Management, Scott Building, Midland Regional Hospital Campus, Arden Road, Tullamore, Co. Offaly. Your correspondence should include a fee of €30 for processing the appeal. An internal review fee of €10 applies to medical card holders. Payment should be made by way of bank draft, money order, postal order or personal cheque made payable to the Health Service Executive. If you wish to make payment by electronic means please contact emma.kelly@hse.ie .

You should make your appeal within 4 weeks from the date of this notification, where a day is defined as a working day excluding, the weekend and public holidays. However, the making of a late appeal may be permitted in appropriate circumstances. The appeal will involve a complete reconsideration of the matter by a more senior member of the staff of this body.



FOI Decision Maker HPSC